

**MINUTES OF THE ABUJA FOOD SECURITY SECTOR MEETING**

**Date: 10 May, 2018**

**Location: FAO MEETING OFFICE, OLD CBN BUILDING, GARKI 2 ABUJA**

	<b>Proceedings</b>	<b>Action</b>
1	<p><b>Welcome, Opening Remarks and Round of introductions</b></p> <p>The meeting was presided over by the Sector Coordinator (a.i) who welcomed all members present and called for self-introductions. The Chairman, Kevin Tekpat, who is unavoidably absent, also sent in his apologies.</p>	
2	<p><b>Review of action points &amp; approval of previous meeting minutes</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. FSS to share the final draft of the Roadmap and the workshop proceedings - DONE</li> <li>2. FSS to circulate the presentation on Emergency Food Security Assessment (EFSA) 2018 in Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States, by WFP-VAM – DONE</li> <li>3. FSS to circulate the CH presentation - DONE</li> <li>4. FSS to share the FEW NET Mobile Price Data Transmission System (MDTS) Training opportunity with partners – DONE</li> </ol> <p>Minutes were adopted as there were no remark from the house.</p>	
3	<p><b>Updates on seasonal outlook and rainfall prediction, by NiMet</b></p> <p>NIMET made a presentation on the expected rainy season onset and pattern for the North-East States. The NE states are currently in the La Nina neutral phase - More rainfall, less dry days. NiMet predicts normal rainfall onset for this season. Normal onset, longer cessation of rainfall particularly in the NE - expected normal to above average rainfall, especially there will be above normal rainfall for July, August September. Expected normal to above average dry spell in Yobe and Borno.</p> <p>For more details, please see the technical presentation attached.</p>	<p>FSS to share the presentation.</p> <p>FSS to disseminate NiMet updates continuously, including the information on the recommended time for planting in various areas of the NE.</p>
4	<p><b>Sector Updates</b></p> <p><b>a. Discussion on rainy season planning</b></p> <p>In the last Task Force meeting in Maiduguri on 02 May, the following points were discussed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Activity calendar and timing of distribution</li> </ol>	



FSS, with technical support from FAO, will share with partners the agro-ecological maps including which LGA falls in what zone as well as the crops recommended for the zones. Synchronization of seed and food distribution

The seasonal calendar for rainy season starts in between the month of March-May marks the beginning of land preparation in the NE. The onset of rains is anticipated in April-June in the southern region while the Northern and Central region receive its rains June-July. Planting of cereals, legumes and crops is expected in May through July while rice planting is expected to commence in July.

#### 2. LGA/ward-level coordination among partners

There is need for partners to continue to coordinate with each other at the local level. The sector will share the email group of partners that are active in the same location in order for these partners to establish local coordination hubs. Partners active in the same location are encouraged to be part of the local coordination group in their different locations.

A network of partners involved in seed distribution have been created so they can get in touch with each other and enhance communication and collaboration with other sectors e.g. WASH and micro-gardening.

#### 3. Voucher/cash modality for seed distribution

Partners have shared their experience from last year's seed voucher distribution and seed fair activities – seed quality and sufficient amount sourced from local vendors. The quality and timing of seed delivery was a challenge so some partners had to resort to in-kind distribution and this slowed down activities

#### 4. More support/guidance in post-harvest activities

Partners have requested more discussion on post-harvest activities in the coming meetings. The important of post-harvest activities was emphasized as they can reduce post-harvest losses for the IDPs and programme beneficiaries. Agriculture Research Council of Nigeria (ARCN) said that the Nigeria Stored Products Research Institute in Ilorin may have some study/experience to share when it comes to post-harvest storage

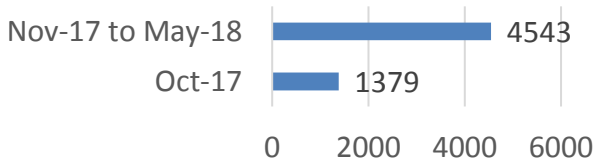
The next task force meeting will be on 16 May at 2pm in Borno MoA, Maiduguri. Partners were encouraged to ensure their field staff attend the related field level coordination forums.

FSS to following with ARCN for possible information sharing on post-harvest technical guidance/experience.



**b. Key situation updates**

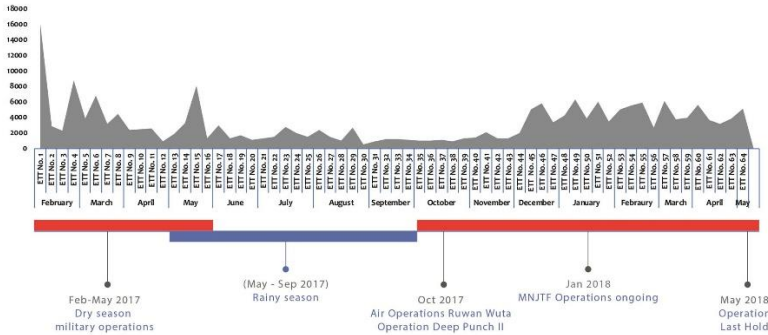
Average weekly new arrivals



Source: IOM/DTM-ETT 38-64.

Displacement Trend and Timeline (Jan 2017 – May 2018)

Source: IOM/DTM-ETT 38-64.



- New military operation “Last Hold” was announced and launched. Last Hold is a joint military operation between the Multi-National Joint Task Force (MNJTF) and the Nigerian Armed Forces. The announced objective is to bring peace and security to the Lake Chad Basin and restore territorial integrity. It started on 1 May and will continue through the rainy season in July/August. Operations are coordinated with Chad and Niger. Meetings with the military are ongoing to facilitate information sharing.
- Initial planning and discussions on the potential influx have taken place with military personnel through the OCHA Civil-Military Coordination Unit. Locations that will likely see high levels of displacement are Damasak (Damasak LGA), Baga (Kukawa LGA), Monguno (Monguno LGA), Ngala/Gamboru (Ngala LGA), Rann (Kala Balge LGA), Dikwa (Dikwa LGA), and Banki (Bama LGA). Large scale displacement will also likely continue to Pulka and Gwoza (Gwoza LGA). Other areas that might be impacted as well include Abadam, Guzamala, and Marte LGAs.

FSS to share the REACH MSNA presentation.

FSS to share the Protection/Gender/P SEA/AAP one-pager findings.



- Based on weekly IOM DTM ETT analysis, from late November 2017 to April 2018, there has been an estimated 100,000 newly arrived individuals across Borno State and northern Adamawa State for reasons including heightened insecurity and military operations. The current weekly average is 4,500 individuals who are largely fleeing to LGA Headquarters from areas considered hard-to-reach. Typically, military operations in north-east Nigeria cease during the rainy season, thus resulting in a decrease of displacement from May to September. While the 2018 HRP took into account the 930,000 individuals in hard-to-reach areas, **this unanticipated military operation and unexpected large scale displacement during the rainy season was not expected.**
- A scenario was proposed whereby a potential 100,000 + individuals (need to be updated) could displace from hard-to-reach areas to the following nine locations: Damasak, Baga, Monguno, Ngala, Rann, Dikwa, Banki, Gwoza and Pulka. Additional insights will be needed on the Pulka/Gwoza areas.
- FSS is currently 34% funded vs. the HRP requirements and most of this funding is from carryover of last year.
- There is an ongoing inter-sector resource mobilization exercise for the rainy season and the extended military operations. In order to highlight urgency for potential resource mobilization: complete the activity costing for the rainy season contingency plan and extend the costing exercise for the predicted new arrivals due to military operations.

#### **c. Updates on MEB finalization**

- FSS circulated the draft revised Food Security related MEB items to all partners. It was validated and submitted to the inter-sector MEB task team.
- The only changes from the list in the harmonization guide were:
  - Cooking fuel/stoves and condiments were added.
  - Farm tools, as per FAO technical team's inputs, pick axe is removed and replaced with axe. And machete and cutlass are added
- The need for a validated MEB in order to inform resource mobilization for multi-purpose grants programming is highlighted.



**Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB) for IDPs and Host Communities**  
 Household size average is consider: 7  
 Pilot Areas: Maiduguri, Jere and Koinige (MSNA)  
 May 2018

Sector	Item	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total amount	Frequency	%	Value	
Food Security (Food Items)	Rice	27	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Millet	45	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Beans	13.5	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Palm Oil	1.8	lter	0	0	Monthly			
	Groundnuts	2.7	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Sugar	1.8	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Veg Oil	3.5	lter	0	0	Monthly			
	Salt	0.9	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Onion	1.44	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Condiments and supplements	2	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Hot and cold vegetables (tomatoes, cucumber, pepper, onions etc.)	2	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Leafy vegetables (cabbage, moringa, lettuce etc.)	2	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Fruits (mangoes, avo, limes)	0.5	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Meat (chicken and beef)	19	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Eggs	2	kg	0	0	Monthly			
	Visitors	2	lter	0	0	Monthly			
	Cooking stoves								
	Small	1	set	0	0	Once a year			
	Medium	1	set	0	0	Once a year			
	Large	1	set	0	0	Once a year			
Cooking fuel (firewood, charcoal or briquettes)	1	bag	0	0	Monthly	0%			
<b>Total</b>									
Food security (agriculture related livelihoods)	Seeds								
	Sorghum	8	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Millet	8	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Cowpea	10	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Okra	0.1	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Rice	15	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Maise	10	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Groundnuts	10	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Seeds	1.5	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Mix vegetables seeds	0.1	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Fertilizers (NPK)	25	kg	0	0	Once a year			
	Farm tools								
	Hoe	1	pc	0	0	Once a year			
	Shovel/Spatula	1	pc	0	0	Once a year			
	Water buckets/containers (20liters)	1	pc	0	0	Once a year			
	Machete	1	pc	0	0	Once a year			
	Cultbas	1	pc	0	0	Once a year			
	Axe	1	pc	0	0	Once a year			
	Labor cost (land preparation and maintenance for 3-4 months)	0.5	ha	0	0	Once a year			
	Poultry and Livestock	2	heads	0	0	Once a year			
<b>Total</b>									

**d. Updates on sectors' engagement in upcoming REACH Multi-Sector Needs Assessment (MSNA)**

As agreed with REACH who was not able to attend the meeting in Abuja, REACH MSNA Framework was presented by the Sector Coordinator (a.i) and questions were taken to refer back to REACH for response.

WFP-VAM suggested that REACH discuss with key FSS partners to see how planned assessments by various actors can complement each other to avoid assessment fatigue and have harmonized indicators/analysis.



REACH\_MSNA\_2018\_FSS\_08052018.pdf

**e. Updates from SAFE Working Group**

The SAFE Working Group organized a presentation and demonstration on Alternative Cooking Fuel Source – Briquettes, by MSF Spain in Maiduguri. For more information on the demonstration/presentation:


<http://fscluster.org/nigeria/document/alternative-cooking-fuel-source>

FSS to share REACH MSNA presentation with Partners

FSS to facilitate a meeting between REACH and WFP-VAM on upcoming assessment coordination/possible collaboration.

REACH to provide more information on the sampling methodology (how



	<p>The MSF-Spain pilot was in Gwoza and Pulka targeting 600 households and the interest and participation is high. UNHCR is also rolling out a briquetting training in Borno state.</p> <p>Following concerns was raised during the discussion:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A proper environmental assessment needs to be done if any partners plan to scale up the production as the raw material supply is a key concern.             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Though after the harvest, there will be a lot of crop residues, the fact that crop residue are used as animal feed should also be taken into consideration, especially given the farmer-herder conflict situation in the country.</li> <li>b. The crop residue is also key to ensure the soil is fertile.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. The current briquetting activities supported by partners are at HH level, targeting youth and women. The possibility of scaling it up to make it an income generation activity was discussed, though the environmental impact needs to be assessed first and the financial impact on the families should be considered.</li> </ol> <p>The Sector emphasized that this is still a learning process and lessons are being learnt and implemented.</p> <p><b>f. Updates on Protection/Gender/PSEA/AAP online survey findings and next steps</b></p> <p>The Sector informed partners of the finding from the online survey “Nigeria Food Security Sector: Partner Capacity Building Needs Assessment on Protection/Gender &amp; GBV/PSEA/AAP.” According to the survey findings, PSEA reporting and referral has been identified as the most urgent priorities to be strengthened among partners. For more information please see the one-page presentation below:</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>FSS Nigeria-Needs Capacity Building As</p> </div>	<p>many households per LGA and whether more affected LGAs are prioritized or not.)</p> <p>FSS to provide more details on the upcoming FSS partners’ Gender/PSEA/AAP training details.</p>
5	<p><b>Partners Updates – None.</b></p>	
6	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The joint gFSC and GNC inter-cluster nutrition working group (<a href="#">ICNWG</a>) has been working on the development of an inter-cluster training</li> </ul>	



package to support programming and implementation of nutrition-sensitive interventions across different sectors. The training package is now in the final stages of the development and they would like to ask 2 (two) countries to volunteer for piloting of the training package. Nutrition and FS Sectors would like to nominate Nigeria to be one of the two pilot countries for this training if this is also of partners and other sectors' interest. If Nigeria is selected to be the pilot country, the 2-3 day training will take place in June/July targeting sector coordination team and partners of at a minimum nutrition, health, WASH, education, protection (including GBV and child protection), and food security sectors.

- The Sector Coordinator (a.i) briefly presented, explained and demonstrated the use of standard FSS IM products, including the static Monthly Dashboard, Cash Dashboard, the interactive dashboard – Tableau FSS online tool – <https://public.tableau.com/profile/ng.food.security.sector#!/vizhome/shared/S4CCXRC39>
- CCPM: The sector reminds partners that the Country Cluster/Sector Performance Monitoring (CCPM) survey for FSS Nigeria is currently ongoing.

What? The CCPM is a self-assessment of sector performance against the six core sector functions and Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP):

- *Support service delivery*
- *Inform the HC/HCT's strategic decision-making*
- *Strategy development*
- *Monitor and evaluate performance*
- *Capacity building in preparedness and contingency planning.*
- *Advocacy*
- *Accountability to Affected Populations*

Why? It is important to monitor/assess the sector performance to...

- *Ensure efficient and effective coordination*
- *Take stock of what functional areas work well and what areas need improvement*
- *Raise awareness of support needed from the HC/HCT/OHCT, sector co-lead agencies, global Clusters or sector partners*
- *Self-reflect*
- *Strengthen transparency and partnership within a Cluster/Sector*



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Show the added value and justify the costs of coordination</i></li> <li>○ <i>If you would like to learn more about what CCPM is, please see a brief presentation here, courtesy of the Nutrition Sector.</i></li> </ul> <p>How? <b>The survey can be accessed through this link:</b>  <a href="https://geurope.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_72H5hdEfzTug6h">https://geurope.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_72H5hdEfzTug6h</a></p> <p>When? <b>It is currently open and will close on 21 May 2018.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A partner asked whether the Sector has any plan to move/expand its support to the middle belt (Benue, for example) because the middle belt is the major source of food production that feeds the rest of the country and a failure to address this situation now will lead to a disaster in the near future. – The situation in the middle-belt was acknowledged and UN agencies have been engaged to provide certain extent of support. The middle belt situation requires a separate forum to discuss further.</li> </ul>	
7	<p><b>Closing</b>          The meeting was closed. The next meeting was tentatively set on 14 June (Thursday), 10am.</p>	

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>EMAIL</b>	<b>PHONE. NO</b>
1	Amu Anthony	NPFS	<a href="mailto:tonyamu@yahoo.com">tonyamu@yahoo.com</a>	08037307934
2	Malick Ndiaye	WFP	<a href="mailto:Malick.ndiaye@wfp.org">Malick.ndiaye@wfp.org</a>	08045537655
3	Patrick David	FAO	<a href="mailto:Patrick.david@fao.org">Patrick.david@fao.org</a>	09071328467
4	Bulama Dauda	NPFS	<a href="mailto:bulamadaud@yahoo.com">bulamadaud@yahoo.com</a>	08039354816
5	Awoyinka Kolawole	AAH	<a href="mailto:Fsl-dhod.ng@acf-international.org">Fsl-dhod.ng@acf-international.org</a>	08034437115
6	Mustapha Baba AJ	NIMET	<a href="mailto:Massa165@gmail.com">Massa165@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:m.aji@nimet.gov.ng">m.aji@nimet.gov.ng</a>	08069445402
7	Ben Odoemena	IFAD	<a href="mailto:b.odoemena@ifad.org">b.odoemena@ifad.org</a>	08088900300
8	Ernest Ahtell	UK DFID	<a href="mailto:e-achtell@dfid.gov.uk">e-achtell@dfid.gov.uk</a>	07035245634
9	Unico Uduka	ICEED	<a href="mailto:iregbu@iceednigeria.org">iregbu@iceednigeria.org</a>	07084560114
10	Comfort Agwu	ECHO	<a href="mailto:Comfort-onye.agwu@echofield.eu">Comfort-onye.agwu@echofield.eu</a>	08038969348
11	Michelle Juarez	USAID/FFP	<a href="mailto:mjuarez@usaid.gov">mjuarez@usaid.gov</a>	08036290976
12	Pegine Pahan	ARCN	<a href="mailto:nneiwegwuagwu@gmail.com">nneiwegwuagwu@gmail.com</a>	08036490205
13	Regina Parham	USAID/OFDA	<a href="mailto:Nigeriadart_pgo2@ofda.gov">Nigeriadart_pgo2@ofda.gov</a>	09066803146
14	Chachu Tadicha	SCI	<a href="mailto:Chachu.tadicha@savethechildren.org">Chachu.tadicha@savethechildren.org</a>	0713845594
15	Olatunji Sonoiki	WFP	<a href="mailto:Olatunji.sonoiki@wfp.org">Olatunji.sonoiki@wfp.org</a>	09033874147
16	Heavens Grace	ADRA	<a href="mailto:heavensnelly@gmail.com">heavensnelly@gmail.com</a>	08168304921
18	Daria Esther	ADRA	<a href="mailto:Esther.daria@yahoo.com">Esther.daria@yahoo.com</a>	07060664785
19	Aisha Ja'afaru	YIPDI	<a href="mailto:Youthinitiative39@gmail.com">Youthinitiative39@gmail.com</a>	07033512827





**NIGERIA**  
**FOOD SECURITY SECTOR**  
*Strengthening Humanitarian Response*

20	Nkeiruka Enwelum	FAO	<a href="mailto:Nkeiruka.enwelum@fao.org">Nkeiruka.enwelum@fao.org</a>	07011365533
21	George Monyei	MCDF	<a href="mailto:majestyfound@gmail.com">majestyfound@gmail.com</a>	08023391481
22	Adeyemi Akinkunmi	MCDF	<a href="mailto:majestyfound@gmail.com">majestyfound@gmail.com</a>	08023662675
23	Engr. James Akijobi	NEMA	<a href="mailto:J_akujobi@yahoo.com">J_akujobi@yahoo.com</a>	07031374222
24	Nnemeke Ihegwuagu	ARCN	<a href="mailto:nneihegwuagu@gmail.com">nneihegwuagu@gmail.com</a>	08036490205
25	Michelle Hsu	FSS	<a href="mailto:Michelle.hsu@wfp.com">Michelle.hsu@wfp.com</a>	07915719484