



Note for the Record: Sector Meeting

1 May 2017

Venue: Conference Room, Borno State Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources (MANR)

Chaired by: Mr. Yohanna Y. Balami, Representative of the Permanent Secretary, Borno State (MANR)

Start time: 11:00am **End time:** 1:15pm

(A full list of attendees can be found at the end of this document)

Summary of Action Points

- 1. Share the minicoordination hubs and invite partners to meeting
- 2. Share WFP Prioritisation plan with partners
- 3. Make and distribute sensitisation flyers of WFP prioritisation Amadou of WFP
- 4. FAO and ICRC will meet to discuss bilaterally on how to reach the difficult to access LGAs.
- 5. FSC to share the Gaps analysis with PCNI to identify LGAs to be covered
- **6.** Share presentation on Lean season Plan
- 7. Share Food Security and Nutrition Joint action plan

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome, Introduction and Opening Remarks
- 2. Presentation of Mini coordination hubs
- 3. Lean Season
 - a) Food Security Response Plan
 - **b)** Presentation of WFP Prioritization Plan
- 4. Updates/Info
 - a) Briefing on the meeting for the 4 famine countries in Rome
 - b) Inter Agency Contingency Plan for the North East
 - c) Feedback on Sector meetings (USAID, ISWG, PCNI)
- **5.** A.O.B



Agenda Item	Discussions					
Introduction	In his opening remarks, the chairman Mr Balami welcomed all the partners to the meeting. He expressed the sector's apologies for the scheduling of the adhoc meeting, which he informed was due to the lomng time lag between now and the last meeting which was on the 11th of April					
Introduction of Guests from Abuja	Guests from Director Mr Douglas Mercado noting that Mr Mercado would make a presentation on WFP's lean season prioritisation plan. She also introduced Mr Malick Ndiave a member of the sector coordinating team based in Abuja, and Mr Marco Falcone, FAO operations officer in					
Presentation of Mini coordination hubs	Mini partners active in this locations. The minicoordination hubs will be mainly in Maiduguri as a result of the large number of humanitarian actor in this LGA and the need to avoid duplication and optimise the utilisation of available resources. Bolori 1 Ward (MMC), Maisanda (MMC), Polymer Wood (MMC), Maisanda (MMC), Polymer Wood (MMC), Polymer Wood (MMC), Maisanda (MMC), Maisanda (MMC), Polymer Wood (MMC), Maisanda (
Lean Season Food Security Response Plan	To better prepare of the lean season that is projected to be a critical period, with approximately 5.2 million persons vulnerable and in need of Humanitarian assistance (as per the last Cadre Harmonise results), the Food Security sector has developed a response plan, to coordinate the partners planning during this period, and to identify the gaps and prioritize interventions to the most vulnerable, based on available funds. The Food Security lean season response plan, shows a total targeted beneficiaries of 2.8 millions, of which, 1.9 million people are targeted to receive Food assistance and 1.4 million Agriculture and livelihood (around 0.5 million will receive both Food assistance and agriculture inputs, in order to secure the livelihoods activity and help them to transit to the recovery phase). This lean season response plan, once implemented, will reduce the gap of food insecured persons, however the number of persons in need unmeet will be still high, mainly for Agriculture at 62% in different area despite the big rainy season campaign. The needs of Food assistance remain crucial in the hard to reach areas (Abadam, Guzamala, Nganzai, Marte), as there are no presence of Food Security partners currently, nor planning to operate there in the coming 4 months. Lean Season Plans Dashboard, Borno Lean Season Partner Presence Plan Map, Adamawa Lean Season Partner Presence Plan Map, Yobe Season Partner Presence Plan Map, Partner presence for the lean season	Share the FSS Lean Season response Plan				



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•	The current challenge facing the food security sector is insufficient resources that has forced some partners to proceed to review targeting of beneficiaries, prioritizing the assistance to the most vulnerable, during the critical Lean season period. WFP has adopted a prioritization plan to leverage interventions based on existing funds, while ensuring that the most vulnerable are targeted and assisted. The Presentation of the WFP prioritization plan was done by by Malick Ndiaye. The foreword for the presentation was made by Douglas Mercado. According to Douglas, WFP had a target to reach 1.8m people during the lean season of 2017, but as a result of a shortfall in available funds, the numbers of people to be reached has been reviewed downwards to 1.36m. As of present WFP has received not yet received the expected funds to implement the initial planning for 2017, and this is impacting its ability to reach people in need with food. WFP is presently reaching out to non-traditional donors including the Word Bank, the Islamic Development Bank, the AFDB etc to secure pledges and funds for its food operations Pledges have been received from many donors but these pledges have not been redeemed, WFP could get some funds from its internal sources to back the pledges until the donors redeem their pledges but this could take some time. Other non traditional donors like China recently donated 5m USD to WFP FOR its Nigeria operations. There is currently a large scale global response to emergencies in NE Nigeria, Syria, Yemen and South Sudan, and available resources have to be prioritised among these countries that have been noted to be in danger of experiencing famine. As a result the need to ensure that available resources are optimised, WFP came up with the lean season prioritisation plan to reach to most food insecure people during the lean season. The scale down will begin in June 2017 The WFP Sensitisation flier	Share WFP Prioritisation plan with partners WFP to make and distribute sensitisation flyers FSC to share the Gaps analysis with PCNI to identify LGAs to be covered
	The WPP Sensitisation file.	



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Rem	Discussions In response to inquiries on what the Govt. Plans to do in response to the expected gaps PCNI noted that it would be interested to know where the gaps are in order to have them covered. Partners suggeseted that in order to further stretch and optimise available resources, cheaper, more readily available and locally acceptable food stuff can be substituted for the people for example rice which is costlier can be replaced with millet which is readily available and much prefered by the people. Update on FAO Rainy Season campaign by Marco Falcone FAO has secured additional funding which will enable it to reach more farming households for the rainy season with seeds and other agriculture inputs. As a result of this FAO is scaling up its seeds delivery in Adamawa Borno and Yobe states, as more HHs would be reached.	FAO and ICRC will meet to discuss bilaterally on how
	FAO has also developed a joint proposal with WFP so for a seeds protection strategy so that HHs who receive food from WFP also receive seeds from FAO to ensure that the seeds are not consumed but planted. Already, farmers have started receiving seeds and fertilizer in Yobe and Adamawa states. The distributions are commencing in the southern parts of the states where the rains commence earlier, and priority are given to states with diffcult acess.	to reache the difficult to access LGAs.
Updates/Info Briefing on the meeting for the 4 famine countries in Rome	Cluster Lead Agencies for Food Security and Nutrition, FAO, WFP and UNICEF and their NGO partners met at a high level meeting in Rome on the 4 famine prone countries (NE Nigeria, Yemen, South Sudan and Somalia) in order to streamline their activities for a joint targeting and programming. The two Clusters' Lead Agencies and partners had reviewed current collective responses with a joint understanding of the food insecurity situation in the four countries, with a consensus on the remaining critical gaps and Identified opportunities for scaling up integrated response in the 4 countries. The two Clusters developed a joint actions plan in order to work together towards scaling up an integrated response. The Global clusters Health and WASH were invited as observer as this joint approach is expected to be extended to these two clusters as well. The Food and Nutrition sectors' Joint actions plan	



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Updates/Info Inter Agency Contingency Plan for the North East	The Food security and Nutrition sectors have jointly prepared a response plan (in line with the joint approach advocated during the famine meeting in Rome). The Food Security situation is projected to worsen with the onset of rainy season, many access roads are anticipated to be cut off due to flooding affecting additional persons. The following areas are anticipated to be affected: Abadam, Kukawa, Mongunu, Mafa, Bama, Kala/Balge, Dikwa, Ngala, Jere Konduga,		
Updates/Info	Damboa, Gwoza, Ngaze, Magumeri. USAID: The sector met with USAID on Tuesday 2nd May 2017. USAID was interested in the gaps, the funding level, the sector activities, mainly the sector's Lean season response plan and overal coordination with a view to understanding the challenges and peculiarites of the situation and thus helping to provide support and assistance to overcome these challenges.		
Feedback on Sector meetings (USAID, CERF, PCNI)	CERF proposal is being prepared but the Food Security sector has not been prioritzed for this allocation. PCNI: The Presidential Committee on the North East Initiative PCNI launched its Dashboard on the 1st May 2017. The Dashboard will help to		
	show where partners are active and what they are doing in their locations. it is a web based dashboard. The first step to uploading on the dashboard is to register, when registration is completed, a link will be sent to the registering partner and this link will be used to complete the registration process.		
	The Dashboard can be assessed at <u>www.pcnidashboard.org</u>		
AOB	A reputable Haulage company has presented its credentials to the sector via the chairman Mr Yohana Balami. Partners who have logistical challenges and are interested in the services of this organisation should please inform the secretariat and they would be linked to the company.		



NEXT MEETING

In the absence of any other business, the meeting was adjourned to **30th May 2017**, Conference Room, Borno State Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources

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