



**MINUTES OF THE FOOD SECURITY SECTOR WORKING GROUP MEETING HELD AT FAO OFFICE
 OLD CBN BUILDING GARKI II, ABUJA ON 10TH OCTOBER 2017**

NO	PROCEEDINGS	Action
1.0	<p align="center">WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND OPENING REMARKS</p> <p>The Chairman sent a representative as he was unavoidably absent. The meeting was presided by the Food Security Sector Coordinator who welcomed partners to the meeting and called for self-introductions.</p>	None
2.0	<p align="center">Review of Action Items of Previous Meetings</p> <p>NiMet representatives were invited to attend FSSWG meeting in the previous meeting and they honored the invitation, they are making a presentation.</p> <p>WFP was to give an update on the market price assessment.</p>	WFP
3.0	<p align="center">CADRE HARMONISE UPDATE</p> <p>The Programme Coordinator for the cadre harmonise gave a summary of the cadre harmonise processes, taking partners through the analytical framework of the analysis, key points & approach, CH steps, roles of participant and expectation from partners amongst others.</p> <p>He informed partners that the cadre harmonise will be conducted in 5 centres stating the states in each centre and the venue.</p> <p>He concluded by informing partners that the analysis will commence at state level from 23rd October, 2017, National consolidation workshop 30th October, 2017 and the Report presentation Workshop on 3rd November 2017.</p> <p>The presentation will be sent to partners for more details</p> <p align="center">COMMENTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FAO representative stated that all NGOs & INGOs will be invited and urged partners to participate actively in the analysis in order to get a consensus. • WFP added that partners with any information that can strengthen the analysis data should provide them. 	

	<p style="text-align: center;">UPDATE ON THE POPULATION DATA</p> <p>The CH Coordinator reported that partners in Abuja held a meeting and agreed to use the VTS population data for the CH analysis but that they will hold another meeting on Thursday with Government for acceptability</p>	
4.0	<p style="text-align: center;">ROADMAP FOR FOOD AND NUTRITION SECURITY EARLY WARNING SYSTEM (EWS) FOR NIGERIA</p> <p>Mr. Mainu gave an overview of the roadmap for food security early warning system for Nigeria.</p> <p>Stating that the general objective of this activity is to consolidate network development support towards a well-coordinated; well-structured, sustainable food security early warning system (EWS) for Nigeria.</p> <p>Listing the expected results of the supports to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Proposal for the development of EWS in Nigeria, ✓ A roadmap, jointly articulated by FEWS NET and key food security partners including CILSS, WFP, FAO, and the National Food Security Program (NPFS), ✓ Present to government, partners and donor agencies for adoption and funding and <p>the progress so far he listed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Draft road map outline shared with the respective country team saddled with the responsibility to develop such and ✓ NPFS has accepted to lead the process and as the lead agency will be responsible in sending the invitation letter for the subsequent meeting, <p>A meeting with EWS Desk officers is scheduled for October, 11th, 2017: review of draft outline and development of road map.</p> <p>Presentation will be circulated for more details</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COMMENTS</p> <p>FAO stated that it is very appreciative and acknowledged the importance of the leadership by NPFS.</p>	
5.0	<p style="text-align: center;">2017 SEASONAL RAINFALL PREDICTIONS AND EVALUATION BY NIMET</p> <p>NIMET representatives with the use of maps and graphics from the satellite they gave a comprehensive presentation on the Seasonal Rainfall Prediction (SRP) and the evaluation/Performance of Rainfall in fulfilment of its mandate to effectively monitor the nation's climate and weather and provide necessary early warning advisories.</p> <p>Stating that the timely preparation & release of the SRP is to enhance preparedness against predicted climate risks and hazards. Thus, the SRP assists decision makers and disaster managers at the various levels of governance to put in place adaptation and mitigation strategies.</p>	

	<p>The SRP is therefore an invaluable tool which is capable of ameliorating the unpleasant consequences of extreme weather and climate events. The proper application of the SRP reduces climate-related risks, enhances production, security and revenue generation.</p> <p>NiMet seeks to use the SRP and its other key products to assist government achieve its programs in the current agricultural policy which include:</p> <p>The achievement of self-sufficiency in basic food supply and the attainment of food security; Increase in the production of agricultural raw materials for industries; Increase in the production and processing of export crops, using improved production and processing technologies; Job creation within the agricultural value chain and, Improvement in the quality of life of citizens' particularly rural dwellers resulting in poverty eradication.</p> <p>Presentation will be circulated for more information.</p>	
6.0	<p>UPDATES ON THE 2018 HNO/HRP PROCESS AND NEXT STEPS</p> <p>The Food Security Sector Coordinator gave the update on Humanitarian Needs Overview and the Humanitarian Response Plan informing partners that 3 validation workshops were held in Adamawa, Borno and Yobe and drafts were circulated for feedbacks.</p> <p>She informed partners that HRP workshop scheduled to hold in Abuja has been postponed and that any information on the new date will be circulated to partners.</p> <p>As a reminder she stated that the information been used for Humanitarian Needs Overview was from the March 2017 cadre harmonise analysis data and that the information will be updated as we go along.</p> <p>CHALLENGES & SUCCESS PARTNERS ARE FACING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ She expressed the interest of partners to invest in new technology by using the GPS coordinates but that most partners were not proficient in that area and a training is been planned in Adamawa. ✓ Save the Children reported success in the classification of LGA and wards ✓ ADRA reported security challenges in Jakana. 	<p>Partners should attend meetings called for preparation of HNO and HNO Validation Workshops</p>
7.0	<p>AOB</p> <p>UPDATE FROM PCNI</p> <p>PCNI representative informed the house that they will hold their coordination meeting next week 17th October 2017 at 10.am</p>	

	<p>That they handed over food stuff to 4 states Bauchi, Taraba Gombe and Adamawa.</p> <p>That Nigerian Custom has informed them that they have some food items in their warehouse for the IDPs, she will get the details and update the FSS.</p> <p>She also informed the house that some part of the budget has been released and if there are gaps in food security aspects they can come in and support.</p> <p>On a sad note she informed the house of the demise of Mr. Emmanuel Buba the liaison officer between FAO and DHCBI and Alhaji Abdulsalam Badamasi the zonal coordinator – NEMA.</p>	
8.0	<p>CLOSING</p> <p>In the absence of any other business the Food Security Sector Coordinator concluded the meeting.</p>	

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