

Minutes of the FSLC Meeting of March 13, 2024

Online meeting attendance: 110 participants

Chair: Jean-Loïc GUIEZE, FSLC Coordinator

Meeting Agenda

1. February update from the NAWG – Guillaume Pocard, REACH, Country Representative
2. FSL cluster workflow update – Mat Gai, FSLC National Coordinator
3. Food aid gap analysis – Jean-Loïc Guieze FSLC Coordinator
4. Integration between food aid (CO1) and emergency agriculture (CO2) – Emma Pravisano Vasilico, FAO, Emergency and Resilience Specialist
5. AOB

Agenda discussions

1. February update from the NAWG	Next Steps / Action Points
<p>The Needs Analysis Working Group (NAWG) is working to prioritize counties based on a multi-sectoral assessment of the severity of the needs of the affected population using the following triggers: report of protection concern, IPC levels of food insecurity, displaced population due to conflict or flooding, disease outbreak, etc.</p> <p>REACH, co-chair of the NAWG, presented the NAWG update for February 2024 (see the presentation here).</p> <p>Beginning in March, the FSLC will collect input from partners to update the NAWG on a monthly basis. Partners will share their NAWG update with their state and/or county focal point, and the focal point will then share their area update with the national level for review (by the FSLC food security analyst) and inclusion in the analysis.</p>	<p>Partners are encouraged to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • share any report, or research with the FSLC to support the classification of the counties. • provide feedback on the analysis during the presentations. <p>FSLC will share i/ a template with FSLC subnational focal points to collect input from partners, and ii/ the NAWG monthly updates.</p>
2. FSL cluster workflow update	Next Steps / Action Points
<p>The FSLC National Coordinator presented the progress of the FSLC since the last meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving sub-national coordination with the support of FSL Cluster State/County Focal Points. A first meeting was held with them on March 7th and similar meetings will be held monthly to discuss the challenges and provide support needed to implement the FSLC strategy and coordinating the humanitarian response. 	<p>Implementation of FSLC 2024 work plan will begin on March 20th, following validation by FAO and WFP, the Cluster Lead Agencies (CLAs).</p> <p>Link to the presentation here.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed the FSLC 2024 work plan with the support of the Strategic Advisory Group (SAG). • Revised FSLC membership requirements, which will be communicated to partners once finalized and approved by the SAG and CLAs. 	
3. Food aid gap analysis	Next Steps / Action Points
<p>The FSLC updates a monthly food aid gap analysis based on CO1 (Food Aid) partners' plans.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To do so, the FSLC compares partners GFD and MPC plans with HRP targets (IPC4+ population). • Identifying gaps helps direct resources to the most acute needs and advocate for adequate resources. 	<p>FSLC will share a template with FSLC partners to collect inputs about their non-WFP GFD and MPC plans to determine the response gaps.</p> <p>Gap analysis map link is here</p>
4. Integration between food aid (CO1) and emergency agriculture (CO2)	Next Steps / Action Points
<p>One of the key priorities of the FSLC 2024-2026 strategy is the integration of complementary food assistance activities: food aid (CO1) and emergency agriculture (CO2).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To implement this priority, FAO and WFP have launched a pilot in 23 counties where FAO will provide some livelihood support (Main Season Response) to the same beneficiaries that WFP supports with food aid. • This pilot will be coordinated at the field level by WFP and FAO field offices in close coordination with the FSLC. • The results of this integration will be evaluated to determine its impact and how it supports beneficiaries. 	<p>FSLC partners with bilateral funding (non-WFP or non-FAO funding) will be guided by the FSLC Subnational Focal Point to participate in this integration of services.</p> <p>Link to presentation Here</p>
5. AOB	
<p>Thank you to all FSLC partners who completed the Country Cluster Performance Monitoring (CCPM) survey. We achieved an amazing 94% completion rate.</p>	<p>FSLC to organize a restitution workshop with a special session on funding issues.</p>