



# global Food Security Cluster COVID 19 Working Group

**Conference call on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020, virtual meeting**

## **Meeting minutes**

The presentation is available at

[https://wfp.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/fsc\\_global/Eb9IYFdaBMIAt5sxru8logQB3g57c3Vk\\_PzGCjudNpPijw?e=l1czXY](https://wfp.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/fsc_global/Eb9IYFdaBMIAt5sxru8logQB3g57c3Vk_PzGCjudNpPijw?e=l1czXY)

### Agenda:

1. Introduction and update
2. Presentation from Vulnerability Assessment Mapping of WFP
3. Update for each result
4. AOB

### Actions

Action	Time	Who
Post or highlight most relevant urban documentation on the gFSC	22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Walter - gFSC
Reply to a survey about your contribution to the development of guidance on urban settings  Please, write your name in the google document if you are interested to join this sub-group: <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1RQT6ICXDED41p7GXWOfFgxsh0f3oAB375_TUNxPHKeY/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1RQT6ICXDED41p7GXWOfFgxsh0f3oAB375_TUNxPHKeY/edit?usp=sharing</a>	22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Members
Identify focal persons for the dissemination of the guidance notes	By next meeting	Julie / Aftab

## Introduction and update

- The previous meeting minutes is here: [https://fscluster.org/covid19\\_twg/document/twg-covid-19-meeting-minutes-25-may-2020](https://fscluster.org/covid19_twg/document/twg-covid-19-meeting-minutes-25-may-2020) – approved as no comment/feedback
- No replacement to be expected for Damien in the scope of the Covid 19 WG
- Lisa Ratcliffe supports the Result 3 as an advocacy officer & Cristina of the gFSC provides support to the result 1
- The gFSC has submitted 2 Stand By Partners requests to increase its capacities: one IMO for the R1 and one Advocacy officer for the R3.
- Most relevant urban documentation has been identified, but still needs to be posted or highlighted on the gFSC website for easy access
- WFP (Dina), gFSC (Lisa) and ACF (Cyril) would be interested to develop a guidance note for urban settings. More contribution expected from members
- ACF is looking at joining the Result 3 WG on advocacy, as there is a need for expertise in nutrition

## VAM presentation

- The presentation provides some insights about the WFP estimation of populations in food crisis by the end of 2020
- Job losses amongst the working poor and the reduction in remittances : 2 channels that were explored for estimations
- One of the limitation of the lack of pre-covid data on urban populations
- Most negative impacts appear striking mower middle income countries: +86M people in food crisis
- The estimated figures do not match with IPC 3+ populations, but are populations at risk
- New figures soon out, after approval at the executive board

## Update results

### Result 1 (risk monitoring framework)

**Interim deliverable** <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1SljqGNJy4iViN3RowORe-jfhm7blxgvi>

- Participation at the World Bank meeting about the Famine Action Mechanism (FAM) and contribution of the gFSC very well appreciated ;
- Pre-selection of countries for the test and discussions to have with the country cluster coordinators for approval. Countries might be South-Sudan, DRC, Haiti, Bangladesh, Mozambique

### Result 2 (SOP development, documentation of good practices)

- The co-chairs of the sub-Working groups were not present
- No update with regard to the dissemination of the already developed guidance notes
- A webinar organized by LEGS gathered more than 100 participants

### Result 3 (advocacy)

- Working group members have been busy producing advocacy messages. Still some work needed before finalization, end of next week
- Need for a nutrition expertise to review messages
- No connection with the upcoming policy brief of the IASC about COVID-19 impacts on food security
- Guidance on Cash & Market in urban settings

### Result 4 (relation with WHO, Health cluster)

- Discussion about potential closure of the result 4 due to the absence of achievements
- Some members mentioned it is better to keep it open
- To keep it as an agenda item rather than a result?

### Result 5 (researches)

- 5 students started a few days ago, on June 5<sup>th</sup>
- Refined 10 case studies countries: Venezuela, Haiti, Iraq, Yemen, Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Niger, Ethiopia, South Sudan, Peru

### AOB

- No AOB

### Participation:

34 participants as shown on Zoom