



**GLOBAL
FOOD SECURITY
CLUSTER**

TWG - COVID 19 meeting

27 July 2020



Agenda

1. Update
2. Update for each result
3. AOB



1. General update



- last TWG-C19 meeting (6th July): previous meeting minutes is here: https://fscluster.org/covid19_twg/document/twg-covid-19-meeting-6th-july-2020
- – approved?
- Action from last meeting:

Action	Time	Who
Cooked meal Urban targeting	Mid-July	Julie (USAID) Cyril (ACF)
Share our key messages with FAO and WFP in the scope of the upcoming HLPF	ASAP	Result 3 members
Organize an ad-hoc meeting with WFP for presentation of the results	ASAP	Damien
Check the next meeting date through a doodle	This week	Damien



2. Update results



Result 1 Bi-Weekly Meeting



JMF Development Updates:

- 1) R1 WG indicators and analysis framework: **Shared with JMF Pilot**
- 2) Design information management and risk monitoring system: Country Tracker **Drafted; In-Country Version Drafted – customized for each country**
- 3) Consolidation of available frameworks, reports, data for COVID-19 and Acute Food Insecurity: **On-going – to be updated for July**
- 4) Develop detailed guidance for analyzing/monitoring: **Shared with JMF Pilot**
- 5) Share guidance document and indicators with select clusters: **Shared with JMF pilot**
- 6) Identify countries for feedback and soft launch of JMF: **Completed**
- 7) Develop JMF PPT/Webinar for Pilot: **Completed**
- 8) Translation of JMF Matrix to French – **Completed**
- 9) Improved/clearer connection with key analysis processes



Pilot/Roll out Overview:

- **3 Countries** conducting Stage 2 (Sub-National Risk Evaluation) and Stage 3 (Sub-National Monitoring) - Cox Bazaar (Bangladesh), Haiti, North East Syria
- **Timeline** (not inclusive)
 - Stage 2: On-Going
 - Stage 3: Mid-August
- **Update/Comments:**
 - JMF Matrix/Indicator Table and IPC linkage
 - Large number of Indicators selected - Lack context/livelihood consideration
 - Bringing together JMF team relatively quick (as of now)
 - Uncertainty of mixed method/expert judgment approach (push for calculation)
 - Capacity constraints
- **JMF Phased roll out** – Mid-August dependent on Stage 2 Pilot Feedback –
 - Milestones before roll out?
 - Countries to consider?



Questions/Comments



Result 2: Specific guidance for existing activities & Knowledge management

- Current guidance: cooked meal (PQWG), targeting (C19)



Result 3: Advocacy

- Key messages laid out and published [on gFSC website](#) and social media.
- Shared with FAO and WFP for incorporation in IASC Principals topline messaging and used for latest agreed IASC advocacy group messages.
- Suggestion to break down into short social media cards for greater dissemination on Twitter etc.



Result 4: joint strategy

No update as last meeting was on 26 June

Group 5

Information from the Wider Industry

Updates as of July 27, 2020

Proposed Research Areas

1) How do import/export food bans/restrictions impact food security, especially in countries that rely heavily on food imports. How can the private sector help to keep food trade moving forward?

UPDATE: This piece of research started July 20th with mapping of key agribusiness companies against key commodities and focus countries (see next two slides).

2) How are planting cycles, post harvest food processing, storage and transport disruptions due to COVID 19 impacting food supplies? What are best practices for countering these disruptions?

UPDATE: This being done through 12 country case studies and commodity research (see next two slides for update)

3) The world has experienced various import and export food production input and food commodity bans in the past two decades. What can we learn from these past bans and how can they inform advocacy for ensuring responsible and safe inputs and food trade flows during COVID 19? **UPDATE: (This research piece about 60% done)**

Case Study Countries

Criteria for Country Selection

- Food insecure (based on 2020 Food Security Information Network Report)
- Has a Country level Food Security Cluster
- Has major food or ag input imports, or is major exporter to food insecure country
- Data availability
- Have distribution of countries to represent Asia, Africa, Middle East and LAC
- WG 5 countries to match with WG 1 countries, or majority overlap

Updates July 27th

- **Baselines work for all 12 countries complete**
- **Now working on key imported commodities which make up food basket/drive food security**
- **Using data sets being published each week**

Case Study Countries

1. Venezuela - Asha
2. Haiti - Andrew
3. Iraq - Arianna
4. Yemen - Kayleigh
5. Bangladesh - Pramitha
6. Afghanistan - Alexandria
7. Niger - Pramitha
8. Ethiopia - Alexandria
9. South Sudan - Kayleigh
10. Peru - Asha
11. Mozambique - Arianna
12. Pakistan - Andrew

Commodity Areas

Criteria for Commodity Selection

- Is a major component of food basket in case study countries
- Has major import/export flows that influence global and local supplies and prices
- Data availability
- WG 5 will include ag inputs since most case study countries are dependent on ag inputs to support their local production.

Update: Work on commodity areas started July 20th

Commodity Areas

1. Ag inputs (seeds, fertilizer)
2. Rice
3. Wheat
4. Maize
5. Cooking Oil
6. Pulses
7. Chicken
8. Fresh fruits and vegetables



3. AOB

