global Food Security Cluster
COVID 19 Working Group

Conference call on 12th October 2020, virtual meeting

Meeting minutes

The presentation is available at
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Agenda:

1. General update
2. Update for each result
3. Future of the Covid-19 wg
4. AOB

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Introduction and update

- Last TWG-C19 meeting (14th September): previous meeting minutes is here:

Approved
Update results

Result 1 (risk monitoring framework)

- Nothing really happened in the past 4 weeks
- Pilot in Cox’ Bazar and report available; to get uploaded on the C19 webpage of the gFSC
- Pilot in North-East Syria: first analysis workshop done, JMF matrix completed, on-going drafting of the fact sheet
- Pilot in Haiti: not done and its relevance questioned as recent IPC analysis. On-going discussions about piloting it in a different way.
- Pilot on Yemen, under discussion and consideration.
- It is difficult to go on piloting the tool right now as it is the time of HNO & HRP in many countries. Still discussions to have about the ambition of piloting the JMF extensively
- Answers to some questions:
  - The JMF has no ambition to replace the IPC and has no ability to calculate the number of people in need. It is only qualitative
  - C19 does not appear in some context as the number 1 driver of acute food insecurity

Result 2 (SOP development, documentation of good practices)

- cooked meal (led by PQWG): completed
- urban targeting (C19): almost completed, cleaning work to be done for completion by the gFSC before being shared to the WG members
- Agriculture toolkit: completed. Pilot phase started in Myanmar. Will be shared with the wider audience after testing

Result 3 (advocacy)

- Nothing is really happening
- No side-event at the virtual CFS
- Possibility to re-apply for the CFS in February
- More evidence will be available by that time and possibility to incorporate elements and results from the group 5

Result 4 (joint strategy)

- Global cluster coordinators are elaborating a generic platform for inter-cluster collaboration
- The platform should be operational after 4 weeks, and might include different collective outcomes, still to get identified (eg. Nutrition). Why not epidemics such as covid-19

Result 5 (researches)

- Membership in the 5wg is shrinking
- Baseline of the 12 countries completed
- Production of a lessons learnt document soon out
- Discussion about potential presentation from the 6 students, in the format of a side-event of the partners’ meeting?
- Regarding the signing off document produced by the result or group: as the documents are produced by the members of C19 WG, the documents are validated and there is no need for FAO and WFP to approve a document
**Future of the C19 working group**

- The C19 WG is no ambition of being a permanent working group
- Considering the evolving situation, characterized by shrinking memberships, less commitments, etc. it might be the good timing to transition to another approach. Mainstreaming finalization of deliverables in the permanent WGs?
- Discussions to get with the WG leads about best options
- Anticipation of future needs: technical development? Operational coordination?

**AOB**

- Ad-hoc extensive presentation about the Joint Monitoring Framework under discussion
- Next meeting on 9th November 2020 (same time, same Zoom link)

**Participation:**

20 participants as shown on Zoom