

FOOD SECURITY SECTOR – Palestine

May 17th, 2021 - Minutes of Meeting – West Bank & Gaza Strip

Date & venue: May 17th, 12:00-13:30, ZOOM

Facilitators: Hosni Barakat, Anas Musallam

Agenda:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update the current situation and ways to coordinate emergency interventions 2. AoB (SYFS)
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- The meeting started by Hosni Barakat welcoming participants and thanking them for their availability for this meeting under this situation of instability in Gaza due to escalated hostilities for the last eight days.

1. Update the current situation and ways to coordinate emergency interventions

- Anas (FSS)
 - The Inter-Agency Contingency Plan (IACP) was activated by the humanitarian (HC) two days ago, and today (Monday May 17th) the first meeting of the was conducted Emergency Coordination Center (ECC). The ECC members are OCHA, cluster coordination team and cluster lead agencies as well as PNOG and AIDA and other counterparts.
 - According to the plan:
 - ✓ UNRWA will designated 50 schools to serve as shelters to host up to 100K Internal displaced People (IDPs). UNRWA and WFP will cover the basic food needs for those IDPs.
 - ✓ The IDPs outside designated shelters (informal shelters, public places, with hosting families ...etc.) will be served by WFP and other FSS partners will be served through the FSS partners, working group members and other humanitarian actors.
 - Till the moment (the day of the meeting), food assistance wasn't provided to the IDPs inside UNRWA DESs by WFP/UNRWA, however, a meeting will be conducted during the day between both organizations to arrange for the food assistance for those IDPS.
 - FSS was working through the EPWG to update the matrix of "Partners' Capacity" to investigate the potentialities of providing food and livelihoods relevant assistance to the affected people mainly for those outside the designated shelters. The update matrix (*attached to this minutes of meeting*) will be used as a guiding document to provide different

types of assistance in the different phases of the emergency (during conflict, within the humanitarian space, post conflict, and the early recovery).

- Salah (WFP):
 - Over the weekend WFP with its partners assisted 56,776 (the number is subject to daily increase) people in need from North Gaza Governorate affected by the ongoing crisis. This food assistance is crucial as families fleeing their homes have lost their food.
 - Food needs have increased significantly for WFP beneficiaries during this week, also due to receiving displaced people.
 - WFP continues monitoring the food security situation on the ground. The initial observation from the field shows a significant increase of food and non-food needs for affected people and host families.
- Luay (MoSD)
 - The MoSD has developed a detailed response plan to serve affected people in the emergency; the \$70M plan is proposed to cover the needs of affected and displaced families with food, non-food assistance as well as rental subsidies for a one year for those with house destructions.
 - The MoSD mentioned that If there are more IDPs, the government will work in opening new 22 DESs to host around 35K IDPs. The governmental DESs will be managed by the MoSD in cooperation with the relevant clusters/sector and the humanitarian actors.
 - MoSD is responsible for the dissemination of lists of affected persons for the organizations. MoSD has a complete database that will include all IDPs in urban settings. A high level of coordination and daily cooperation is well-established between MoSD and FSS to provide the better coordination. Organizations are kindly requested to include both MoSD commissioner Mr. Luay Al-Madhoun (l.elmadhoun@mosa.gov.ps) and FSS Gaza operations Coordinator Anas Musallam (anas.musallam@fscluster.org) in their communication regarding planning and implementation of the assistance. FSS will utilize the partners' capacities upon the consolidated capacity matrix filled by partners in the different phases of the emergency.
 - MoSD communicated with UNRWA to coordinate the database of IDPs inside DESs in order to use for cleaning data and to avoid duplication in service.
- FSS and other clusters is coordinating with OCHA the necessity of providing a safe access for humanitarian actors to provide the humanitarian assistance in the communities.
- WFP activated the logistic Cluster (LC) to support the movement of humanitarian assistance into Gaza through the crossing borders.
- In the agriculture, FSS reminded that the matrix includes a section for the animal foddors as it is important element to be considered for livestock and poultry breeders.
- The MoA alarmed the sever decrease of animal foddors in the local market, and this is threatening the livelihoods of 17,000 herding households depending on livestock as the main/solely source of livelihoods. On the crossing border of Kerem Shalom, there is some 1,000 tons of foddors stuck and need to urgently enter to Gaza breeders. FAO and FSS are working to find a space for opening the crossing border to facilitate entering of animal foddors.

- MoA in Gaza assigned different focal points of its staff in each governorate to receive farmers and breeders' calls reporting their damages with names and mobile numbers are published in the ministry's web page. The actual damage assessment in the field. MoA is the one responsible for damage assessment and dissemination lists of affected farmers and breeders, however, all agricultural organizations are welcomed to support the damage assessment process.

2. AoB

- FSS has a list of focal points in the five governorates to report any emergency, need, price monitor and any emerging issue related the agriculture and food security in general. There is also an established WhatsApp for this purpose. Any organization wish to support the emergency focal points can contact Anas Musallam on +972-59-203-0026.
- Save Youth Future Society (SYFS) has a youth volunteers network across Gaza Strip who are active on ground (61 youth groups across governorates) and willing & ready to support all FSS partners in response/ intervention. FSS partners are invited to contact FSS if such assistance/ support is needed

List of Participants:

As shown on the Zoom

Nº	Name	Organization
1.	Hosni Barakat	FSS
2.	Anas Musallam	FSS
3.	Salah Lahham	WFP
4.	Luay Al-Madhoun	MoSD
5.	Khaled Jabr	MoA
6.	Usama Mukhallalati	ICRC
7.	Olivia Falkowitz	AAH
8.	Nader Al-Farra	ACTED
9.	Marie Pacho	ACTED
10.	Fuad Musabbah	Agricultural Society for Development
11.	Muneer Murtaja	AIDA
12.	Nael Omour	Al-Fukhari Association
13.	Tamer Abu Assi	Al-Manal For Rural Women Development
14.	Abdallah Al-Farra	Al-Nakheel Assoc.
15.	Naser Qadous	ANERA
16.	Tareq Al-jourani	BAYADER
17.	Ayman Shuaibi	CARE
18.	Deya Al-Baba	CRS
19.	Luca Sangalli	CWG
20.	Abed Yasin	ESDC
21.	Aisha Salem	ESDC
22.	Raed Hanania	GC
23.	Ahmed Sourani	GUPAP
24.	Ala'a Abu Jayyab	GUPAP
25.	Rami Mahani	IRPAL

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27.	Wala Mahmoud	MC
28.	Ghada Al-Aryan	MC
29.	Najla Shawa	Oxfam
30.	Waseem Ashour	Oxfam
31.	Muqbel Abu Jaish	PARC
32.	Izzat Zaidan	PARC
33.	Lina Saad	PARC
34.	Tamador Akel	PARC
35.	Jihad Abu Hassan	PUI
36.	Hazem Al-Madhoun	PUI
37.	Xavier Grosset	PUI
38.	Mohammed Mahdi	PUI
39.	Rulla Sarras	RWDS
40.	Maha Al-Masri	RWDS
41.	Hussein Qanou	SC
42.	Sana Alwai	SC
43.	Moayyad Bsharat	UAWC

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