Transfer Value Harmonization Taskforce – 04 September 2020

The Transfer Value Harmonization Taskforce met in January 2020 to review the transfer value harmonization. The key issues that needed to be harmonized included:

1. Average Household size for flat rate
2. Small Household size when using per-capita
3. Commodities that compose the basket + associated needs inclusion

After critical review in various meetings by the Transfer Value Harmonization Taskforce, it has been unanimously agreed to change the calculation of Transfer Value for HH sizes 1-3 from the Food Expenditure Analysis to using a Cap (Ceiling) of HH 3 as the Per Capita Transfer Value for HH sizes 1, 2 & 3.

For HH sizes 4 and above, the calculation of the Transfer Value will remain as before.

The main reason for the change is for the ease and flexibility of the calculation of Transfer Values by the various partners in the various locations.

Going forward, the Food Security Sector confirms that from 03 September 2020, the calculation of the Transfer Values will be as below:

1. Per Capita Approach
   a) Households of 1-3 members; Transfer Value to be calculated based on a Cap (Ceiling) of HH 3 as the Per Capita Transfer Value for HH sizes 1, 2 & 3.
   b) Households of 4-8 members; Transfer Value to be calculated based on actual number of Households members
   c) Households of 8+; Transfer Value to be calculated based on a Households of 8 members.

2. Per Households approach:
   a) Household size to be determined per LGA based on DTM, EFSA and HEA data. Please consult the Sector for these details.

Composition of food assistance package and Transfer Value updates:

a) 2000 Naira to be added in the Transfer Value per Household based on EFSA analysis on cooking fuel need.
b) Please see attached the latest MEB calculator with the food item list February 14, 2020. All you got to do is enter the latest market prices to get the transfer value for a Household of size 5.
   a. No additional condiment to be included in the food basket for the time being as more analysis is needed. The discussion on condiment inclusion is inconclusive.

Taskforce Participants: Participants: Save The Children International, World Food Programme, Action Against Hunger, Catholic Refugee Services under the Food Security Sector