



FOOD SECURITY CLUSTER MEETING

DATE	Monday, 26 December 2022
TIME	02:00 pm – 03:30 pm
VENUE	Online through ZOOM

AGENDA

1. Presentation on FSC orientation workshop and DFP meeting for Barisal Division.
2. Final 4W reporting for the Northeast flood 2022 response.
3. FSC 2023 workplan discussion.
4. AOB.

SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

- FSC to continue DFP orientation and district level cluster meetings. Partners to cooperate.
- FSC to re- share detailed 4W matrix with partners after finalization.
- FSC to finalize the draft FSC 2023 workplan. Partners to contribute.
- FSC to update on IPC analysis discussion, multi cluster collaboration initiatives.

DISCUSSION

0. WELCOME TO THE MEETING AND APPROVAL OF THE LAST MEETING MINUTES

The Food Security Cluster Coordinator welcomed everyone to the meeting. The meeting started with a round of introduction. The action points from the last meeting were mentioned and upon agreement from the participants, the minutes was approved.

1. PRESENTATION ON FSC ORIENTATION WORKSHOP AND DFP MEETING FOR BARISHAL DIVISION

FSC Bangladesh team has conducted the district level orientations for the Barishal Division during 6- 12 December for 5 most vulnerable districts in Barishal, Barguna, Patuakhali, Pirojpur and Bhola. During the orientation session, it was observed that most of the humanitarian partners who have attended the events has very limited understanding and knowledge on Cluster coordination. However, the response from each district focal points was very impressive. All arrangements regarding meeting and workshop logistics, communication, hosting etc. were arranged by the respective focal points within a very short notice. During the workshop and meeting, each district selected one focal point and alternate focal points and initiated the first FSC district level meeting. The next round of meetings is targeted to be held during middle of March 2023 and FSC team's presence has been requested. All district focal points agreed to carry out quarterly FSC meetings. Some of the event got impressive media coverage. FSC CC presented district- wise committee formation, validity and pictures from the events and mentioned that most of the districts require training and capacity building on some key subject matters including Nutrition, Agriculture in emergencies, Humanitarian Coordination, Information Management, Need Assessment etc. He also mentioned that FSC Bangladesh team has a plan to continue the district level FSC Orientation in the other parts of the country in a similar manner in future and organize the required trainings for the district focal points. He mentioned this will be a crucial initiative for ensuring coordination and information flow during emergencies directly from the field level. He also requested the FSC partners and NAWG to extend their cooperation on this initiative and support on the capacity building, preferably in a residential in-depth training targeted for the nominated focal points. Moreover, he thanked the FAO regional coordinator for Barishal for his utmost support and hospitality.

2. FINAL 4W REPORTING FOR THE NORTH- EAST FLOOD 2022 RESPONSE

FSC CC presented the key numbers on the Northeast Flood 2022. He mentioned as of the last compilation out of 587,472 people targeted, 468,408 people were reached with either type of assistance provided. He also added there is a prevailing funding gap and only 38% of funding has been reportedly received so far. Around 3600 HH have received FSC standard package supported by FAO, WFP, SCI, BRAC. He mentioned that the assistance package content should be unified and follow the FSC standard package aiming to supplement the government's response. He also added that, there should be a funding tracker that should mention the donors and funded amount to acknowledge the donors. He mentioned that the final and detailed version of the 4W matrix will be shared with the partners after some review in January 2023. He briefly presented the funding source, type and donor information.

3. FSC 2023 WORKPLAN DISCUSSION

FSC CC presented the proposed draft workplan for FSC Bangladesh for 2023. He mentioned along with the regular FSC monthly meeting there should be orientation programs arranged for the government departments as well. Primarily 4-5 government ministries and departments like DAE, DoF, DDM etc. should be engaged as a start followed by orientation programs for the other remaining government offices. Beside this, the district

level FSC workshops and orientation events will also be held to the other parts of the country prone to flood, drought, and cyclone type hazards. He requested everyone in this regard to extend their support and coordination to arrange the events and engage to their capacities, mostly the partners operational in the specific districts. On the other hand, trainings on Information Management, Humanitarian Coordination, sphere etc. should be planned and conducted for the district level for their knowledge and capacity building. Regular FSC Bangladesh products will be published and shared. The district profiles will be updated gradually to cover all the remaining districts by 2023 and the profiles will be useful for district level coordination in future during emergencies. FSC CC also mentioned that FSC Bangladesh also has a plan to initiate IPC Acute analysis in 2023. This proposal is under discussion at this moment. Other trainings related to Agriculture in Emergencies and livestock should also be planned to initiate for 2023. Colleague from IRB mentioned that training on SOD is also useful as this is a government document on disaster and should be incorporated to the training workplan. FSC CC mentioned that there is also a need for a calendar to accommodate all the trainings planned for 2023. Colleague from FAO mentioned that this will be a good idea to also keep a donor dialogue event at least once a year to reflect on the assessment, need and preparedness. On agreement by all participants, FSC CC updated the draft workplan.

4. AOB

FSC CC mentioned that the mVAM report produced by WFP will be shared with partners by the next week. There is a proposal for a joint initiative among FSC, WASH and Nutrition Cluster. He also mentioned that for IPC Acute analysis, FSC is trying to assess the data availability at this moment. More updates to be shared on this later.

By thanking everyone and wishing a happy New Year to the colleagues, FSC CC concluded the meeting.