MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: Kyiv (via Microsoft Teams)
DATE: August 27, 2020
CHAIR: Charles Hopkins, FSL Cluster Coordinator

AGENDA:
1. Self-introduction and review of the previous meeting minutes
2. FSLC Monthly Update and overview of the 2021 Humanitarian Programme Cycle (HPC)
3. Presentation of the joint guidance note on collecting data of people with disability by Anna Rich, Protection Cluster
4. Partner’s Operational Presence Map (January to June 2020)
5. Update from the partners/observer
6. Other updates / AOBs

1. Self-introduction and review of the previous meeting minutes

- Action points of previous Cluster meetings were reviewed.
- Activation of the Livelihood Technical Working Group is in progress. Could be discussed more detailed with partners implementing livelihood activities.
- Situation in COVID-19 observation facility in Hostre (Donetska GCA). Donetsk Regional State Administration updated partners on food security situation in Hostre observation facility. NGO “Proliska” is providing food assistance for those people under observation (about 22 people are under observation, of which 12 women and 10 men). But due to the limited capacities, the need to seek new funding to continue assistance arises.

Action points:

- IOM and FSL Cluster team - to hold a meeting to plan further steps in the reactivation of the Livelihood Technical Working Group.
- FSLC partners - to forward updates on the 4W (who, what, when, where) to the cluster team by October 10th.
- FSLC partners – to keep updating local authorities on their response at EECP and COVID-19 observation facilities.
- FSLC team – to facilitate further referral and information sharing related to response to needs in food assistance in observation places.

2. FSLC Monthly Update and overview of the 2021 Humanitarian Programme Cycle (HPC)

FSL Cluster Coordinator updated partners on recent updates:

- The FSLC had a meeting with the Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories (MTOT) to discuss collaboration and coordination. MTOT will share their database of individual entrepreneurs working in Eastern conflict area (September) – indicating active entities and types of economic activity/sector etc. FSLC shared 5W-matrix data collection template
- Reactivation of the Agricultural Technical Working Group (ATWG): the SAG is reviewing the draft TOR. The ATWG if endorsed and activated will immediately look in to providing guidance on animal feed to ensure harmonization. They will also provide guidance in areas of need.
- FAO and the FSLC are designing a draft ToR for a Food Security and Socio-Economic assessment in the conflict area.
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FSL Cluster Coordinator updated partners on recent updates in 2021 HPC timeline:

- The FSCL submitted a draft Joint Intersectoral Analysis Indicators to OCHA to support and guide intersectoral needs analysis in support of the HPC:
  - Dietary diversity score (HDDS), and
  - Reduced coping strategies (rCSI) for vulnerable populations
  - Food expenditure share
  - Livelihoods coping strategy (food)
  - Livelihoods coping strategy (basic needs) – if available – TBC by REACH% of households that spent savings as a coping strategy to cope with lack of sources of income to meet basic needs
- The project-based costing methodology agreed for 2021.
- The Multi-Sector Needs Assessment and the JIAF are the key documents and methods used in the HNO/HRP.
- FSLC Cluster Coordinator asked the partners to share their considerations regarding key questions:
  - What do we need to change or strengthen on the cluster objectives and response?
  - What new activities should we consider in 2021 HRP?
  - Should we add a resilience objective? What could be the proposed activities? Where should we target? Who should we priorities?

Data collection:

- COVID-related data collection remains on a monthly basis, as agreed at the inter-cluster level.
- Regular 4W data collection – on a quarterly basis.

Action points:

- FSLC partners – start sending operational updates on 4W reporting to the Cluster team on quarterly, and keep sending COVID-19 related data monthly.
- FSL Cluster team and SAG of the Cluster – finalize ATWG ToR.
- FSLC partners – in case of suggestions to the 2021 HRP in terms of objectives and activities, contact FSLC team.

3. Presentation of the joint guidance note on collecting data of people with disability by Anna Rich, Protection Cluster

Protection Cluster Coordinator presented links and intersectoral approach between protection issues and food security and livelihoods and disability data collection in Ukraine (presentation attached).

Action points:

- FSL Cluster team – to disseminate presentation among partners.
• FSLC partners – in case of questions related to disabilities to refer to Age and Disability Working Group.

4. Partner’s Operational Presence Map (January to June 2020)

FSLC IMO presented partners the operational presence throughout January – June 2020.

• Cluster objective 1: Ensure immediate access to food. 14 Cluster partners were providing food assistance throughout January – June 2020, mainly concentrated within the 5 km zone along the contact line, including NGCA. But due to response to COVID-19, almost all raions of the Eastern Conflict Area (ECA) were covered with food assistance.

• Cluster objective 2: Improve food security status through the provision of emergency and time-critical agriculture assistance. 3 FSLC partners were providing agricultural support in GCA of Luhansk and Donetsk regions nearly the contact line.

• Cluster objective 3: Improve access to employment and income-generating opportunities through rehabilitation/building of sustainable livelihood assets. 5 partners – livelihood assistance which covers not only ECA, but also IDPs residing in other regions.

Action points:
• FSLC partners – share comments and data (if necessary) to the map till August 31.
• FSL Cluster team – publish the updated map on the FSLC webpage.

6. Updates from partners / observer

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• ACTED. Additional one-month payment for food assistance (825 UAH per person) to 582 individuals (246 households) who were ACTED’s previous beneficiaries from Hnutove and Talakivka.

• NRC. Currently no cash food security interventions ongoing. Currently, we are reaching the cluster partners and team for coordination to plan further intervention.

• FAO will be providing the next round of livestock fodder in rural areas focusing on 0 – 5 km zone along the line of contact in GCA. This intervention will cover 1,800 households. Currently, an implementing partner is at the stage of beneficiary selection. The distribution is planned for September.

• ASB. The third payment for 2,550 beneficiaries is planned in forms of cash for food and hygiene. In September, the beneficiary selection for the third caseload is planned.

• IOM continue top-up COVID-19 funding in Donetska and Luhanska GCA. 170 pre-selected beneficiaries have already received the funding.

• PiN. In August, monitoring activities were ongoing related to equipment distribution that had been provided in May.
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Other update

- ICRC.
  - GCA Donetsk and Luhansk region - Livelihood support programmes are continuing (business/livelihood grants).
  - Food and hygiene parcels were distributed in GCA Luhansk region (in cooperation with URCS, 12 villages covered).
  - Food assistance was provided to residents of Vodiane village (Donetsk GCA region).
  - In Donetsk NGCA region, assistance in forms of food parcels, chicken and chicken feed were provided.

Action points:

- The next Cluster meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 24, 2020.
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