Meeting Minutes

Location: Online, Microsoft Teams
Date: 27/03/2020

Agenda

1. FSL Cluster: Covid19 - Risks related to Food Security
2. FSL Cluster: Brief overview of Covid19 Mitigation Measures Survey Results
3. FSL Cluster: Update on HRP and HRP Response monitoring update
4. FSL Cluster IMO: 5W FSC Modalities
5. FSL Cluster partners: Updates from the field

Participants

JJA, CRS, Practical Action, Trócaire, ACF, USAID, Finnish Red Cross, ADRA Zimbabwe, Plan International, British Red Cross, CBM, World Vision, WHH, Save the Children, Christian Aid, Zimbabwe Red Cross

Discussion

1. FSL Cluster: Risks related to Food Security
   - The crisis is leading to instability in both local and global food markets, causing a disruption to food supply and availability.
   - The most affected will be the poorest and most vulnerable segments of the population - those with no or limited access to safety nets initiatives and those in protracted crises.
   - WFP VAM Unit: Covid19 impact overview
   - Impact on Markets: Zimbabwe is importer of food and non-food commodities from mainly SA and therefore stocks might be very low due to the lockdown. In case of border close-down, Zimbabwe might run out of stock quickly.

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- Market Assessment Reporting:
  ▪ Remote monitoring to ensure people still have access to the food basket
  ▪ Conducting training of trainer’s online course for urban and rural areas.

2. FSL Cluster: Brief overview of COVID19 Mitigation Measures Survey Results:
   - At a county level, 75% of organizations confirmed availability of health workers/village health workers/ environmental health workers within their respective activity/distribution points.
   - 3 districts reported to not dispose a referral system.
   - 50% of partners have capacity to add soap to their distribution.
   - Generally, organizations do not have a not budget to print posters and flyers.
   - Join-cluster collaboration between FSL, Health, WASH and nutrition to ensure collaborative and inclusive response.

- FSL Cluster HRP 2020 Update:
  - HRP in process to be validated by the GoZ and launched in coming days.
  - As soon the HRP2020 will be launched, the FSL Cluster will start monitoring response against targeted population under each indicator identified for HRP 2020.

3. FSL Cluster: 5Ws Modalities
   - Due the new development and in response to Covid19, organizations responding in modalities that are currently not in the matrix should get in touch with the cluster so that the matrix is updated accordingly.

4. FSL Cluster partners: Updates from the field
   - ZRCS
     ▪ ZRCS continue planned IK food distribution
     ▪ Measures in place to reduce crowding at distribution site and to have a group of only 40 beneficiaries at a distribution point.
     ▪ Staff members trained on Covid19 protection measures
     ▪ In collaboration with UNICEF and MoHCC posters and banners developed and added to each distribution point
- In collaboration with ICRC materials on Covid19 printed and disseminated to prisons
  - Mobilization of tents as isolation for suspected cases

- ZRCS in collaboration with UNICEF
  - Buckets with taps for handwashing used at distribution and wash point including soap
  - Community engagement and risk communication is the major part in prevention
  - Preposition of PPE in conjunction with WFP and are internally mobilizing material for protection wears for field staff

Q: Is screening included at every distribution point?
A: ZRCS about to integrate screening which will include transport to a hospital /health facility. ZRCS might share more information during next meeting.

- Goal: A radio and mobile campaign messaging launched

- Practical Action:
  - Practical Action works closely with community structures and through Care Group Models to cascade sensitization messages across to the districts
  - Contingency plan identified

- Save the Children
  - Set up a platform for promoting good hygiene practices and is working in 4 districts where SC have set up an ICT platform. DCP and MoHCC are chuching messages to beneficiaries
  - A similar platform set up in Matobo and Beitbridge for DRR projects

Q: How is SC accounting for beneficiaries without network/phones?
A: In areas with no access to networks/phones SC have developed and printed out pictorial messaging. Further, SC work in collaboration with traditional, governmental and local structures e.g. Councilors, VIDCOs, WADCOs, etc. to get large messaging reach out.