



Food Security and Livelihoods Sector Meeting Khartoum, Sudan.

Date: 11 May 2023
Place: Online
Timing: 12:00 – 13:30

No. of Participants: 30
Participant Organizations: 21
Male and Female: 22:8

Meeting Minutes

Agenda Points	Deliberations	Action Points/Decisions
<i>Contextual Update and FSL Situation</i>	<p><u>Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Several states declared state of emergency from 1 May for a month due to insecurity and to control supply movement - Provided update on displacement of IDPs and also on movement of people from Sudan to neighbouring countries (OIM datasource) / OCHA sitrep is being updated regularly on displacement of people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪
<i>HRP Revision and financial appeal</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Before the conflict third of population required humanitarian assistance (15.8m) - HRP to be revised given crisis - FSL presented suggested methodology to revise PIN considering effects of crisis based on estimates by CLAs – refer to presentation for details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ WFP figure of 19.1m (PIN) ▪ FAO – 18.7 (PIN) <p><u>FSL Sector proposed Figure:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FSL Sector will take the highest figure as PIN 19.1 (which accounts and includes crisis effects: displacement, price hikes, etc). - FSL Sector is still working to define final target figures based upon operational capacity and the data received from partners. - The target will be based on previous FSL target (8.2M) + displacement data + operational capacity by 	

	<p>partners.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FSL Sector will adjust the PiN, Areas and Costing with addition to last HRP. - Targets – being calculated based on previous FSL Target (8.2m) _ displacement + operational capacity - FSL is requesting new partners to submit their projects - FSL asked for clarification and approval on the HRP PIN and target methodology and whether there are any comment from the partners => no comments by partners. <p>Discussion on PIN:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FAO representative provided confirmation on the methodology used to calculate the PIN, in particular 40% of phase 2. The figure factors in the seasonal lean season and is being discussed internally. It is an initial estimation and therefore should be treated as such. - Osman notes that Sudan is facing flooding season and other natural hazards and whether this should be included in the revised PIN. Ahmed (FAO) clarifies that the figure is a conservative estimate of PIN and notes that it may be reviewed and revised. - FSL emphasis that the PIN is an estimate and focused on the actual crisis (rather than potential hazards such flood and impacts) - PIN considers those that are internally displaced (not those who fled Sudan) - Partners Presence mapping of CLAs and on type of activities including Cash programming. - Market assessments are needed in order to inform/move/ reconfigure assistance - HRP Projects that have been uploaded previously will not be modified. The revisions are focused on any new areas which were not covered before. The partner will therefore be required to upload as a new project. - General updates: North Kordofan now is hosting a huge number of IDPS from Khartoum. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Noted that stock mapping request from FSL to partners has been made and intention to update partners accordingly.
<p>Food Security Analysis and Forecast (May 2023) - WFP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The price of local food basket is likely to increase – 500 SDG in the coming months. - WFP uses CARI which captures the Economic vulnerability of HH. - WFP will publish results of the price monitoring exercise in the coming weeks. - 19.1 million are forecasted to be food insecure in coming 3-6 months - The figure is a preliminary estimate. - Efforts were made to understand the trends/ changes in food security in respective states and that engagement with partners is required to understand the CFC data. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪
<p>Operational Updates from FSL partners</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IOM – suspended operations in west Darfur. Suspending throughout Darfur region and trying to reprogramme funds to meet needs on the ground. Looking for information from Cluster and partners on safe corridors and access to resume operations. 2. WFP – operational and has reached +42k refugees and IDPs across Gedaref, Kassala and White Nile with dry food rations. 3. WR – operational in Blue Nile State (through WFP) and partially operating in Central Darfur. Suspended in Western Darfur. Ready to intervene in hotspots of areas in need/ based on assignment/ need. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪

4. **Plan International** – operating in White Nile State (began distributing food items) and Kassala state. Reopening office. Sending a team Gezira state to conduct assessment. In White Nile have begun to distribute food items. Continuous assessments are being undertaken although difficulties.
5. **Solidarity International** – suspended in West Darfur. Participating in assessments however in Geneina town (last week when situation was calmer) where it was found a number of gathering sights were burned down. Asks for confirmation from Cluster on inter country collaboration and supplies being brought in from neighbour countries. Notes that host communities are largely supporting IDPs.
6. **NRC** is operational in White Nile
7. **UNDP** – functional in Red Sea & Kassala. partially functional Gedaref and Central Darfur, in specific locations including east Darfur. Suspended operations in north Darfur, South Darfur (also in South Darfur warehouse was fully looted), Sennar, & Kourtoum. Reviewing reopening operations in aforementioned places. Notes that some areas cannot access so therefore lack of information. Overall notes that in the east the issues are less severe regarding access.
8. **AORD** are present in Kordofan states
9. **GOAL** are working in north Dafour/ south Kordofan and have now suspended activities
10. **Concern Worldwide** - operational in West Kordofan, South Kordofan; West Darfur suspended at the moment
11. **NRC** is operational In White Nile, Gadaref and South Kordofan. Operations have been suspended in West Dafur and North Darfur
12. **ZOA** is operational in Gedaref State. Operations in South, East and North Darfur currently suspended
13. **CARE International** is operational in Gadaref, Kassala, South Kordofan and East Darfur. The South Darfur office is partially functional.
14. **Plan International** operating in White Nile State, Kassala State, Gadarif. Planning to operate: North Darfur, North Kordofan and Gazeera State.
15. **Catholic Relief Services** is active in west and east Darfur and planning operations in South Kordofan. Their partners are in Darfur: Central, North and South. Partners are NCA, CAFOD and WVI. Project names are RISING and F2F.
16. **SI** - overall challenges accessing cash (to pay staff mainly) and fuel. In Gedaref, increased prices on markets and availability of cash affecting planned activities in Gedaref state (initially cash distribution and agricultural support - but discussion to reconsider planned activities based in new needs) - In West Darfur, SI office and warehouse still ok - no FSL activities previously, but SI is assessing options to respond to multisectoral needs.
17. **Concern Worldwide** - operational in West Kordofan, South Kordofan; West Darfur suspended at the moment.
18. **COOPI**: Khartoum Office is currently closed. Gedaref and North Darfur offices are partially operational.
19. **The Practical Action** office in the east is open and operating for Kassala & Gedaref states.
20. **Islamic Relief (IRW)** currently operational in West Kordofan, North Kordofan, Blue Nile, Gadarif and

	<p>partially operational in Central Darfur (esp. Health, Nutrition, and WASH). For emergency support in process to support two hospitals in Khartoum with assorted food, planning for response in Aljazeera. challenges: Access, liquidity and Lack of communications.</p> <p>21. Save the children- are currently operational in Blue Nile, sinnar, south kordofan, port sudan. Opertaions in west darfur, north darfur, khartoum suspended while partially operational in central darfur.</p>	
<p>Operational Plan and the way forward/Program adaption</p>	<p>FSL Sector Capacity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FSL has focal point appointed by CLAs (WFP and FAO) in each State. FPs in eastern states are reachable, FPs in Darfur and other parts of the country difficult to reach. - FSL partners are resuming operations where possible mainly in easter States (Kassala, Gedaref) - Since restarting food distributions last week, WFP has reached more than 42,000 refugees and IDPs across Gedaref, Kassala and White Nile with dry food rations - FSL partners has approximately 36 partners. <p>Collecting Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Updated 4Ws for the states and nationally - Comprehensive geographical/Presence mapping of the potential states, national, and international partners. - Information on additional FSL capacities internal/external state partners - SitReps preparation and dissemination regular bases. - Food Security and Livelihoods dashboard - Plan for cross-cutting issues with the FSL Interventions - Advocacy Plan for resource mobilization and funding oppertunities. - Mitigation measures for fund disposal challenges. <p>Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Access to programme locations (particularly in West Darfur) – less severe in the East of Sudan. - Availability of staff and their ability and willingness to travel - Staff Safety - Challenges in Communications/ Poor internet - Disruption in supply chain - Limited cash availability/ challenges in bank transaction etc - Shortage of fuel - Huge price increases for goods/ supplies 	
<p>AOB</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HRP Objectives and activities - OCHA have suggested to review SO1 and SO2 – and therefore question raised regarding those activities under SO3 – Focus is on life saving and emergency activities (resilience activities will not be included in 	

	<p>HRP Revision)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Funding – repurposing and reprogramming expected towards lifesaving/ emergency response (away from resilience/ development activities) - Stock mapping – request has been shared to partners (link shared in ppt) - Price monitoring activities by WFP were halted and WFP is trying to resume it. The most recent MEB value is as of March. WFP uses a tentative figure and is revising the MEB figure. - OCHA requested sector meetings on a weekly basis to update the OCHA calendar. The link to the calendar will be shared with partners. - FSL will create a whatsapp group for coordination. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stock mapping survey link is https://ee.humanitarianresponse.info/x/2c1l8LnH ▪ You can find the calendar link: https://response.reliefweb.int/sudan/events. ▪ Fill FSL Sudan Whatsapp group Registration https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rtkqRtnXBkK4dHGx4HI3bwWzIT_AQn5Ctm9OKK7EobRUMU1ZVzk0MjQzUE9FVUFE0U5ESV4V0IOVS4u
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Annex 1 – Participants List (FSL Khartoum, Sudan on 11 May 2023)

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