INTERGRATING GENDER BASED VIOLENCE IN FOOD SECURITY SECTOR

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FOOD SECURITY SECTOR... WHAT DOES GBV GOT TO DO WITH US?
The link between gender-based violence and food insecurity is well documented.

Scarcity: leads to IPV
Availability: contributes to reduced survival sex or sex for food.

Unsafe distribution sites

Lack of food –
Early marriage, survival sex, SEA, etc

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GBV and Food Assistance Programs

• Food assistance programmes can support initiatives that contribute to preventing and mitigating GBV,

• They can also undermine the protection of women and girls if they are implemented without sufficient understanding of the operational context.

• Beyond usual relief operations, food assistance is also directly used to support GBV survivors and to complement other services, such as medical care and psychosocial support”.

ROLE OF FSS – Mainstreaming

• **Assessment, analysis and planning**: Assessing and addressing gender issues that affect FS

• **Resource mobilization**: Developing proposals that reflect awareness of GBV risks and strategies to mitigate risks

• **Implementation**: Involving women and groups at risks in design of FS activities, design responses to minimize risks to GBV, integrate GBV mitigation into guidelines, incorporate GBV messages in FS activities, train staff on screening and safe referral of cases

• **Coordination**: - to address GBV with other sectors, with GBV sector for safe referrals

• **M&E**: Monitor and measure impact of activities
Incorporating GBV messages in FS outreach

• Should be done in collaboration with GBV actors

Pre distribution messages can include:

• Rights of beneficiaries when collecting food
• Free nature of commodities being distributed
• Food registration processes
• Reporting mechanisms – ensure there are female personnel who collect feedback and that feedback can be provided confidentially – location of complaints desk
• Types of GBV related to food and reporting mechanisms- including confidential nature of reporting
• Organization’s code of conduct on PSEA, child safeguarding etc.
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Target groups:
Community / religious leaders, youth, CJTF, religious leaders, disabled and people with other vulnerabilities including child and adolescent headed households, Traders,

Post distribution actions:
• Incorporating GBV risk assessment into the post distribution monitoring with women, girls and other at risk groups
• Using information collected to design and implement mitigation actions
Resources for further reading

Resources:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_YhXzMv1E4&app=desktop
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AF-1RbT6sdk&app=desktop

- Gender-Based Violence Manual Emergencies and Transitions Unit (OSZPH) Programme and Policy Division
- GBV Pocket guide – Available in an APP