FSSWG Monthly Meeting
23 January 2020
MoA Conference room – Bir Hassan, Beirut
Agenda

1. WFP VAM presentation on updates on economic situation and results of latest monitoring of food security sector indicators (December 2019)
2. Presentation of planned WFP Lebanese vulnerability assessment and FAO impact assessment on agriculture
3. Presentation of sector 2019 updates
4. Presentation of sector 2020 workplan
5. Presentation of URDA / PARCIC Winterization Project: 2019 – 2020
6. AOB
2. Lebanon Vulnerability and agriculture assessments

Context:

• Need to have a good understanding of the impact of current situation on vulnerable Lebanese
• Help sector to assess the impact of a deteriorating socio-economic situation on our priorities in 2020
• How might our programs/activities need to shift?
• What changes will we need to make in how we deliver services?
• Help sector to assess if there are gaps not covered by the current response
• What additional resources will be needed

We will continue this conversation during 2020 within the FSSWG meetings.
3. Food Security Sector 2019 Updates

**KEY FACTS & FIGURES**

1,017,821 Targeted

- Displaced Syrians: 86%
- Vulnerable Lebanese: 10%
- PRS: 4%

**RESPONSE January – December 2019**

- 984,814 Reached Food Assistance
- 21,380 Reached Agriculture LH
- 39 AI reporting partners

**FUNDING REQUIRED (2019)**

$508.6 Million

**FUNDING RECEIVED**

Until Q3: 40% Received
**Food Security Sector Updates**

**In-Kind Food Assistance provided to the most vulnerable**

- **67,229 Targeted**

  - Vulnerable Lebanese: 19%
  - PRL: 17%
  - PRS: 4%
  - Displaced Syrians: 60%

**RESPONSE January – December 2019**

- **223,052 Reached** (based on food parcels)
  - Food parcels (223,052)
    - 82% Syr
    - 4% Leb
    - 13% PRL
  - Ready-to-eat (326,022)
    - 79% Syr
    - 21% Leb
  - School snacks (25,363)
    - 62% Syr
    - 37% Leb
    - 1% PRL/PRS

**DAF, Dorcas, IOCC, LSESD, Mercy-USA, CCP Japan URDA, parcic, ANERA, UNRWA**
IoCC, ANERA

Food Security Sector Updates

In-Kind Food Assistance provided to the most vulnerable (Jan – Dec 2019)

- Nb. Community kitchens created: 5
- Nb. Households reached through Community Kitchens: 633
  - Displaced Syrians: 65%
  - Vulnerable Lebanese: 35%
Cash-Based Assistance Beneficiaries Reached per Cohort (%)

- 846,177 Targeted
- 761,762 Reached / $235.6 Million (±75%)

**KEY FACTS & FIGURES**

- **E-cards**: 85% Reached
- **NPTP**: 10% Reached
- **ATM**: 4% Reached
- **Food Vouchers**: 1% Reached

**RESPONSE January – December 2019**

*ACF, DRC, Intersos, LSESD, MCC, MoSA, CPU-AMI, SHIELD, UNRWA, WFP, WVI*
Training and/or inputs support provided to promote sustainable agriculture, livestock production activities and water-use conservation measures

± 3,595 farmers trained/received inputs on sustainable agricultural production

± 750 farmers benefitted improved agriculture infrastructure (land reclamation/rehabilitation, water reservoirs, terraces)

65 Teachers (MoA Agric. Tech. Schools) received trainings

± 25 participants to the national platform of fishermen cooperatives

± 1,400 Youth/2,000 (15-25 yrs) benefitting from employability skills

± 9,000 individuals/10,000 trained on nutritional practices/micro-gardens
Food Security Sector Updates: Agricultural livelihoods

- Nb. Persons supported for agricultural seasonal labor: 6,545
- Nb. Persons supported for agricultural casual labor: 7,528
- Value of investment in agricultural worksite: $1.9 Million
- Nb. Agricultural worksites improved: 434
In total: 17,000 participants were assisted with agricultural livelihoods (for partners in the LH Brief)

- 4,343 agricultural roads rehabilitated
- 5,033 retaining walls
- 103 ha retention walls
- 29,583 irrigation canals
- 20,518 m³ capacity storage of water reservoirs

$7 Million

47% 53%
Food Security Sector Updates

WFP LH Programme under Food Assistance for Assets (FFA) and Food Assistance for Trainings (FFT)

Total Amount Disbursed: USD 5,044,926

- **FFA**: 40%
  - 9,006 Part.

- **FFT**: 60%
  - 6,545 Part.
Support to Public Institutions

- Ministry of Agriculture and 7 Regional Services and 30 Agricultural Centers
- 7 Technical Agricultural Schools
- Directorate General of Cooperatives and its 7 Decentralized Offices
- Lebanese Agricultural research Institute (LARI)
- Green Plan and its 8 Decentralized Offices
- MoSA and SDCs
- Municipalities
4. FSS draft WP 2020

- Work plan based on the activities under the sector logframe

- Filled on the basis of the Expression of interest of current sector partners

- Need partners to update it according to their 2020 planned activities and calendar

- As in previous years there are outputs where only few partners are planning to work:
  
  o Transboundary animal diseases and plant pests (output 1.5)
  o Technical assistance & capacity building for national institutions (4.1 & 4.2)
  o Food waste and food losses (1.4)
Number of cross sectoral initiatives to be implemented in 2020:

- **Mainstreaming conflict sensitivity.** The Social Stability focal point will support the sector in identifying gaps in conflict sensitivity, assess if conflict sensitivity is integrated at the design phase from all the partners and working closely with Core Group to ensure that these gaps are addressed.

- **Mainstreaming protection.** Review and adopt the inter-agency minimum standards for referral; develop and detail a sector service mapping for partners and those in other sectors to support referrals to the FSS sector services and externally; referral trainings

- **Child labour in agriculture :** New round of trainings on child labour in agriculture for local partners under the food security, protection and livelihoods sectors at the national and regional levels

Other initiatives might be added to the WP according to emerging needs:

- **Coordination of assessments**
- **Guidance on food parcel composition**
- **Mapping** of NGOs, grassroots organizations distributing in kind food assistance
1. **ActivityInfo** training on 5\textsuperscript{th} February 2020 at national level in Beirut
   - Do we need trainings at field level for partners?

2. **Service mapping for referrals**: The purpose is to facilitate the referral of an individual, household or community from one service provider to another.

   Need to select available services that FSS partners can provide across regions including at times of emergency:
   - Vocational trainings
   - Agricultural inputs
   - Agriculture trainings
   - FFA
   - FFT
   - Complaints mechanisms
   - Food assistance (cash-based; in kind)
   - Grievance mechanism
Thank you!

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