

FOOD SECURITY CLUSTER COORDINATION MEETING – Hirshabelle State.

Location: ONLINE

Date: 14th February 2023

Time: 10:10am – 11:35am

PARTICIPANTS

42 individuals from 28 organizations in attendance.

ORGANIZATIONS	
AADSOM	Mercy Corps
Action for Relief	Mercy USA
Aid Vision	Ministry of Agriculture and irrigation
BARDO	Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management
CESVI	National FSC
Citizen Relief and Development	Riverine Relief Programme
DDA	SAACID
FAO	Save the Children
GEELO	Somali Community Concern
HDO	SOMDEVSOL
Hirshabelle Nutrition Cluster	SOMRELIEF
JRD	STS
KAAH	SYPD
KAALO	UNHCR
KRDO	

AGENDA

1. Introduction and opening remarks (MoAI, MoLFR, MoHADM)
2. Review of previous action points and approval of meeting minutes
3. FSC Response Overview (achievements and gaps) – Jan 2023
4. Beletweyne IDP sites verification exercise – UNHCR
5. De-duplication exercise
6. AOB

SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

1. FSC to share final reports from Beletweyne IDP site verification exercise.
2. WFP to give update on the planned intervention to Adan Yabal in the next meeting.
3. FSC to share list of reporting FSC partners in the State.
4. FSC and Nutrition cluster will invite partners for district-level meetings on Nutrition referral and relief integration programming.

No	PROCEEDING	ACTION POINTS
1	<p>Introduction and opening remarks (MoAI, MoHADM)</p> <p>The meeting started at 10:10am with a round of introductions by all participants.</p> <p>Opening remarks were also given by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Director, Food Security Department Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation – Mr. Anwar Yusuf welcomed the meeting participants and expressed the importance of coordinating with the cluster and advocated for urgent agriculture and livelihoods support to the rural communities of Hirshabelle State. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Representative, Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management – Mr. Hassan Barkhadle. He applauded the cluster and partners for their cooperation with the government and the humanitarian assistance given to the people in need in Hirshabelle State. <p>He then declared the meeting open</p>	
2	<p>Review of previous action points and approval of meeting minutes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> FSC to share the annual meeting calendar with all partners. - DONE MoAI to share the recently conducted assessment in Hiran region. - DONE WFP to give update on the planned intervention to Adan Yabal in the next meeting – WFP to provide updates in the next meeting. <p>The meeting minutes were then adopted and validated.</p>	WFP to give update on the planned intervention to Adan Yabal in the next meeting.
3	<p>FSC Response Overview (achievements and gaps) – Jan 2023</p> <p>The Food Security Cluster Information Management Officer presented the partner response overview for the month of January 2023. The presentation highlighted some key figures for January response:</p> <p>SO1 (improved access to food) People assisted – 434.94K Cash modality – 30% Voucher modality – 56% In-Kind modality – 14%</p> <p>SO2 (Protection of livelihoods) People assisted – 0.84K All assistance were provided through Cash modality with about \$140K transferred during the reporting period.</p> <p>A Partner intervention planning matrix was collected for Jan-Jun 2023, these were also presented highlighting areas with gaps and areas with potential over-reach, this requires close coordination on the ground to avoid duplication of resources. The FSC coordinator mentioned that partners with plans in such areas will be invited for separate meetings to clarify their actual villages/settlements of operation to seek solutions on the potential over-reach and redirect resources where possible.</p> <p>This full presentation can be found on the FSC website.</p>	
4	<p>Beletweyne IDP sites verification exercise – UNHCR</p> <p>On the 8th of February 2023, the CCCM cluster through UNHCR in collaboration with partners and local authorities conducted a 1-day verification exercise of all the IDP sites in Beletweyne. CCCM cluster presented the preliminary finding from this exercise.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A total of 119 IDP sites were verified out of the 139 initially recorded. About 19 sites were merged to other neighboring IDP sites as they did not meet the CCCM standard criteria of an IDP site. A validation meeting was held on 12 February 2023 including humanitarian partners and the local authorities. 56% of verified sites were hosted on privately owned lands. 23% of the IDPs pay rent to land owners; in form of cash or humanitarian assistance they receive. 	FSC to share final reports from Beletweyne IDP site verification exercise.

	<p>Comments</p> <p>Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are also needy people from the host community who need assistance are shying to join IDPs. Let us consider that also. • Several settlements have been liberated in eastern Beledweyne, some settlements are a bit stable and there are people who are in critical need of assistance. <p>He then called for partners urgent attention.</p> <p>The final report of this exercise will be shared by the CCCM cluster.</p>	
<p>5</p>	<p>De-duplication exercise</p> <p>To effectively use the limited resources available to organizations while ensuring humanitarian food and livelihoods assistance reach the most vulnerable population, it is important to minimize and eventually stop any form of duplication in providing assistance.</p> <p>The Food Security Cluster will prioritize the de-duplication exercise using the 5Ws reporting tool in identifying potential duplication and strengthening inter-organizational collaborations. Moving forward, the FSC suggests that a “1 partner per location” is considered to minimize possibilities of duplication.</p> <p>The FSC coordinator informed the group on plans to start a village level mapping to better understand partners’ operational presence and verify some of the potential duplication issues.</p> <p>Partners were highly encouraged on the below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The FSC advocates and encourages partners to coordinate closely with the cluster before starting a project to provide partner presence and gap information for better decision-making on where to implement their activities. • 5Ws Reporting: providing georeferencing (Lat/Long) through the 5Ws is mandatory for reporting while providing each specific location name in a separate row. Same with providing accurate number of new registered beneficiaries (individuals and not HHs) by month. In February will we have to return those 5Ws to partners who haven’t provided this two information 	<p>FSC to share list of reporting FSC partners in the State.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>AOB</p> <p>Nutrition and Food referral systems</p> <p>The meeting participants were informed of the ongoing collaborations between the Nutrition and food Security Clusters on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both clusters are starting a series district-level meetings in the whole state on strengthening referral and integration tracking/reporting tools amongst Food Security and Nutrition Cluster partners • Beletweyne district meeting held last week; low referrals and disaggregation issues (SC, PLWs, U5 etc..) were identified as major challenges. • Nutrition cluster is already working with its partners to improve referral reporting. • Identifying gaps and seek solutions. 	<p>FSC and Nutrition cluster will invite partners for district-level meetings on Nutrition referral and relief integration programming.</p>

<p>Closing & adjournment; The meeting ended by 11:38am and it was adjourned to Tuesday, 14th March 2023.</p> <p>Partners were also reminded to join their respective regional coordination meetings;</p> <p>Hiran RCM: 7th March 2023 (2:00PM-3:30PM) Middle Shabelle RCM: 8th March 2023 (10:00AM-11:30PM)</p>	
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