

# Bi-Weekly FSL Cluster Meeting (Minutes of the Meeting)

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020

Chair: Justus Vundi, IM Officer, FSLC

FSLC Virtual Room on TEAMS

### 1. COVID-19 situation update for SSD and Africa:

According to the Africa Center for Disease Control, the total number of infected cases is 1,252,552 and 29,833 deaths have been reported, as of 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 and 985,803 recoveries in 54 African countries. South Sudan recorded 2,531 cases, as of 31<sup>st</sup> August, with 1,296 being recovered and 47 deaths. Juba County has the highest number of infected cases.

## 2. Updates on COVID-19 addendum HRP 2020 response:

6.9 Million people targeted by COVID-19 addendum includes 1.6Mn newly vulnerable people and 5.3Mn in 2020 HNO PiN. This sums up the total addendum requirement to the tune of \$179Mn., of which 8.4% (amounts to \$15Mn.) reported in the FTS, as on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept. 2020. There are 35 partners in responding to COVID-19, across South Sudan, mainly WFP reaching out to 40,000 beneficiaries with increased / expanded social safety net scheme and also 134,000 beneficiaries with unconditional food assistance (both cash transfer and in-kind food). Also, FAO has reached 20,700 most vulnerable people, impacted due to Desert Locusts, received livelihood support. Over 4 Million beneficiaries were reached with IEC material, hand washing facilities at FSL distribution points across all counties in South Sudan.

HRP 2020 COVID-19 addendum monitoring is done through reporting on the 5Ws matrix, the unconditional general food distribution, Food for Assets, distribution of crop kits, vegetable kits, fishing kits, hand-washing facilities and IEC materials. Partners are encouraged to report additional caseload targeted specifically due to COVID-19 under cluster objectives 1,2 and 3 – Food assistance, Emergency Food Production and Training, respectively, following the SOPs/guidelines provided by WFP and FAO.

Read the complete presentation here:

#### 3. Best Agriculture Practices – Child Relief and Support Organization:

CRS-O, the national NGO pilots SHAAIN resilience project to build local capacity of vulnerable women on production of vegetables for food and income to end hunger, achieve food security, improve nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture, which is in line with the sustainable development goal (SDG) 1 and 2. Through this project, CRS-O aims to reach 150 vulnerable households, 900 women in two payams (Kapoeta town and Longeleya) and train them on vegetable production and promote VSLA.

Read the complete presentation here:

#### 4. Disability Inclusive programming in FSL sector – Humanity & Inclusion (HI):

To increase the understanding of FSL cluster members on Inclusive humanitarian action, disability, impairments and barriers, Humanity & Inclusion, an INGO that works to improve protection, quality of life, and the promotion of rights of vulnerable populations, ensuring inclusion livelihoods and participation of people with disabilities. HI's approach to mainstreaming disability & Inclusion within project cycle, based on IASC guidelines on disability Inclusion in humanitarian action (focus on FSL), shared good practices & lessons learnt.

Read the complete presentation <u>here:</u>

#### 5. Updates from Needs Analysis Working Group:

- Locations from the previous meeting discussed (Jonglei and GPAA, incl. Marua updates), also, the flood updates and forecast, mainly the criteria for triggering assessment/response update and countrywide overview of the floods and review of locations by region.
- Violence and IDPs in GPAA since 11th June 2020, triggered by Inter communal revenge attacks in Feb. and in May, resulting displacement of people over 20,000 and 30,000 respectively. Estimated 10,000 IDPs in and around Pibor Town, none left Pibor AA site and many more IDPs out in the bush. In Maruwa over 39,000 violence-affected people (6,500 HHs) reported, consisting in IDPs from GPAA locations (likely to return) + locals from Maruwa Hills (static).
- Juba multi-cluster emergency response team (ES/NFI, CCCM, Health, WASH, FSL) deployed to Pibor and ES/NFI responded to 1,500 HH in Pibor and planning response in Likuangole, Gumuruk and Verthet. Emergency food distribution took place for 11,000 IDPs by Plan International. On nutrition, JAM is responding and, quick assessments undertaken to Likuangole and GumurukI). UNHAS flight support provided for assessment team deployment to Maruwa.
- Confirmation of priority locations for Common Service Support:
  - Based on NAWG's recommendations, response scale up endorsed by ICCG in GPAA Duk (in Pibor Town, Duk county) Uror (in Yuai, Pathai, Motot and Pieri, Nyirol county - Lankien, Walgok), Tonj East, Tonj South counties and Ayod.
  - Inter-cluster response ongoing in Pibor Town, Lekuangole, Gumruk, Verteth and Maruwa. De-prioritised Uror, as reported in Jonglei meeting that the response completed.

