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MINUTES OF THE ABUJA FOOD SECURITY SECTOR MEETING

Location: Teleconference
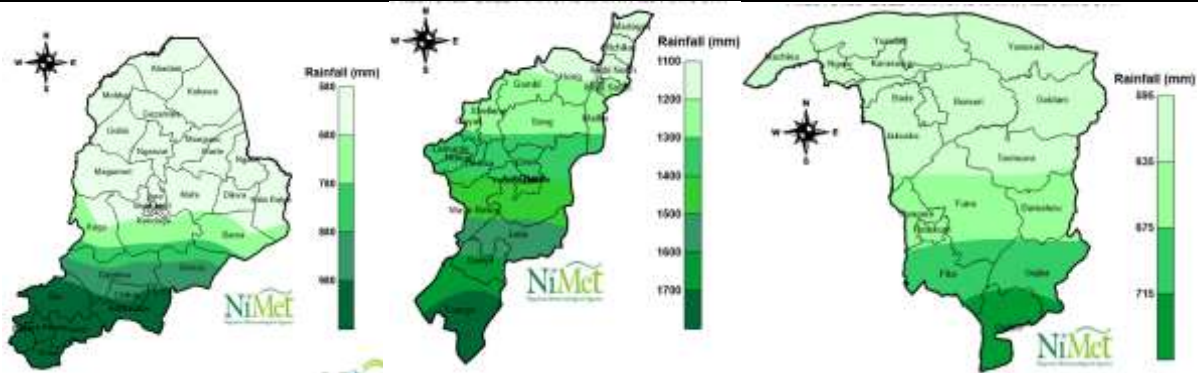**Date**: 2nd June 2022
Time: 10: am – 11: 38 PM

AGENDA

1. Welcome, Opening Remarks and Round of introductions (5 mins)
2. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes (5 min)
3. 2022 Season Updates -By NIMET (25 mins)
4. Lessons learned from ADAPT 1 and plans for ADAPT 2 – By Mercy Corps (25 mins)

5. Sector updates
6. Partner updates (10 mins)
   - Government stakeholders (MoA, NEDC, NEMA, SEMA, MRRR, NCFRMI, etc.)
   - Others
7. AOB (5 mins)

SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

No	PROCEEDING	ACTION POINTS
1	**Welcome, Opening Remarks and Round of introduction** The meeting was opened by the chair Mr. Amu Anthony.	
2	**Review of Previous Meeting Minutes.** Review of Minutes of the previous meeting. The previous minutes was adopted.	
3	**2022 Season Updates -By NIMET (25 Mins)** The Seasonal Climate Prediction provides essential weather advisories and early warnings to planners, decision-makers and operators in the various rainfall-sensitive socio-economic sectors. These are aviation, agriculture, water resources, environment, transportation, disaster risk management, health, construction etc. **Predicted 2022 Rainfall Amount**	

2022 Predicted Rainfall Amount for Borno State

The predicted rainfall amount for the southern part of the state may likely to be above 1060mm (Askira-Uba, Biu, Bayo and Shani). The predicted rainfall amount for Maiduguri, Jere, Konduga, Kaga, Bama, Gwoza, Damboa and Chibok is likely to be 650-960mm. The northern part of the state such as Mobar, Kukawa and Abadam may experience below 610mm
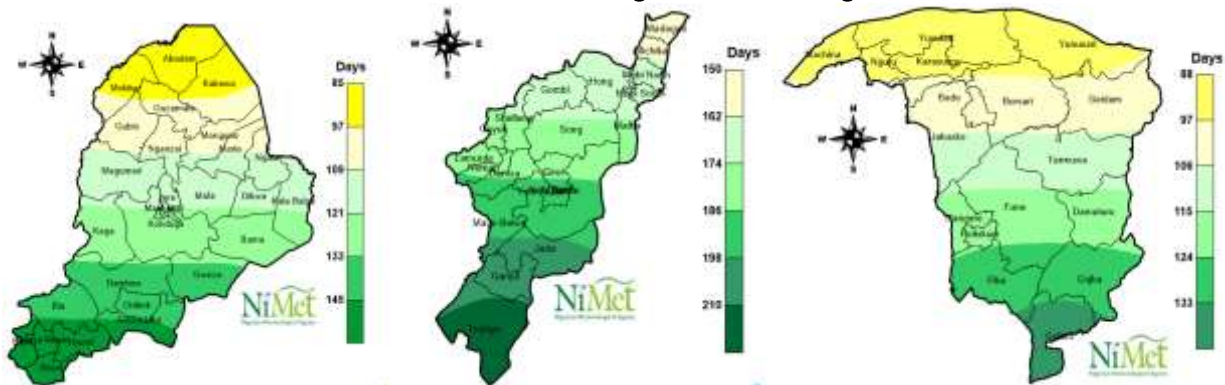
2022 Predicted Rainfall Amount for Adamawa State

The anticipated rainfall amount for the northern part of the state may likely to be below 1200 mm (places around Mubi North, Michika and Madagali). The predicted rainfall amount for Lamurde, Numan, Gombi, Demsa, Yola-North, Yola-South, Jimeta, Fufore and Mayo-Belwa is around 1300-1500 mm. The southern part of the state (Teungo), is expected to record above 1700 mm.

2022 Predicted Rainfall Amount for Yobe State

The predicted rainfall amount for the southern part of the state may likely to be above 720mm (Gulani). The predicted rainfall amount for Fune, Damaturu, Nangere, Potiskum and Fika are likely to be from 650-700mm. The northern part of the state such as Nguru, Yusufari, Yunusari and Machina experience below 620mm.

Predicted 2022 Length of the Growing Season

2022 LoS for Borno State

The length of the growing season is predicted to be longer in the southern part of the state lasting above 145 days (Askira Uba, Hawul, Bayo, Kwaya Kusar and Shani). The length of season for Marte, Ngala, Magumeri, Jere, Maiduguri is from 109-121 days. Kukawa, Mobar and Abadam in the northern part of the state may likely to have less than 97 days.

	2022 LoS for Adamawa State
	The length of the growing season is anticipated to be longer in the southern part of the state lasting above 200 days (Jada, Ganye and Teungo). The length of season for Shelleng, Maiha, Guyuk, Song, Lamurde, Numan, Gombi and Demsa is expected to be from 174 to 186 days. Michika and Madagali in the northern part of the state may likely to experience about less than 162 days.
	
	2022 LoS for Yobe State
	The length of the growing season is expected to be longer in the southern part of the state lasting above 133 days (Gulani). The length of season for Jakusko, Tarmua, Fune, Damaturu, Nangere and Potiskum may likely from 106-124 days. Karasuwa, Nguru, Machina, Yunusari and Yusufari in the northern part of the state may expected to have less than 97 days.
	
	For more details, check here for the full presentation
	
	Discussion
	
	    Q: Is there an app/place, local farmers can get daily up-to-date information on climate/weather?
	    Ans: There is a NiMET SCP on the play store that provides basic information on seasonal climate prediction, it is being updated to provide other information
	
	    Q: Is there any organization that works with NiMET on climate/risk-based financing
	    Ans: We have worked with some partners on climate/risk-based financing and weather-based insurance. We also do impact-based forecasting	

4	**Lessons learned from ADAPT 1 and plans for ADAPT 2 – By Mercy Corps (25 mins)** Addressing Diverse and Acute Primary Threats (ADAPT) to Human Security in Borno Goal: Save lives and prevent human suffering among displaced, returnee, and host households in Borno State. **Achievements** Food Assistance	

A total of 7,477 households (72,124 individuals) received food assistance
Improved household food consumption score and hunger score to 15.8% & 32.7 respectively
Reduced coping strategy index was 7%

Improving Agriculture Production
10,500 individuals (1,500 HHs) benefiting from improved seeds
Application of improved management practices or technologies was reported among **80% of the individuals** (beneficiaries)

Livestock Production
4,900 individuals (700HHs) received livestock assistance (Birds, Feeds, Poultry farm items such as feeders, drinkers) and training on livestock management)

Next Action Plan
- ✓ *The sector will be focusing on IDPs, Returnees and Host for the food and agriculture assistance intervention*
- ✓ *Expanding MC intervention to Jere LGA (THRIVE)*
- ✓ *Adopting 3 different cohort for food intervention (ADAPT II) and per capita transfer value (THRIVE)*
- ✓ *Split food assistance voucher into two wallets (Dry and fresh food) at 70% & 30% respectively*
- ✓ *Expanding the poultry and backyard gardening activity to Bama and Jere LGA*

Discussion

Q: Do you use electronic or based vouchers?
Ans: Both were used, however, currently, we use the electronic-based voucher. The electronic-based voucher is more effective because it can work offline, analysis can be easily done, and data were gotten from the server

Q: What is the timeframe for ADAPT 1 and ADAPT 2?
Ans: ADPT 1 was for a year with a month extension while ADAPT 2 started in April 2022, to end in March 2023, which is also a year program.

5	Sector update:	
	FSS Food Assistance Taskforce:	

- The cost of the food basket in the base markets of MMC/Jere has <u>increased by about 35% as at May 2022</u>, as compared to June 2021 when the transfer value was last reviewed.
- An updated methodology to calculate updated transfer values while taking into consideration inflation = <u>Cost of food basket – Household Income </u>(from recent HEA Analysis) = **Food Gap to be covered.**
- Therefore**, the updated per capita Transfer will be 4,844 naira** from the previous recommended 4,495 naira (June 2021) for the following locations: <u>Kaga, MMC,Jere, Konduga, Gubio,</u>
- **Magumeri cost of food basket is highest** and the transfer value will be at **5,394 per capita**

NB: HH total transfer value calculations remain as before: Sizes 1 -3; 4 – 8; Above 8

- Deep field locations including and locations outside Borno State, no change so far pending from feedback and proposed way forward from actors in those locations.

CH Food Security Monitoring
- Humanitarian Situation Monitoring Update – March and April 2022 Bulletins HSM Task Force on Inaccessible Areas is out. It can be access at Food Security Cluster (fscluster.org)

Humanitarian Situation Update – April 2022 Bulletin | Food Security Cluster (fscluster.org)

Agricultural Livelihoods Working Group:
- 106,701 households across the BAY states have been mapped to have confirmed plans to deliver inputs including fertilizer, seeds, and tools among others
- Urgent call for scale up on livelihoods support

Livestock And Fisheries Working Group:
- The last meeting was held on 19th May and the next meeting will be communicated
- Partners are advised to reach out/share their livestock and poultry distribution plan to the BAY states ministries and FSS to avoid duplication of efforts.

SAFE Working Group:
- Next meeting date to be communicated
- Veronica out on long leave

Operational updates

- Upcoming Trainings: None coming soon
- HDP nexus workshop held in BAY states from 10th May to 18th May,
  a. Map the ongoing HDP actors, their actions, and existing coordination platforms
  b. Identify priority LGAs based on the highest convergence of actors
  c. Reach a consensus on a common logic of action among HDP actors to support pathways using the graduation approach
  d. Discuss common ground for join targeting strategy and agree on next steps.
- FSS Staff on leave: Leslie and Veronica on leave. Tiruneh, Alex and Kazeem available.

6	Partner Update	
	• FMARD is planning to train 5 states and other partners on CH, which will hold in Abuja. When all is concluded the information will be shared through the FSS. • The government of Nigeria is paying more attention to livelihood support as well as providing livelihood support to Borno, Yobe, and Adamawa state • HARAF is currently doing SAFE Intervention in Yobe and Adamawa. Distribution of briquette and stove will commence next week. • CARITAS concluded agricultural input distribution in Adamawa and Borno, training for framers on fertilizer usage • CRUDAN is currently training beneficiaries on the production of energy-saving stove and briquette, there will also be planning to distribute stoves and tree planting	
7	AOB There was no AOB	
8	**Closing:** Next Meeting will be Borno FSS Meeting, date to be Communicated	

IN ATTENDANCE: 38 partners were in attendance - 48 individuals (8 Females & 40 Males)

Government/UN/Donors/Others	INGOs	NNGOs	Observers
1. WFP	2. AAH	3. WAZOBIA	4. ICRC
5. FAO	6. SDC	7. SHO	
8. USAID	9. SCI	10. WHF	
11. NPFS/FMARD	12. COOPI	13. ECHO	
14. IOM	15. MC	16. CAID	
17. ECHO	18. ZOA	19. CARITAS	
20. NIRSAL	21. IMC	22. 360HSDC	
23. NEDC	24. CRS	25. CCFNG	
26. FEWSNET	27. RESCUE	28. SOS	
29. CAFOD	30. DRC	31. FINDEF	
	32. PUI	33. JDPH	
	34. PLAN		
	35. CARE		
	36. NRC		

	37. CHRISTIAN AID		
	38. IRC		