

## MINUTES OF THE LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES WORKING GROUP (LFWG)

Location: Virtual

Date: May 19, 2022

Time: 03:10pm – 4:00pm

### AGENDA

1. Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Round of introductions (5 min)
2. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes (5 min)
3. Post-Distribution Veterinary Support to beneficiaries of livestock restocking by Prof. Muhammad, The University of Maiduguri, Borno (15min)
4. Current/Future Livestock Distribution (Challenges/Opportunities) update- by FAO (10min)
5. Partner updates (5 min)
6. AOB (5 min)

### SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

1. Partners are advised to reach out to the ministry to avoid duplication of efforts especially on livestock and poultry distribution.
2. FAO to share feed formulae to FSS who will in turn distribute to partners.
3. FAO colleagues can share a list of vendors and recommend them. Partners can reach the bilaterally.

No	PROCEEDING	ACTION POINTS
1	<b>Welcome, Opening Remarks and Round of introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The meeting commenced at 03:10pm lead chair Mr Baba Lawan by and followed by self-introduction</li> </ul>	
2	<b>Review of Previous Action Points</b>  No action points for review	



3	<p><b><u>Borno Post-Distribution Veterinary Support to beneficiaries of livestock restocking – UNIMID - Prof.Muhammad,</u></b></p> <p><b>How did we get there?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Full engagement and coordination with vendors</li><li>• Providing advice and support to vendors wherever required</li><li>• Ensuring that technical specifications are met</li><li>• Quality assurance maintained for all certified livestock</li><li>• Post Distribution Veterinary Support (PDVS)</li></ul> <p><b>PDVS Activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cattle, sheep, goats, and chickens</li><li>• Success depends on the quality of animals supplied, quality assurance measures, and beneficiary interest</li><li>• Commences immediately after the distribution</li><li>• Information by IPs and prior sensitization of beneficiaries by IPs increases access and coverage of beneficiaries</li><li>• Community leaders receive reports and inform IPs, FAO staff or directly contact Field Veterinarians already assigned to their communities by VTH</li></ul> <p><b>Qtn:</b> How many birds were distributed in the project and what was poultry mortality</p> <p><b>Ans:</b> The diseases and are endemic in the environment for poultry and ruminants. Diseases common include Newcastle and Gumboro and most recently coccidiosis. UNIMID team ensured that all vendors vaccinated them before distribution. 38,000 were distributed. Some of the birds were rejected by veterinary officers after quarantining them and observing that the birds were unwell.</p> <p>For the full presentation, please click <a href="#">here</a></p>	
4	<p><b><u>Current/Future Livestock Distribution (Challenges/Opportunities) update- by FAO</u></b></p> <p><b>Some of the Challenges faced.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Extortion of vendors transporting animals along our highways by security personnel despite security clearance from Operation</li><li>• Volatility of prices of items such as goats causing delay in delivery as suppliers wait for times of favourable price to maximize profit.</li><li>• Cancellation of Purchase orders and re-award of POs to another supplier take time and cause considerable delays in delivery (Taking preventive measures such as awarding POs only to vendors quoting realistic prices).</li></ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Difficulty faced by some beneficiaries to continue to provide feed to the goats after finishing the FAO-distributed feed (refining geographical targeting sites to include areas with access to grazing land and HHs having crop residues).</li> <li>• Improper use of FAO-distributed feed, especially the feeding of cottonseed cake alone leading to diarrhea and hair ball (Adequate training of beneficiaries with focus on the proper utilization of kit components)</li> <li>• Inadequate training of beneficiaries by Implementing Partners</li> </ul> <p><b>Opportunities.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The success of the rural/local poultry (noiler) interventions across BAY states has led to a high demand for livestock-based interventions in the early recovery period in crisis-affected communities in the Northeast for nutrition, income generation and employment</li> <li>• Recently resettled population in Mafa, Bama, Banki, Konduga, Baga, Ngoshe, etc. need livestock to rebuild their livelihoods and enhance resilience; actors should cash in on this need</li> <li>• There is an increased awareness on the need for agriculture-based income-generating activities through promotion of agribusiness opportunities</li> <li>• Livestock assets are of very high value and utility in the Northeast. There is hardly any rural household in the Northeast that did not have livestock before the conflict</li> <li>• Unlike other types of interventions, thousands of people can be reached with agriculture-based livelihood interventions</li> </ul> <p><b>Discussions:</b></p> <p>Q: Future activities to be considered. Livestock feed to be included and pasture devolvement activities. Train farmers how to utilize farm by- products e.g., corn stalks and processing. Improve water access to a livestock. Returning communities have challenge of having water.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are vendors of partners who provide ready vaccinated animal and poultry.</li> <li>• FAO to share feed formulae to FSS who will in turn distribute to partners.</li> <li>• FAO colleagues can share a list of vendors and recommend them. Partners can reach the bilaterally</li> </ul> <p>Quality assurance is very important. Quality assurance and Quarantine partners (Veterinary teaching hospital in Borno State.</p> <p>For the full presentation, please click <a href="#">here</a></p>	<p>FAO to share feed formulae to FSS who will in turn distribute to partners.</p> <p>FAO colleagues can share a list of vendors and recommend them. Partners can reach the bilaterally</p>
<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>Partner Updates</b></p> <p>In Adamawa IOM is implementing livestock distribution in new IDP site being contracted. Battery cages and distribution of small ruminants (3 females to one goat).</p> <p><b>Note from partner:</b> Whenever any partner is planning battery cages in maiduguri, the experiences received from partners indicate that it is difficult due to the extreme heat stress associated with the cages. Private investors have tried, and it has not worked. Level of caution (Maiduguri humidity being at 30Percent)</p>	<p>Partners are advised to reach out to the ministry to avoid duplication of efforts especially on livestock and</p>



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7	AOB	
8	<b>CLOSING</b> Next Meeting will be communicated	

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 17 partners were in attendance - 22 individuals (1 Females & 21 Males)

Government/UN/Donors/Others	INGOs	NNGOs
1. FAO	2. MC	3. IDS
4. UNIMID	5. AAH	6. JDPH
7. WFP	8. ZOA	9. GREENCODE
10. FEWSNET	11. DRC	12. JRS
13. Ministry of Livestock	14. PLAN	
	15. COOPI	
	16. CRS	
	17. CARITAS	