



FOOD SECURITY CLUSTER MEETING

DATE Thursday, 2 November 2017
TIME 10.30pm – 12:30pm
VENUE Concern World Wide, Dhaka, Bangladesh

AGENDA

1. Round of introduction
2. Review and approve of the last FSC monthly meeting minutes held in August 2017
3. Localization: presentation of the video and discussion on the next steps
4. Presentation mapping FSC partners
5. LEGS video presentation
6. Cyclone preparedness
7. AOB:
 - IPC
 - Surveys
 - Gender focal points
 - Waterlogging update
 - START
 - Rohingya Crisis
 - Phase3 on NW flood

SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

- ➔ **Localization: FSC will also organize meetings with the Start network, Nahab and Elna**
- ➔ **FSC will organize events to promote the localization video in Dhaka and at district level to promote localization**
- ➔ **The District Focal Point should be revised and to check out if DFP are still interested to hold their positions**
- ➔ **FSC will do a half day orientation on LEGS, in November - December 2017 which will include all options of response, including destocking**
- ➔ **A LEGS training will be organized in early 2018**
- ➔ **Monsoon floods: an advocacy document can be produced for livelihood recovery.**

DISCUSSION

1. ROUND OF INTRODUCTION

FSC Coordinator Mr. Damien welcomed everyone to the meeting. The meeting started with a round of introduction.

2. REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES (24.08.2017)

After reviewing the last meeting action points, the **previous meeting minutes was endorsed by all.**

Action points	Focal point/agency	Status
FSC will monitor Flood situation and update members accordingly	FSC Team	Completed
FSC to organize a TWG meeting on Phase-3 needs assessment.	Rony	29 Aug 2017 completed
Damien will share a draft FSC response plan (if no HRP)	FSC Team	Completed
Rony to circulate FSC Livelihood Package	Rony	Completed

3. LOCALIZATION: PRESENTATION OF THE VIDEO AND DISCUSSION ON THE NEXT STEPS

Mr. Damien presented the video.

The video is available via: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bjmh8TtvPAw>

Discussion:

Damien informed that some funds at gFSC are available to promote the concept of Localization. Participants expressed that the video should be displayed at the local level. FSC will organize one national level and two regional level events to share the video.

The FSC will also organize meetings with the Start network, Nahab and Elna to capture best practices and way forward.

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4. PRESENTATION MAPPING FSC PARTNERS

Due to technical failure, the map couldn't be presented.

- ➔ **FSC will circulate the map.**

5. LEGS VIDEO PRESENTATION:

Damien presented the LEGS video which is available on: <https://youtu.be/3GZECTVTKVs>

More information on: <http://www.livestock-emergency.net/>

Discussion:

Participants remarked that this is a new concept and Bangladesh. Normally households in Bangladesh are not fully depended on Livestock.

Tanvir, IRB proposed to make a guideline on this for FSC Bangladesh. Tapan, ACF remarked that there are some few pockets where livestock is the main livelihood. Kate, UP remarked that one certified LEGS trainer can train FSC Bangladesh.

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6. CYCLONE PREPAREDNESS

A through discussion happened on cyclone preparedness considering most of the organization's resources are being mobilized for the Rohingya Crisis.

Partners shared their lessons learnt from the previous cyclones in Bangladesh.

- Bithika informed that WFP was able to preposition food item (fortified biscuit) before the landfall of the cyclone Mora at the affected locations. There is a staff roster to deploy immediately. School feeding program of WFP allows to response to any disaster immediately.
- Tapan (ACF) remarked that for cyclone Mora, early warning was good, and it helped for better preparedness. The 72 hours assessment was very effective and timely. Coordination was improved. However, there was huge fund crisis. District disaster management committee should also be more dynamic and be strengthened.
- Caritas informed in many places people ignored to go to shelters. Shelters are in very poor condition now due to poor maintenance.
- Rony (FSC & NC) remarked that there was a need to improve the warning signaling system as it confused people and voluntaries activeness. Towhid (CWW) informed that GoB was well prepared. START fund is also ready for quick utilization. However, in the shelters, women and children don't feel secure.
- Moyen, BRAC said people should go to cyclone shelter when the signal is above 6. People don't know who will give food at shelter. BRAC has emergency funding at district level and central level.

Damien presented the GoB current stock of rice, which is over 404,000 MT. Any Tropical Cyclone response for the last few years has required less than 10,000 MT of rice for the GR rice distribution.

START has an allocation of 2.2 million GBP for upcoming cyclone.

Organisations have access to their source of funding in case of any emergency:

- WVI has 100,000 USD as contingency plan.
- BRAC don't have stock but has some fund.
- IRB 20,000 GBP
- OXFAM 50,000 GBP
- FAO has taken a project to support livestock and livelihood.

7. AOB

Floods

- Flood dashboard was presented
- Damien asked organizations regarding their interest for phase3 assessment. There was a low interest from the attendance.
- An advocacy document can be produced for livelihood recovery. The Early Recovery cluster will be consulted to have a joint document

Waterlogging

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- Waterlogging in south west is now improving. The organisations working in Sathkira and Jessore will continue monitoring the situation.

Rohingyas:

- Kate (United Purpose) provided an update on the GiHA for the Rohingya crisis. There is a concern regarding the SADD and the poor quality of the analysis on gender issues – which should be improved
- It was agreed that the FSC would include a specific point on the Rohingya crisis in all FSC meetings but there won't be any separate FSC meeting.

By thanking Concern Worldwide for hosting the meeting, Damien concluded the meeting.

MEETING PARTICIPANTS: