# 7<sup>th</sup> ad-hoc committee meeting, NAHAB

# Participants:

- 1. Md. Majibur Rahman, Director. POPI
- 2. Md. Al-Amin Sikder, Deputy Director, UDPS
- 3. Aznabi Nahid, Programme Officer, YPSA
- 4. Nurjahan Sultana, Caritas
- 5. Chayon Hubert Rebeiro, Manager, Disaster Management(DM), Caritas
- 6. Md. Rafiqul Alam Mollah, Executive Director, Unnayan Sangha
- 7. Rahima Sultana Kazal, Executive Director, AVAS
- 8. Md. Jahangir Alam, Head-DRR and CCA, DAM
- 9. Manik Kumar Saha, Programme Officer, Shifting the Power / NAHAB Secretariat

# Agenda of the Meeting and actions point:

# 1. Review of the last meeting minutes

NAHAB has circulated two sitrep on the flood situation in northern part of Bangladesh. It has been praised by different humanitarian actors.

#### **Action point:**

- This type of sitrep from NAHAB should continue in future disaster where applicable.
- However, the sitrep from NAHAB should be a distinct one, where the response work of local and national organization at ground level should get priority.

# 2. Outcome of 6th Power Café and Potential partnership with private sector update.

After the 6<sup>th</sup> power café there has been a discussion going on with private sectors for a partnership in humanitarian actions. Rahimaafrooz and PRAN group showed their interest to work with NAHAB in different sector of disaster management.

#### **Actions point:**

- Its quiet important to work with private sector with formal process through MoU, having clear indications of role profile of each party.
- However, the discussion should be continue, as there is no clear indication from PRAN regarding their commitment. Manik will follow it up and let the NAHAB members know about the decision. Regarding partnership with PRAN, NAHAB need to finalize the district which are more vulnerable and then select The organization later.
- However,NAHAB should deal with private sector very strategically as there is a
  possibility of hijacking the ideas.

#### 3. Next Power cafe theme & date

 The next power café of NAHB will be on November 21, 10:00 AM – 1:00 AM. The title can be "Role of media in humanitarian actions".  NAHAB should invite private sector, media and different forums in the upcoming power café.

# 4. Approval of membership (based on the recommendation of the review team)

21 organisations have been reviewed based on developed assessment tool. Out of these, 19 organisations have been recommended for NAHAB membership. Remaining 3 organisations did not submit any humanitarian work evidences. The ad-hoc committee appreciate the commendable efforts of membership working group for this hard work.

### **Action points:**

- Membership working group should present the assessment report on rolling basis.
- Committee should issue a letter to all the respective organisations mentioning reasoning being obtaining membership or not obtaining membership. NAHAB Secretariat should draft the letter.
- The membership review Committee should explore financial management culture (financial transparency) of the applicant organisations further and propose final review/ assessment report for these organisations.
- Also, different INGOs/ Donors have blacklisted many local organisations based on financial dispute. Committee should bank on these as well.
- There should be separate meeting for membership approval process and the next round of membership meeting should be in November.
- Also it needs to figure out the different tier of membership i.e. General membership, Associate Membership and affiliated membership

# 5. Update on Divisional workshop (sharing the findings so far)

Out of eight three divisional workshop has been completed by NAHAB. Other five division workshop is pending which is supposed to be held by this month.

#### **Actions Points:**

- Divisional focal organization will scrutinize the members list from the division. And NAHAB secretariat will assist in this process.
- The divisional focal need to inform Secretariat at leastOne week before the programme for smooth arrangement.

### 6. NAHAB website development

Due to the growing importance of NAHAB both externally and internally, its should have a website as a first point of information.

### **Actions Point:**

- A consultant needs to involved here to prepare the website content. Due to the sound understand of the context of NAHAB from the very beginning, the committee propose Abdul Latif khan to be the suitable person for preparing the NAHAB website content.
- A consulting firm/individual should be engaged here to prepare the website based on the contents
- DAM should be engaged here for consultants hiring to website launching process.



#### 7. NAHAB Nominations in Needs Assessment Working Group

#### **Action Point:**

From NAHAB Pintu Wiliam Gomes, Caritas, Md. Roushon Ali, DAM; and Md.Khalilur Rahman, POPI willrepresent Needs Assessment Working Group

#### 8. Rohingiya crisis: Role of NAHAB and way forward

The committee discuss the recent Rohingya influx and potential role of NAHAB in this context. The situation is very complex and will worsen day by day

# **Actions Point:**

- NAHAB should not be involve directly here as it will become a long term crisis. Also, being a new platform, it may not be feasible to step into the process.
- NAHAB need to also think whether it should go for every disaster or not?
- However, NAHAB can link its members with IOM regarding coordination.
- Disaster Management expert, Nayeem bhai is taking an initiative to coordinate the NGO activities in Rohingya crisis. discuss in the meeting. NAHAB members- Caritas, YPSA, Coast trust and DAM are representing NAHAB is this process.

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