

Child Protection in Emergencies Working Group Lebanon National Meeting

Date: July 21, 2016, 10.00 am – 11.30 am

Location: UNICEF Beirut, 2nd Floor, Gefinor Building

Participants: 30 participants from organizations: MoSA, ABAAD, ACTED, AMEL, Balamand University, DRC, FAO, Himaya, ILO, IMC, Intersos, Makzoumi Foundation, Mercy Corps, Mouvement Sociale, Plan International, SCI, TdH- Italy, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNRWA, WCH, National and Field CP Coordinators.

Co-Chairs: MoSA CP Coordinator (Acting) and National CPiEWG Coordinator

Agenda

- 1. Review of Last meeting's minutes and action points.
- 2. CP Sector IM –CP Situation and Response Monitoring Tool (10 min.)
- 3. PSS Committee Draft Guidance Note presentation (15 min.)
- 4. Updates from 05 partners (Key Achievements, Trends, Challenges) AMEL, DRC, Himaya, MercyCorps, TdhItaly (5 x 5 = 25 min.)
- 5. Presentation:
- 6. National Plan of Action on Child Labor Min. of Labor (20 min.)
- 7. Household Baseline Survey Findings 2016 on Child Protection SPPME Section of UNICEF (15 min.)
- 8. LCRP 2017-2020 Planning Process Core Group (05 M)
- 9. AOB.: Next CPiEWG meeting (Day / Time / Venue)

1. Review of last meeting: action points and minutes

- Neither any comments nor any changes made to the Minutes of last month meeting were made.
- Minutes was adopted without any changes.

2. Specific subject related presentations

CP Situation and Response Monitoring Tool
CP Sector IM presented an overview on situation and response monitoring

tool. Explained in detail about the definition of situation and response monitoring. The national CPiEWG coordinator is in consultation with the Global CPiEWG with regard to provide training on the monitoring and further details will be provided. The power point presentation has already been circulated, however it is being attached along with the document for easy reference.

- Draft PSS Guidance Note

UNICEF's CP Specialist for PSS presented a detailed presentation on the draft guidance note consisting of a very detailed description about Community based PSS AND Focused / Non Specialised PSS such as who is this activity for, How long is this activity, who will deliver this activity, minimum standards of training that are required, how many children can participate in this activity at one time, etc. Additionally a clear descriptive information was also provided about vulnerable children and At high-risk children. (Presentation is attached herewith that was circulated already.)

- National Plan of Action on Child Labor

ILO on behalf of Child Labor Unit of Ministry of Labor presented main points about the national plan of action on child labor. Ministry of Labor is the main reference of any matters related to child labor. A national action plan was prepared in 2012, and there are two sub committees dealing with 'Working Street Children', and "Child Labor for Agriculture. A two-day workshop has been planned for members of steering committee and UN, INGOs and local NGOs involved in child labor week in early August, 2018, and invitation will be sent by ILO shortly. A request was made by the ILO to send in their contact details those partners involved in child labor work.

Household baseline Survey Finding on Child Protection – 2016 IM officer of SPPME unit of UNICEF presented the findings on child protection from the baseline household survey that was conducted recently. The survey has been given to the Government, and once it is accepted by the Government, these figures will be used for the LCRP 2017-2020 planning process. (Presentation is attached herewith that was circulated already.)

3. Partner Updates

- AMEL, DRC, Himaya and Tdh-Italy presented their updates on key achievements, trends and challenges. Summary of challenges / barriers is given below for easy reference:
 - More children are working and are usually not able to attend sessions due to their work timing.
 - o Difficulties experienced when benficiaries change residence,
 - In some places NGO and INGO are giving the impression that they are competing for beneficiary numbers and therefore neglect the quality
 - o Increased tensions between host and refugee communities

- Parents refusing to send children to places where there is a Syrian Community.
- Cases of house eviction, or arrests by local authorities are increasing the PS distress of children and their caregivers.
- Male adolescents' participation in PSS activites is still the lowest (due to CL and lack of secondary education oppportunities)
- PSS of caregivers is challenging due to the fact that they do not want to move or also not allowed to be grouped in few areas

4. LCRP 2017-2020 Planning Process – Core Group

National CPiEWG Coordinator mentioned about the planning process that the interagency has provided a copy of a draft guidance note that was submitted to the Government for their endorsement. A National Steering Committee has been established by MoSA. Further details will be circulated to the membership upon receipt of same. It was also mentioned that the CP sector will establish a Core Group for LCRP planning process similar to the last year, however this year the core group will include field representation. It is suggested that the field CPiEWG will nominate two persons to be in the core group. The CP field coordinators will also be participating in the core group meetings.

Next Meeting: August 18, 2016 @ 10:00am Location: UNICEF, Beirut office, 6th Floor.