Special HCTT meeting: 09 August 2018
MoDMR Conference Room, Bangladesh
Secretariat, Dhaka

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UN Bangladesh
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Focus: Humanitarian affairs/Preparedness and Response to natural disasters

Objective: Support and complement GoB’s led preparedness and response interventions

HCTT: Platform for the coordination of international humanitarian assistance
Overview of the HCTT

Complement GoB led Response:
- Joint Needs Assessment with GoB using agreed tools;
- Response Gap Analysis through Cluster
- Humanitarian response plan endorse by HCTT
- Resource mobilization by UNRC from Donor, private sector and CERF;
- District Coordination Focal point liaison with DC/DMC
- Response Monitoring by Dash Board through cluster information;
- Community engagement through DCFP information.

Inter-cluster Groups

Support DMCs at Local Level

District Coordination Support
Focus: To support Disaster Management Committee at local level
Lead: HCTT nominated organization in each disaster prone District
Timeline of Key Events

Coordinated support to recent disasters (examples)

- JNA + HRP
  - Cyclone Roanu: June 2016
  - Monsoon Floods: Aug 2016
  - Haor Floods: May 2017
  - Cyclone Mora: May 2017
  - Landslides in CHT: June 2017
  - Monsoon Floods: Sep 2017
2018 Workplan

**Disaster Preparedness**
- Operationalization of the L3 Emergency Contingency Plan according to the Rapid Approach
- Capacity development activities for HCTT Members (including on UN CMCoord)

**Disaster Response**
- Response planning, monitoring and reporting
- Socializing revised SOD
- Strengthen national ownership and leadership

**Advocacy and Resources mobilization**
- Support localization initiatives
- Humanitarian – development nexus
MoDMR led HCTT workshop on operationalization of the L3 Emergency Contingency Plan (March 2018)

L3 contingency plan to be tested during DREE 2018 and recommended workshops to be organized in Chittagong and Sylhet in the near future
FSCD, MoDMR and AFD participated in the INSARAG Regional Earthquake Response Exercise in the Philippines (June 2018)

Recommendation: plan to support Bangladesh national USAR capacity and coordination of volunteers
**Disaster Preparedness**

Complement Government/MoDMR’s efforts:

Progress on-going to develop HCTT floods response preparedness plan

Finalized HCTT cyclone contingency plan

**Figure: Country Risk Profile: Bangladesh**

- **Likelihood:**
  - 1 = Very unlikely (up to 20% chance of the event happening)
  - 2 = Unlikely (20-40%)
  - 3 = Moderately likely (40-60%)
  - 4 = Likely (60-80%)
  - 5 = Very likely (over 80%)

- **Impact:**
  - 1 = Negligible (minimal impact on overall population)
  - 2 = Minor (minor impact on overall population)
  - 3 = Moderate (moderate impact on overall population)
  - 4 = Severe (severe impact on overall population)
  - 5 = Critical (major impact on overall population)
Progress on implementation

Disaster Response

The NAWG (co-led with DDM) finalized the needs assessment tools (including WFP-led 72 hours assessment);

The Cash Working Group (CWG) updated the guidelines for multi-purpose cash assistance package and the Cash for Work daily rate endorsed by HCTT;

WFP/MoDMR led simulation for cyclone, floods and earthquake organized (2017 & 2018)
Progress on implementation

Localization and Humanitarian Coordination

UNRC and MoDMR Secretary participated in the Asia-Pacific Regional Dialogue on the Grand Bargain in Thailand on 2017


Work streams:
- Transparency
- Localization
- Cash
- Management costs
- Needs Assessment
- Participation Revolution
- Multi-year planning and funding
- Earmarking/flexibility
- Reporting requirements
- Humanitarian-Development engagement
MoDMR/DDM facilitated the nomination of 3 national NGO networks including 3 alternates for HCTT representation

BDRCS informed of its willingness to participate in HCTT’s work and support coordination efforts
Progress on implementation

Localization and Humanitarian Coordination

Draft revised SoD already incorporate the HCTT and cluster system for increased and predictable humanitarian coordination with international community in Bangladesh.

Key Issues - Stakeholders and Clusters Consultations
- Defined support packages and their standards;
- Clearly define “Trigger” for response engagement;
- Specifying the roles and responsibilities of DMCs and other actors;
- Coordination Committees and Local Disaster Response Group- two is necessary;
- Accountability for the critical service delivery actors;
- Formalize the coordination with the international actors;
- Leverage budget allocations for disaster management response, recovery and coordination;

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Humanitarian Civil-military coordination

**RCG OBJECTIVES**

- Regional Forum
- Response Preparedness Planning: Working Groups
- Platform to exchange information, lessons learned and good practices
- Emerging policy issues and gaps
- Global Consultative Group on Humanitarian Civil-Military Coordination.

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Humanitarian Civil-military coordination

MoDMR lead UN CMCoord regional and national workshops and the Senior Leaders Seminar (SLS) in 2017;

Bangladesh nominated as chair of the Regional Consultative Group on CMCoord for Asia and the Pacific (RCG) for 2018;


In June 2018, Bangladesh chaired the RCG mid-year consultation at BKK. RCG 4th annual session that will take place in December 2018.
Humanitarian Civil-military coordination


MoDMR has planned a second national UN CMCoord training that will focus – as per Bangladesh’s priorities – on CMCoord in the refugee context at Cox’s Bazar.

MoDMR plan to organize a second Senior Leaders Seminar (SLS) to take stock of progress made since mid-2017 and help decision-makers to commit on commonly agreed way forward;
Clusters and working groups – key achievements

- Food Security and livelihood assistance packages updated;
- Support to the establishment of the food security sector in Cox’s Bazar;
- Capacity building initiatives implemented in the flood prone districts
- Storage of life saving buffer stocks and mobile medical teams ready for deployment

GBV:
- National Dignity Kit guidelines for GBV actors developed
- GBV included in need assessment tools
Clusters and working groups – key achievements

- ‘Standard Guideline of Rural Housing in Disaster Prone Areas of Bangladesh’ developed
- Post Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA) experts pool from the Ministries, UN agencies, and other partners established;
- WFP and MoDMR joint Simulation Exercise on flood, cyclone and earthquake
- Support to Logistics sector in CXB: Mobile storage unit set-up
- Logistics concept of operations on cyclone and floods ready
- Establishment of District Level Nutrition Coordination Mechanism in Rangpur and Chittagong Divisions-On-going
- In collaboration w/UNICEF, supported prepositioning of essential therapeutics milks in 280 SAM units for both regular and emergency programmes.
Clusters and working groups – key achievements

- EiE is integrated into the Primary Development Programme 4
- Sub-cluster formation in place in prioritized districts
- Debris Management Guidelines developed jointly with DDM
- Debris Management Plans available for Sylhet and Chittagong cities
- National, District and Upazila Level Officials (Approx. 780 DRRO& PIOs) are trained to Prepare, Coordinate and Manage Emergencies and Early Recovery
- Handbook developed with DDM on the roles and responsibilities of DMCs
Child Protection:

- Conditional Cash transfer programme for unaccompanied and separated children have been initiated by Department of Social Services collaboration with UNICEF.
- Strengthen and functionalization of CPIE Cluster lead by MoWCA.
- National and district level coordination (WASH cluster)
- Contingency plan and stocks (Target: DPHE-Unicef 100,000 and Sector target 150,000)
- Capacity building on WASH (National and local level)
Clusters and working groups – key achievements

Cash Working Group

• Revised Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance (MPCA) amounting to BDT 4,500/HH for nationwide (Except CHT & Cox’s Bazar) and BDT 5,500/HH for CHT and Cox’s Bazar;

• Revised the daily wage rate for Cash for Work (CFW) and developed the CFW Operational Guidelines

• Study completed on most suitable cash delivery mechanisms with key issues of beneficiaries’ choice, preference and availability of trusted Financial Service Providers

Needs Assessment Working Group

• JNA 1st and 2nd phase tools are reviewed and finalized

• 72 hrs. tools have been contextualized according to the Bangladesh
Key Upcoming events

DREE
DREE Final Planning Conference: 16 August 2018
DREE 2018: 7-11 October 2018

Earthquake Workshop
Sylhet and Chattogram Earthquake CP Operational Workshop: September 2018;

CMCoord (SLS and Cox’s Bazar Training)
CMCoord in the refugee context at Cox’s Bazar: October 2018
2\textsuperscript{nd} SLS at Dhaka: October 2018: October 2018

Logistics/Supply chain
Emergency humanitarian supply chain management at Dhaka: August/September 2018
Some Challenges

Collaboration with national counterparts should be further strengthened.
Strategic direction of HCTT’s work to be provided by highest DM fora (e.g. NDMC/IMDMCC)

Information Management Working Group (IMWG) to be re-established

Engagement with the private sector should be strengthened (e.g. Connecting Business Initiative)

The coordination of the entire Disaster Risk Management (DRM) cycle in country to be clarified to ensure linkages b/w DRR – Preparedness – Response and Recovery efforts.

Recommendations welcome …
Way Forward

Immediate
- Finalization of the HCTT floods response preparedness plan
- Review of cash assistance modalities

Short-term
- Update/review of the HCTT cyclone contingency plan

Medium-term
- Update on the earthquake preparedness plan

Long-term
- Joint strategic disaster management plan to support MoDMR’s mandate

Required:
- Strong ownership and leadership of clusters’ and working groups’ national counterparts under the leadership of MoDMR;
- Information management strategy and policy;
- Structured engagement with private sector.
Thank you for your attention
Key Principles

• Strengthen and support MoDMR leadership and coordination roles;

• Tools and process to support MoDMR coordination with other ministries;

• Enhance MoDMR role to support international actors engagements;

• Promote Rapid Approach in Disaster response for speed, quality and volume;