

## RRR Sector meeting minutes

Date: Feb16<sup>th</sup> 2016

Venue: UNDP

Attendees: UNDP, CRS, ARC, HelpAge, VSFG, DDRA, Solo, UNOCHA, HAC, IOM, Assist, WHO, UPO, WFP, McScotland, UNFPA, ADRA, AORD, DRC, Concern Worldwide, DCPSF, FPDO, Plan Sudan, SIBRO, Labena, BPWO. (See attendance list attached)

<u>Agenda items</u>	<u>Key points and actions</u>
Endorsement previous meeting minutes	The last meeting's minutes were endorsed.
Review RRR 2016 action plan	<p>The 2016 RRR workplan was developed together with all sector members and lead during a workshop meeting in January 2016. The document was subsequently shared with all sector members for review and final comments. The plan is intended to guide the sector and its members to monitor progress and to ensure activities are timely implemented as well as to clarify roles and responsibilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Action Point:</b> Partners are requested to share any additional comments before the end of February. If no further comments, partners agreed to the plan and the plan will be considered endorsed at the end of February.</li></ul>
Early recovery Guidance note and multi-sector project for returnees	<p>The sector coordinator shared with all sector members the most recent guidance note for familiarization and to support our future sector work. The document is a global document, and reference is made to Sudan. The sector coordinator highlighted some of the key points in the document for people to reflect on and assess how we can best use this in our future planning, programming as well as monitoring. Some key elements were the humanitarian program cycle and early recovery; criteria of integration early recovery; durable solution for IDPs; durable solution and resilience; additional resources by sector and a menu of indicative early recovery approaches and activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Action point:</b> sector members to review the guidance note for further follow up discussions and localization in future sector meetings.</li></ul>
New Integrated Response Planning Framework to promote sustainable Return and Reintegration through a multisector response	Spontaneous return of IDPs in Darfur has already taken place in locations where conditions have improved. However, return and host communities still suffer from a lack of access to basic services, shortage of economically and environmentally viable livelihoods, as well as limited access to land and environmental assets. Addressing these needs requires early recovery activities that focus on a more holistic approach to sustainable assistance that integrate relief, rehabilitation and development. To achieve this, interventions by different sectors need to

be coordinated and bring together efforts and expertise of humanitarian and development actors in selected areas of return.

**Pilot in Um Baru**

To put into practice and develop the integrated return response framework (see attached), and to enable appropriate responses to critical needs in areas of return while ensuring maximum impact and VfM, all IASC sectors have agreed to pilot phase I and II and to respond to the needs of returnees through an area-based approach in Um Baru locality. Um Baru was selected by the RRR sector based on the 2016 Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) and for being an area conducive for return. There are already high number of returnees and more are expected in the near future. In addition, the area complements the interventions that will be conducted in other localities in North Darfur under the UNDF funded FaST activities (12 projects). Within Umm Baru locality, the main target village will be Orchi, 27km from Umm Baru town. It has strategic advantages for implementing an integrated response to support return and presents some features that interventions can build on. Abuleha and Anabaji villages are secondary targets.

**Gender equality programming**

The integrated multisector pilot project in Um Baru has committed to promoting gender equality across the entire response right from the beginning. This proposed initiative contributes to the HCT country level vision towards developing concrete actions in implementing gender equality programming across the phases of humanitarian action. To achieve this, sex and age disaggregated data (SADD) will be used wherever possible, avoid using neutral words that hide the distinct roles based on gender and age/age groups and identify specific identities (i.e. women, men, girls, pregnant and lactating women, older women; elderly man, adolescent boys). The aim is to highlight gender dimensions of impact on different groups of women, girls, boys and men to illustrate distinct needs, risks and coping mechanisms and capacities as well as how the women and men across age/age groups in the community relate with each other.

**Environmental impact**

As the area was only occupied by a few people during the years of displacement, it has been reported that the environment in this area significantly rehabilitated. Thus, urgent attention needs to be paid to avoid any negative environmental impacts of return and interventions. As part of this pilot and to inform subsequent actions, we plan to conduct a community environmental action plan along the lines already developed by UNEP.

**Next steps:**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An ad-hoc meeting with sector coordinators and relevant sector members to discuss concept notes and how best to coordinated and ensure the integrated approach and vfM.</li> <li>• An inter-agency assessment mission will organized by the RRR as part of the first phase of a new Integrated Response Planning Framework to promote sustainable Return and Reintegration (see attached Framework for more information). Its objective is to provide necessary information for the prioritisation of specific activities, as well as to ensure an integrated and multi-sectoral approach by the various sectors and partners.</li> </ul>
Field Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No field update in this meeting. However partners requested for the RRR Sector – Darfur Coordinator to attend one of the next sector meeting and to provide an update on Darfur.</li> <li>• Action point: RRR coordinator (Khartoum) to follow up and facilitate the request.</li> </ul>
Capacity building and Knowledge/best practice Sharing	<p>The sector member UPO presented their interventions in Sudan as well as methodologies, and approaches used. The presentation clearly indicated the solid work that UPO is doing in Sudan and sector members were able to use this opportunity to comment and provide suggestions to UPO as well as to exchange different experiences from their organizations. Despite the content of the presentation being very informative, the PPT could be further improved. Also, sector members presentation have been requested to zoom in on lessons learned rather than listing activities or the goods/historic background of their organizations. The purpose of this session is to learn from each other in order to improve the way we respond to the needs of the affected communities. I.e. to share best practices and to improve on presentation skills.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Action Point:</b> Organise an ad-hoc meeting on communication and presentation skills for any interested sector members. Labena will present their PPT in that session.</li> </ul>
Sector Coordination Performance Monitoring (CCPM)	<p><b>The CCPM is</b> a self-assessment of the performance against the 6 core sector functions and Accountability to Affected populations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Support service delivery</li> <li>2. Inform the HC/HCT's strategic decision-making</li> <li>3. Strategy development</li> <li>4. Monitor and evaluate performance</li> <li>5. Capacity building in preparedness and contingency planning.</li> <li>6. Advocacy</li> <li>7. A section on Accountability to Affected Populations</li> </ol> <p><b>Why CCPM:</b> To ensure efficient and effective coordination; Take stock of what functional areas work well and what areas need improvement; Raise awareness of support needed from the HC/HCT, cluster lead agencies, global clusters or cluster partners; Opportunity for self-</p>

	<p>reflection; Strengthening transparency and partnership within the cluster as well as show the added value and justify the costs of coordination.</p> <p>During the meeting, UNOCHA provided a PPT with an overall explanation of CCPM and the sector coordinator started the PPT with the outcome of the 2015 RRR CCPM. Due to time, the PPT could not be completed and will be continued in the next RRR meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Action Point:</b> Sector coordinator to continue presenting the RRR CCPM outcomes to sector members for discussion and development of action points.</li></ul>
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The next monthly sector meeting will be held on Mar15th 2016 at AORD premises, the proposed agenda will be communicated with the partners. Note: this meeting had been postponed to 22 March due to the many conflicting deadlines.</li></ul>