



Minutes of Education Cluster meeting held on Tuesday 2nd March 2021 from 11:00 am-12:20 pm via online

Agenda:

- Welcome and ground rules
- Review of action points
- Response Update.
- MoE Update-Covid-19
- MoE Update Distance Learning
- Election Contingency plan
- AOB

Agenda topic	Discussion	Action Points
Welcome & ground rules of online meeting	The participants are welcomed to the meeting and reminded to introduce themselves in the chat box and write questions or thoughts in the chat box	
Review of action points	The action points of the last meeting were reviewed and addressed.	
Response Update	January response updates presented. Partners reached 52,390 (24,936 girls) learners with access to education in emergencies assistance. 49,169 learners provided with learning materials while 24,119 are supported with safe drinking water. Also 13,224 children provided with emergency school feeding. 760 teachers supported with emergency incentives. Partners who have not yet shared their 4W matrix for February are encouraged to submit by COB 3 rd March.	<i>Partners not yet submitted the 4W matrix for February to send by COB Wednesday 3rd March.</i>
MoE Update-Covid-19	Mohamed Rage, director of planning from the ministry of education (MoE), presented a presentation on the spike of COVID-19 and its possible impact on schools. In February, there was an increase in confirmed COVID-19 cases and death compared to the previous months.	<i>Mapping ongoing COVID-19 response activities</i>



	<p>Despite the health COVID-19 task force recommended the closure of schools for two weeks, the MoE press release on 24th January stating the continuation of learning. However, the ministry noted the likelihood of closing schools in the coming days/weeks if the current trend of confirmed cases continues. The ministry stated that the COVID-19 task force was revived and had its first meeting on 28th February and will continue working on COVID-19 response strategies/guidelines and will provide updates to the partners. In addition, the MoE presented some of the ongoing and pipeline COVID-19 activities. Also, asked partners with ongoing COVID-19 activities in the schools to share with the ministry.</p>	
MoE Update Distance Learning	<p>The MoE team working on distance learning did a presentation on the progress of distance learning development. 1881 of the 2000 video lessons for primary are recorded and uploaded in the learning platform, and the remaining scheduled to complete by 5th March. Then from 6th March, the ministry will pilot the platform to five sampled schools in the federal member states and Banadir. If the plan goes well, the MoE will officially launch the online platform on 20th March. Once launched, the students, teachers and school headteachers will have access to the online. Also, the radio lessons will be available for children who might not have access to the internet or smartphones.</p> <p>Due to limited funding, the distance learning content developed does not cover secondary learners.</p> <p>Partners requested the ministry to hold an orientation for the partners on the platform's use and the ministry kindly agreed to provide a demo of the online platform once it's launched and made available.</p>	<p><i>MoECHE to hold an orientation session for partners on the distance learning platform.</i></p>



Election Contingency plan	The cluster briefly highlighted the proposed education activities in the Election Contingency Plan jointly developed by OCHA and the ICCG. The plan has two scenarios: most likely with a target of 103K learners and worst-case scenarios, with about 260K learners. Each of the given scenarios has two phases: phase 1 from onset to 2 weeks and phase2 from 3 weeks to 3 months. Partners who are yet to share the available resources at their disposal in order to implement the response activities in the most likely scenario are requested to do so as soon as possible. The cluster will also do further follow up on this.	<i>Partners to share response activities in likely scenario which they can support.</i>
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 pm. The next meeting will be Tuesday 6 th April 2021 at 11 am.	