# Health Cluster Minutes

**Aden, YEMEN**  
**Date:** 22nd September 2020  
**Venue:** Virtual meeting via Zoom

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| **1 Welcome and introduction:**  
Health Cluster team welcomed all partners to a virtual meeting using teleconference technology. Round table introduction of partners was done. | |
| **2 Review of Previous Action Points:**  
Previous action points were reviewed; one pending action point was noted and discussed | |
| **3 Epidemiological Update**  
MoPHP briefed the health Partners on the latest Yemen epidemiological update on **COVID 19** (As of 21st September)  
- 2016 cases reported (3 cases reported in last 24 hours)  
- 583 cases of mortality reported (Zero case in the last 24 hours)  
- Cases recovered stand at 12019  
- Gender Ratio: 75% male  
- Most affected age group is 45 to 59 for cases and deaths  
Latest Epidemiological update: [Yemen COVID 19 Dashboard](http://yemenhc.org/cluster) and attached cluster PPT |  
- RRT Aden is following the two covid cases reported in Al-Jamhouri hospital and tracing the cases and contacts and will update the forum soon.  
- There are two private labs beside CPHL in Aden cleared by MoPHP for PCR testing for travelers who are intending travel outside country. The labs are:  
  1) Al-Awlaqi lab  
  2) i-lab in Khormaksar  
  3) CPHL lab Aden  
- MoPHP will analyze the response of different governorates to draw lessons learnt for shaping the future response plan. |
| **4 Rapid Assessment on Private health Sector:**  
UNDP conducted Rapid Assessment on Private Health sector with the following objective  
- To inform service delivery  
- Inform Community engagement  
- Strengthen Referral pathways  
- Improve IPC WASH practices  
- Strengthen healthcare waste management and treatment  
Methodologically the assessment employed In-depth interviews and Focus group discussions. In summary, five focus group discussions conducted 31 participants reachedSeven in depth interviews conducted and Five hospitals reached and 1 clinic |  
- MoPHP will invite the representative of the private sector as permanent invitee to the dedicated Covid-19 meeting on every Wednesday for systematically engaging private sector in the response and provide technical support to fill any gaps. |

For more information, please visit the Health Cluster Website: [http://yemenhc.org/](http://yemenhc.org/)
### Conclusion
Private sector remains key players in covid19 response and MOH and partners need to meaningfully involve them in response
For more information please find in the attached cluster PPT

### RH Update:
- Due to funding cut, there is 50% decrease in the number of HFs that were being supported by different donors including UN agencies to provide RH services in the South
- The RH technical committee with the support of John Snow at SHARP the USAID, have updated the Referral guideline for safe motherhood, which have been approved by the MoPHP. The guideline will be circulated by SHARP by the end of September.
- 61 RH HFs received EmONC Medical equipment by UNFPA for the provision of Emergency Reproductive Health services in 10 Governorates in the south (IRG) area.
- UNFPA Distributed 659 RH kits to 80 HFs in Aden, Lahj, Abyan, al Dhalea, Shabwah, Hadramout, Al Maharah, Socotra, Taiz, and al Hudayda governorates.
- Conducted EmONC training to 80 Midwives and Doctors. and planned to conduct MISP training to 20 HWs and RH directorate's directors.
- The Reproductive Health Commodity Security RHCS Committee held the semi-annual meeting to follow up the implementation of the 2020 supply chain plan and the extent of everyone's commitment to it.
For more information please find in the attached cluster PPT

### Access to Health Cluster Data and information:
Health Cluster information specialist briefed partners on the health cluster resources available on the website. Health cluster regularly publish content on the two website (http://yemenhc.org) and (https://www.humanitarianresponse.info/). The content that are published on the two websites are
1. National and subnational Meetings minutes and files
2. 4W dashboards, products, achievement snapshots
3. Response Plans
4. Bulletins
5. Guidelines, SOPs & key documents
6. Outbreaks dashboards and bulletins

Health cluster are urged to use the data available on the website.
For more information please find in the attached cluster PPT

### HRP Prioritization:
Health cluster informed partners on the ongoing HRP prioritization exercise. Considering significantly reduced funding, the 2020 HRP is being prioritized. HRP strategic objectives were reduced from 5 to 3. Health cluster is now realigning the cluster objectives and prioritizing activities/programs as urgent necessary or desired along with new recalculated target/Population in Need (PIN) based on district level cluster severity scoring.

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For more detailed information please find in PowerPoint presentation.

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<td>1) Health cluster team briefed partners that they will share a WASH FIT assessment tool for WASH in Healthcare facilities.</td>
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<td>2) <strong>ICRC update</strong></td>
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<td>- ICRC briefed the partners that they opened a new COVID 19 Centre in Al Jamhuria hospital</td>
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<td>- The centre is tented with 60 bed capacity.</td>
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<td>- The centre will provide treatment for mild, moderate and severe cases but not critical cases.</td>
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<td>- ICRC is also supporting the ICU for the critical cases</td>
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<td>- Activities are planned until the end of the year</td>
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| | □ Health Cluster will share the WASH Fit Tool with the forum after the meeting |

| 9 | - The chair adjourned the meeting at 12:00PM  |
| | - Next meeting will either be Tuesday 6th October 10AM |

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