

**Highlights from Afgooye WASH Cluster meeting**  
**Venue: Somalia Support Secretariat**  
**Date: 29<sup>th</sup> July 2008**

**1. Opening:**

The meeting was opened by the co-chair/Medard Hakizamungu by circulating the proposed agenda to participants. He apologized due to emergency call and then requested Winfred to take over.

**2. Agenda**

- Updates From the field
- Standardization of latrines, berkads and pans (adoption of most appropriate and cost effective designs)
- Sharing of experiences and views on solid waste management
- Next meeting

**3. Updates from the field**

**Oxfam Novib**

Oxfam Novib has mobilized more funds to continue supporting WASH interventions in the area Afgooye Corridor and North Mogadishu through partners; CED and SAACID.

CED will be supported to continue payment of water in Ceelasha area targeting 139,056 IDPs and rehabilitate wells in 4 villages of Mogadishu north targeting 39,600. The extension will cover for a period of three months ending in September, 2008.

Oxfam Novib and DRC reached an agreement here the latter will take over water trucking in the North of Mogadishu.

Oxfam Novib will be providing funds to SAACID to carry out a pilot borehole drilling exercise in Lafole area. ( See More details in SAACID section). The pilot project will target atleast 10,000 households in Lafole area.

**SAACID**

SAACID is now mandated to deliver water trucking services to the Lafole zone

- SAACID is partnering with UNICEF; and has an extension of its water trucking contract until the end of September
- The daily trucking is targeting 33 camps and 12,835 families with up to 50 litres per family - or 5-7 litres per person per day
- Water costs are US \$1.25 per cubic metre; and a truck is being paid US \$23 per trip
- SAACID does not have a budget to cover 5 IDP camps - Bariga Jamacada, Galbeedka, Xumbur, Hodo iyo Ayan and Suldan
- UNICEF has no plans to support further emergency latrine construction in the Lafole zone

- In partnership with Oxfam-Novib, SAACID is going to pilot a deep well water well in the Lafole zone. SAACID and Novib hope that the project will act as a test bed that will provide lessons learned to other implementing partners for durable exit strategy

### **COOPI**

Not presently working within Afgoye region, however, they are running activities in Hiran, Juba and Afmadow

### **IMMAP**

Providing data support

### **Islamic Relief**

Carrying out water trucking in 29 camps in Afgoye UNICEF requested them to extent for two months. The agency is currently providing 400,000 litres though they plan to increase to 600,000 litres per day.

Just finished construction of 267 latrines in Jowhar and Khalif camps in Faculty of agriculture.

### **UNOCHA**

Providing information on where interventions are. The last update was done in April but the agency intends do update Afgoye information during the month of August.

### **ICRC**

Carrying out temporary health clinics in Daynile and Afgoye in partnership with the Somali Red Crescent society. ICRC has been requested to step in with water trucking, as a way of providing an exit strategy for various agencies who want to stop there interventions in the area.

However, it is difficult for ICRC to know exactly the gap because of the seemingly disparity between the water supply and distribution. With many actors supplying water in the area, it is important to identify how many people were being served with this water, and how many more still need support. It was agreed that there was need for all actors in Afgoye corridor providing water should give exact details there operations so as to address the existing gaps.

## **2. Standardization of latrines, berkads and pans (Adoption of most appropriate and cost effective designs)**

Latrines designs by COOPI were circulated earlier but no comments had been received.

Members of the Afgoye cluster were asked to circulate the their comments on the email prior to the next meeting. The approval of the latrine design shall wait until we have UNICEF on the board. DRC asked also to share their latrine design as well.

Designs for Berkads and Pans to be discussed further with the guidance of cluster leads.

### **3. Sharing of experiences and views on solid waste management**

Islamic Relief was reported having included a component of Solid waste management in its programming for Afgoye. So far the agency was providing clean up tools, and garbage collected was disposed outside the camp. Scale up of Solid waste management may call for huge funding that the agencies may not have at this time. It was agreed that all actors scale up health and hygiene education in the mean time.

### **4. AOB**

- There needs to be much strong coordination and leadership from the cluster on zoning, quality control, and exit strategy development
- The cluster needs to inform donors that WASH activities for the Afgoye corridor need much greater priority.

### **5. Next meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2008 at 14:30 at the Somalia Support Secretariat.

#### *List of participants*

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Mercy Gitau	COOPI
Shihab Babiker	Islamic Relief
Julian Jones	ICRC
Craig Von Hagen	IMMAP
Tony Burns	SAACID
Achoka Luduba	UNOCHA
Winfred Mueni	Oxfam Novib
Medard Hakizamungu	Oxfam GB (briefly)