

MONTHLY EDUCATION COORDINATION MEETING MINUTES

Held on 25TH August 2008 at MoE meeting hall at 9am

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Agenda:

1. Welcome and Introduction
2. Review/Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting
3. Main events for the month:
 - celebration of success of SCOTT phase one & planning the future of SCOTT two
 - Launching of new projects, SIBES and SOSETT supported by (SC alliance & AET)
 - MSEE training for education partners and its outcome (UNICEF)

4. school construction updates (partners)
5. launching of the EC-funded STEO project on 26-08-08 (SCF DK)

Any other business:

- Literacy day celebrations 8th August 2008

Minutes I/ of 25th August: Welcome and Introduction

The fifth coordination meeting for 2008 was held at the MoE meeting hall, on 25th August, the meeting was chaired by the DG **Mr. Abdi Ali Odowa** , opened the meeting by welcoming the participants and apologising for the delay in starting the meeting and thanked them for their participation.

Minutes I/ of 25th August: Review/ adoption of previous meeting minutes and follow up on action points

Action points were reviewed as follows:

- **On the 2008 action point matrix:** The Director of planning Mr. Abdi Abdillahi was to appoint a counterpart from the MoPC who will be working together with dept of planning in the (MoE) in collecting inputs for action points matrix from the coordination members who have been requested to fill the action point matrix before and so far only CFBT have submitted their inputs, Charles from NRC introduced an independent consultant Mr. Liban to assist the planning dept in the MoE in collecting the information for the action matrix, the members requested the consultant together with the MoE to resend the matrix template again.
- **Standardization of DSA rates:** The members suggested the same team as above collecting information for the action point matrix to also circulate a matrix template for the collection on the different DSA rates used by different organizations, for residents and non resident participants plus transportation costs. The team should visit the member agencies and organizations and collect the information.
- **WFP to meet with MoE to discuss the missing schools from the distribution list:** WFP has met with the MoE and discussions are still ongoing and they are still to submit the final outcomes to the coordination members, also WFP promised to start distribution of food rations to schools in September.
- **NRC to circulate the minimum standards for constructing feeding centres:** NRC has circulated the minimum standards to the members which consist of a kitchen and a store, and WFP said there are still discussions within WFP on the minimum standards and as soon as concluded they will share the outcomes with the members. WFP to circulate the list of schools eligible to have feeding centres with the criteria for their selection

Minutes 1/ of 25th August: Main events of the month –

SCOTT: A celebration attended by the president of Somaliland for the graduation of about 2000 teacher trainees who are the first batch of the SCOTT program who have completed their training and the launch of the second intake of about 1500 teachers and 2 new projects were also launched by the president SIBES and SOSETT implemented by SC-Alliance and AET.

MSEE: The minimum standards of education in emergencies workshop was held at Ambassador Hotel by facilitation of UNICEF for 6 days, Mr. Mohamed Jama from MOE gave brief presentation of the outcomes of the workshop and one of the recommendations was the establishment of an emergency unit in MoE, and the ministry promised to provide an office space and personnel and UNICEF promised to provide capacity building to the unit. A task force was set up in the meeting consisting of NRC, SCD, CARE, Handicap International, UNESCO and UNICEF to come up with a contingency plan for unit establishment.

Minutes 2/ of 25th August: School construction updates

Distribution of the school feeding program:

The DG asked members on how many schools they have constructed in the first 6 months and those planned for the second 6 months of the year. UNICEF said they have so far constructed 6 schools and are planning to construct 4 more schools are planned to be constructed before the end of the year. Hashim from SCD suggested that the construction plans for the organizations should also be compiled on a matrix same as action point matrix with the same team going to individual organizations and collecting the information.

Minutes 3/ of 25th August: Launch of a new project (STEO) by SCD

Hashim of SCD said they have got 2.2 million euros from EC for a new project called STEO which stands for skills training for employment and wages, he asked the DG to specify a date for the launch and the DG suggested 30th August on Saturday, and SCD was asked to circulate the invitation to the members.

Minutes 4/ of 25th August: Any Other Business

Literacy day celebrations 8th August 2008: Abdiqadir from Caritas informed the members on the literacy day celebrations which will be on 8th Sept and asked the members that Caritas is willing to support the events and asked members to join them for the literacy day celebration arrangements at their office. The DG also stressed the importance of the commemoration of this day, and he asked members to willingly take part and support the commemoration of this day and since AET used to lead the celebrations Mr. Hassan Emabssy asked the ministry to take lead appoint a task force to prepare for the arrangements. NOFEN member M. Hassan suggested to the members that the celebrations should be extended to the regions as the awareness campaign need to be expanded to the regions also, and Caritas said they are going to support Togdheer region celebrate literacy day celebrations this year. The DG suggested that those willing to take part this year should meet at the MoE tomorrow morning at 10:00 am.

Hargeisa technical school 3rd batch graduation: Hashim of SCD informed the members about the graduation of the 3rd batch at Hargeisa technical school and he asked the members to donate their old supplies to the school for repair re usage of the materials and the members asked Hashim to circulate the school profile to the members.

School Furniture: The Director planning of MOE Mr. **Abdi Abdillahi** said that he had visited 15 schools in Hargeisa both primary and secondary and he said the furniture situation in the schools was pathetic students were sitting on the floor or standing in classes, and asked the members to intervene on the furniture issue, Safia of UNICEF said one of the 15 schools mentioned by the director Ahmed Dhagax was given furniture by UNICEF 2 yrs ago and she said there was misuse of the furniture by students in the schools and asked the ministry to be strict and have inventory of the furniture in schools, the DG said there was a committee appointed by the minister to look into the school furniture issue and the committee came up with metal furniture as recommendation instead of the wood furniture, and a sample of the furniture was brought in the coordination meeting for the members to view, the DG further said a letter has been circulated to the members on providing metal furniture to schools, and Safia UNICEF said the metal chairs are not user friendly, especially to girls.

Action points:

- *The MoE and NRC consultant to resend the action point matrix template and DSA standardization rates matrix again to the members as soon as possible.*
- *WFP to circulate the list of schools eligible to have feeding centres with the criteria for their selection and convene a meeting with member organizations on the minimum standards for construction of feeding centres.*
- *UNICEF to circulate the standard design for manufacturing of school furniture's to the members.*
- *School Construction plans of organizations to be collected from the members by the NRC consultant and MoE planning dept focal person.*
- *SCD to circulate the profile of Hargeisa technical school to the members*
- *Literacy day celebrations meeting to be held on 26th August at MoE hall.*

The meeting closed at 12:00 noon and the DG said there will be no meeting in Sept as it will be Ramadan and the next meeting will be on **27th October**, (Last Monday of the month of October) in the MoE meeting hall at nine am.

Meeting facilitated by:

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