

Emergency Water and Sanitation Coordination Meeting

08th August 2007 - Trincomalee

Date: 08th August, 2007.

Time: 16.00-17.05

Venue: UNICEF Conference Room

Chaired and Secretariat by: UNICEF

Participants: NWSDB, UNICEF, UNOCHA, Oxfam, Care, ARC, CTF, WV, PIN, UNHCR, Cord Aid and ZOA.

Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Approval of previous meeting minutes
3. Update of IDPs sites
(T&G, Kinniya, Muthur and Serewela)
4. Hygiene promotion in IDPs site and hygiene kit distribution
5. WASH in Echchilampattu division
6. AOB

Agenda	Matters Discussed	Action/ Responsible
1. Introduction	UNICEF welcomed all participants and there was a self introduction.	
2. Approval of previous meeting minutes and action points from previous week.	<p>The minutes from the meeting on 31st July were reviewed and approved. UNICEF suggested postponing the approval of minutes of 3rd August.</p> <p><i>Responses to Action points :</i> Care informed that their assessment of Eachalampattu DS has commenced and could be completed in two weeks. ZOA and PIN informed they could complete assessment in two weeks. UNICEF informed that they still have not received response from any organization on the development matrix.</p>	Concerned agencies
3. Update of IDP sites	<p>UNICEF distributed the latest figures on the IDPs Sites.</p> <p>T&G ARC reported that they have almost completed the drainage system at the Cultural hall. UNICEF enquired about one of the two water pump being broken. ARC informed that they were following up but they had a concern regarding the general operation and maintenance of the site. In Koneshapuri no issue reported by ZOA.</p> <p>Kinniya UNICEF enquired about the reported 46 children in Alankerny. ZOA informed that they are covering all the needs.</p> <p>Muthur In Muthur town, there are still 2 sites in the churches. UNICEF informed that priest of Methodist church requested hygiene items. UNICEF is going to coordinate with UNHCR and ASM to cover the needs. In St.</p>	Discuss issue of camp management at shelter meeting for care and maintenance of IDP site.

<p>Seruwela</p>	<p>Antony's church there was nothing to report and ZOA confirmed that they are following the situation in the 2 sites.</p> <p>In Kilivetti, UNICEF informed that the 24 toilets in Plot H, respectively from IOM (18) and ICRC (6), are under construction. UNICEF noted that people have been using bathing facilities for defecation purpose and request agencies to possible organize the IDPs to clean the area. UNICEF noted as well that the people are using the closed channel for bathing and the path to go to the area passes through a dumping site.</p> <p>Oxfam informed that there is still a garbage problem in Kilivetti site. Oxfam will support the Pradeshiya Saba until December.</p> <p>Oxfam informed they have received electricity connection to the Purification plant at Kilivetti site and they are requesting RDA for approval for connection to the pipeline.</p> <p>UNICEF informed that PS Seruwela relocated the dumping site and requests from Care to coordinate with PS for development of the dumping site.</p> <p>Care reported they are constructing shelters as well as toilets at Ariyampankerny village.</p>	<p>UNICEF to inform UNHCR regarding the needs of Hygiene Kits in the Methodist church and coordinate this issue at NFRI meeting.</p> <p>UNICEF to inform ASM to organize cleaning of the bathing areas with IDPs</p> <p>Care to follow up with PS Seruwela about development of dumping site.</p>
<p>4. Hygiene promotion</p>	<p>CTF had distributed hygiene kits to Kilivetti IDPs sites without coordination. UNICEF requested they coordinate with UNHCR/NFRI coordination group for hygiene kit distribution.</p> <p>Oxfam reported they have some hygiene items and they are willing to share for distribution with other organizations. A list of the items will be sent to UNHCR for coordination.</p> <p>Oxfam reported that Hepatitis and diarrhea cases are decreasing since hygiene promotion activities are ongoing in all of the camps based on communicable disease surveillance report.</p> <p>It was reported that children's slippers are needed for Kilivetti IDPs sites.</p> <p>Oxfam reported they are continuing hygiene promotion in their sites of responsibility until December. IOM reported they will continue until August. UNICEF reported they will continue until September.</p> <p>Oxfam reported that the WASH group has to prepare for the rainy season expected in coming months as disease outbreaks could occur.</p>	

<p>5. Watsan in Eachlampattu</p>	<p>Assessment reports on the situation of watsan in Echchilampattu will be expected in two weeks time from respective organizations.</p> <p>Eachalampattu based coordination meeting will take place on the 10th August at PS Verugal office.</p> <p>UNICEF informed they could support for well cleaning and water quality surveillane through PS Verugal.</p> <p>Oxfam reported their partner EUDA is now functioning in Echchilampattu, office is located close to ZOA sub office. ZOA reported they placed 13 water tanks (1000lit) and completed 150 shelters at Poonagar. Further ZOA informed that 30 families are located at Poonagar schools.</p> <p>CordAid informed that based on assessment reports, they will consider support to watsan activities in Eachalampattu.</p> <p>UNICEF shared a letter from the Pradeshiya Saba Seruwela requesting for WASH items</p>	
<p>6. AOB</p>	<p>Based on Sri Lankan standards of toilets construction published by NWSDB; toilets should be constructed with septic tank and soakage pit. However it is acceptable based on the condition of soil, water sources and approval of MOH/ PHI and PS, to construct a toilet with only a soakage pit.</p> <p>UNICEF reminded partners to send development WASH matrix updates.</p>	<p>All agencies in one week.</p>

Next emergency meeting will be on Tuesday, **21st of August 2007 at 4.00pm at UNICEF** conference Hall.