

NS SAG MEETING

NS Coordination Office (EPI Building) | 08 Jun 2023 | 10:30 AM– 12:00 PM



Meeting Minute

Chair: Mr. Kibrom Tesfaselassie, Coordinator, NS

Note taker: Mohd Mostakim Ali, IMO, NS

Participants: CWW, SCI, SARPV, SHED, UNHCR, UNICEF and WFP (All members).

Agenda

1. *Update GNC/ACF Canada Technical support to SENS 2023 and Partners commitment to support to SENS 2023*
2. *Ration Cut Impact Monitoring*
3. *2024 JRP*
4. *Endorsement of NS TOR*
5. *WASH facility assessment in INF*
6. *AOB*

Welcome and introductions

Mr. Kibrom Tesfaselassie welcomed all the participants to the Nutrition Sector SAG meeting on 08 Jun 2023.

Agenda Covered

1. Update GNC/ACF Canada technical support to SENS 2023 and partners commitment to support to SENS 2023

- NS with AIM TWG initiated the discussion of technical support for SENS 2023 with GNC/ACF Canada and also with UNHCR and UNICEF.
- The NS requested GNC/ACF Canada for technical assistance in country (not remotely) for at least 5 weeks and also informed them that “no budget” for this technical support whereas UNHCR will cover 100% of SENS implementation budget.
- UNHCR has well accepted this technical support from GNC/ACF Canada for 2023 SENS in Cox's Bazar in Sept/Oct 2023. However, since UNHCR has no Programme Document/Agreement with ACF in 2023, Nutrition Sector/UNICEF will communicate with GNC/ACF Canada for administration matters, if any.
- Thus, UNICEF will be filling the GNC/ACF Canada technical support request template.
- GNC/ACF Canada is expected to provide a final feedback as early as possible but not later than Mid-June 2023.
- A detailed SENS methodology will be reviewed at NS AIM TWG platform.

2. Ration Cut Impact Monitoring

- As per the request by UN agencies, the NS along with UNHCR, UNICEF and WFP, have developed a ration cut impact monitoring update on Nutrition.
- The NS asked SAG members whether to share this document with external stakeholders including donor, ISCG etc.
- All SAG members agreed to share this document after finalization from nutrition experts from respective NS partners. The members also suggested to carefully choose the wordings to minimize the nutrition technical acronyms. The document must be based on the current status and will be updated regularly.
- NS will share it again with SAG members for final comments before widely dissemination externally.
- As part of preparation for a greater caseload of SAM children in the refugee/FDMN population and to mitigate the worst-case scenario's effects of ration cuts for nutrition later in August/September 2023, NS will continue to discuss the No Regret Approach with partners.
- Besides, NS will liaise with Health Sector and its partners specially MSF, IRC, SCI etc to find a way of incorporating/extending the SC facilities during anticipated emergency.
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3. 2024 JRP

- The 2024 JRP will be starting soon. The NS asked the SAG members if we should change the 2023 **objectives** and **outcome** in line with NS strategy 2023-25 document.
- All SAG members agreed to keep the objectives similar for 2024 but also agreed to explore finding new ways of completing the activities with limited resources. However, all SAG members agreed all the prevention and treatment of malnutrition activities of 2023 JRP will be continued in 2024 as well.
- NS will negotiate with ISCG so that the budget requirement can be kept similar of 2023 JRP too.

4. Endorsement of NS TOR

- The NS TOR has been presented. The NS coordinator thanked all partners for reviewing this. The members also provided some comments.
- NSCU will review all the comments and will share it again for final review and endorsement.

5. WASH facility assessment in INF

- The WASH assessment template (survey questionnaire) which was shared with all partners has been presented and approved.
- The SAG agreed that this survey will be completed by the Implementing partners which will increase their capacity for the next round.

Action points:

<i>Action point</i>	<i>Focal point/agency</i>	<i>Timeline</i>
NS will share the ration cut impact monitoring document with SAG member and then will share with external	NS	18 Jun 2023
NS will share the Sector TOR for final review and endorsement	NS	8 Jun 2023
Survey questionnaire for WASH facility assessment at INF will shared with partners	NS	15 Jun 2023 next week

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