

Protection Cluster meeting notes

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OHCHR - Nepal

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1. Update: cluster activities

- Senior ProCap advisor to support the strategic review of the Protection Cluster and develop the IDP policy dissemination strategy [AT]
- Protection cluster members to support and/or participate during the visit of Global Cluster Support mission to Nepal scheduled for 20 – 26 July 2010 as necessary [TS]
- Development of SGBV SOP, in close collaboration with UN agencies and line ministries, started but somehow stalled because of the political situation. [MY]
- Psychosocial counseling training for the counselors and para-professional counselors to be completed in July 2010 [MY]
- Global GBV ECHO project is considering Nepal as a pilot country to roll out capacity development project to address the gender based violence (not finalized yet). [MY]
- Revision of the cluster specific contingency plan, including Child Protection and SGBV, to begin immediately after the strategic review workshop. [TS, RG, MY]
- Psycho-social support guidelines, translated into Nepali is being effective and different support activities are being rolled out by TPO in support of the UNICEF. [RG]

Action point: *tools and guidelines developed by protection cluster psychosocial support groups to be shared with ICRC and vice versa.*

2. Protection Cluster strategic review workshop and refresher training

- One day protection cluster strategic review workshop to be organized towards the end of third week of June. [number of participants, exact date, venue etc TBD]. Strategic review to be followed by a one day refresher orientation to the protection cluster members.
- Regional level refresher workshop/training for the authorities and other stakeholders to be organized from the first week of July. It was also agreed to expand the workshop coverage to the hilly districts as well.

Action Point: Andrew Timpson to develop agenda and programme for the strategic review workshop. OHCHR together with UNICEF and UNFPA work for the agenda and find out funding possibilities for the refresher training for the protection cluster members.

OHCHR and UNFPA to explore the funding possibility for the regional level workshop. UNFPA to map out the way to channel fund through NGO partners where it is operational. UNFPA, OHCHR and UNICEF to discuss and decide the priority districts in the region, agenda and training module for the refresher workshop/training in the region.

3. Government representation in protection cluster activities

- It was agreed to organize an introductory meeting with the secretaries from the ministries: MoWCSW, MoHA, MoPR and MoLD to discuss the possible expansion of the government representation in wider protection cluster activities.

Action point: *Mamta Bisht to coordinate with the secretaries of the different ministries and set up meeting within two weeks. Cluster and sub-cluster leads to meet the ministry secretaries and explore the possible ministry representation in Protection Cluster, especially taking into consideration the wider protection coverage during the transitional period, including IDP issues.*

4. **Mid Year Review of CAP**

5. It was agreed that the sub-clusters update the indicators and develop targets in the respective section of the MYR template and send their respective input to OHCHR to compile for the final draft. It was also agreed to wait until IASC Principals decision on whether or not to consider uploading the projects online.