

The Water and Sanitation Group (WSG) Meeting Minutes of Meeting

Venue: AIRD 5th Meeting Hall, MRRD
Chaired by: Eng. Ghulam Qader, Executive Director of Ru-WatSIP
Minutes by: Naseer Ahmad Nazari, Reporting Officer
Meeting started at: 10:00 am
Meeting Ended at: 12:30 pm
Date of the Meeting: 28th October 2015
Present Agencies: UNICEF, Afghanaid, MoPH, CARE, ACTED, BORDA, Operation Mercy, UNHCR, AUWSSC, MUDA, DACAAR, NCA, OHW, Rezwan Zan dar Jamea, AKF, Medair, WHO, RI, SI
Absent Agencies: CoAR, OHW, Oxfam, MOE, Kabul Municipality, IMC, ACF

No.	Agenda Point	Discussion	Result/Decision	Action by:
1	Brief introduction/ chairing of the meeting and review of previous action points.– (Eng. Safi)	Following the welcoming remarks and greetings by the chairperson, a round introduction was carried out. Next, the chairperson went through the action points of the previous WSG meetings. As an action point from the last WSG meeting, the Rural WASH 2015 policy was reported as finalized by task force committee, and now, it needed a proof reading by a native speaker.	All the attendees introduced themselves. The policy will be sent to UNICEF for proof reading and need be finalized by mid November 2015.	WSG members. Eng. Ghulam Qader/ UNICEF
2	Updates on SACOSAN VI preparation (Dr. Javid)	Two of the four papers, selected for presentation in SACOSAN VI conference by Afghan delegates, are finalized. The conference likely-participants list is also prepared and will be shared with UNICEF which need be sent to the conference secretariat till the end of October 2015.	Initially, the likely-participants list is to be shared with UNICEF, and then need to be sent to the conference secretariat in Bangladesh.	Eng. Safi Dr. Javid
3	Review of TLP for Afghanistan (Eng. Saquib)	The Afghanistan Traffic Light Paper (TLP), explaining the progress of the ten commitments which had been given in the previous SACOSAN by SAARC countries through a scoring system and prepared by Eng. Samay Saquib (a consultant as a	The TLP was decided to be shared by Naseer Ahmad Nazari through email, and whoever has comment on it, should justify it by valid documents and send it to Eng. Samay Saquib.	Nazari, WSG member Eng. Saquib.

		third party), was presented in the meeting for comments.		
4	Review of WASH Monitoring and Evaluation system_ Eng. Joyan	The WASH Sector Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Manual, drafted by Ru-WatSIP's (M&E) Unit Head, was presented to the participants. He requested the participants to introduce their organizations (M&E) focal points to be called for a meeting on the newly drafted manual.	All the participants were requested to introduce their organizations' M&E focal points to Eng. Joyan. The chairperson suggested discussing this issue in the WTWG meeting so that too many meeting are avoided.	Eng. Joyan WTWG
5	Reports from Technical Groups (HTWG, STWG & WTWG)	<p>Report on HTWG meeting, held on 26th October, was delivered as below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Afghanistan TLP for SACOSAN VI was reviewed and discussed; • CLTS coordination mechanism had been discussed; it had been decided that whichever NGO would like to implement hygiene projects in the country, need to sign a MoU with Ministry of Public Health (MoPH). Therefore, DACAAR also need to have a MoU signed with MoPH for the nutrition project. <p>Reports from STWG meeting were as below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Afghanistan TLP for SACOSAN VI was discussed. • The ten questions regarding WASH budget allocation on national/ provincial and household level, asked by World Bank (WB) were discussed. 	<p>The concern was raised that since a number of I/NGOs have already have MoUs with Ru-WatSIP/MRRD for WASH projects implementation and hygiene is also included in WASH, why do they need a separate MoU with MoPH?</p> <p>The chairperson proposed sending Ru-WatSIP's new format of MoU to MoPH for their inputs and comments. Once this format is finalized, then with whomever I/NGOs it is signed, a copy of the issued MoU will be sent to MoPH. Thus, that N/GOs will not be obliged to sign any other MoU with MoPH for hygiene projects.</p> <p>It was proposed and decided that primarily the questions shall be categorized into government, donors, communities and I/NGOs, then one or two person from programme and one person from finance department need to be assigned to find out about the existing information. If the questions are still not replied to scarcity of budget data, then logical response be provided based on estimations.</p>	<p>Eng. Safi</p> <p>Dr. Sharifullah/ MoPH</p> <p>I/NGOs</p> <p>Eng. Safi/ Dr. Javid/ Finance Unit</p>

		<p>Report from WTWG meeting, held in DACAAR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Afghanistan TLP for SACOSAN VI was reviewed and discussed in the meeting. • Operation and maintenance of water supply projects was talked over. • Organizing a one day workshop on Solar-Powered pipe schemes guidelines and manuals was talked about. 	<p>The chairperson mentioned that once that the Solar Pump Workshop report is finalized, it will be cleared what to be done next regarding solar pump as the report, itself, contains the workshop way forward and proceedings.</p>	<p>Pam/ WSG members</p>
6	<p>Updates from WASH Cluster meeting _ (Dr. Betman)</p>	<p>The participants were updated on the WASH cluster meeting as below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In WASH Cluster meetings, the participants had been informed about the Global WASH Cluster meeting, held on 13 -15 October in Nairobi, in which a paper had been presented on behalf of Afghanistan. • Reports have been given about WASH responses to the Kundoz IDPs, fled to a number of other provinces including Kabul City. 		<p>WASH Cluster</p>
7	<p>Updates on WASH MIS/GIS Operationalization (Mr. Zemary Hamidi)</p>	<p>Ru-WatSIP's MIS/GIS unit head updated the participants on WASH MIS/GIS status.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 WASH partners had got access to the system; • Their focal points are trained and fully oriented with system; • By migrating DACAAR WASH projects into the system by the end of November 2015, almost 90 % WASH sector data will be inserted to the system. 	<p>For meeting WASH sector requirements, the MIS/GIS head was requested to have disaggregated data in the system and ask the other partners to come up with this sort of data as well.</p> <p>WASH partners, who have not yet introduced their MIS/GIS focal points, were once again requested to introduce their focal points and share their WASH projects data.</p>	<p>Mr. Hamidi</p> <p>WASH Partners</p>
8	<p>AOB</p>			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductory explanation about Rezwan Zan dar Jamea (Ms. Shakila) 	<p>Time was given to a newcomer from a civil society (Rezwan Zan dar Jamea) to introduce their organization and talk about their activities. They have conducted a survey on water pollution in Kabul city, finding that a number of women suffer diseases due to drinking polluted water. They called upon the NGOs to support them in providing safe water for people.</p>	<p>The chair asked them to come up with a presentation, demonstrates their activities and findings, in the upcoming WSG meeting.</p>	<p>Ms. Shakila, Manager of Rezwan Zan organization</p>
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List of Attendees in WSG Monthly Meeting

Date: October 28, 2015

Time: 10:00am- 12:30 pm

Venue: 3rd Meeting Hall/ AIRD/MRRD

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