

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

Venue: *Ru-WatSIP's Conference Room/ MRRD*
Chaired by: *Dr. Mohammad Javed, Hygiene Section Head 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: *November 25, 2015*
Present Agencies: *AKF, AUWSSC, CARE, CoAR, DACAAR, IMC, MoPH, MUDA, Operation Mercy, OSCEW, RI, Ru-WatSIP/MRRD, SCI, SI, UNICEF, ZOA*

Absent Agencies: *OHW, Oxfam, MOE, Kabul Municipality, ACF, ACTED, BORDA*

No.	Agenda Point	Discussion	Result/Decision	Action by:
1	Brief introduction/ chairing of the meeting and review of previous action points. – (Dr. M. Javed)	<p>The chair opened the meeting and welcomed the participants. A round of introduction was held.</p> <p>The previous WSG meeting action points were briefly reviewed and the attendees were updated on its progress status.</p>	<p>20 participants from 15 different WASH Sector partner organizations introduced themselves.</p> <p>As an action point from the previous meeting, the Rural WASH Policy was shared with UNICEF for review UNICEF reviewed and Mr. Joyan re-shared the policy with WSG members for comments. Now the document is final and will be shared with UNICEF for language edit.</p> <p>Another action point from the past was sharing Ru-WatSIP's MoU's format with MoPH for their inputs, but it was not done. The MoU will be shared with MoPH.</p> <p>Note: it was agreed upon that until the new MoU format is finalized, agreed and endorsed by Ru-WatSIP and MoPH, the current WASH MoUs are valid and MoPH</p>	<p>Participants.</p> <p>UNICEF</p> <p>Eng. Joyan</p> <p>Eng. Safi</p> <p>Dr. Javed</p>

			will assist and introduce the NGOs to provincial health departments for assistance.	MRRD/MoPH
2	Updates on SACOSAN VI preparation (Dr. Javed)	As Hygiene Promotion Thematic Session Lead, Afghanistan/Ru-WatSIP has finalized the four papers, supposed to be presented in the SACOSAN VI conference, and shared with secretariat. As well as, the participants' list and details have been sent there for the arrival visas.	Mr. Safi is following up the visa letter with the SACOSAN secretariat	Eng. Safi
3	Presentation on strategy for ending open defecation in the country _ Mr. Rolf	Mr. Rolf, Chief of WASH/UNICEF, delivered a PPP on 'Eliminating Open Defecation Strategy' being drafted by UNICEF/MRRD for Afghanistan, explaining that 25 % of the rural Afghan population (around 5.3 million people) practice open defecation.	Few commentaries were provided by the participants on the strategy: For scaling up sanitation, one MRRD employee has to be present in each provincial RRD for guiding and coordinating the CLTS with MRRD and NGO For details, see the PPP accompanied by this minutes.	Mr. Rolf/UNICEF Nazari
4	Reports from Technical Groups (HTWG, STWG & WTWG)	Report about HTWG meeting , held at MoPH on November 23: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Formulation of a standard hygiene training package had been discussed; ➤ The mapping tool in excel sheet, illustrating which organization implements what in where had been explained to the HTWG members; ➤ The training manuals were reported translate into local languages. Report about STWG meeting , held at Ru-WatSIP on November 27: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In STWG meeting, two types of emergency latrines including 'bore hole latrine' designed 	The hygiene training package is being drafted by MoPH colleagues; once it is finalized, it will be shared with all partners for their use.	Dr.Alemi

		<p>and proposed by Mr. Patigny and 'E. Bath and Latrine' being implemented by DACAAR, had been presented.</p> <p>The WTWG meeting was not held during this month as there a number of trainings going on the same date.</p>	<p>It was decided in the STWG meeting that the borehole latrines can be serviced in areas where there is no other alternative and the water table is deep enough so that it does not cause water pollution.</p> <p>The other type of design implemented by DACAAR was confirmed and can be practiced providing that the author provides some narrative description.</p>	Eng. Naeem
5	Brief on World Toilet Day (WTD 2015) _ (Dr. Javed	The participants were briefed on the WTD, celebrated in MRRD on 18 November 2015. It was opened by the Deputy Minister and encompassed a number of presentation from Eng. Ghulam Qader, Mr. Rolf, Dr. Hemat, DACAAR and so forth.	It was reported that although too many WASH Sector organizations have been invited, unluckily a number of them participated. The partners are requested to actively participate in such important occasions.	WASH sector partners
6	<p>AOB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Returnees lack safe drinking water in Laghman 	Dr. Naseer Babakerkhil reported that a camp of returnees in Laghman province lacked access to safe drinking water and sanitation facilities. According to him, they were using unsafe drinking water for drinking and defecate in the open areas.	<p>Mr. Rolf requested him to report this issue to him via his email and will be raised in the WASH Cluster meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Betman promised to send a couple of DACAAR CLTS teams to that camp to encourage them to have latrines and avoid them from OD.</p>	<p>Dr. Babakerhil</p> <p>Mr. Rolf</p> <p>Mr. Betman</p>

List of Attendees in WSG Monthly Meeting

Date: November 25, 2015

Time: 10:00am- 12:30 pm

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