

Humanitarian Social Protection Task Team meeting
28th November 2018



Time: 10:00 – 11:00

Venue: Conference Room 15 Mississippi, Maitama, Abuja

Attendance: WB, WFP, OCHA, ECHO, NEMA, AHH, NSIO-VP's Office - Excused: NASSCO, DFID, NBP

Meeting objective: *To present a common position and align different interests on the humanitarian social protection nexus in preparation for the Social Protection Cross-Learning Summit scheduled to hold in Abuja from 21 - 23, January 2019.*

Contributions by Partners:

- Under its programme and within the context of Linking Relief Rehabilitation to Development (LRRD), the EU has taken steps to initiate processes to link humanitarian actions with medium to long term resilience programming in the northeast. The preliminary discussions in this regard included the UN, INGOs and other development partners. To demonstrate the possibility offered by the nexus approach the EU 11th EDF with a value of €123 million has been disbursed to various actions accordingly. The EU strategy is based on building on the successes already recorded by the humanitarian actors, learning lessons and strengthening the nexus approach that potentially be linked to government policies.
- WFP informed that there is ongoing discussion to invite the co-author of a paper jointly published by WB and WFP on ***Human(itarian) Capital? Lessons on Better Connecting Humanitarian Assistance and Social Protection*** to make a presentation at the summit.
- WB is implementing projects and strengthening social protection programs both within and outside of the north east. WB will continue to streamline SP projects.
- UNICEF is ready to share some country examples on Shock Responsive Social Protection at the summit. This could be done in plenary, before or following presentations on humanitarian response and social protection, to reiterate the need for shock-responsive social protection systems and the value added in crisis response. The country experiences shared will be related to the different kinds of risks Nigeria is prone to.
- OCHA informed that the organizers are planning to have a plenary discussion after the hum + SP presentation which would allow the participants to make inputs/recommendations. OCHA also stated that the CWG would take forward the lessons, experiences and recommendations from the summit on hum + SP nexus.
- AHH - The CWG should utilize the SPECS as a platform to work together with the Social Protection working groups and community of practice to advocate and push for linking humanitarian and social protection nexus.

Discussion:

- Partners agreed that the presentation from the WFP's author would help to share a well-articulated evidence-based lessons and experiences on hum cash and SP from other countries which could be leveraged to strengthen the ongoing discussion at the CWG to link hum and SP in the North East of Nigeria.
- The CWG will actively engage in plenary discussion or arrange/recommend a session within the SPECS with key stakeholders in government and to see how the principles can be moved forward in the Nigerian context.

Action points

- *WFP to provide update on discussion with the co-author.*
- *WFP to request the presenter to share the presentation to enable the task team understand the content and make contributions.*
- *OCHA to share the WFP and WB paper with partners.*
- *CWG to proactively arrange for a CWG interaction with the study principals so that the lessons learned may be applied in the Nigerian context.*
- *OCHA will meet with the organizers to present suggestions and recommendations from the CWG.*