DSTWG Sustainable Livelihoods Subgroup

Overview of Discussions, and Terms of Reference



On the agenda

- 1. Overview of objectives and mandate (in draft stage; ToR currently under review)
- 2. Listing of priorities, both short term and longer term
- 3. Opportunities and concerns in line with the transition in Iraq
- 4. Overview of timeline for ToR, Subgroup creation and next steps
- 5. Q&A

Objectives

The below is based on ToR drafted by the CLCI, reviewed by the ELC and CWG initially. To be finalized by CLCI, ELC, CWG, and IOM:

- 1. Provide technical guidance to the DSTWG and area-based coordination groups (ABCs), humanitarian, and development actors to address and resolve economic and financial inclusion issues, and develop strategies related to durable solutions.
- 2. Technical support for better targeting for livelihood activities. For addressing the displacement adequately, the proposed sub-group will assist to make linkages between humanitarian interventions, recovery and development livelihood interventions.
- 3. Provide a forum for livelihood actors on best practices and lessons learned which will include partners across the livelihoods spectrum.
- 4. Act as a coordination body for livelihood activities and nexus funding for sustainable livelihoods.

Functions and Ambitions

Sample of Initial priorities

- 1. Linking households within the Cash Working Group and Emergency Livelihoods databases to sustainable livelihoods interventions and support the graduation approach
- Support the development of the Plans of Action (PoA) led by the ABCs and non-ABC actors, by providing guidance notes on the Sustainable Livelihoods situation in prioritized areas/locations
- 3. Adapt tools and guidelines from the Emergency Livelihoods to a durable solutions context, including guidance on more localised interventions or application at the ABC level and in non-ABC areas

Sample of Future priorities

- 1. Linking households within the Cash Working Group and Emergency Livelihoods databases to sustainable livelihoods interventions and support the graduation approach
- 2. Create stronger linkages and adaptation of livelihoods programming and prevention of violent extremism
- 3. Prioritize a Whole of Iraq approach which tackles climate-change related displacement, leverage partners' work in the South
- 4. Integrate work with social protection and layered assistance (and graduation) approaches

Opportunities and Concerns

Opportunities moving forward

- As the transition to durable solutions is ongoing, buyin could be secured for wider accessibility of durable solutions to humanitarian and development actors. This can enable stronger:
 - a. Information management within the ABCs
 - b. Chairing and co-chairing responsibilities of the subgroups
 - c. Coordination between the subgroups and the ABCs, as well as government agencies
 - d. Thorough follow up on integrated programming approaches especially as they related to graduation and multi-faceted vulnerabilities from displacement
 - e. Incentive for coordination and collaboration between all durable solutions actors in Iraq
- 2. Collaboration with the PWG2 so that livelihoods interventions at the ABC level align with the policy work conducted on economic opportunities

Concerns on immediate priorities

- 1. With the transition of the cluster system, need to ensure that the CWG and ELC databases are maintained or handed over to support registered cases with reaching durable solutions
- 2. Identifying a chair and co-chair given that these positions will not be funded unless other actors can access durable solutions funding
- 3. Potential underrepresentation of certain types of agencies in light of decrease in funding in Iraq

Timeline

#	Activity	Responsible	Deadline
1	Finalize review and add comments to ToR	CLCI, ELC, CWG, IOM	10 August 2022
2	Consolidate ToR and share with DSTWG for review	CLCI	11 August 2022
3	Translate ToR to Arabic, Kurdish	TBD	15 August 2022
4	Circulate email requesting Eols for membership and co-chairing	CLCI	16 August 2022
5	Deadline to provide EoIs for joining/chairing the subgroup	All	22 August 2022
6	Meeting to review EoIs, discuss chairs and co-chairs	CLCI, ELC, CWG, IOM, ILO	23 August 2022

