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OVERVIEW & KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- Bogale hub has recently seen a significant increase in the number of organisations, now numbering 54, more than doubling the level of August. Among them, 20 are INGOs, 18 LNGOs, 9 UN agencies, 3 Red Cross/Crescent and 4 private charities.
- OCHA coordinates with Township Medical Officer (TMO) to analyse the water assessment survey. 52 village tracts has been already analyzed. The majority of villages rely on ponds as water sources and the rest of villages rely on river/stream and tube well. 62.7% of renovated ponds are drinkable and 53.1% of villages have water shortage problem in dry season. OCHA will continue to coordinate with TMO and WASH teams on water assessment. Based on analysis, TMO, TPDC and WASH teams will follow up with short term and long term plans for the villages that are vulnerable to water shortage.
- On 4 November, AusAID mission visited to Tha Pyay Kone and Kyun Thar Yar villages to observe the under-served area and well-served area. They also held a meeting in Bogale with UN agencies and L/INGOs who gave briefing on their activities.
- The Periodic Review data collection is ongoing in Bogale. The data collection is scheduled to be finished on 22nd of November. The analysis will be done in late of November. This periodic review will also provide an input for Post Nargis Recovery and Preparedness Plan (PONREPP).
- The Township Peace and Development Council (TPDC) chair requested organizations to monitor the villages to ensure that all distributions are used by beneficiaries instead of selling to the market. TPDC and TMO will provide pipe and pans for construction the latrines to those who are working for housing projects.
- OCHA has received the updated population list from the Ministry of Home Affairs and translated to English. OCHA will discuss with the TPDC on the use of the list by humanitarian partners.

SECTORAL UPDATE

AGRICULTURE/LIVELIHOODS

- Agriculture team is doing assessment for the possibility of growing both summer crops and winter crops in Bogale.
- The Township Manager of Myanmar Agriculture Service (MAS) regularly attends the cluster meetings. MAS now has a plan for winter and summer crops and its villages list is available at MAS office. Agriculture partners are encouraged to review the list to avoid the overlaps. MAS also requests agencies to share a list of available agriculture inputs so as to match them against the needs of villages.
- FREDIA has planted 400 acres of mangroves in Ka Don Ka Ni reserved forest area.
- CARE Myanmar and GAA are planning to plant trees for windbreak.

WASH

- UNICEF will distribute the drinking water for the 17 villages from Dawt Gyi village tract in the mid of November. UNICEF also plans to distribute 20 villages in Htaw Pine area. UNICEF informed that it has recently received an additional contribution for WASH and that it plans to undertake more WASH activities in Bogale Township.
- ACF has constructed 10 water bladders in Kyein Chaung Gyi and Kyun Thar Yar village tract. ACF also has a plan to distribute purified water to vulnerable villages.
- World Vision plans to construct 1,200 latrines and 400 are constructed already. .
- NCV has constructed water containers with tarpaulins in Kyein Chaung Gyi and Kyun Thar Yar village tracts.
- LA, Care Myanmar, MSF and SVS are also working on hygiene promotion and pond fencing.

EDUCATION

- Now the permission of school construction can be submitted to Township Education Officer (TEO) who will then pass them onto concerned persons. If the school design is same as the design approved by the Government, the permission can be granted within one or two days.
- STUDER TRUST plans to build 10 schools which will be furnished with black board, chairs and desks for teachers and students in each classroom.

FOOD

- UNDP plans to hand over the food distribution to Pact Myanmar. Discussion at the Yangon level on this matter is still ongoing.
- Due to lack of knowledge on how to cook supplementary food (blended food), some supplementary feeding beneficiaries sold the commodities to the market. WFP therefore has requested CPs to show their beneficiaries how to cook these items.
- WFP is mapping the geographical needs based on three categories; worst affected area, moderately affected area and the areas that do not require general food distribution. For the areas that do not need food distribution, they plan to initiate Food for Work programme.

HEALTH

- WHO distributed the guidelines of "how to tackle the problem of water insufficiency in Nargis affected area and guidelines on pond rehabilitation to health partners and other organizations.
- The mobilization of specialist team to Bogale Hospital from other divisions will be ended at the end of December.
- Health Cluster inter-agency Joint Field Mission Team visited to Bogale Township on 5 November and met with local authority, TMO, Ministry of Health (MOH), Publish Health (PH) Team, UN agencies and NGOs in Bogale.
- Training on immunization in practice to Basic Health Staff (BHS) was given by Department of Health (DOH) on 30-31 October. Training on counselling and stress management Basic Health Staff (BHS) was given by the mental health team of the Institute of Medicine on 1-2 November.
- Association for Aid and Relief (AAR) is conducting psychosocial support activities in-Kyun Yar Kan Gyi, Nga Pyi Chaung, Nyi Naung, Chaung Lawl, Kyun Yar Kan Lay, Ku Lar Tan, Hlaing Gu, Kyar Chaung, Wae Chaung, Ywar Tan Shae, Eu Ton and Chaung Thone Sine villages.

SHELTER/NFIs

- GAA has completed their 500 houses in 9 village tracts of their targeted area for their selected beneficiaries.. They will build another 407 houses jointly with UNHCR in December.
- IOM is still going through for selecting the beneficiary selection process for their 3,000 houses project which will be constructed in urban area of Bogale.

- A new organization, Studer Trust, has started a housing project in Shwe Htoo village, Kyein Chaung Gyi village tract. They will coordinate with the Government to build 250 houses including latrines and it costs 600,000 kyats (600 USD in average).
- UNDP is preparing to provide the shelter grant for another 80 villages after they finish providing 321.6 Billion kyats shelter grants to the first 70 villages.
- FREDa plans to build 3 cyclone shelters and 300 houses in the southern part of Bogale. The project will start in December and will finish within one year.
- IOM, Solidarities, MRCS, SVS GAA and LA are distributing the NFI such as hygiene kits, tool kits, mosquito nets, blankets and radios.
- UNHCR is organizing FREDa, Solidarities, GAA and IOM for Technical Working Group for permanent shelters.

NUTRITION

- The nutrition cluster, together with the health cluster are focusing on four areas: (1) Nutrition survey/surveillance; (2) Therapeutic and supplementary feeding programmes; (3) Infant and Young Child Feeding in Emergency including promotion and protection of breastfeeding; and (4) Micro-nutrient supplementation.
- World Concern has started MUAC screening of all children between 6 and 59 months old in 41 villages of Setsan, Tha Zin Gon and Kaya Townships.

CHILD PROTECTION

- UNICEF is conducting a 3 day workshop on Child Protection from 12 November.

CROSS-CUTTING

- Pyi Gyi Khin and AFXB are conducting assessment and referral for HIV patients and giving Health Education on Reproduction Health.
- TLMI is not only providing therapy to disabled patients but also constructing the houses and supporting livelihood for them. TLMI also refers the disabled patients to Yangon Hospital for operation and covers all costs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Meeting Schedules

Meeting	Frequency and Time	Venue
Health & WASH TMO/TPDC meeting	Weekly, Every Saturday at 9:00	Administrative Office
General Coordination meeting	Monthly, Fri at 18:00 Next meeting = 5 th Dec	UNDP
Agri/Livelihood Coordination meeting	Weekly Thu at 17:00- Next meeting = 13 th Nov	GAA Office
Health meeting	Weekly, Wed at 17:00	Bogale Township Hospital
WASH meeting	Biweekly, Mon(alternately) at 19:00 Next meeting = 17 th Nov	GAA office
Shelter meeting	Biweekly, Tue(alternately) at 17:00 Next meeting= 24 th Nov	UNHCR office
Logistic meeting	Biweekly, Thu (alternately)at 17:00 Next meeting = 13 th Nov	WFP office
Food meeting	Biweekly, Wed(alternately) at 18:00 Next meeting = 12 th Nov	WFP office
Protection for women and children	Biweekly, Thu(alternately) at 18:00 Next meeting = 13 th Nov	World Vision office
Education meeting	Biweekly, Fri(alternately) at 18:00 Next meeting = 14 th Nov	UNICEF office
Internal Coordination meeting	Weekly, Fri at 13:00	Administrative Office

- Training on strengthening, disease surveillance and control will be given by MOH,WHO and TMO on 27th of November.
- Training on Food for Work will be conducted by WFP on 25th and 26th of November.
- Field Coordination Training will be conducted by UNOCHA on 18th and 19th of November at Bogale Tint Aung Library. .
- SHPERE will be conducted by Anne Alloyd (Save the Children) on 24th and 25th of November at Bogale Tint Aung Library.

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