

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR SURGE SUPPORT

Title:	WASH Cluster Coordinator
Reports to:	Emergency specialist / Chief of Field Operations and Emergency
Duration:	4.5 months
Starting Date:	10 August 2019
End Date:	31 December 2019
Location:	Khartoum – Sudan, with field support missions

BACKGROUND

Humanitarian needs in Sudan are driven by several factors including displacement, climatic shocks and hazards, localized armed clashes and inter communal violence, disease outbreaks, food security, malnutrition and protection risks. As per 2019 HNO, an estimated 5.7 million people need some form of humanitarian assistance. The number of IDPs is 1.86 million, which includes 1.6 million IDPs living in camps, mainly in Dafur but also in South Kordofan and Blue Nile. The reduction of hostilities and the improvement of the security situation has influenced the increase of returns, which since 2016 accounts for some 324,000 people. Sudan is one the largest refugee-hosting countries in Africa and hosts over 1 million refugees and asylum seekers, including more than 850,000 refugees from South Sudan.

Over the past years, Sudan economic situation has deteriorated. This recently culminated with high inflation which increases the prices of commodities and medicines, leads to shortages of cash and fuel and reduces the purchasing power of household across the country. This situation reduces the capacity of humanitarian partners to deliver assistance. More recently, sustained popular uprising has brought down the 30-year-old regime which is hold accountable for years of war, separation of South Sudan and corruption. A political change is under way and it leaves an open door for conflict resolution which may trigger return of displaced people and refugees and may liberate area that are controlled by rebel groups. It is expected that these returnees and newly accessible people will require humanitarian assistance and consequently humanitarian needs are likely to increase.

In Sudan, the HCT works along the Humanitarian Development Peace Nexus (HDPN) and has recently adopted the collective outcomes approach and new coordination structure that is yet to be implemented. The ISCG and UNDAF group are adopting approaches that strengthen the links between humanitarian response and the longer-term development to sustainably reduce the level of needs. This approach is even more relevant as Sudan is currently redefining it governance and priorities. The UNICEF and it's 4 led clusters are at the forefront of this approach and are strongly engaged in bridging short-term relief and longer-term assistance.

As per HNO 2019, the WASH cluster targets 2,3 million vulnerable people for a budget of 51 million USD (these numbers are expected to increase as area may become accessible). To address those needs, 60 WASH partners are active in 11 states where coordination is ensured by state level coordination teams composed of UNICEF WASH officers as well as representatives of ministry of water and ministry of health. The UNICEF led clusters have adopted a decentralized structure where decisions affecting the conduct of cluster activities are done at state level. Given the recent change of regime, it is expected that line ministries leadership will be affected, and the WASH cluster may have to rebuilt relation with new interlocutors.

PURPOSE

Under the direction of the Emergency Specialist and in close coordination with the UNICEF led cluster coordinators, ISCG and UNICEF sections, the WASH cluster coordinator will coordinate the overall WASH cluster related activities.

The WASH cluster coordinator will support the overall efficiency, effectiveness and delivery of results in accordance with UNICEF's Core Commitment for Children in Emergencies (CCCs) and national and international humanitarian standards.

MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES AND TASKS

On behalf Humanitarian Coordinator and UNICEF, the WASH Cluster Coordinator is expected to provide leadership and facilitate the processes that will ensure a well-coordinated, coherent, strategic, and effective WASH response in Sudan. The WASH Cluster Coordinator is expected to work under the framework of national WASH coordination platform, in conjunction with the Sudanese Ministry of Water and Ministry of Health, with WASH partners, with affected and most vulnerable population, in integration of cluster and cross-cutting areas:

- To conduct responsibilities in accordance to the 7 core functions of the WASH cluster;
- To follow-up the development of the situation in Sudan and to engage with partners and authorities to ensure a fit for purpose cluster coordination;
- To participate on the integration of strategies and activities of 4 UNICEF led clusters and ISCG clusters;

Contribution to HPC and ISCG

- Support the HNO and HRP process, identification of WASH PIN and target in coordination with other sectors and with input from the WASH sector partners
- Review proposal submitted in the frame of SHF second allocation in coordination with the sub-national sector coordinator and the review committee
- Support the review of eligible partners for SHF
- Support the definition of inter-sector data collection methodology into UN agencies survey questionnaires (VAM and DTM)

Contribution to WASH sector

- Facilitate monthly sector meeting in coordination with the Sector Coordinator from the GoS (DWSU), and define meeting agenda, prepare ppt presentation, send invit, MoM
- Develop the WASH Strategic Operational Framework including sector objectives and targets taking into consideration cross cutting issues and AAP
- Identify with partners technical topics that requires to set up of a task force to define technical guidelines (MHM, WASH & Nutrition, CLTS in camp)
- Follow up and assist sub-national level coordinator on response monitoring, quality insurance and training needs
- Support the IMO into data analysis from quarterly 5W (target VS reached, funding gaps) to be shared with partners at national and sub national level

- Support the IMO on populating the WASH sector Google Drive with up to date documents (analysis, technical standards, assessment report, etc.)
- Strengthen the WASH sector response quality by setting up programme quality process and engaging sub-national coordinator and sector partners

Humanitarian Development Peace Nexus (HDPN)

- In collaboration with UNHCR (refugees response) and UNICEF (lead agency for development WASH) support the operationalisation of a new integrated coordination structure (refugees, non-refugees, development)

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPETENCIES

- Advanced university degree or equivalent experience in Humanitarian / Development studies, Environmental Public Health, Civil Engineering, Programme Communication or other related fields.
- Knowledge with and practice of programme management, coordination of various partners, development of strategies and action plan, linkages of humanitarian and development, life cycle and whole child approach, etc.
- Experience working as cluster coordinator, preferable for large humanitarian crisis
- At least eight years of progressively responsible relevant professional work experience in the UN or other international development organization, national government or the private sector.
- Fluency in English (verbal and written).
- Good written and spoken skills in Arabic or another UN language is an asset.