**COVID-19 Outbreak Response Coordination Group for the 9 temporary shelters along the Thai-Myanmar border (Provincial Level) Tak**

**12th Meeting, 18 May 2020 10:00 – 11:45**

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1. **Review of Action Points**

* See updated Action Item Tracker
  + IRC reported 10-20 people moving in and out of Mae La over one or two days last week and not reporting for health screening.
  + Hygiene kits - soap, dishwashing liquid, powder detergent, dishrag, bucket. For adults there are 4x 110g soap, 4x 150g soap for children, 8 boars of soap total. Dishwashing liquid 550g x 3 bags, powder detergent 2.7kg, 2x dishrags for one family. In Mae La there will be 5,992 kits, Umpium 1959 kits and Nupo 1,643 kits. Distributed by SCI coordinated with TBC warehouse. No update from HI, COERR, KWO who are also distributing hygiene kits to targeted groups. ADRA does not know what all agencies are distributing. TBC supported with storage/distribution - tomorrow a trailer will be delivered to Mae La tomorrow, Umpium on Wednesday, Nupo on Thursday.
    - AP: ADRA to share hygiene kit distribution plan that they have.
    - AP: To be raised at National level that a hygiene kit tracker is needed for the overall picture and receive inputs from other agencies involved in smaller distributions of hygiene kits.

1. **Situation Overview (UNHCR/IRC)**

* Tak Governor is approving exits on a daily basis, MST Immigration Office has opened the gate of 2nd Thailand-Myanmar Friendship bridge for 227 Myanmar migrant workers to return to MYA on 15 May.
* The 32 former prisoners were deported on 15 May (not including 3 known refugees).
* As of 15 May, there are total 153 Thai people returned from Myanmar and quarantined for 14 days in government facilities.
* The delay in the border re-opening is also delaying returns of Myanmar migrant workers into Thailand. So far, around 65,000 migrants have expressed intentions to re-migrate to Thailand once the border reopens.
* COVID situation in Thailand, yesterday only 3 new cases all in State quarantine facilities, had arrived from Pakistan and Egypt.

**3. Camp Governance (KRC)**

* Situation of people going in and out of the camp without screening - KRC did receive this information from Camp Committees in Mae La, they believe that these are camp-based staff from COERR who went to go out and drop out trash and came back but they didn’t receive any other reports of people going out for daily work. KRC can follow-up if there are other reports of movements in and out of the camps.
* Would like to know what/where/how of hygiene kits by KWO and generally would like better coordination on hygiene kits including the materials.
* KWO shared that they have distributed hygiene kits to 2,000 families and made masks for 5,000 people with awareness raising with vulnerable individuals in 7 camps and all districts and Eh Htu Hta IDP camp in Karen State.
  + KWO will share their distribution report.
* Concerns about students/teachers who had left the camps before the lock-down and want to know what is the safest way for them to return to the camps. In the process of collecting the numbers through the OCEE. UNHCR flagged that current entry/exit is very strict in accordance with MOI rules, and there is a requirement for quarantine should they be allowed to re-enter.
* Education, have been discussing with education partners ADRA/SCI about how schools will restart. Now it is still not clear, Thai MoE has announced for the Thai schools but for the camps have not received confirmation and would like to know how the schools will re-open.
* IRC raised that many students who live in Umpium go to school in surrounding villages, question whether the schools will have access to online classes if they are made available.
* School re-entry, KRCEE has developed a contingency plan, the BEST consortium is supporting on safe school reurn and there are three pillars: safe learining facilities, school disasters management and risk reduction and resilience. MoE announced schools will re-opn on 1 July, the camps are under direct management of Palad so the situation in the camps may be different. BEST consortium coming up with home-based learning, SCI leading module development, teachers will do home visits, need to train teachers.
  + Advocacy needs to be done at the central level for how education will continue and then this communicated to each Palad in each camp.

1. **Surveillance, Case investigation and Outbreak Rapid Response (IRC)**

* No suspected or confirmed cases in any camps.
* ARI cases 4-10 May 47 cases in Umpium, 34 cases in Nupo, 56 cases in Mae La none in a serious condition.
* CDC BKK plan to visit to discuss case management with Tha Song Yang hospital.

1. **Infection Prevention Control (IRC)**

* IRC will follow-up with RCCE WG on soap distribution schedule.
* ADRA will include soap distribution with hygiene kit schedule.
* UNHCR shared some observations from Nupo is that many people are not wearing face masks in the camps.

1. **Risk Communication and Community Engagement (ADRA)**

* Sent out the mask tracking and training report for reference.
* KOBO training by UNHCR confirmed for ADRA staff on Wed/Thurs.
* UNHCR shared overview of feedback mechanism key findings (see attached report).

1. **Food Assistance (TBC)**

* Supplies through the food card shops is stable.
* Prices have stablised according to their monitoring of the markets, prediction the cost of rice will stay around the same price, cooking oil might come down later in the year.
* Three month contingency stock is still ongoing for rice, cooking oil and tinned fish.
* The value of the FC is still the maximum for all households until the end of June, reaching out to donors for emergency support to extend.
* Implemented a 5% increase at the end of April, will be maintained to cover the increase costs.
* Charcoal supplies still stable.
* Working with ADRA and SCI for distribution of hygiene kits through the warehouses.
* Supported video with all key messages and a song made by BDY camp.
  + Share the link to the video
* Art competition in Mae La based on key messages and asking refugees to produce art and TBC will announce the winners this week.

**8. Protection & Advocacy (UNHCR)**

* One case of suicide reported on 13 May 2020. Emphaises need for psycho-social messaging/activities to be strengthened, was brought up at last PWG again and RCCE WG.
* Current quarantine numbers – 0 individuals Mae La, 12 individuals Nupo, 14 individuals Umpium.
* Many of those outside of the camps don’t want to come back because they are starting work, many looking to leave so they can start agricultural work again.
* Protection Dashboard - shared draft overview of vulnerabilities and key protection issues.

**Next meeting: Monday 25 May @ 10:00am**