**COVID-19 Outbreak Response Coordination Group for the 9 temporary shelters along the Thai-Myanmar border (Kanchanaburi & Ratchaburi Provinces)**

**9th Meeting, 7 May 2020**

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**Updates on Previous Action Points:**

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| **Action Point** | **Status** | **Remarks** |
| 1. IOM will inform VRC security guard to provide access to IRC.
 | Completed | IOM informed staff in both camps and confirmed to IRC |
| 1. UNHCR will share minutes from MoPH meeting when they become available.
 | Completed |  |
| 1. IRC will check with the health team at BDY about the date and other details about training for non-TBC vendors.
 | Pending |  |
| 1. UNHCR will contact the District Offices for updates about plans to end lockdowns.
 | Completed |  |
| 1. TBC will investigate vendors taking food card system (FCS) cards for debt repayment.
 | Completed | Investigation found vendors are not doing this. |

**Regular Agenda:**

1. **Situation update**
* Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Kanchanaburi and Ratchaburi remains the same. No new confirmed cases reported within the past 14 days and all cases receiving hospital treatment have been discharged since 24 April. Shops in Kanchanaburi and Ratchaburi are beginning to open, including coffee shops and restaurants, but masks are worn in public spaces and other hygiene measures are in place.
* Interprovincial travel is still restricted so staff cannot visit THI or BDY from other provinces. IOM, UNHCR, and HI are facing challenges to deliver stipend payments due to lack of staff in Kanchanaburi or Ratchaburi. In previous month, COERR has supported partners who are prevented from travelling.
* THI Camp Commander informed UNHCR today that there are no distinct issues for the camp.
* UNHCR spoke with the Suan Pheung District Office (SPDO) and Sangklaburi District Office (SKDO) District Chiefs who indicated that persons entering the camps should remain limited. For example, Camp Commanders are not currently permitting military to access camps to limit risk of transmission; the Tapprayaseau Military Task Force (MTF) provided positive feedback to UNHCR about the access controls implemented by the SPDO.

**ACTION POINTS: 1) IOM, HI, and UNHCR to follow-up with organizations who continue to access THI and BDY camps about stipend payments for May.**

1. **Camp Governance**
* National COVID-19 Meeting agreed that additional support to THI and BDY Camp Security can be supported locally. THI Camp Committee has requested about an update through TBC.
* ADRA updated that KWO produced masks in Sangklaburi and COERR supported delivery to THI. ADRA is checking with camp committees about numbers of masks received and distributed in THI.
* Camp-based staff of organizations in THI and BDY have received training to conduct home visits. BDY Camp Committee has requested that home visits be suspended because there have already been too many home visits, but ADRA is discussing a schedule for home visits in THI with THI Camp Committee.

**ACTION POINT: 2) UNHCR will circulate email to COVID-19 group members to seek input on contributions to camp security. 3) ADRA will update on the number of masks that have been delivered and distributed in THI.**

1. **Surveillance, Case Investigation and Outbreak Rapid Response**
* IRC is continuing to implement the usual activities.
1. **Infection Prevention Control (IPC)**
* IRC is continuing to implement the usual activities.
1. **Risk Communication & Community Engagement (RCCE)**
* IRC has handed over RCCE activities to ADRA following a training of camp-based staff in both camps.
* RCCE Working Group has collaborated on a feedback and complaint mechanism which is being discussed and finalized today via teleconference and will be rolled out in 9 camps soon.
1. **Food assistance**
* TBC updated that April top-ups were completed last week, including 5% additional top-up for all cardholders, and transactions are resuming this week.
* Food Card System (FCS) Working Group and vendors are reminded to follow new IPC measures to protect cardholders approaching camps. FGS Working Groups in both camps report no new issues.
1. **Protection + Advocacy – RTG Engagement**
* In response to heightened risk of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA), and the increased number of new Or Sors working at the camps, UNHCR and COERR agreed to collaborate on a joint awareness-raising about Child Protection Referral System (CPRS) and PSEA for MOI, including Or Sors.
* In response to a request from BDY Camp Committee, UNHCR is arranging for four plastic sheets to be delivered from THI to BDY with transportation supported by COERR.
* National COVID-19 Meeting is reporting an increasing trend of people sneaking into the camps and avoiding. There are anecdotal reports of problems at THI but no statistics are being shared.
* IRC reports that camp passes have been received for May and there are no current constraints.

**ACTION POINT: 4) TBC & UNHCR will follow-up with camp committees on issues related to camp residents sneaking into camps, including number of people sneaking since COVID-19, have the numbers been changing, started and how camp committee manages.**

1. **AOB**
* IRC has one patient returning to camp following TB treatment. There are some registration issues due to the long absence and this may create challenges for facilitating follow-up treatment outside camp.
* IOM updated there are no planned resettlement departures cases from THI or BDY within May.
* IRC will chair the 10th meeting on **Thursday, 14 May at 1:30 PM.**

**ACTION POINT: 5) IRC will clarify the registration information about the TB patient with UNHCR by email.**