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Presentation outline

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Challenges

i. Limited understanding of the complementary role of informal justice actors amongst formal justice actors. Informal justice is sometimes considered 'inferior' by formal justice actors.

ii. Limited trust in the formal justice system by displaced communities because of cost, backlog, delays, complexity, corruption and poor geographical reach.

iii. Different sanctions regimes (adversarial and punitive, versus restorative and reparative)

iv. Mandate definition: Informal justice systems sometime handle cases beyond their mandate.

v. Information and data asymmetry, due to lack of interoperable or standardized case and information management tools.

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Good practices

i. Integration of humanitarian, justice, development and peace / security priorities

ii. Multi-agency legal needs analyses,

iii. National and Thematic level Interagency coordination on justice, law and refugee protection matters.

iv. Working with formal and informal justice actors, host communities and refugee communities to develop an access to justice handbooks for refugees and asylum seekers.

v. Automation and standardization of justice information and case management processes, which enhance coordination and disaggregation of justice data sets.

vi. Promoting representation and participation of informal justice actors and refugee leaders on the District Coordination committees.

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Key Lessons Learnt

i. Conducive national policy and legal frameworks will foster structured and sustainable collaboration.

ii. Definition and assignment of stakeholder roles within a clear referral or complementary justice framework is central for collaboration.

iii. Standardized information and case management tools will foster case referrals and information sharing between formal and informal justice systems.

iv. Participatory and inclusive justice analyses facilitate shared understanding of justice needs and appropriate responses across formal and informal actors, which makes collaboration much easier.

Activity photos

Caption:

Formal & informal actors training

Caption:

Hybrid DCC session

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Thank you for listening.

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