



Report – Global Protection Cluster Protection Mainstreaming Training in Tunis

Country visited: Tunisia (Tunis)

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Objectives and Outputs

Protection Mainstreaming has been identified as a priority in the Libya humanitarian response, with the centrality of protection being paramount in the response strategy, and key protection risks related to displacement and conflict, identified in the Libya Protection Strategy for 2018- 2019.

Due to the semi-remote management context of the Libya operation, increasing support to local partners on protection mainstreaming and protection principles in general was found to be paramount to ensure the effectiveness of humanitarian response.

To ensure protection is mainstreamed in operational response plan, the Libya Protection Cluster organised with the support of the Global Protection Cluster a Protection Mainstreaming Training for local partners with a view to increase the capacity and knowledge of humanitarian workers on protection principles and protection mainstreaming . The training thusfar aimed at fostering a common vision of protection mainstreaming and developing capacity to respond to the identified gaps in the humanitarian response. This was achieved by enhancing the knowledge and skillset of local partners working at the frontlines and by promoting the application of protection principles throughout the humanitarian response.

Overview

Upon the request of the Libya Protection Cluster Coordinator, the Global Protection Cluster (GPC) Operation Cell conducted a field visit to Tunis from 17 to 19 of December 2018 to support protection mainstreaming initiatives carried out by local partners in hard to reach areas. A two-day training was organised to strengthen the capacities of humanitarian actors in protection mainstreaming.

The **specific objectives** of the workshop were the following:

- Effectively explain the meaning of protection mainstreaming in the humanitarian context;
- Effectively explain the protection mainstreaming principles;
- Illustrate the roles and responsibilities of various actors in promoting protection mainstreaming in the humanitarian architecture;
- Develop action plans for Protection Mainstreaming that are tailored to the current humanitarian context in Libya.

The workshop was conducted with 39 participants including UNHCR, cluster coordinators, INGOs, NNGOs, INGOs, Government and Local Authorities.

- Demonstrate the importance and relevance of protection mainstreaming in the Libya context;
- Explain the definition of protection mainstreaming;
- Establish concrete actions to mainstream protection at all stages of the project cycle (analysis, design, M&E);
- Present the tools and resources available at the global level to mainstream protection and demonstrate their added value;

- Define the responsibilities of the humanitarian sectors and cluster coordinators to mainstream protection in sectoral responses.

The first day of the workshop started with an introduction to the humanitarian principles and how they guide the work of humanitarian actors. These principles are widely recognised as: humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence. The facilitators worked with participants to unpack each of the four humanitarian principles and how to apply each principle in their everyday work. It was explained that humanitarian principles have practical operational relevance, especially in situations of open armed conflict and hostility that characterizes many emergencies. Consistent adherence to humanitarian principles can enable organizations to distinguish themselves from other actors and potentially:

- Gain and maintain access to and proximity with affected populations, including persons of concern to UNHCR;
- Mitigate risks to affected populations, staff, partners and assets;
- Promote the full rights and dignity of affected populations; and
- Establish a principled engagement with authorities and, where appropriate, non-State parties to a conflict

The second day of the workshop started with an introduction on the IASC protection definition discussing the importance of the concept of 'rights' and 'bodies of law' which are at the centre of the definition and the 'types of activities' to achieve protection outcomes. A general presentation on the framework of the Centrality of Protection as stated in the IASC guidance was presented as well as the protection continuum and the linkages between protection and other cross-cutting issues (GBV, child protection, disability inclusion etc.). The facilitators then thoroughly explained the key elements of protection mainstreaming and asked participants to work in groups to highlight concrete examples from their context for each element: (1) Safety and Dignity, (2) Meaningful Access, (3) Accountability, (4) Participation and Empowerment. This allowed participants to apply the key elements of protection mainstreaming in a practical and concrete way and think through what it means for their daily work. To conclude, the facilitators highlighted the responsibilities of each actors to mainstream protection in the humanitarian response and outlined the role of sectors, inter-sector coordination group, operational partners and donors as well as the importance to ensure protection is mainstreamed into the different steps of the Humanitarian Programme Cycle.

The afternoon session gave an opportunity for participants to understand the concrete ways to mainstream protection throughout the different steps of the project cycle. The facilitators explained the theory of change for protection mainstreaming and the importance to ensure protection is mainstreamed in each and single steps of the project cycle: during (1) assessment and analysis to identify protection risks that can be caused within a specific sector of intervention, (2) project design to ensure programs are aligned with protection mainstreaming principles, (3) implementation to put in place concrete activities to reduce risks and (4) monitoring and evaluation to measure whether protection mainstreaming is taking place and what has been the impact on affected populations. The facilitators conducted two concrete exercises with participants to put this theory of change in practice. The first exercise focused on analyzing protection concerns (the root causes and effects) using the inverted tree and the risk equation. The second exercise consisted in designing a project ensuring the main elements of protection are mainstreamed based on the scenario provided by the facilitators.

Several issues relating to protection mainstreaming were mentioned by participants during the workshop:

- Lack of specialized assistance for elderly, PWSN, women and children.
- High level of marginalization and discrimination of vulnerable groups due to lack of identification mechanism and referral system.
- Favouritism and discrimination being observed as common occurrences in aid distribution.
- Reports that most vulnerable groups do not receive the aid needed or requested.
- Feedback and complaints mechanisms being inexistent or unknown from the affected population.
- Lack of consultation and participation of affected populations in the process of identifying needs.
- Selection of beneficiaries guided by local authorities mainly in East Libya;
- In many cases, humanitarian assistance in Libya is based on status of population or responds to request form authorities, participants emphasised the need to ensure the need based approach;
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Annexes

All protection mainstreaming material is available on the [GPC Protection Mainstreaming page](#) in both English and Arabic. Please see below annexes for: List of Participants, workshop agenda and power point presentation.

Annex A – List of Participants

Annex B- Protection Mainstreaming Workshop Agenda

Annex C – Protection Mainstreaming PowerPoint

Annex A

List of participants

Name	Organization	Position
<i>Altahir Almahdi Alnaghnooghi</i>	<i>Almobadra Alreyadeya Org.</i>	<i>Chairman of the Board</i>
SALIH AHMED GHAMEEDH	LIBAID	<i>Executive Director</i>
<i>Noran Ahmed Buzgaia</i>	ACTED	<i>Protection Senior Helpline Operator</i>
<i>Amel Faraj Elramalli</i>	CESVI	<i>Protection Reporting Officer</i>
<i>Nahla Ali Saleh</i>	CESVI	<i>Protection Monitoring Officer</i>
ALMABROUK ABUGALILAH	<i>Libyan National Organization for Handicaps Development</i>	<i>Chairman of the Board of Directors</i>
<i>Hala Faraj Azzayani</i>	<i>State ministry of IDPs</i>	<i>Minster office</i>
<i>Motasem Shtewi</i>	<i>State ministry of IDPs</i>	<i>Minster office</i>
<i>Emaduldin Altakkalli</i>	<i>State ministry of IDPs</i>	<i>Minster office</i>
<i>Mohammed Ahmed Koulu Alafi</i>	<i>South Peace Organization for Development</i>	<i>Protection unit</i>
<i>Mustafa Yahaya Mohamed</i>	<i>South Peace Organization for Development</i>	<i>Protection Unit</i>
AHMOUDAH ALHOUSAYN AHMOUDAH OTHMAN	AL-DAMER ORGANIZATION	<i>Psychological Support Unit</i>
<i>Abubaker saleh elbaglul</i>	<i>جمعية الريادة للتعليم والتأهيل</i>	<i>N/A</i>
<i>Mohammed Abdelkabir</i>	IMC	<i>Field Site Manager</i>
<i>mohamed saleh omran albskri</i>	IMC	<i>protection monitoring officer</i>
IMADIDIN SALAH GILANI ELZEN	ACTED	SABHA CASH OFFIER
<i>Moustafa Mohamed ali Alokshi</i>	Y-PEER	<i>Member of the Youth Peer Education Network</i>
<i>Bushra abdukkader Alhodiri</i>	<i>Fezzan Libya Organisation</i>	<i>President and Operation manager of Organisation</i>
KHALLEEFAH OMAR ABRAHEEM ALBIREEKI	<i>peace youth network Libya</i>	<i>Vice president</i>
<i>Maan Amed Haydar</i>	IRC	<i>Protection Monitoring & Information Assistance</i>
<i>Albasher Abdulla Mohamed Ahmoudah</i>	<i>Al-Ola Charity Association</i>	<i>Coordinator of Relations</i>
MUAWIYAH AHMED HAMZAH ALHADHEERI	<i>الجمعية الوطنية الثانية</i>	<i>Management</i>
<i>Mohamed eltaieb madi</i>	<i>Libyan Youth Voice organization</i>	<i>N/A</i>

<i>Ali Ahmed Abdulrahman Albarkouli.</i>	<i>Aljaded youth organization.</i>	<i>Member</i>
<i>AHMED HAMID OTHMAN ALHADHEERI</i>	<i>sabha youth forum</i>	<i>Member</i>
<i>Ahlam amir basheer abdalraheem</i>	<i>Alshamayil Alkhayriuh</i>	<i>Rapporteur of the President</i>
<i>abdusamea Mohammed najeb mousa</i>	<i>Ghadames Association</i>	<i>Head of Administration and Training</i>
<i>Abdullatif Maamar Abu-Hamrah</i>	<i>Kafaa development foundation</i>	<i>Social Officer</i>
<i>May Zubair Alfaioy</i>	<i>NRC</i>	<i>Education officer</i>
<i>Estabreq Elmekahel</i>	<i>NRC</i>	<i>Shelter Officer</i>
<i>Altariqi Almahdi Mohammed Mohammed</i>	<i>Ahliya Association</i>	<i>Member</i>
<i>Najwa Mohammed Bounou</i>	<i>Free Fields Foundation</i>	<i>Mine Risk Education Coordinator</i>
<i>HIBAH Ali YOUSUF ALGHOUL</i>	<i>Organization Of Development Pioneers</i>	<i>ODP representative in Sabha</i>
<i>Mohamed Akelah</i>	<i>UNHCR</i>	<i>Protection officer</i>
<i>Walid Ben Rahuma</i>	<i>UNHCR</i>	<i>Protection Associate</i>
<i>Yasin Abbas</i>	<i>Protection Sector</i>	<i>Protection sector coordinator</i>
<i>Hadil Drebi</i>	<i>UNHCR</i>	<i>Senior protection assistant</i>
<i>Omar Farhat</i>	<i>UNHCR</i>	<i>Field Associate (Protection)</i>
<i>Yasmine Elbehiery</i>	<i>Global protection cluster</i>	<i>GPC unite</i>

Annex B : AGENDA

اليوم الأول		
الموضوع		الوقت
وصول المشاركين والتسجيل		8:30
الترحيب تقديم المشاركين في التدريب تقديم أهداف التدريب والنتائج المتوقعة في نهاية البرنامج		9:00
قطاع الحماية في ليبيا: الخطة والأهداف		9:40
وضع الحماية في ليبيا: الواقع، الإحتياجات وخطة العمل		10:00
إستراحة قهوة		10:40
المبادئ الانسانية		11:00
إستراحة غداء		12:30
إكمال موضوع المبادئ الانسانية		13:30
إستراحة قهوة		15:00
إكمال موضوع المبادئ الانسانية		15:30
نهاية التدريب لليوم الأول		16:30
اليوم الثاني		
الموضوع		الوقت
وصول المشاركين والتسجيل		8:30
الترحيب لماذا نهتم بتعميم مبادئ الحماية؟		9:00
لماذا يُعد تعميم مبادئ الحماية مهما في السياق الخاص بك؟		9:40
فهم عملية تعميم مبادئ الحماية		10:00
إستراحة قهوة		10:40
العناصر الرئيسية الأربعة لتعميم مبادئ الحماية		11:00
إستراحة غداء		12:30
تعميم مبادئ الحماية في التقييمات		13:30
إستراحة قهوة		15:00
تصميم ومراقبة وتقييم: تعميم مبادئ الحماية في الممارسة العملية: المشروع		15:30
نهاية التدريب		16:30

ANNEX C: POWER POINT

Please see attachment