

## YFAD/EFSP April 2016 Bi-weekly Report # 1-2 (cumulative)

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### **Bi- weekly update April 15-30<sup>th</sup>, 2016:**

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During the reporting period activities focused on: implementation of Distribution Cycle 3 (D3) end line survey, implementation of BCC training in all districts, preparatory activities for the upcoming Distribution Cycle 5, month 1 (D5M1) food distribution.

- 1- Between April 11-13, D3 end line took place in all target areas, covering a sample of 854 beneficiaries, approximately 16% of the total number of beneficiaries (5,376 HH). A first data analysis shows encouraging results, when comparing D3 baseline and end line data. However, when comparing data related to previous end lines, it is apparent that the ongoing conflict has taken a toll on people's ability to cope. In summary:
  - The HHS data show an overall increase in the 'little to no hunger' category, from a 63% on the baseline to a 67% on the end line. The moderate hunger category went from a 35% on the baseline to a 30% on the end line. However, the severe hunger category registered a 2% on the baseline and a 4% on the endline. In Kusmah (Raymah) the most encouraging results were recorded, with the 'little to no hunger' category jumping from a 9% on the baseline to a 81% on the endline. Conversely, in Jafaryah, Jabeen (Raymah) and Dhi Sufal (Ibb), an average 40% decrease was recorded in the same category, indicating an increase in the moderate and severe hunger categories.
  - The HDDS showed a slight increase when comparing baseline (3.8) and end line (4.0). However, there is a decrease when comparing D3 end line with D1 (4.9) and D2 (5.2).
  - WASH related questions covered topics related to behavior, as well as water availability; in this case results were particularly encouraging, showing an overall improved context. As an example, hand washing after using the toilet went from 50% (baseline) to 88% (endline). Water availability shows a general increase of the 'more than 80 litres per day' category, from 48% (baseline) to 80% (end line). We interpret the above as an indicator of the positive impact of both BCC training and WASH projects.
  - The same can be inferred for the KHG and Agriculture related projects. According to D3 end line 89% of the KHG and 84% of the rehabilitated land are still productive six months following the completion of the distribution cycle.
- 2- From April 18 to 20 field staff and management met in Ibb for the recurring end of cycle/beginning of cycle meeting, to discuss D4 lessons learnt and improvement expected in D5; in addition, necessary soft and hardware tuning up and updating took place.
- 3- On April 27<sup>th</sup> BCC training began with volunteers and focal points training (see below table), immediately followed by beneficiaries training, expected to be completed in early May.

#	District	Volunteers	Focal points	Date of training
1	Al Tayziah	36	10	27-28 <sup>th</sup> , April
2	Jiblah	41	10	27-28 <sup>th</sup> April
3	Hazm AlUdayn	40	10	30 <sup>th</sup> , April-1 <sup>st</sup> May
4	Reef Ibb	40	10	28 <sup>th</sup> –and 30 <sup>th</sup> April

5	Kusmah	36	10	1 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> May
6	Al Jafariyah	37	10	1 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> May
7	AlJabin	44	10	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>
8	Thi Sofal	36	10	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>

- 4- YOFMP monitoring visit will continue in May; site visits forms were finalized for six sites.
- 5- Procurement for the upcoming D5 distribution cycle began during the reporting period. In particular, during the reporting period procurement focused on D5 vendors selection including: initial assessment at district level to identify possible new eligible vendors, issuing of the RFQ and final analysis of submitted quotations.
- 6- Security. The overall security context remained fluid and unpredictable; the ceasefire, in place from April 10, has generally been holding, especially in Sana'a; however, there have been instances where the conflict resumed at times, despite the ceasefire. The PD continued with home based remote management. There are no expatriates or US citizens currently in the country.



Endline in Thi Sofal, 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2016



KHG in D3 in Altaiziah still productive, 13 April 2016



One beneficiary of D3 showing his tools, Al taziah, 14, April 2016



BCC volunteers training in Reef Ibb 28 April, 2016



BCC training in Jiblah, 27 April, 2016



Staff meeting in Ibb, April, 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016