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TRIP REPORT
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I. Objectives

A. The trip was undertaken for the following reasons:

1. To assist the Principal Investigators and Senior Scientists with the design of data collection instruments for computer data entry
2. To meet and confer with the person in charge of quality control procedures in Egypt to emphasize training of field workers
3. To meet with the Egypt Data Manager (Dr. Mohammed Hussein Khalil of Alexandria), in regards to data flow, transfer, and editing techniques
4. To work with the Field Coordinator in the finalization of the schedule for household entry into Phase II
5. To establish an identification system for the members of the village
6. To confer with Dr. Wafaa Moussa regarding the screening of households for Phase II

II. Itinerary and Daily Work Schedule

- September 3: Departure from Kansas City
- September 4: Arrival in Cairo
- September 5: Orientation day to Cairo and the Nutrition Institute
- September 6: Attended day long workshop at the Nutrition Institute. The speakers were: Dr. Mamdouh Gabr, Dr. Osman Galal, Dr. Gail Harrison, Dr. Wafaa Moussa, Dr. Cheryl Ritenbaugh, Dr. Amin Abdou, Dr. Zeinab Shaheen, Dr. Norge Jerome, Dr. Zeinab Bishry, Dr. Amin Kamel, Dr. Hafez Ismail, Dr. Ahmed Dakroury, Dr. Farouk Shaheen, and Dr. Esmat Ekladious.
- September 7:
- 1) Attended and participated in discussion group involving the Senior Scientists and P.I.'s.
 - 2) Met with Dr. Saneya and Dr. Ritenbaugh regarding the necessity for an identification system which would give all members of the village a unique number.
 - 3) Received from Dr. A. Kirksey, P.I. Purdue University, Reproduction/Lactation History Instruments to review for computer input.
- September 8:
- 1) Met with Dr. Wafaa Moussa regarding a) Food Intake Schedule; b) elimination of 38 households from Phase II.
 - 2) Updated the Master List of target households with the elimination of 38 households.

- 3) Attended the final afternoon meeting of the Workshop.
- September 9: Day of Worship
- September 10: Worked on the selection of target households for Phase II.
- September 11:
- 1) Field trip to Kalama to become acquainted with the location and environment of the Kalama village.
 - 2) Worked on the selection of non-core households for case studies.
 - 3) Reviewed Reproduction/Lactation History Instruments.
- September 12:
- 1) Worked with Dr. Cheryl Ritenbaugh in the preliminary design of the Morbidity Recall Instrument for computer ease of entry.
 - 2) Attended the meeting of the P.I.'s and the Senior Scientists.
- September 13:
- 1) Went to Kalama and helped with the initial collection of the Socio-Demographic Survey. Reviewed the data collected with Dr. Norge Jerome and Judi Ricci, and discussed further revisions needed in the Socio-Demographic instrument, and the need for further training of fieldworkers.
 - 2) Walked around the village and viewed the social interaction between children and adults.
- September 14:
- 1) Attended Project Meeting of the P.I.'s and the Senior Scientists.
 - 2) Met with Dr. Cheryl Ritenbaugh, Dr. Otto Sieber, and the data collecting physicians to discuss the Morbidity History Instrument.
 - 3) Met with Dr. Mohammed Hussein Khalil, Data Manager in Egypt, to discuss different methods of transferring data from Alexandria to Kansas. Also discussed data entry verification procedures to be used at Alexandria.
- September 15:
- 1) Met with Dr. Jerome, Judi Ricci, and Amin Abdou to discuss problems associated with collection of Socio-Demographic data.
 - 2) Met with fieldworkers and listened to problems they encountered while using the Socio-Demographic instrument.
 - 3) Met with Dr. Saneya and discussed: quality control, the need for adequate training of fieldworkers, and the identification system to be used for members of the village.

- September 16: Day of Worship
- September 17: 1) Informal discussion held on the need for reliability training or refresher courses to improve the quality of data collected by the fieldworkers.
- September 18: 1) Updated the Master List of target households for Phase II with the elimination of an additional 8 households for a total of 46 households eliminated.
- 2) Started writing preliminary schedule for the initiation of households into the study.
- September 19: 1) Finalization of the Socio-Demographic instrument.
- 2) Examined Nutrition CRSP Draft Manual regarding data collection and flow to see if compatible with the Egypt project.
- 3) Continued work on the schedule for the initiation of households into the study.
- September 20: 1) Finalized schedule for initiation of households into study.
- 2) Examined in detail the Nutrition CRSP Draft Manual regarding data collection and flow.
- September 21: 1) Devised a listing of non-core households to be used for case study purposes.
- 2) Devised a preliminary draft of the monthly workload.
- 3) Reviewed several alternatives to the target individual I.D. number protocol.
- September 22: 1) Examined in detail Nutrition CRSP Draft manual regarding data collection and flow.
- 2) Reviewed Reproduction/Lactation History Instrument.
- September 23: Day of Worship
- September 24: 1) Meeting with Dr. June Wolgemuth, Field Coordinator in Egypt, to discuss the coordination of field activities and introduction of the households into the study.
- 2) Meeting with Dr. Saneya regarding the list of target households to be used for the months of November through January.
- 3) Meeting with Dr. Norge Jerome to discuss field logistics.

- September 25: 1) Design of the "Research Activity" form to collect information regarding the frequency of each planned research activity.
- 2) Attended the Senior Scientist and P.I. project meeting. Presented the "Research Activity" form and asked each person in charge of a research activity to complete the form.
- September 26: 1) Workup of the monthly schedule for entry of the households into Phase II.
- 2) Workup of the "Additional Entry of a Target Member into the Study" schedule. This schedule will identify households already entered in the study, of which there is now a new target member of age within the household.
- September 27: 1) In-depth discussion with Dr. Saneya on the target individual I.D. number protocol.
- 2) Started working on the schedule for collating all the various research activities together in regards to frequency of data collection.
- September 28: 1) More discussion with Dr. Saneya in regards to the individual I.D. number protocol.
- 2) Wrote letter to Dr. Mohammed Hussein Khalil regarding the computer specifics for data transmittal.
- 3) Arranged meeting to be held in Kansas City with Dr. June Wolgemuth, the Field Coordinator, to discuss field logistics.
- September 29: Departure from Cairo

III. Accomplishments

- A. All objectives of the trip were successfully accomplished. In addition, the trip offered valuable insight concerning the Egyptian culture which will facilitate future work communications within the Egypt project.
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