

MENA CVA Community of Practice

Meeting #9 Minutes

Date:	Wednesday 11th May 2022 - 11:30 (Beirut time)
Attendees:	Facilitator: Gabriella D'Elia British Red Cross/Cash Hub: Azim Noorani Lebanese Red Cross: Hikmat Al Amine Syrian Arab Red Crescent: Nabeh ALLaham Tunisian Red Crescent: Nour Chedli IFRC: Jad Assaf
Agenda:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of new members • Updates from members • Updates from facilitator – governance, trainings, ongoing initiatives, updated priorities (new survey) • AOB

Meeting minutes:

1. Introduction of new members

Nour Chedli, Tunisian red Crescent CVA Focal Point, joined the team. Nour is the TRC Finance and Project coordinator, working on Migration issues and implementation of DREF operations.

Jad Assaf joined the IFRC Regional CVA team as CVA Preparedness Officer. He will be working with National Societies on Capacity strengthening and trainings, and on the implementation of their CVA Preparedness Plans of Action. Bio Attached.

2. Updates from members

Lebanese Red Cross: the NS is working with the IFRC on the development of a Cash for Health Outcomes project, that will provide learning for a potential global initiative. The project will provide Vouchers to access medical services and will be led by the DM Unit for the Voucher component, and by the Medical Services Unit for the service providers component. The NS is looking at using the RedRose platform based on positive previous experience.

The NS is working on a Vulnerability Scoring Tool to define a multi dimensional poverty Index. The preliminary results of the work will be presented in Lebanon on the 31st May, and LRC will provide an overview to the CoP in one of the upcoming meetings (date TBD).

Tunisian Red Crescent: has been working on CVA for the last 2 years, distributing Food Voucher for their Covid19 response, and considered CVA for shelter/construction for a DREF operation (the CVA component was not implemented). The NS is considering embarking on the CVA Preparedness journey.

Syrian Arab Red Crescent: Plan of Action for 2022 finalised. The Capacity Building plan includes a Data Analysis training, to start next month. SARC is currently working with one NGO on CVA for Education, and started planning for winterization. Awareness raising sessions are ongoing in the governorates.

3. Updates from facilitator

IFRC MENA is organising a new PECT training in Doha – 15 seats are reserved for participants from MENA, deadline for application is 26th May.

Governance: Facilitator to share a draft proposal on facilitation going forward – more ownership from NS.

4. AOB
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Meetings schedule

The CoP meets every second Wednesday of the month at 11:30 Beirut time until March 2023 – the frequency of schedules will be reviewed during March 2023 meeting.

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Meeting #	Date
1	1 st September, 2021
2	6 th October, 2021
3	3 rd November, 2021
4	1 st December, 2021
5	5 th January, 2022
6	2 nd February, 2022
7	2 nd March, 2022
8	13 th April, 2022