Effective GBV Programming & Resource Modalities

MENA Region – Syria & Iraq Crisis

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OVERVIEW

OBJECTIVE: Share effective strategies from the region to support GBV programming

OUTLINE:

- **FLEXIBILITY**
  - Flexible funding for inception phases, participatory consultation, and piloting of innovative approaches
- **MULTISECTORAL**
  - Multi-sectoral linkages and GBV mainstreaming for risk mitigation
- **PRIORITIZATION & MULTI-YEAR**
  - Prioritization of GBV sector funding and multi-year investment
- **HOLISTIC**
  - Holistic multi-leveled interventions to tackle GBV
- **CAPACITIES – LEARNING – DIALOGUE**
  - GBV staffing and capacity-building, as well as GBV learning dialogues and exchanges
Prioritization of GBV Sector & Multi-Year Funding

Lebanon Example

- Interruption and reduction of GBV programmes, including case management services
- Immediate drastic decrease of GBV reported incidents
- GBVIMS analysis for the quarter was not possible

Learning

1. Demonstrates impact of GBV service provision (and negative impact of funding interruption)
2. Reduction affected both GBV prevention and response, as well as GBV data analysis of trends
3. GBV coordination strategies and donor support helped to analyze and bridge gaps, as well as minimize harm related to handover of open cases

Lebanon GBVIMS Steering Committee, February 2018
While services have expanded and been strengthened, there are still critical gaps in service provision, in particular case management and medical care. "The most common type of violence in our community is the violence against girls and sexual violence" (FGD with Girls 12-17 years, Idleb, HNO).

GBV risks and violations only continuing to increase, as consistently highlighted in assessment findings.

Importance of Prioritization of GBV Sector for Funding

Promoting Predictable & Continuous Multi-Year Funding

UKAid Study (2013) on Multi-Year Humanitarian Funding:
- Lower operational costs
- Flexibility for pre-positioning and early response
- More strategic partnerships
- Better planning

Ensures GBV life-saving services

Allows for a longer-term phased approach to GBV

Retention of qualified GBV staffing

Allows time and flexibility to pilot, innovate, and adapt approaches for more effective programming

Aligned with country and regional response plans priorities

Prioritization of GBV Sector & Multi-Year Funding cont’d
Flexible Funding for Participation, Learning, & Adaptation

Investing in Flexible Programming & Learning Driven by Adolescent Girls & Boys

INCEPTION PHASE
Adapt and pilot models for each context in consultation with the targeted communities (in particular adolescent girls and boys)

PARTICIPATORY CONSULTATIONS with GIRLS & BOYS
Inform GBV program design, implementation, & monitoring & promote their empowerment

PILOTING & ADAPTING
Allow for feedback, learning, and innovation of GBV approaches

➢ Providing flexible funding and support for piloting/innovation of new approaches
➢ Investing resources for participatory consultation and engagement

Ex. Plan & CARE joint assessment on GBV & SRHR modalities in Jordan with adolescent girls
“Our society, our parents and our political leaders are the reasons why youth have no voice today...”

(Kurdish male youth in Duhok, NRC, A Future in the Balance, 2016)

“I was in 8th grade, I was 14 then. I came back from school to find that my parents wanted to marry me off. My pockets were still full of candy and lollipops. I didn’t live my childhood like other children. After I got married my husband and I were displaced to Al- Hasakeh. Then he left me, I was lonely and sad. Everything beautiful in my life was gone. I did not have a goal in life. I’m afraid of war. War is something ugly that took everything beautiful in our lives. But there’s something uglier than war; that is ignorance.” Aisha, 17 years. (UNICEF Syria 2017)"

(“An Overview of Children’s Protection Needs in Syria: This is more than Violence”, 2018)
Supporting Holistic Model for GBV Programming

Ecological model  | Adolescent/survivor-centered & rights-based | Community-based & working on national systems | Importance of support to girls & women while engaging boys & men

**Individual Level**
- Work with adolescent boys and girls directly

**Caregiver Level**
- Work with both male and female parents/caregivers

**Community Level**
- Wider community awareness and engagement of community groups

**Faith Leaders**
- Key influential actors to address Child Marriage, Family Violence, etc.

**Government Stakeholders**
- Local and national level engagement

**Coordination & Other Institutional Actors**
- Sector WGs, Donors, Foundations

➢ Promoting holistic multi-leveled GBV programming
➢ Supporting programming that targets girls and women, as well as engaging boys and men

Ex. ABAAD work with religious leaders and men and boys in Lebanon; DRC Lebanon manual for fathers of adolescent girls
Multi-Sectoral Linkages to Address GBV

Investing in Multi-Sectoral Approach to Complex GBV Concerns

• GBV cannot be addressed by one sector alone as there are many and deeply entrenched contributing factors
• Multi-sectoral model for Child Marriage can minimize risks and provide alternatives for adolescent girls and families

- EDUCATION
  provision of and reduction in barriers to access formal & non-formal education; safe learning environments

- LIVELIHOODS
  vocational training for at-risk older adolescents; livelihood support for families of at-risk adolescents

- CASH
  cash assistance for families of at-risk adolescents; emergency support to GBV survivors

- HEALTH/SRHR
  medical care for child marriage, adolescent pregnancy, and other GBV survivors, including Clinical Management of Rape

➢ Investing dedicated resources within different sectors to address GBV
➢ Investing in projects with a multi-sectoral approach to address GBV concerns

Ex. Inclusion of multisectoral approach in UNICEF & UNFPA Accountability Framework on Child Marriage
Promoting GBV Mainstreaming through Other Sectors

Continuing to ensure GBV mainstreaming throughout project cycle & across levels:

→ For GBV agencies: GBV mainstreaming activities and technical support across sectors

→ For other sector actors & coordination bodies: GBV mainstreaming within their own sectors

➢ Dedicating resources for GBV mainstreaming at different levels, including minimizing risks for adolescent girls and boys

➢ Implementing GBV/Gender Markers & Guidelines: regular follow-up throughout program cycle for scoring and feedback
Increasing Support for Dedicated GBV Staffing

Dedicated, sufficient, and qualified GBV staffing for effective GBV programming due to its sensitivity and complexity

- GBV coordination leads and information management
- GBV technical advisors and program managers
- GBV field staff and service providers

Challenges in GBV program staff pipelines and recruitment

GBV service provision still urgently required to meet immediate needs and ensure service provision that is aligned with guiding principles

- Supporting dedicated GBV staffing for both targeted GBV programming & GBV mainstreaming at all levels
- Investing in GBV pipelines, mentorship, and rosters

Ex. IMC global GBViE Management Phased Training Program
GBV Staffing & Capacity-Building cont’d

Expanding Support for GBV Capacity-Building

- GBV efforts require ongoing sensitization and training of service providers

- Trainings should be part of ongoing capacity-building approaches, including on-the-job supervision for GBV service provision

- Continuing to dedicate resources for GBV trainings and on-the-job coaching in adolescent-friendly & gender-responsive GBV service provision

Trainings and on-the-job coaching in conducting girl empowerment and PSS activities targeting adolescent girls, adolescent boys (as agents of positive change), their parents/caregivers, & communities

Trainings and follow-up in GBV core concepts and guiding principles, including safe referrals/SOPs

Ex. Jordan River Foundation, IRC Lebanon, and GBV SC Turkey training and (peer) coaching models in GBV case management
GBV Learning Dialogues & Exchanges

Resourcing & Promotion of GBV Learning Forums

- Period of significant GBV innovation in the region in response to the crises
- Risk of being “lost” & limited resources for meaningfully sharing across agency & country contexts
- Documentation of GBV models and sharing of best practices and strategies, i.e. through workshops, online CoP, staff exchanges/visits, etc.

➢ Continuing to invest in documentation & evaluation of GBV program models for lessons learned
➢ Promoting inter-agency/inter-country partnerships & exchanges
➢ Supporting other forms of GBV learning and dialogue forums

Ex. Plan & IRC in Jordan integrating GirlShine & Champions of Change model (pending)
Ex. IRC & IMC Safe Spaces Toolkit being developed
Thank you!