

Summary of Key Discussion Points

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Venue	MS Teams
Present Agencies	ADRA, AKF, Caritas, CCS, DRC, EPDC, Giras Association, MEDAIR, NRC, UNOCHA, ONG Rescate International, PUI, SIF, Social Care Society, UN-HABITAT, UNHCR, UNRWA and ZOA
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Here below is a summary of the main discussion points, while more detailed information can be found in the enclosed presentation:

Action	Focal Point	Timeline
1. Shelter partners to review their funding data on slide #4 of the presentation and provide any updates to the sector	Shelter sector partners	15 October
2. The Shelter sector will communicate the coordination structure for the 'displacement from Lebanon' emergency once the discussions at HCT and ISC are concluded.	Shelter sector	Once HCT and ISC have finalized their discussions.
3. The Shelter Sector Coordinator will check the registration of hosting families for NFI assistance and revert	Shelter/NFI sector coordinator	Within one week

I. Updates on the 2025 HPC

- Shelter sector partners at the sub-national working groups have provided their inputs on the PiN and the severity of shelter needs. This exercise aims to update the data to reflect the shelter needs for 2025. Once the entries are completed, the shelter sector IM will process and analyze the data. The final outcomes will be shared with partners to support them in designing shelter response plans.

II. Shelter Sector Status – 2024 Response

- The funding level until mid-2024 remains at 9% of the total appeal, which is significantly low.
- As of August, the shelter sector could reach only 22% of its set target. If accounting only for the HH-level activities, the reach stands at 12% only.
- The low achievement is attributed to multiple factors, mainly the delay in getting the official approval and the underfunding.
- Detailed funding information will be shared with sector partners (in the enclosed presentation) for review. Partners will communicate any updates to the sector coordination team.
- Over 220,000 people have crossed from Lebanon to Syria through various crossing points between 24 September and 5 October.
- The humanitarian response to this emergency is divided into two phases:
 - o Immediate response at the boarder points, including food, water, transportation, WASH facilities, healthcare, and legal support.

- Response at their destination, including supporting the families who crossed the borders and their hosting families and communities. The shelter sector will focus on rehabilitating the hosting centers where many Syrian and Lebanese families are accommodated, providing cash for rent, and minor repair to houses where returnees of hosting families are residing.
- An Inter-Agency appeal was launched on October 8, shelter partners shared their plans and appeals according to the operational guidance issued by UNHCR.
- The coordination structure is still under discussion and will be communicated to the partners once agreed upon.
- UNHCR has a leading role in this response as Lebanese refugees fall under its mandate, additionally Syrian returnees are also a focus area for UNHCR.
- Partners raised the following issues related to the displacement from Lebanon:
 - The need for registration of the destination of the newcomers, to help partners plan their response more effectively.
 - Questions about integrating this emergency into the ongoing 2025 HPC process, with suggestions to amend the ongoing Delphi Methodology to accommodate additional needs and caseloads.
 - Shelter sector and OCHA highlighted current discussions at ISC and HCT levels to determine how to integrate this emergency in 2025 needs (HNO) and plans (HRP). Shelter sector will keep the partners updated on the decisions and the amendments to the process.
 - Enquires about the NFI assistance to hosting communities and the registration process. Shelter coordinator will check and revert.
 - Requests for solar energy provisions at the borders, with field coordinators noting that most borders have been already provided with solar systems.

III. IM Update

- The sector IM reminded the partners of the main IM reporting deadlines and the various sector products.
- Partners are encouraged to contact sector IM for any needed clarification.

IV. AoB – SHF 1st Standard Allocation

- The shelter sector briefed the partners on the process and the outcomes of the recent SHF standard allocation. It was noted that there was a high level of participation from NGOs, however, national NGOs are encouraged to increase their contributions.