

DRR plan for Humanitarian response in Aleppo city

The reflection of war widely moved to all essential services such as electricity, sewage, and water infrastructure components. The humanitarian community is reacting not responding to the current situation, whereas the sustainability side is forgotten. These short and long terms plans are settled to change this action into Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Timebound(SMART). Applied Sustainably development goals even in times of conflicts, so it will lead to improve national plans and mitigate the effects of this kind of hazard in the near or far future.

Short term plan (1-3 years):

1. start engaging the community in Project Cycle Management (PCM)* at all phases is a key means to cope with humanitarian response gaps, this approach needs to be more familiarize with the implemented partners and even with communities themselves. (A quality and Accountability sessions will be conducted to these interlocutors to clarify the importance of this involvement.
2. Develop and design a questionnaire using ODK** software that will measure the impact of these sessions on the communities with help from implemented partners.
3. The new approach (community engagement) will face a lot of difficulties mainly the acceptance from the local community and the implemented party as they will have perceived as new workloads, However, create the willings for this approach will make them try it. Moreover, when they will be perceived as effected mitigation from hazards they will take it very seriously and will make them believe that's this project belongs to them (they are the owner of this activity).

* Project cycle management (PCM) is the process of planning, organizing, coordinating, and controlling of a project effectively and efficiently throughout its phases, from planning through execution then completion and review to achieve pre-defined objectives or satisfying the project stakeholder by producing the right deliverable at the right time, cost and quality

** (ODK) is a suite of tools that allows data collection using mobile devices and data submission to an online server, even without an Internet connection or mobile carrier service at the time of data collection. You can collect data remotely without an Internet connection or cell carrier access. Mobile data collection is the method of gathering any type of information using a mobile device, such as a smartphone or tablet.

Long term plan (10 years):

1. I will try to handle the Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability & Learning responsibilities in my organization, this will be approached with my colleagues either in my level or higher levels.
2. The future projects will be designed and planned based on the DRR perspective, the main challenge that sometimes it will take a long time but knowing and understanding that will back with reliable solutions for the area and sustainability for the communities. Therefore, more training in DRR and sustainability solutions and methods will enhance me and my colleagues to sharpen skills in the context I work in.
3. Starting from the main concept of Sustainable development that said' 'A development that meets the needs of the present, without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs''. Water projects will be proceeding under several measures allow us to achieve stalled goals without side effect for the future of population and region. For example, our organization will be clearer that our involvement only in drilling shallow boreholes not deeper wells since the last one may be contaminated during the crisis and this will affect the whole region and communities in the area.

Conclusion:

Managing Time during the project cycle is a key factor to deliver these plans to my local communities, However, balancing tasks order while overseeing the other requests can be difficult. I might not know how best to split time, but I will try always to remember that the team should always be a priority.

I think striving to be as available to tasks as possible, but it's also important that I set aside time to dedicate to my individual responsibilities. Another reflection of my plans will encourage the ideas which are based on Green technology to solve the sewage problem discharge problem in many rural villages suffering from the side effect of unsafety sewage discharge systems (septic tanks).

As the first impression, I got it from my colleagues is the motivation to apply the community approach in DRR. The Marikina city experience makes them believe that it is possible to do the same in Aleppo. Many co-workers think that involve the people in raising awareness will mitigate the negative effect of conflicts and develop more sustainable plans for their own areas.

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