

Afghanistan's Working Groups Mapping

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Foreword

One of ACBAR's pillars is to ensure coordination and effective information flow among NGOs and stakeholders. We believe that greater collaboration and dialogue increases NGO efficiency, quality of work and sparks innovation.

To tackle Afghanistan humanitarian and development's challenges, NGOs and agencies (UN, donors, government etc.) have joined forces and created a myriad of sectorial fora, clusters, and working groups to discuss and tackle collectively the issues. This mapping is an attempt to list all the working groups and clusters available and open to NGOs/Civil Society in Afghanistan – mostly at national level.

This mapping is a working document, do not hesitate to contact us to update its information or add a new group. We hope it can be useful to NGOs' coordination efforts.

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Humanitarian



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Humanitarian/HCT

Name	Humanitarian Country Team (HCT)
Chair	Humanitarian Coordinator
Co-Chair	OCHA
Participants	UN Agencies: HC, OCHA, WFP, WHO, UNICEF, UNHCR, OHCHR FAO, IOM Donors: ECHO,DFID, USAID NGO representatives: ACTED, DACAAR, DRC, JUH, AOAD, COAR, FGA, ACBAR (as observer)
Short description	The Humanitarian Country Team (HCT) serves as a strategic, policy-level and decision-making forum that guides principled humanitarian action in Afghanistan. The core HCT is composed of the Humanitarian Coordinator (HC), seven UN agencies including those with cluster lead responsibilities, seven elected representatives of NGOs and three donors and some observer agencies.

Frequency	Bi-monthly
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Humanitarian Clusters 1/ESNFI

Name	Emergency Shelter and NFI (ESNFI)
Chair	UNHCR
Co-Chair	IOM
Participants	ACF, ACTED, ADRA, AFGHAN AID, AIESO, ARCS, CARE, CARITAS, CA, CONCERN, CORDAID, DRC, FOCUS, HI, HRDA, IRC, iMMAP, IMC, IOM, IR, ME, NAC, NCA, NCRO, NOMAD CONCEPT GROUP (private sector), NRC, PIN, PU-AMI, QRCS, REACH, RI, SAMUEL HALL, SCI, SHELTER FOR LIFE, SI, UNICEF, UNHCR, UN-HABITAT, WC, WHH, ZOA
Short description	The ESNFI objective is to ensure that persons displaced and/or affected by conflict and natural disasters have adequate protection and privacy through provision of emergency shelter and NFIs. It also ensures those responses by ESNFI cluster members are informed by accurate assessments to allow contextual analysis and appropriately targeted interventions. The cluster strategy focuses on ensuring standardized technical specifications for emergency, transitional and durable shelter solutions as well as NFI standards, implementation modalities, monitoring, reporting, evaluation and inclusion of cross-cutting issues.
Frequency	Monthly
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Humanitarian Clusters 2/FSAC

Frequency

Contact

Monthly

Name	Food Security and Agriculture Committee (FSAC)
Chairs	FAO and WFP
Co-Chair	WHH
Participants	UN agencies: FAO, WFP, OCHA Government: MAIL Donors: ECHO, USAID, GE NGO: DRC, MEDAIR, ACTED, AOAD, CoAR, AFGHAN AID, PAC, ADA, APA, GIZ/SEDEP, GAALO, RI, RCDC, CG, CRS, NRC, NEI, NCRO, CARE, OXFAM, HRDA, FRDO, FGA,CHA, IR, WHH,AREA, ANCC, AREA, ANCC, AIRO, IRC, OHW, PIN, CAID, MADERA, ORCD, OCHR, NAC, ACBAR, ZOA, SCI, SOFAR, SFL, FEWSNET, IMPACT, INITATIVE, IMMAP, SI, DACAAR, STARS Embassies: Canadian Embassy
Short description	The FSAC cluster provides an action-orientated forum for bringing together national and international humanitarian partners to improve the timeliness and effectiveness of humanitarian assistance on the lives of crisis-affected population in Afghanistan. In particular, it will help ensure coherent, coordinated and integrated humanitarian responses that are driven by the evidenced-based assessment of food security needs of the crisis affected population. Over 172 partner organizations country-wide are active in the FSAC including NGOs, Government ministries, UN agencies and donors.

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Humanitarian Clusters/EWIWG 2.1

Name	Early Warning Information Working Group (EWIWG)
Chair	FSAC
Co-Chair	MAIL
Participants	UN agencies: FSAC, FAO, WFP, OCHA, UNEP Government: MAIL, MRRD, MoWE, ANDMA, NEPA Regular NGO: ACF, iMMAP, AFGHAN AID, FEWSNET, SCI, NRC, WHH
Short description	Under the FSAC the EWI WG is an inter-institutional mechanism to promote synergy among humanitarian community to predict environmental hazards for better preparation of the response. Its function is to gather, share and analyze food security and agriculture early warning information and prepare recommendations for the FSAC for further disseminations and response preparation.
Frequency	During flooding and drought season at least twice a month.
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Humanitarian Clusters/FSAC 2.2

Name	Afghanistan Food Security Technical Team (AFSTT)
Chair	FSAC
Co-Chair	WHH
Participants	UN Agencies: FSAC, FAO, WFP, OCHA Government: MAIL Regular NGOs: ACF, CG, SI, ACTED, FEWSNET, WHH
Short description	The Afghanistan Food Security Technical Team (AFSTT) lead by FSAC and discuses all technical issue related to assessments such as Seasonal Food Security Assessment (SFSA), pre-harvest assessment and also discusses technical issue related to Integrated food security Phase Classification (IPC). It is functioning to develop the assessment methodology, indicators, sampling size and prepare recommendations for effective implementation of the assessment in the country to collect the required information in timely manner.
Frequency	When required (ad hoc)
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Humanitarian Clusters 3/Health 3.1

Name	National Health Cluster Coordination (NHCC)
Chairs	MoPH and WHO
Co-Chair	National NGO - ORCD, ACTD
Participants	UN agencies: UNICEF, OCHA, UNFPA, WHO, IOM Government: MoPH NGOs: AADA, ACF, ACTD, AHDS, AKDN, BDN, BRAC, CAF, CHA, CORDAID, DAO, IMC, IRW, JUH, MMRCA, EMERGENCY, HADAAF, MSF, ORCD, PUAMI, SAF, SCI, SCA, SDO, SHRDO, TDH, WVI, YHDO, LEPCO, OHPM, HNTPO, HI, MRCA, ICRC/IFRC, ARCS, INTERSOS, FGA Donors: ECHO, USAID, CHF
Short description	The Health Cluster's mission is to provide leadership to humanitarian health response in order to prevent and reduce crisis-related morbidity and mortality; ensure gaps are filled through effective coordination, and support for the mobilization of resources. Health Cluster members shall work to enhance the accountability, predictability and effectiveness of quality humanitarian health actions in Afghanistan
Frequency	Monthly
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Humanitarian Clusters/Health 3.2

Name	Health Cluster RMNCAH Technical Group (RMNCAH - TG)
Chair	WHO
Co-Chair	
Participants	UN agencies: UNICEF,UNFPA, WHO, UNHCR Government: MoPH NGOs: CARE, SCI,
Short description	Strengthening the RMNCAH system of the Health Cluster supporting partner's technical response.
Frequency	Based on need
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Humanitarian Clusters/Health 3.3

Name	Mental Health and Pyscho-social Working Group (MHPSS WG)
Chair	MoPH
Participants	UN agencies: UNICEF, UNHCR, WHO Government: MoPH NGOs: ACF, HNI-TPO, NRC, PU-AMI, ARCS, PARSA
Short description	Support mental health activities, coordinate assessments and improve technical competencies.
Frequency	Based on need
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Humanitarian Clusters 4

Name	Nutrition
Chair	UNICEF
Co-Chair	PND
Participants	AADA, ACTD, AHDS, AKHS, BARAN, BDN, CAF, CHA, HADAAD. HN TPO, IMC, MMRCA, MRCA, OHPM, ORCD, SAF, SCI, UNICEF, ACF, WVI, INTERSOS, CARITAS, MEDAIR,, HEERO, TIKA, MoPH, WFP, WHO, FGA
Short description	The Nutrition Cluster will facilitate a timely and effective nutrition response in Afghanistan and ensure that the capacity of national and local partners and institutions are strengthened to respond to and coordinate emergency nutrition interventions that demonstrate results and impact achieved.
Frequency	Monthly
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Name	Assesment Information Management Technical Working group (AIM) TWG)
Chair	AIM Unit of Public Nutrition Directorate (PND)
Co-Chair	ACF
Alternative Co-Chair	WHO
Participants	Government: PND, M&E/ MoPH UN agencies: WHO, UNICEF, WFP, FAO, OCHA NGOs: ACF, Nutrition Cluster, MEDAIR, SCI, IMC, AKHS, CAF
Short description	Objectives: 1. To develop and review standards and guidelines for nutrition assessment information 2. To review and contextualize relevant international guidelines for Afghanistan 3. To review and validate nutrition assessment and information collection, analysis and reporting 4. To centralize nutrition information, disseminate and advocate for action 5. To offer technical support on nutrition assessment and information when and as needed 6. Strengthen multi-sectoral linkages on nutrition assessment and information through direct participation at various forums 7. Promotion of knowledge management among partners 8. Promoting documentation of success stories/lessons by stakeholders; success stories to feature in annual AIM WG newsletter/cluster quarterly bulletins 9. Strengthen continuity of AIM WG partnership with stakeholders 10. To monitor-use of evidence based information for decision making
Frequency	Monthly
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Name	Integrated Management of Acute Malnutrition – Technical Working Group (IMAM-TWG)	
Chair	IMAM Unit of Public Nutrition Directorate (PND)	
Co-Chair	WHO	
Alternative Co- chair	WFP, WFP/ACF	
Participants	Government: PND, HPD	
	UN agencies: WHO, UNICEF, WFP, FAO	
	NGOs: SCI, ACF, OXFAM, PU-AMI, IMC, Merlin, MOVE, AHDS, SAF, AADA, OHPM	
Short	Objective: to provide strategic guidance to strengthen IMAM programming in Afghanistan.	
description	Specific objectives:	
	1. To provide a forum for coordination with all IMAM partners to ensure effective programming.	
	2. Facilitate exchange of experience, share information and knowledge management on IMAM.	
	3. To provide technical support and oversight the implementation of IMAM in Afghanistan.	
	4. To review the IMAM strategy, protocols and guidelines.	
Frequency	Monthly	
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Name	Capacity Development Technical Working Group (CD TWG)
Chair	Capacity Development Unit of Public Nutrition Department (PND)
Co-Chair	UNICEF/ WHO
Participants	UN agencies: WHO, UNICEF, WFP NGOs: USAID/IHSAN, AADA, HADAAF, ACF, FEWS NET, AKHS, WVI, PU-AMI, EU, AKF, IMC, SCI Government: PND, CAHD, HPD, CBD, Diseases Surveillance Department/ EHIS/MoPH
Short description	 Objective: to provide strategic guidance to strengthen the nutrition capacity development programme in Afghanistan. Specific objectives: Facilitate periodic nutrition capacity assessment to have a good understanding of gaps and needs for strengthening institutional capacities in nutrition at national level and across the regions. To provide a forum for coordination and communication with all partners to ensure effective capacity development in nutrition. Facilitate development of consistency in use of standards and legitimate protocols in nutrition programming. To provide technical support and oversight during training, monitoring and mentoring to ensure improved knowledge and skills. To provide clear guidalines and standards for follow-up and on the job mentoring and coaching to provide clear guidance on monitoring systems and the identification of potential nutrition training resource persons and organizations/institutions for the effective implementation of capacity building activities.
Frequency	Monthly
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Name	Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF)
Chair	IYCF Unit of Public Nutrition Department (PND)
Co-Chair	UNICEF
Participants	UN agencies: WHO, UNICEF, WFP NGOs: SCI, ACF, CAF, SAF, HN-TPO, SCA, PU-AMI, AKDN, AMA, Afghanistan Pediatric Association (APA), IMC Government agencies: PND, RH, CAH, HP, CBHC, IMCI/CHA, Maternity Hospitals
Short description	Objective: to provide strategic guidance to strengthen IYCF programming in Afghanistan. Specific objectives: 1. Support coordination with all IYCF partners to ensure effective programming. 2. Provide IYCF technical guidance, facilitate exchange of experience, share information and knowledge management. 3. Review of the IYCF strategy, protocols and guidelines.

Frequency	Monthly
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Name	Micronutrient Working Group (TWG)
Chair	Micronutrient Unit of Public Nutrition Department (PND)
Co-Chair	WFO
Alternative co- chair	IHSAN/FHI360
Participants	Government: RHD, CAHD, CBHC, HPD
	UN Agencies: UNICEF, WHO, WFP
	NGOs: AKH, SCI, ACF, WVI
Short description	Objective: to provide strategic guidance to strengthen micronutrient programming in Afghanistan.
	 Specific objectives: Strengthen the current forum on coordination, experience and information sharing. Identify common bottlenecks and collaborate with BPHS/EPHS implementing partners, national and international NGOs, private sector and other stakeholders to overcome the bottlenecks and improve the quality and coverage of micronutrient programs. Provide technical guidance on implementation of MN programs to public and private sectors.

Frequency	Monthly
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Humanitarian Clusters 5/WASH

Name	Water Sanitation Hygiene (WASH)
Chairs	UNICEF and Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD)
Co-Chair	DACAAR , NCA
Participants	NGO: ACF,ACTED, ADA, APA, ARCS, Christian Aid, CoAR, DACAAR, GNI, HAPA, ICRC, IMC, IRC, MADERA, NCA, NPO/RRAA, NRC, OXFAM, RCDC, SCI, SI, ZOA, WVI, MEDAIR, CARITAS, ADEO, FGA UN agencies: WHO, UNICEF, OCHA, UNHCR Government: MRRD, MoPH
Short description	The objective of the WASH Cluster is to achieve a more strategic WASH response through better prioritization of available resources, better articulation of needs, clarification of the division of labor among WASH agencies /partners and a better definition of roles and responsibilities of humanitarian organizations. Its key tasks are 1)Preparedness activities; 2) Coordinate Emergency Response; 3) Humanitarian Response Plan; 4) Inform Strategic Decision Making; 5) Coordinate Leadership Transition.
Frequency	Monthly
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Name	Afghanistan Protection Cluster (APC)
Chair	UNHCR
Co-Chair	NRC
Participants	NGO: APA, NRC, DRC, IRC, DDG, HI, OXFAM, WCC, LEADO, WHH, CARE, IMC, ACBAR, AOAD SCI, AFGHAN AID, YHDO, PIN, ZOA, HAGAR, JUH, HNTPO, WVI, WAW, ACF, CRDSA, SOLIDARITES, LFW, FGA UN agencies: UNICEF, UNAMA, UNMAS, OCHA, IOM, UN-Habitat, WFP, UNFPA Government:, AIHRC Other: Samuel Hall
Short description	The Afghanistan Protection Cluster (APC) and its Areas of Responsibility (AoR) focuses on enhancing protection interventions in emergencies and strengthening the protection sensitivity of emergency response programming. The APC is committed to promote the institutionalization of the centrality of protection within the entire humanitarian response in Afghanistan in order to strengthen humanitarian leadership in protection to serve the most vulnerable people in need. The objectives of the APC are to achieve a common understanding of what the priority protection problems are: to adopt a coordinated approach for protection actors working within the humanitarian sphere to address these problems; enhance effectiveness, efficiency and reduce duplication of humanitarian action; advocate with relevant stockholders toward the respect of vulnerable populations affected by conflict and natural disasters. The work of the APC is guided by the principles of neutrality, impartiality, independence, and the humanitarian principle of 'Do no harm'.
Frequency	Monthly
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Name	Gender Based Violence - Sub Cluster (GBVC-SC)
Chair	UNFPA
Co-Chair	Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission - AIHRC
Participants	For security reasons, the names of the organizations will not be displayed. The GBV Sub-Cluster is composed by UN agencies, NGOs, Government ministries and Chief Executive Office.
Short description	The Afghanistan Gender Based Violence Sub-Cluster was established as a national coordinating body to strengthen and enhance the efforts and activities of stakeholders in the country, in the prevention of and response to Gender Based Violence (GBV). The objectives are to consolidate, coordinate, improve and support the activities of all relevant stakeholders in the prevention of and response to GBV within the context of humanitarian action in Afghanistan. Within the humanitarian setting, the AGBV SC shall target and prioritize GBV issues relating to most vulnerable or affected groups. The members of the Sub-Cluster meet both at the national and regional levels. GBV SC has five regional SCs: Herat for western region, Jalalabad for eastern region, Banyan for central highlands region, Mazar for northern region and Kandahar for southern region.
Frequency	Monthly
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Name	Child Protection in Emergency - Sub-Cluster (CPiE- SC)
Chair	UNICEF
Co-Chair	Save the Children (SCI)
Participants	The CPiE Sub-Cluster has 38 members (NGOs, international organizations, CSOs, government and UN agencies).
Short description	The Child Protection in Emergency (CPiE) Sub-Cluster is one of the four Areas of Responsibility (AoR) under the Afghan Protection Cluster (APC).
Frequency	Monthly
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Name	Afghanistan Housing Land and Property Task Force (HLP-TF)
Chair	UN Habitat
Co-Chair	UNHCR and NRC
Participants	
Short description	The (HLP-TF) as a part of the Afghanistan Protection Cluster brings together humanitarian, development, human rights NGOs, UN agencies and government counterparts at national and regional levels working on HLP issues to facilitate a systematic approach to housing, land and property rights protection of displaced population, and other persons at risk of HLP rights violations - this includes landlessness and homeless persons.
	The HLP-TF aims to achieve its objective by a) improving access to land; b) strengthening security of tenure and adequate housing; c) addressing HLP disputes and strengthening access to civil documentation; and d) ultimately the durable solutions of the displaced population.
Frequency	Monthly
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Humanitarian / Humanitarian Clusters / Protection 6.4

Name	Mine Action Stakeholder Group Meeting (MASGM)
Chair	DMAC (Directorate of Mine Action Coordination)
Co-Chair	UNMAS (United Nations Mine Action Service)
Participants	Mine action main implementing partners and some of the donors. The implementers are ATC, DAFA, MDC, MCPA, HALO Trust, DDG, FSD, OMAR, MCPA, AREA, HI, KOO and the donors normally attending are Canada, DFID, US PMWRA, Japan and some others.
Short description	The meeting take place in first week of the month at DMAC compound where mine action related issues, such as progress against the annual plan, civilian casualties due to mine/ERW accidents, security incidents to MA -teams, funding etc. are discussed.
Frequency	Monthly
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Name	Protection of Civilian Working Group (PoC-WG)
Chair	UNAMA
Co-Chair	APC Coordinator
Participants	UNAMA, APC, NRC, UNMAS, UNICEF, OCHA, UNFPA, ACBAR, AIHRC, Center for Civilians in Conflict, ICRC (Observer), CPiE SC Coordinator, GBV SC Coordinator, HLP TF Coordinator
Short description	The PoC WG is a small and focused non-political technical forum where protection involved and mandated entities from various spheres of engagement with the conflict and the humanitarian situation in Afghanistan share knowledge and experiences, striving to reach a common understanding of Protection of Civilians (PoC) specific concerns. The PoC WG ultimately aims to contribute to informed and innovative responses of the humanitarian community in Afghanistan to PoC concerns. The PoC WG was formed in early 2011 to address the absence of a working level forum for the various PoC actors in Afghanistan to deliberate on - and develop approaches to - multifaceted and rapidly evolving PoC concerns stemming from the ongoing conflict. The PoC WG aims to achieve results inter alia through joint analysis and by enabling coordinated and complementary interventions including advocacy and strategic and practical guidance to the broader humanitarian community. The PoC WG does not replace individual members mandates and engagement on PoC issues, including monitoring, interventions, advocacy etc.
Frequency	Meetings of the group are called when circumstances require to develop a common understanding of the impact of the conflict on civilians.
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Humanitarian/Task Force and Working Groups 1

Name	Gender in Humanitarian Action Task Force (GiHA-TF)
Chair	UN-Women
Co-Chair	NRC
Participants	UN agencies: UN Women, UNHCR Donors: MoWA NGOs: DRC, NRC, MRCA, W4W
Short description	The GiHA–TF is a sub- group of the Gender Working Group (GWG) that aims to bridge humanitarian and development work in Afghanistan for more synergistic actions in preparedness, response and recovery for sustainable development. It adopts the vision of the GWG for a "peaceful and progressive Afghanistan where women and men enjoy security, equal rights and opportunities in all aspects of life." And its mission is to raise awareness, build capacity and monitor the work of the humanitarian community in Afghanistan on gender equality programming in humanitarian action and to find strategies to work in synergy with development actors to mitigate the impact of crises on sustainable development. With the mandate to advise the HCT and the UNCT through the ICCT and the GWG on all matters relevant to gender equality, be they referred to it from the HCT /UNCT/ICCT or identified and reported on of its own volition.
Frequency	Monthly
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Task Force and Working Groups 2/HAG

Name	Humanitarian Access Group (HAG)
Chair	OCHA
Co-Chair	NRC
Participants	UN, NGO representatives & others
Short description	An access working group designed to link field level access issues with higher level advocacy, harmonizing access strategies to deliver against the strategic objectives of the HRP especially in areas concerning IDPs and Health Sector delivery. Additionally focused on providing pragmatic solutions of access issues.
Frequency	At least every 6 weeks
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Task Force and Working Groups 3

Name	Victims Assistance (VA) Disability Coordination Meeting
Chair	UNMAS/DMAC
Co-Chair	MoLSAMD
Participants	UN Agencies: UNMAS and UNMAS ACAP III Project Government: MoLSAMD, MoPH, MoE, DMAC, AIHRC NGOs: DAO, KOO, ICRC, AOAD, Empor, FWF, AABRAR, ALSO, SCA, LSO, ANAD, ANAB, CIC, AAPT, IAM, ANSOP, BARAN, COEW, FEKR, AAR Japan, SERVE, RAHYAB, ROAWV, FOPD, HI, AIHRC
Short description	VA coordination is part of the UNMAS/DMAC coordination mechanism which focuses on: - Coordinating victim assistance and disability activities among VA partners from government, UN agencies and NGOs, - Update about nine action program of Afghanistan, - Promoting VA sectors for further development and funding, - Avoid duplications in victim assistance and disability projects implementation.
Frequency	Bi-monthly
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Task Force and Working Groups 4/CVWG

Name	Cash Voucher Working Group (CVWG)
Coordinator	NRC
Co-Chair	WFP
Participants	ACF, ACTED, AFGHANAID, CARITAS, IRC, UNHCR, OCHA, DRC, ECHO, PIN, JUH, WFP
Short description	 The CVWG is a forum of practitioners from humanitarian NGOs and UN agencies and donors that are either implementing or are interested in cash/voucher programs. The main objectives of the CVWG are to: Share information, lessons learned and best practice on CBIs across various platforms; including transfer methods and standard transfer amounts (SMEB);
	Harmonize CBT methodologies and tools;
	 Establish a common platform for engagement with government (advocacy) and private sector (contracting);
	 Provide support to clusters wishing to engage in CBIs;
	Act as a forum for testing new methods of implementation.
Frequency	Monthly
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Task Force and Working Groups 5/DSWG

Name	Durable Solutions Working Group (DSWG)
Chair	Government (MoRR)
Co-Chair	UNHCR, UNDP, IOM (on rotational basis)
Participants	UN agencies: IOM, FAO, OCHA, Protection Cluster, UNAMA, UNDOC, UNDP, UNESCO, UNFPA, UN Habitat, UNHCR, WFP, UNICEF, UN MACCA, UNOPS, UN Women
	NGOs: ACBAR, AFGHANAID, AKF, DACAAR, DRC, Halo Trust, IRC, ILO, Mercy Corps, NRC, SCI, SI, TDH, TLO, WHH,GIZ
	IFIs: World Bank, KFW
	Government: MOF, MoUDH, MRRD, MR, Arazi,, MoEC, Capital Region Independent Development Authority (CRIDA), IDLG MoLSAMD, President Office and CEO office (DiREC)
	Others: Samuel Hall
Short description	To coordinate stakeholders and activities in Afghanistan with a view to facilitate and promote durable solutions for returnees and IDPs. This will be ensured through coordinating humanitarian and development stakeholders, initiatives and activities with a view to developing a 'durable solutions strategy'. Additionally, identifying, mapping, addressing and monitoring major needs and gaps; improving information gathering and exchange; developing evidence-based recommendations and to jointly mobilizing resources for reintegration and interagency activities will bolster durable solutions. The DSWG is a platform for information sharing and decision-making at the planning and programmatic level, and between the national level and the field.
Frequency	Quarterly 34
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Task Force and Working Groups/6 AHF

Name	ACBAR Afghanistan Humanitarian Forum (AHF)
Chair	ACBAR
Co-Chair	none
Participants	ACBAR NGO members working in humanitarian sector and OCHA
Short description	ACBAR's Afghan Humanitarian Forum (AHF) focuses on sharing of updates between NGOs working on national and sub-national levels and communication of NGO concerns to OCHA and other humanitarian stakeholders and the government. The AHF is composed all heads of International and National humanitarian NGOs and feeds into the HCT. OCHA presents in 2 nd part of the meeting.
Frequency	Monthly
Contact	infocoordofficer@acbar.org

Task Force and Working Groups/7 DRR-WG

Name	NGO Disaster Risk Reduction Working Group (DRR- WG)
Chair	ANDMA
Co-Chair	Save the Children
Participants	UN agencies: WFP (Chair), FAO, IOM, OCHA, UNDP, UNEP, UN Habitat, UNICEF, UNOPS, UN Women, WHO, IFAD, UNFPA, World Bank Government: ANDMA NGO: ACBAR, AFGHAN AID, focus humanitarian
Short description	Background: Afghanistan is one of the countries most vulnerable to natural hazard events in the world, in addition to having suffered over 30 years of war. Against this background, there is significant interest in DRR amongst the Government and donors, focusing on reducing the physical and social risks of such disasters. Meeting the United Nations Country Team (UNCT) in June 2015, President Ghani asked that the UN System to support his Government in DRR. At that time, the UNCT agreed that the UN will work as one in response to this, and that UN agencies work in this area would be set out as a joint programme. Purpose: The purpose of the UN AFG DRR Working Group is to support the development and implementation of a DRR framework for Afghanistan, enabling the Government to undertake disaster risk mapping, strengthen disaster risk reduction programming and projects, including the mainstreaming the disaster risk reduction and climate change in the emergency management and development processes, prioritize responses, and manage the coordination of such responses, promoting community resilience and the adequate inclusion of gender and social protection-related considerations.
Frequency	Quarterly meeting
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Task Force and Working Groups 8/EIE WG

Name	Education in Emergency Working Group (EiE WG)
Chair	Ministry of Education (MoE)
Co-Chair	UNICEF and Save the Children
Participants	Ministry of Education, NRC, Save the Children, IMMAP, ACBAR, UNHCR, IRC, AWEC, FGA, UNICEF, OCHA, USAID
Short description	The EiE WG objective is to ensure that all emergency affected IDPs, Returnees and host community children can access quality education with acceptable levels of disruption. The role of the working group is to capacity build the General Education Department (GED) and assist the GED in managing information system, identifying a common action plan, setting standards, mobilizing resources, advocating and coordinating with other relevant stakeholders such as ANDMA and other clusters.
Frequency	Monthly
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Task Force and Working Groups 9/IMWG

Name	
Name	Information Management Working Group (IMWG)
Chair	OCHA
Co-Chair	None
Participants	 Government (ANDMA); Cluster IMOs-Cluster technical staff; UN Agencies (other than clusters, e.g. GiHA/UN Women, UNDP, UNICEF, IOM, WFP); Key NGOs who have IM, GIS activities (e.g. ACTED, DRC, NRC, iMMAP, Mercy Corps, NCA, REACH); Membership is open for all who have Assessment/IM/GIS activities in Afghanistan
Short description	In 2011, ICCT agreed to form IMWG with multi-sectoral participation from the cluster; NGO; and key Government partners for coordinated IM activities and information sharing in order to improve the information upon which humanitarian response is conducted. IMWG will be convened within the context of the country Humanitarian Coordination Architecture; and open to requests from the ICCT and HCT. The IMWG will meet on a monthly basis (as needed) with a strong focus on the activities of the Humanitarian Program Cycle (HPC). OCHA will chair the IMWG on behalf of the ICCT. ToR: https://www.humanitarianresponse.info/system/files/documents/files/afghanistan_imwg_tor_20160126.pdf
Frequency	Monthly (or as need basis)
Contact	shresthan@un.org

Task Force and Working Groups 10/HCAWG

Name	Humanitarian Coordinated Assessment Working Group (HCAWG).
Chair	OCHA
Co-Chair	ANDMA
Participants	UN: OCHA, UN Habitat, UNHCR, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNMACCA, UNOPS, UNWOMEN, WFP, WHO Government: ANDMA, MoRR, PND NGOs: ACF, COAR, SHRDO
Short description	The HCAWG has been reconvened as a technical working group under the Inter-Cluster Coordination Team (ICCT) to ensure operational coordination of needs assessments to enhance the quality of humanitarian response in line with the IASC Operational Guidance for Coordinated Assessments for Humanitarian Crises and Multi-Sector Initial Rapid Assessment Guidance. Purpose: 1) To improve the planning and implementation of coordinated multi-sectoral needs assessments, including the recommendation of relevant tools and methodologies for different phases and scales of emergencies relevant for the context; 2) To serve as a forum for the open joint inter-sectoral analysis of the humanitarian situation based on the primary and secondary data obtained through coordinated assessments 3)To provide recommendations and guidance to the ICCT and HCT on the needs assessments and needs prioritization based on the regularly updated information on needs; 4) Ensure age, gender and diversity as well as other cross-cutting issues are mainstreamed in the process of design, planning and implementation of the coordinated needs assessments; and analysis of the data.
Frequency	As needed
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Development



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Development/Disability 1/DSCG

Name	Disability Stakeholders Coordination Group (DSCG)
Chair	Deputy Minister of Martyrs and Disability Affairs of MoLSAMD
Co-Chair	Facilitated by: MoLSAMD, UNMAS, COMAC, HI
Participants	Government: MoLSAMD, MoPH, MoE, MoJ, MOWA NGOs: AABRAR, AAR JAPAN, AAPT, ACBRN, ACKU, ACPD, ADVS, ANAB, ANAD, ACSF, AIHRC, ALSO, AOAD, ANSOP, COMAC, HADO, BARAN/CAF, Blind School, CCD, CiC, COEWCA, CPI, DAO, DMAC, ECI, EMPOR, FEKER, FWF, H4AH, HI, ICRC, IAM, KARAMA, KOO, NECDO, NSDO, PTI, RAHYAB, ROAWV, SCA, SERVE, SC, UNICEF, UNMAS, WHO, Donors: UNMAS, HI, Technical and logistic support by HI, COMAC
Short description	The overall goal is to increase communication, coordination and to share learning between all actors working to support persons with disabilities: 1) To provide technical assistance to the Government as required 2) To develop coordinated and plan based fundraising strategies 3) To advocate for the rights of persons with disabilities and the services required to ensure 4) social, educational and economic integration into Afghan Society 5) To assist with the capacity development of National NGOs, DPOs and Government actors 6) To coordinate major disability issues among the NGOs to improve quality and avoid duplication 7)To encourage the involvement of persons with disability in the decision making process 8)To assist in developing a strategy in which the needs of persons with disabilities are comprising of policies of all relevant lines ministries and their needs/right are integrated into the respective ministries development plans rather than segregated or envisaged as charity.
Frequency	Monthly
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Development Education 2/HRBD 2.1

Name	Human Resource Development Board (HRDB) Steering Committee
Chair	DM Academic Affairs - MoHE - on rotation
Co-Chair	UNICEF
Participants	Government: MoE, MoHE, MoLSAMD, MoWA, MoPH, MRRD, MoF, MoCIT, MoRR, Central Organization (CSO) NGOs: SCA, SCI, RI, AKF, ACBAR, JICA, Swiss Corporation, USWDP, Asia foundation. AKDN, AWN, AMA. Donors: UNICEF, UNESCO, USAID, GIZ, DFID, Embassies French, Denmark, Australian, UK, Canada, Finland, Norwegian, Swedish, British Council Private sector: Afghanistan Chamber of Commerce & Industries (ACCI)
Short description	Policy (issue resolution) advocacy, prioritization and coordination of the major education stakeholders (Ministries, NGOs & Donors).
Frequency	Quarterly
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Development Education /ANEC 2.2

Name	Afghan National Education Coalition (ANEC)
Chair	ANAFAE
Board	ACBAR, AWN, ACSFO, ANTC, WCBDO, WBRAO/ MSQEA
Participants	National education NGOs are members and International NGOs are observers.
Short description	ANEC was started in November 2015 by ANAFAE with technical support of Asia South Pacific for Basic and Adult Education (ASPBAE) and financial support of CSEF to provide a platform in Afghanistan for genuine dialogue and identify areas for partnerships towards education policy advocacy and capacity building for local CSOs. The focus is on how NGOs, civil society organizations and the people in general can be part of changing laws, policies and programs and strategies, to guarantee enjoyment of education rights.
Frequency	Monthly
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Development Education/LIFE 2.3

Name	Literacy Initiatives for Empowerment (LIFE) Coordination Meetings
Chair	Sardar Mohammad Rahimi, Literacy Deputy Minister
Co-Chair	ANAFAE
Participants	GIZ-PCP, ANAFAE, C WAf W, ANEC, SCAWO, GNI, NFUAJ, WBRAO, MOI, SKO, DACAAR, MOD, AKF, JICA, PIN, Concern Worldwide Afghanistan, Patriots Occupational Organization, SDO, UNESCO, ACSFO, OPAWC, Maihandoostan, WCBDO/AWN, LEAF2, Qoqnos Development Org., ELA, TDH, IRA, IRW, Setar-e-Erfan Organization, Nawed-e-Naw
Short description	(LIFE) Forum initially established by UNESCO. From 2006 till 2014, UNESCO was in charge of life secretariat and from 2014 till now ANAFAE is in charge of Secretariat to organize monthly coordination meetings in Kabul and 9 provinces of Afghanistan. The main purpose of the meetings is to harmonize and coordinate all literacy projects, activities, short and long term strategies of Literacy Department of MoE, National and International Organizations and donor agencies working in provision of Literacy services throughout Afghanistan.
Frequency	Monthly
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Development / Environment 3 / CEC 3.1

Name	Committee for Environmental Coordination (CEC)
Chair	NEPA
Co-Chair	None
Participants	Members of the CEC are appointed by the President's Office, based upon recommendations from the Director-General of NEPA, and include representatives from all relevant line ministries, national institutions, provincial, district and village councils, and civil society organizations.
Short description	Established under Article 10 of the Environment Law its role is to include the mainstreaming of environmental issues into national development policies, assessing and providing recommendation on the delegation of functions of government institutions on environmental issues, and guiding the coordination of environmental activities across relevant stakeholders at the national and provincial levels.
Frequency	-
Contact	-

Development Environment/SEACs 3.2

Name	Subnational Environment Advisory Councils (SEACs)
Chair	Provincial Governor
Co-Chair	NEPA
Participants	Provincial chairpersons, district chairpersons, sub-governors, NEPA's provincial officers, civil society members, farmers, nomads, Islamic scholars, and tribal elders in each province.
Short description	Established under Article 12 of the Environment Law in order to make recommendations regarding financial matters, including budgets and annual accounts, and environmental issues that are of local importance.
Frequency	Every 6 months
Contact	-

Development Environment/PAWG 3.3

Name	The Protected Area Working Group (PAWG)
Chair	-
Co-Chair	-
Participants	Government institutions, donor community, NGOs and the UN.
Short description	Formerly known as the Band-e Amir Coordination Committee, is an informal body established in 2006 that aims to facilitate coordination, policy, planning, and information sharing among government institutions, the donor community, NGOs, and the UN in the declaration and management of protected areas.
Frequency	
Contact	-

Development /Health 4/ANPH A 4.1

Name	Afghanistan National Public Health Association (ANPHA)
Chair	-
Co-Chair	-
Participants	Health professionals and career health workers, national and international institutions.
Short description	ANPHA is established to serve as the national advocate for high quality and evidence based public health practices. Utilizing public health networks and experts, ANPHA recognizes great and pressing need for reforming the Afghanistan health system to ensure access to the delivery of the best preventive measures and high quality health services for all Afghans in an equitable manner. Other objectives: • Enhance evidence and awareness of cultural diversity; • Advocate for evidence based public health policies; • Support universal health system development and reform.
Frequency	
Contact	http://anpha.af/membership-application/

Development / Gender 5/UNCT Gender WG 5.1

Name	UNCT-Gender Working Group (UNCT-GWG)
Chair	UN-Women
Co-Chair	- -
Participants	UN agencies
Short description	 Internal coordination and harmonization; Policy development and resources; Capacity development; Strategic advice; Research and analysis; Monitoring and reporting; Linkage on gender between UN and external stakeholders.

Frequency of meetings	Monthy
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Development /MOI-GWG 5.2

Name	Ministry of Interior Gender Working Group (MOI-GWG)
Chair	Head of Human Rights, women and children directorate of MOI
Co-Chair	
Participants	Government: Civilian Deputy Chief of Staff of MoI, representatives from the Deputy Minister for Policy and Strategy, Criminal Investigation Directorate (Family Response Unit), Office of the Inspector General, General Directorate (GD) of Personnel, GD of Human Resources, GD of Education, GD of Recruitment International community: CSTC-A, EUPOL, UNAMA, UNDP and SSMI Civil society organizations: Afghan Women Network
Short description	The WG working towards accomplishment of the MOIA Strategic Plans, National Action Plan for the Women of Afghanistan (NAPWA), Strategy for the Management of Affairs of ANP Female Personnel (SMAFP), United Nation Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1325 and work plan of the Directorate of Human Rights, Women and Children Affairs (WAHRCR) for the activities of gender at MOIA level for the reporting and monitoring purposes.

Frequency of meetings	Monthly	
Contact	Directorate of Human Rights; Women Affairs and Children (MoI)	
		50

Development 6/ADF 6.1

Name	ACBAR Afghanistan Development Forum (ADF)
Chair	ACBAR
Co-Chair	- -
Participants (organizations)	ACBAR NGO members, Representatives of Government Line Ministries
Short description	ACBAR aims to improve the coordination/exchange of information among development NGOs and to improve the legal environment for NGOs in Afghanistan. The ADF invites on a monthly basis representatives from the development sector (i.e. Health, Education) as well as representatives from the government to present and discuss policies and regulation with NGOs.
Frequency of meetings	Monthly
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Development /CSO-GoA Coordination 6.2

Name	CSOs-Government Coordination Working Group (CSOs- GCWG)
Chair	Maqsood Hamid, International center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL) and Madiha Ahmadi (ICNL)
Co-Chair	Counterpart International
Participants (organizations)	Government: MoEc, MoJ, MoWA, MoLabor, MoFinance, UNDP, UNAMA International NGOs: Counterpart International Local Civil Society Organizations from Kabul and 7 regions of Afghanistan (ANCB, ACBAR, AWN, AWEC, SWABAC, ABRAAR, THRA, DEL, Networks from 7 regions (Herat, Kandahar, Paktya, Nengarhar, Baghlan, Mazar, and Bamian), HUDA, AICS, WPSO and CS-JWG)
Short description	The main objective of the Working Group is to improve CSOs – Government Coordination and follow up/advocate for positive changes and recommendations by CSOs.
Frequency of meetings	Bi-monthly
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Development 7 Legal /CLRWG 7.1

Name	Criminal Law Reform Working Group (CLRWG)
Chair	Legislative Department/Ministry of Justice Current Chairperson: Mohammad Ashraf Rasooli.
Co-Chair	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) & JSSP UNODC Focal person: Mohammad Jawid Mobasher
Participants (organizations)	Justice and Judicial organizations: MoJ, SC, AGO, MoI, HOO, NDS, AIHRC, AIBA, MEC International Organization and embassies: UNODC, UNDP, UNAMA, UNWOMEN, US Embassy, German Embassy, Italy Embassy, JSSP, EU, GIZ, USID, IDLO Civil Society and NGOs: Lawyer's Association, APPRO, DI, IWA, AWN
Short description	Review the draft criminal laws and regulations in line with the national and international standards and provides technical comments to legislative department of MoJ.

Frequency of meetings	Once a week
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Development / Legal / TJWG 7.2

Name	Transitional Justice Working Group (TJWG)
Chair	
Co-Chair	
Participants (organizations)	
Short description	ACBAR could not collect information on this existing working group, please contact us if you have information; infocoordofficer@acbar.org

Frequency of meetings	
Contact	

Development 8/A-SDG 8 - EC 8.1

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Contact

Name	Afghanistan Sustainable Development Goals - Executive Committee (EC) ASDG-EC)
Chair	Economic Committee of the Council of Ministers- H.E the Chief Xxecutive
Co-Chair	The Office of the Chief Executive, MOE, UNDP
Participants (Members)	Office of the President & Chief Executive, MoE, MOF, MEW, MoHE, MoPW, MOFA, MRRD. MoIC, MAIL, MCIT, MoPH, MoLSAMD, MOWA, MOJ, MUDH, MOE, IDLG, CSO, ACCI, NEPA, Kabul municipality, CSO, Civil society, ACBAR, Chamber of Commerce International partners: embassies of India, Netherlands, Germany, Norway+ WB, EU, Asian development bank
Short description	17 SDGs Adopted by UN members countries on 25 Sep 2015, including (GoIRA) its Agenda includes 17 SDGs and 169 associated targets expected to guide sustainable development efforts around the globe from 2015 until 2030 aim to focusing on the integrated pillars of sustainable development efforts and the EC on ASDG established to issue recommendations and practical solutions to the Economic Committee of the Council of Ministers, so that the implementation of SDGs moves forward and reporting against the national indicators and targets takes place consistently. It oversees the overall coordination to attain the SDGs within the overall aegis of Afghanistan National Peace and Development Framework (ANPDF), New Deal implementation plan and national priority programs. The EC provides a high-level platform for direct and sustained engagement between the various government stakeholders, the private sector, CSOs and the international community, with the core focuses of the EC on SDG is on: whole of government support to the MOE and policy advice on proposed SDGs implementation mechanisms; cross-sectorial coordination to accelerate SDGs implementation; oversight of the achievement and progress of nationalized SDGs targets and indicators.
Frequency of meetings	Bi-weekly meeting or based on its work load

Development /A-SDG-TWG 1/8.2

Name	Afghanistan Sustainable Development Goal – Technical Working Group 1 - Security & Governance
Chair	Technical Executive Committee of A-SDG
Co-Chair	MOI, MOJ, IDLG
Participants (organizations)	Office of president and Chief Executive, MoE, CC, MOD, MOFA, Haj and religious affairs, MOIC, SMPA, National High Council for Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption, both chambers of the National Assembly, supreme court, NSC, HOOAC, Executive Committee on Fighting Corruption, IWA, MOWA, MCIT, NDS, Independent Bar Association, IARCSC, IEC, AIHRC, Supreme audit office, NPA, ECC, Central Statistics Office, UNAMA, UNDP, CSOs, Private sector, donors community
Short description	The Working Group on Governance and Security is a multi-stakeholder network, from public, private and NGO sectors that meets to carry forward the implementation of SDGs related to governance and Security. The WG will specifically work on SDGs Nationalization, prioritization of nationalized targets and indicators, enhancing coordination between different stakeholders, alignment of SDGs into sectorial policies and action plans and mainstreaming SDGs into national budget process. In particular, the Group will support the parties to make sure proper implementation of 3rd, 11th, 16th and 17th of the SDGs and related targets and indicators.

Frequency of meetings	Bi-weekly meeting
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Development /A-SDG-TWG 2/8.3

Name	Sustainable Development Goal -Technical Working group 2 -Agriculture & Rural Development
Chair	Technical Executive Committee of A-SDG
Co-Chair	MAIL & MRRD
Participants (organizations)	Office of the President & Chief Executive, MoEc, UNDP, Breshna Shirkat (DABS), MOF, MoPW, MEW, MoMP, MUDH, MoWA, ACCI, ARAZI, representative of PriSEC, NEPA, CRIDA, CSO, UN Habitat, UNHCR, FAO, WFP, CSOs, private sector, donor community
Short description	Working Group-2 provides technical supports to the targets that focus on Agriculture and Rural development sections of the SDGs Agenda. The WG 2 shall deal with functions related to nationalization of related targets and indicators, SDGs alignment, localization of SDGs, and linking it into national budget process. Specifically, the group will deal with the program that is related to the Goal 2, 12 and 15 of the SDGs.
Frequency of meetings	Bi- weekly meeting or based on its work load
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Development /A-SDG –TWG 3/8.3

Name	Sustainable Development Goal -Technical Working Group 3 (Health, Education, Environment and Social Protection)
Chair	Technical Executive Committee of ASDG
Co-Chair	MOE, MoPH, MOWA
Participants (organizations)	Office of the President & Chief Executive, MoEc, UNDP, MoISAMD, MoF, MOBTA, MoRR, MoHE, MRRD, MOIC, Central Statistics Office, IIDLG, ASC, NEPA, UNICEF, UN WHO, UN Women, CSOs, private sector, donors
Short description	The Working Group on Education, Health, Environment and Social Protection will focus on prioritization, nationalization, alignment and development of relevant targets and indicators. The scope of work of the WG 3 shall specifically include; Health, Education, Environment and social issues. Considering the main responsibilities of Working Groups of the Executive Committee, Working Group 3 will contribute throughout planning, design and implementation phase of SDGs related programs on Health, Education and Environment and Social Protection by the relevant stakeholders. In particular, the Group will deal with the program that is related to the Goal 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 12 and 16 of the SDGs.

Frequency of meetings	Bi-weekly meeting or based on its work load
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Development /A-SDG –TWG 4/8.4

Name	Sustainable Development Goal -Technical Working Group 4 (Economic Growth and Infrastructure)
Chair	Technical Executive Committee of ASDG
Co-Chair	MoEc, MEW, Asian Development Bank
Participants (organizations)	Office of the President & Chief Executive, UNDP, Breshna Shirkat (DABS), Kabul Municipality, MoPW, MOCI, MAIL, MUDH, Directorate of Water Supply and Canalization, MOWA, MRRD, MOFA, IDLG, CSOs, private sector, donors' community, WB
Short description	The Working Group 4 (Economic growth and Infrastructure) will mainly focus on issues related to construction of public facilities (dams, roads, houses, highways, electricity grid, canalization) and Economy. The Working Group's purpose is to help ensure the authentic selection of targets, indicators and baseline. It may ensure measurability and applicability of proposed indicators. The WG specifically may contribute in development, nationalization and alignment of proposed indicators. Considering the main responsibilities of Working Groups of the Executive Committee, Working Group-4 will contribute throughout planning, design and implementation phase of SDGs related programs on Economic Growth and Infrastructure by the relevant stakeholders. In particular, the Group will deal with the program that is related to the Goal 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 14th and 16th of the SDGs.
Frequency of meetings	Bi-weekly meeting or based on its work load
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Advocacy



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Advocacy 1 NGOs

Name	ACBAR Advocacy Working Group (AWG)
Chair	ACBAR
Co-Chair	None
Participants	ACBAR NGO members - Advocacy/policy/communications managers and NGO Directors
Short description	ACBAR holds monthly advocacy meetings to facilitate policy discussions, trend and issue analysis, as well as to coordinate advocacy efforts among NGO members. These meetings have led to the publication of multiple reports and position paper on aid effectiveness, the militarization of aid, access, civilians casualties etc. NGOs wishing to promote joint advocacy on a particular topic are encouraged to propose their project via the AWG.
Frequency	Monthly
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Advocacy 2 – Women Peace & Development

of Finance, Office of President, Office of the National Security Council International Community: Finish Embassy, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, U.S. Embassy, USAID, British Embassy, Canadian Embassy, Dutch Embassy, Danish Embassy, Norwegian Embassy, European Union Police Mission in Afghanistan (EUPOL), European Union (EU), NATO-RS, Italian Embassy, Australian Embassy, World Bank UN: UNAMA, UNDP, UN Woman, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNFPA, WFP Civil Society: Asia Foundation, Aga Khan Foundation, Farkhunda Zahra Naderi Organization, Women and Children Legal Research Foundation (WCLRF), Norwegian Committee for Afghanistan (NCA), Cordaid, Afghan	Name	Women, Peace and Security Working Group (WPSWG)
Participants Government: Ministry of Women's Affairs, Ministry of Interior, Attorney General Office, Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, High Peace Council, Afghanistan Independence Human Rights Commission, , Ministry of Finance, Office of President, Office of the National Security Council International Community: Finish Embassy, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, U.S. Embassy, USAID, British Embassy, Canadian Embassy, Dutch Embassy, Danish Embassy, Norwegian Embassy, European Union Police Mission in Afghanistan (EUPOL), European Union (EU), NATO-RS, Italian Embassy, Australian Embassy, World Bank UN: UNAMA, UNDP, UN Woman, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNFPA, WFP Civil Society: Asia Foundation, Aga Khan Foundation, Farkhunda Zahra Naderi Organization, Women and Children Legal Research Foundation (WCLRF), Norwegian Committee for Afghanistan (NCA), Cordaid, Afghan Civil Society Forum – Organization (ACSFO), Afghan Women's Network (AWN), Open Society Foundation (OSF) Afghan Women Education Center (AWEC), Oxfam, APPRO, Medica Afghanistan, Internes, Afghan Civil Society Organization Network for Peace (ACSONP), EPD, HBS, FLOW, Afghanistan Justice Organization, WCLRF, CI, DROPS Short The purpose of this Working Group is to bring all relevant actors and stakeholders together to share information, consolidate and coordinate the actions aiming to the implementation of WPS agenda in Afghanistan. Frequency Every 4 – 6 weeks	Chair	Embassy of Sweden
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, High Peace Council, Afghanistan Independence Human Rights Commission, , Ministry of Finance, Office of President, Office of the National Security Council International Community: Finish Embassy, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, U.S. Embassy, USAID, British Embassy, Canadian Embassy, Dutch Embassy, Danish Embassy, Norwegian Embassy, European Union Police Mission in Afghanistan (EUPOL), European Union (EU), NATO-RS, Italian Embassy, Australian Embassy, World Bank UN: UNAMA, UNDP, UN Woman, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNFPA, WFP Civil Society: Asia Foundation, Aga Khan Foundation, Farkhunda Zahra Naderi Organization, Women and Children Legal Research Foundation (WCLRF), Norwegian Committee for Afghanistan (NCA), Cordaid, Afghan Civil Society Forum – Organization (ACSFO), Afghan Women's Network (AWN), Open Society Foundation (OSF) Afghan Women Education Center (AWEC), Oxfam, APPRO, Medica Afghanistan, Internes, Afghan Civil Society Organization Network for Peace (ACSONP), EPD, HBS, FLOW, Afghanistan Justice Organization, WCLRF, CI, DROPS Short The purpose of this Working Group is to bring all relevant actors and stakeholders together to share information, consolidate and coordinate the actions aiming to the implementation of WPS agenda in Afghanistan. Frequency	Co-Chair	Women and Peace Studies Organization (WPSO)/ Secretariat: UN Women
description consolidate and coordinate the actions aiming to the implementation of WPS agenda in Afghanistan. Frequency Every 4 – 6 weeks	Participants	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, High Peace Council, Afghanistan Independence Human Rights Commission, , Ministry of Finance, Office of President, Office of the National Security Council International Community: Finish Embassy, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, U.S. Embassy, USAID, British Embassy, Canadian Embassy, Dutch Embassy, Danish Embassy, Norwegian Embassy, European Union Police Mission in Afghanistan (EUPOL), European Union (EU), NATO-RS, Italian Embassy, Australian Embassy, World Bank UN: UNAMA, UNDP, UN Woman, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNFPA, WFP Civil Society: Asia Foundation, Aga Khan Foundation, Farkhunda Zahra Naderi Organization, Women and Children Legal Research Foundation (WCLRF), Norwegian Committee for Afghanistan (NCA), Cordaid, Afghan Civil Society Forum – Organization (ACSFO), Afghan Women's Network (AWN), Open Society Foundation (OSF), Afghan Women Education Center (AWEC), Oxfam, APPRO, Medica Afghanistan, Internes, Afghan Civil Society Organization Network for Peace (ACSONP), EPD, HBS, FLOW, Afghanistan Justice Organization, WCLRF, CI,
Contact jawid.najumyar@unwomen.org	Frequency	Every 4 – 6 weeks
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Advocacy 3 – Civil Society

Name	Civil Society Support Group (CSSG)
Chair	UNAMA
Participants	UN: UNAMA, other UN agencies if required Donors: DFID, DFAT, USAID, EU, Australian, German, Canadian, Denmark, Finland, France, Italian, Japan, Netherland, UK/ US / Poland Embassies NATO NGOs: AICS, AKDN, ACBAR, ANCB, AWN, SWABAC, SDC, CSJWG
Short description	UNAMA set up the Civil Society Support Group (CSSG) with donors to facilitate discussions between civil society representatives and donors in order to promote coherent donor support for Afghan Civil Society. This forum is particularly useful prior to the holding of international development conferences to assess progress made with the Government of Afghanistan. The forum enables different civil society networks to inform the donor community of civil society activities. Donors also have the opportunity to inform of their in support of Afghan civil society and Afghan government.
Frequency	Ad hoc
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Advocacy 4 – Child Rights

Name	Child rights Advocacy Forum (CRAF)
Chair	Save the Children
Co-Chair	Women and Children Legal and Research Foundation
Participants	Save the Children International (SCI), Women and Children Legal Research Foundation (WCLRF), War Child UK (WCUK), Children in Crisis (CiC), World Vision Afghanistan (WVA), War Child Canada (WCC), Empowerment Center for Women (ECW), CARE for Afghan Families (CAF), Afghanistan Humanitarian and Development Services (AHDS), SCA, Afghan Health and Development Services (AHDS, Salaam watandar, ANCB, AWEC, YHDO, TDH, WCBDO, PAC
Short description	The Child Rights Advocacy Forum (CRAF) is an advocacy network of child rights-based, non-government organizations established in July 2012 and committed to longstanding child rights joint advocacy engagement. The CRAF initiative recognizes children as subjects of rights, not limited to objects of protection. Understanding that a collective front, and a long-term commitment are necessary to address complex child rights issues, the platform focuses on analytical reflection, advocacy and action-orientated initiatives to improve child rights situation, promote a safer environment for children to develop their full potential and their participation at all levels possible through working closely with various stakeholders including duty bearers.
Frequency	Monthly
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Advocacy 5 – Extractives

Name	Afghan Civil Society Organization Mining Body (ACSOMB)
Secretariat	USIP
Co-Chair	-
Participants	IWA, TLO, AENRMN, HRRAC, PTRO, ARSCO, AWANO, AFCAC, WPSO, AREU, ACSFO, USIP
Short description	Afghan CSOs Mining Body (ACSOMB) is a group, unified by the sole interest in increasing cooperation for accountability and transparency of MoMP in serving the Afghan people. In accordance with the Afghan Access to Information Law, the group will act as a platform for the ministry to share necessary information and updates to civil society and communities at large and for selected CSOs to provide productive support and feedback to improve ministry's engagement with communities. Furthermore, the group will provide an opportunity for the existing mining networks to coordinate, collaborate and to communicate communities interests and concerns in a planned and systematic way.
Frequency	Once or twice every month, based on need
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Advocacy 6 – Budget

Name	Civil Society Advocacy Group on National Budget (CSAG-NB)
Chair	Counterpart International
Co-Chair	28 CSOs
Participants	The group is consisting of 28 civil society organizations working to engage the CSOs and people in the process of national budget formulation, and implementation process and to make sure a balanced and applicable national budget is approved by Parliament.
Short description	The group meets each two months. The urgent meetings are hold up need at any time based on urgency issues.
Frequency	Bi-monthly
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Advocacy 7 – Family Law

Name	Civil Society Advocacy Group on Family Law (CSAG-FL)
Chair	Women and Children Legal Research Foundation (WCLRF)
Co-Chair	
Participants	15 Afghan Civil Society Organizations
Short description	The group is consisting of 15 women rights civil society organizations advocating to ensure women and children friendly articles are considered in the draft family and the draft law is passed by the Afghan government.
Frequency	Bi-monthly
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Advocacy 8 – Disability

Name	Advocacy Committee for the rights of Persons with Disabilities (AC-PWD)
Chair	Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission (AIHRC)
Co-Chair	
Participants	15 national and international CSOs/ NGOs
Short description	Advocacy Committee for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) was established in April 2005 with 15 International and National NGOs and Civil Society members like ACSFo, ANAD, ANAB, AIHRC, SCA, HI, CCD, ALSO. ACPD has a 5 Year strategic plan and yearly action plan.
Frequency	Bi-monthly
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Advocacy 9 / Civilian

Name	Civilian Protection Advocacy Group (CPAG)
Chair	TLO
Co-Chair	Sayed Rohullah Sadat
Participants	Around 15 organizations members: TLO, SDO, PTRO, SWABAC, AFSO, WCLRF, Mediothec, EPD, CIVIC, FSO, AHRDO, AYCCA, AIP, AIHRC, AWEC,
Short description	Goal: To strengthen civil society advocacy on human security and protection and Advocating through the Media and Social Media.
Frequency	Monthly gathering
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Advocacy 10 – Counter Violence Extremism

Name	Counter Violence Extremism Working Group (CVE-WG)
Chair	United States Institute of Peace (USIP)
Co-Chair	
Participants	NGOs: ORCD, Path organization, Afghan Justice Organization, PTRO, WPSO, TLO, Equality for Peace and Democracy (EPD), Sound Humanitarian, Participatory & Organizational Uplift (SHPOUL), Peace Volunteer Network, Cooperation for Peace and Unity (CPAU), Afghanistan New Generation Organization (ANGO) Research group/companies/ think tanks: Saba Story Radio (SSR)., Naawor Consultancy, Rumi Consultancy, Lapis Communications, Qara Group Drops, ATR, Samuel Hall, Compass International, Afghans for Progressive Thinking (APT), The Asia Foundation, Nangarhar Theater Company, RSDO, Afghanistan Center for non-violence, Taleeah Social Institution (TSI), Sayara Strategies Donors with observer status: Office of the National Security Council (Afghan Government), Coffey International (Official advisors on National CVE Strategy), USG (PAS, USAID, CSO, INL), UNAMA (Peace & Reconciliation)
Short description	In November of 2015, USIP convened a consultation meeting with a select group of stakeholders, including individuals and organizations doing research and programming related to CVE in Afghanistan. The session aimed to brainstorm ideas around CVE and identify the most strategic areas to counter violence extremism in the Afghan context. The group identified four main objectives for itself: • Defining terms of VE/CVE based on Afghan context and language; • Identifying best practices for CVE in Afghanistan/Identifying priorities for research; • Promoting coordination, collaboration between CSOs; • Advocacy for effective CVE policies in Afghanistan.
Frequency	Monthly
Contact	eurwin@usip.org
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Advocacy 11 – AWN Advocacy Committee

Name	AWN Gender and Advocacy Committee
Chair	Robina Hamdard
Co-Chair	Members of Committee
Participants	EJOP,FSJO,WFAW,HUDA,AMA,SALAM,WCBDO,AWSSCO,WCLRF,WSSB,TSCO,HAGAR,PTCRO,AWTD O,AWSE,AWEVSO,AFCO, TPWSHA, HAWCA,AIL,PATH
Short description	Advocacy align with AWN's three strategic areas: (1) Women, Peace and Security; (2) Women's political participation and Leadership; (3) Women's Social and legal protection.
Frequency	Quarterly
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Advocacy 12–AWN Advocacy Committee

Name	Women and youths advocates committee for peace
Chair	AWN
Co-Chair	Advocacy department
Participants	20 members of youth and 15 members of women
Short description	They are advocating regarding women and youth participation on peace process.
Frequency	Bi-monthly
Contact	0777743023

Advocacy 13/WIPPC

Name	Women increasing political participation committee (WIPPC)
Chair	WCLRF
Co-Chair	-
Participants	20 members
Short description	
Frequency	Monthly
Contact	0777743023

Advocacy 14– Women Advocacy Committee

Name	Awareness raising and preventing of violence against women
Chair	Office of Chief Executive
Co-Chair	AIHRC
Participants	10-15 members
Short description	This working group will focus and discuss on awareness raising issues and problems solving as well as decision on changing laws and policies.
Frequency	Weekly
Contact	0777743023

Advocacy 15– NAC-PP

Name	National Advocacy Committee for Public Policy (NAC-PP)
Chair	Nawed Naw Community
Co-Chair	Afghan cultural Association joint jirga
Participants	AJO, AFCAC, IWA, DI,AYNEO, Shuhada, Cordaid, AYSEO, FLOW, ANCB, AYNEO, AABRAR, ANAFAE, WPPO, AHRO, PTRO, AWPTP, AWEC, DSAWCO, Women for Afghan women, EPD, ECW, SVPO, AWTPO, COSPE, NMAWO, WCLRF, CSHRN, ESCO, FSJO, COSPE, DDSO, War Child Canada, CCSDO, YTS, AYESEO, OHRA, AWE, AYNO, NSF, AWTPO, ESCO, CODPPA,SCWO, MAHO, OHPM, RHDO. Afghan cultural association, joint jerga
Short description	The National Advocacy Committee for Public Policy (NAC-PP) was established in March 2015 to serve as a policy advocacy and information-sharing platform for good governance. NAC-PP works closely with Provincial Advocacy Committees (PACs) and District Advocacy Committees (DACs) to coordinate advocacy and information sharing from district to national levels.
	Building on the expertise of its individual members, NAC strengthens its network for capacity exchange among civil society organizations in Afghanistan through the use of specialized sub-committee of Education-Food security -Access to Justice -Anti-Corruption -NAP 1325-Access to Health.
Frequency	Bi-monthly
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Displacement & Returnees Executive Committee (DiREC)



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Name	Displacement and Returnees Executive Committee (DiREC)
Chair	Office of the President and Minister of Refugees and Repatriation (MoRR)
Co-Chair	Humanitarian Coordinator
Participants	MoRR, MoF, the Deputy Minister of Policy, UN agencies, NGO representative
Short description	The objective of the Displacement and Returnees Executive Committee (DiREC) is to execute policy decisions and recommendations of the Council of Ministries' Sub-committee of Migration Affairs, Returnees and IDPs. It will lead and oversee the overall coordination of displacement endeavors and review and provide guidance on their activities.
	DiREC's three working groups - Policy, Finance and Technical- only meet on an ad hoc basis as per needs but have not met in some time.
Frequency	Bi- monthly
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Name	Policy Support Working Group (PSWG)
Chair	
Co-Chair	Office of National Security Council and UNHCR
Participants	Office of the Chief Executive (OCE) Ministry of Refugees and Repatriation (MoRR), Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Martyrs & Disabled (MoLSAMD), Ministry of Justice (MoJ), Arazi, International Organization for Migration (IOM) and OCHA
Short description	To provide an overall policy framework on returnees and IDPs, defining overarching policy objectives, recommendations and guidelines. To provide a summary overview of gaps between existing legislation and directives in key sectoral areas, and propose possible solutions based on the functional requirements of the current situation. To define the populations to whom the draft policy inputs and recommendations. To work in close coordination with the Technical Group and the Financing Group, including in formulating a plan of action on short-term, medium-term and longer term actions required to address issues of returnees and IDPs. To work closely with all relevant national and international agencies and sectoral for dealing with the issue of returnees and IDPs. RETURNEES AND IDPs. To provide policy analysis briefings to DIREC (on patterns, trends, forecasts, susceptibility issues) of displacement-related information and data collected by national and international agencies.
Frequency	-
Contact	- 78

Displacement & Returnees Executive Committee (DiREC) 16.2

Name	Technical Working Group (TWG)
Chair	
Co-Chair	Office of H.E. the President and Arazi
Participants	Office of the Chief Executive (OCE) Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD), Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock (MAIL), Ministry of Refugees and Repatriation (MoRR), Ministry of Finance (MoF), Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Martyrs & Disabled (MoLSAMD), Independent Directorate of Local Governance (IDLG), CRIDA, UNHCR, UN-Habitat, IOM, World Bank, NRC (NGO representative) and Private Sector
Short description	The objective of the technical group is to provide guidance on the technical standards and instruments to be used for voluntary, safe and dignified durable solutions to displaced population (reintegration/local integration, resettlement and return. The government's goal is to ensure that returnees' and IDPs' basic rights are respected, protected and fulfilled in line with their constitutional rights and other obligations of the Government of Afghanistan that will enable them to become productive, well-integrated members of the nation and of the communities. Scope of Work: 1) To provide guidance on the technical standards and implementation of policies and action plans in key sectoral areas. 2) The technical standards and instruments recommended by the group will be based on research, analysis and contextualized to the current situation. 3) Registration and civil documentation and demographic intention. 4) Improving returnees and IDPs access to services and provision of humanitarian support such as: Education, Health, housing, livelihoods, jobs and etc. 5)Improving returnee and IDPs access to livelihoods and jobs through socioeconomic baselines, market assessment, institutional mapping. 6)To work with ARAZI on land allocation, including eligibility guidelines.
Frequency	-
Contact	

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Name	Finance Working Group (FWG)
Chair	
Co-Chair	Ministry of Finance and World Bank
Participants	Office of the Chief Executive (OCE) Ministry of Refugees and Repatriation (MoRR), Independent Directorate of Local Governance (IDLG), Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock (MAIL), UNAMA and UNHCR
Short description	The objective of the Financing working Group is to set out broad guidance of the details of costings of planned program interventions and DIREC and other two working groups. But also establish some broad cost parameters or financial envelopes for integration and to achieve the goal the FWG needs to establish potential sources of funding.
	Scope of Work Developing financing strategy for Returnees and IDPs. Cataloguing the currently existing resources (in non-discretionary, discretionary, and off-budget programmes) that may be available to support immediate, medium- and long-term response needs; Identifying the policy decisions and actions required by Government, by programme administrators, and by donors to access available resources; Preparing a mechanism (or mechanisms) to help the policy and technical groups cost out proposals, including those that may not be covered by existing programmes (in their current forms or as adjusted to support the response); and Calculate aggregate financing needs, with appropriate classifications for humanitarian and development programming as well as on and off budget support.
Frequency	-
Contact	-

Civil Society Working Committees to follow up on commitments of Brussel Conference on Afghanistan 17

Name:	Improving Security and Political Stability working committee (ISPS- WC)
Lead	FEFA
Co-Chair	· -
Participants	AORA,WFA, WCLRF, AYWCBO, EWA, AWOSD, WFAO, AWHTA, AWEVSO,, ACS, PSC, KNYC, APDO, IUAC, SVPO, Mediatic, NMAWO, NAEDO, WM, WPCSO, ASM, PHA, GJC, AYO, ATDO, SCAWO
Short description	In October 2016 the European Union (EU) and the Afghan Government jointly hosted the Brussels Conference on Afghanistan (BCA) to agree on future commitments with reform and development milestones. Civil society organizations agreed on six thematic monitoring groups as a result of the conference.
	This committee follows democratic governance, leading to free, fair, transparent and participative elections and concrete steps taken by the government towards 2017 electoral reform process and electoral preparations.
Frequency	Quarterly
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CSJWG - post Brussells Conference on Afghanistan 18

Name	Anti-corruption working committee (ACWC)
Lead	FLOW
Co-Chair	IWA
Participants	FLOW, IWA, ABRAR, ACSFo, AFCAC and 6 Afghanistan Anti-Corruption Networks (AACN)
Short description	In October 2016 the European Union (EU) and the Afghan Government jointly hosted the Brussels Conference on Afghanistan (BCA) to agree on future commitments with reform and development milestones. Civil society organizations agreed on six thematic monitoring groups as a result of the conference. Advocated with donors, Government entities, civil society and public.
Frequency	monthly
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CSJWG Working Committees – post Brussels Conference on Afghanistan 19

Name	Restoring Fiscal Sustainability & Integrity of Public Finance and Commercial Banking WC
Lead	EPD
Co-Chair	-
Participants	-
Short description	In October 2016 the European Union (EU) and the Afghan Government jointly hosted the Brussels Conference on Afghanistan (BCA) to agree on future commitments with reform and development milestones. Civil society organizations agreed on six thematic monitoring groups as a result of the conference. Not active.
Frequency	-
Contact	_

CSJWG Working Committees p-ost Brussels Conference on Afghanistan 20

Name	Reforming Development Planning and Management & Ensuring Citizen's Development – Rights Committee
Lead	AYSEO Khalil Raufi
Co-Chair	SDO Ahmad Abed
Participants	CAWC, OAA, APA, ACSFO, AYSEO, AKF, SCA, SDO, ANAFAE, ALSO, SCI, AWEC, SWABAC
Short description	In October 2016 the European Union (EU) and the Afghan Government jointly hosted the Brussels Conference on Afghanistan (BCA) to agree on future commitments with reform and development milestones. Civil society organizations agreed on six thematic monitoring groups as a result of the conference.
Frequency	
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Civil Society Working Committees to Follow up commitments of Brussel Conference on Afghanistan 21

Name	Rule of Law and Human Rights and Good Governance Committee
Chair	AWN
Co-Chair	-
Participants	WCBDO, FEFA,HUDA,FSO,FSJO,QANON Ghoshtonky, Medica-AF, ACSFO, SAVE THE CHILDREN, TEFA, ECW,CCD, AYSEO, KNAHR, EPD,HODA Organization, CSHRN, WCLRF
Short description	In October 2016 the European Union (EU) and the Afghan Government jointly hosted the Brussels Conference on Afghanistan (BCA) to agree on future commitments with reform and development milestones. Civil society organizations agreed on six thematic monitoring groups as a result of the conference. Recently this committee responsibility provided to AWN and up to now didn't have any meeting
Frequency	Ad hoc
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CSJWG Working Committees - post Brussel's Conference on Afghanistan 22

Name	Aid Effectiveness Working committee (AEWG)
Lead	ACBAR
Co-Chair	JUH
Participants	Participants: RRAA, AWEVSO, AREP, Action Aid, SCA, ANCC, IWA, BRD, ACSFO, CHA, WADAN, ORCD, DRC, ACTED, SDO, SO, WPSO, TACT, GNI. JUH
Short description	In October 2016 the European Union (EU) and the Afghan Government jointly hosted the Brussels Conference on Afghanistan (BCA) to agree on future commitments with reform and development milestones. Civil society organizations agreed on six thematic monitoring groups as a result of the conference, one of them being the Aid Effectiveness Working Group (AEWG) which is accessible for any NGO/CSO and facilitated by ACBAR. The AEWG members chose to focus on monitoring the Citizen's Charter as a flagship development program of the Afghan Government. The rationale is that Citizens' Charter Afghanistan Project (CCAP) is a intended to increase social empowerment through the promise of provision of essential services for all Afghan citizens, including marginalized and vulnerable groups. In addition NGOs play a key role in implementing some components of CCAP. The AEWG includes NGO Facilitating Partners (FPs) of CCAP and other NGOs and CSOs or Non-Facilitating Partners (NFPs). The AEWG looks at the participation mechanism for citizens within CCAP, troubleshoot implementations issues with evidence-based research findings and create a feedback mechanism, in collaboration with key stakeholders of CCAP. A seven member elected monitoring Board oversees the activities on a voluntary basis.
Frequency	Six months, Monitoring Board monthly
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