

Terms of Reference For Crop production Working Group

Introduction:

The crop production sector working group is a thematic working group of the Food Security Sector in Palestine. The working group was established in 2012 and restructured in 2015 in order to coordinate, promote and facilitate sustainable activities related to the crop production among Palestine. The main mandate of the working group is to address emergency interventions, medium and long term food security related programs.

Goals and objective:

- To participate in the development of tools for better understanding long-term trends in food insecurity and for identifying chronically food insecure and low resilient populations.
- To participate in the development of strategies, linked to existing MoA policy and strategy that address food insecurity within Palestine.
- To conduct and prepare ad hoc assessment and develop/recommend appropriate response interventions.
- To improve coordination and enhance better practices at filed level.

Membership

- Membership is open to local/international NGO's, UN agencies, as well as line ministries.

Internal Organization

- Crop production WG reports to Food Security Sector coordinator
- Every two years the chair or focal point of the WG will be changed, the WG should nominate two focal points for both WB and Gaza.
- Ad Hoc meetings if/as needed

Meeting Arrangements

- Whenever possible the crop production WG will carry out its work through electronic communications
- Face to face meetings on needs/emergencies or when issues cannot be resolved through electronic means. Such meetings should be help on needs-only basis.

Communications and Administrative Arrangements

- Official email contact list based on focal points provided and shared with the FSC
- All communications will be carried out from chair to members.
- Use of existing website or establish a drop box for the working group.

Modalities for Cooperation

- The Crop production WG will identify ways that complement the efforts of other organizations and minimize duplication as much as possible.
- The WG will ensure supporting stakeholders by providing guidance and expertise in implementation of field activities.
- The WG will encourage and support capacity building of sector members based on identified needs.
- The WG will provide technical support for humanitarian projects and activities during emergencies.
- The WG will participate actively in developing of the HRP, including identifies needs, objectives, and indicators.