MINUTES OF INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION COMMITTEE AND SECTOR LEADS MEETING
SKYPE MEETING - 26TH OF FEBRUARY, 2020 | 16:00 – 16:45 HRS
DELHI VIOLENCE – FEBRUARY 2020

Agenda

- Discussion on the key issues regarding violence in Delhi
- Activation of URS and way forward

Participants

Rajan (Chair), Anthony Chettri, Rajeev, Harshan, Meghna, Nimisha, Sarbjit, Maya, Tapan, Vikrant, Kennedy, Eili, Paritosh

Proceedings

The discussion was initiated by the CEO Sphere India and chaired by Mr. Rajan from ADRA – Co-chair of IAC Committee, Sphere India.

Key Discussions /Decisions

- An ‘Expression of Solidarity’ to be released by Sphere India on behalf of member organizations, appealing for calm and for provision of essential services to affected community.
- Given the lack of information available to organizations, it was decided that organizations would collect more information. In view of the situation on ground with most of the areas inaccessible, and with continued unrest it was decided that the organizations will seek information from their acquaintances, partner organizations and individuals working in the affected areas of Delhi to conduct needs assessment.
- It was suggested that Sphere India contact Mr. Harsh Mander’s group and his team to solicit information and contact local MLAs as well.
- From initial information, access to health services remains predominant issue. Therefore, members are to gauge the capability to the 5 designated hospitals, Mohalla clinics to cater to victims, and also gauge the extent of physical harm caused to people in the affected areas.
- Information also needs to be gathered regarding the need for and the availability of shelter facilities and protection issues for the affected population.
- Save the Children has informed that they are currently undertaking needs assessment; EHA has proposed to facilitate doctors for providing health services.
- To prepare a response plan, and to discuss further on the issue of activation of URS, a follow-up meeting of IAC Committee and sector leads will be held on 27th of February, 2020 in the World Vision India Office, at 4:00 pm. Skype-link will be provided for those unable to attend in-person.
- Member organizations to suggest names of individuals, groups and/or organizations who are currently working on ground, who could be invited for the follow-up meeting.
- Sphere India to coordinate with Red Cross India, UN-agencies, and government bodies for further cooperation.
- On the side-lines of the meeting, members have also been requested to discuss activation of URS in preparedness for COVID-19, and the rise in number of swine-flu cases.

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