***DRAFT for DISCUSSION***

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**for**

**Shelter Recovery Working Group (SRWG)**

**2022 Pakistan floods**

**(Shelter/NFI Sector)**

**Background**

The devastating floods that hit Pakistan in August 2022, caused by extreme monsoon rains combined with glacial melt - closely follow a record heat wave across the country, combined with forest fires and urban flooding, must be considered for what it is: a sign of the climatic upheavals to come. And Pakistan is unfortunately one of the most exposed countries in the world.

The floods have caused alarming and widespread harm with the death of more than 1’500 people, 33 million people across the country are estimated to be affected, 1'958'000 houses damaged, of which 40% are fully destroyed, over 12,000km of damaged or destroyed roads- these figures are all expected to rise as flood waters recede and access to flooded areas resumes and additional assessments are carried out. Damage to property and infrastructure, as well as loss of livestock and crops will amount to billions of dollars.

With different parts of the country currently going through different phases of the crisis, the Shelter Sector re-established in early September 2022 believes that the focus on the most needed emergency shelter and NFIs distributions should go hand in hand with the development of recovery interventions aimed at allowing affected homes and communities exposed to recurring climate hazards to rebuild and to prepare for similar shocks to come.

This Shelter Recovery Working Group aims to further define and coordinate Shelter & Settlements recovery programming accordingly.

**Goal/Objectives**

The key goal of the SRWG is to work collaboratively around effective, priority and winter-resilient shelter & settlements interventions over the different phases of the recovery, including design principles, technical specifications, modalities of delivery, settlement level adaptations and preparedness, respecting humanitarian standards, aligned with governmental strategy, and taking into consideration lessons learnt and knowledge generated from previous responses to disasters in the country. In consideration of the close linkages between recovery in the shelter and settlements sector in this emergency, the fact that the Sector in Pakistan currently also includes Site Management and in consideration of the high priority placed on durable solutions approaches, the SRWG will consider how shelter and settlements approach can support durable solutions to internal displacement and at the same link with other sectors to support multi-sectoral approaches.

Objectives/deliverables of the Shelter Recovery Working Group (SRWG) will include (but are not limited to):

* Review building material specifications, use, market, supply, quality and affordability, promoting local production and procurement.
* Dissemination of lessons learned, and knowledge generated from historical responses, including reviewing what happened to previous constructions programming.
* Provision of technical support and guidance to the Post-Disaster Needs Assessment exercise.
* Modalities and best practices for cash-based interventions for shelter, including where relevant rental assistance, subsidies for host and displaced persons.
* Recommendations on designs, BoQs, technical specifications for transitional and durable shelter solutions, incorporating best practices for flood-prone areas, local cultural preferences, and alternative energy solutions.
* Recommendations on minimum winterization standards.
* Reinforce the key role of women in housing and settlement decisions through the program cycle.
* Where feasible, promotion of community driven interventions, including dissemination of tools, materials for municipalities and community engagement.
* Where feasible, promotion of settlement-level mitigation measures, including collaboration with humanitarian and development actors specialized in settlement profiling, spatial and thematic mapping and analysis, urban/village planning.
* Recommendations on how to incorporate principles of risk reduction including preparedness, resilience, adaptation to climate change, both at household and settlement levels.
* Promotion and advocacy for multisectoral, inclusive and participatory interventions at various levels (inter-sectoral coordination mechanism, inter-agency cooperation, donors, governmental authorities, local authorities decentralized to the lowest possible administrative level, etc)
* Recommendations on how shelter recovery and broader integrated approaches may benefit from data collection exercises including IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM)
* Promotion/creation of linkages with the government, other working groups and partners in order to support broader approaches to durable solutions to internal displacement.

**Members**

The organization of the SRWG is foreseen as having a Chairperson, a Deputy Chairperson and Group Members volunteering for specific tasks. The SRWG priority areas of work and deliverables should be agreed by the Shelter Sector members.

The SRWG will be chaired by IOM and will provide updates during the Shelter Sector meetings. The Group Members should comprise technical experts with knowledge of shelter, housing, climate change adaptation, DRR, human settlements and infrastructure planning, as well as any relevant expertise aligned with the different objectives/deliverables described above, and with the presence of donors, OCHA, and Govt counterpart from NDMA or relevant department.

**Timing & Frequency**

The SRWG meetings will be scheduled on a weekly basis, with the place, day and time to be determined. This frequency will be revised when deemed necessary.

Meetings should be held according to ‘Chatham House Rules’ (i.e. comments are incorporated but are not attributable to any particular organization). Decisions on key issues should be achieved by consensus and aligned with the views of the majority of its members.

Below is the proposed composition of the SRWG:

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| **Number of Members** | **Organization Type** | **Membership** |
| 1 | Active Sector Partner leading organization | Chairperson |
| 1 | Active Sector Partner leading organization | Deputy Chairperson |
| 1 | Shelter Sector Coordinator | Active Member |
| 1 | Sector Deputy Leading Agency | Active Member |
| variable | Govt of Pakistan Representative | Active Member |
| variable | Technical Representatives | Active Member |
| variable | Donor Representatives | Active Member |
| variable | Technical Representatives of active Sector members | Observers |
| 1 | OCHA | Observer |