

MEETING OF DISTRICT COORDINATION WORKING GROUP (DCWG) ORGANIZED BY CPU MARDAN

District Coordination Working Group meeting of CPU Mardan was held under the chairmanship of Assistant Commissioner/DDMO Mardan on 13 March 2014 at Pakhtunkhwa House Mardan. District Officers from various departments like Education, Health, Rescue, Social Welfare, Zakat etc attended the meeting. DCWG Co-Leads i.e. RAHNUMA and AURAT FOUNDATION, representatives from NGOs and Civil Society Organizations also participated in the meeting.

Main Agenda Points that were discussed are:-

- Discussion on minutes of the previous meeting
 - DCWG log in IDs in website
 - Cases progress/cases referred among partners of DCWG and CPU
 - Discussion on Work Plan for DCWG and activities sharing
 - Updating service directories and Focal Persons
 - Discussions on Protection, GBV and CP Issues/ Suggestions how to improve Coordination
- The meeting commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran. After recitation the Lead CPU Mardan formally opened the floor and paid thank to Assistant Commissioner Mr. Umar Javed for chairing the meeting and welcomed all the participants.



- Assistant Commissioner Mardan welcomed and thanked the members for ensuring their participation. He ensured his full support with all the stakeholders involved in

the establishment of DCWG and emphasized on coordination among line departments and humanitarian organizations to deliver services effectively at district.

- Assistant Chief Operation Mr. Bilal Khan welcomed the participants and briefly discussed the Child Protection & Welfare Act 2010, functions and services of KP-CPWC. He further shared the previous meeting minutes and progress against the issues which were discussed in previous meeting. Mr. Bilal Khan told that the DPWG name has been changed and now the new name will be DCWG. He insisted that all line departments and organizations must nominate two focal persons.
- TORs of DCWG were shared with all the participants.
- Log in IDs for members of DCWG were shared and participants were briefed about registration procedure. He further requested that all the participants should log in and share their progress and activities in data base.
- Work plan for DCWG was discussed by Mr. Bilal Khan. He further added that the Lead, co lead and other organizations should meet and develop the work plan for DCWG. Lead, Co-lead and Child Protection Unit will meet once in a month.
- Child Protection Officer Mr. Sarfaraz Khan shared quarterly progress and functions of Child Protection Unit Mardan. Different questions were raised during presentation regarding child protection issues which were properly addressed.
- District Zakat Chairman told that needy and deserving chronic patients including cancer, heart patient etc can be referred to Zakat department and Zakat Department will bear all expenses of treatment with specific requirement.
- Dr. Sartaj Malik told that we have close coordination and referral mechanism with CPU Mardan.



- Coordinator, District Coordination Council Mr. Arif told that on 15 March a meeting regarding Polio & dengue campaign is expected in which senior doctors,

businessmen and religious scholars will participate. He requested all the participants to join them in the said activity.

- Miss Shazia from Working Fox Grammer School told that on school level there should be committee which will work on child related issues. She further added that CPU Mardan already supporting poor children in health and education.
- DCWG Lead shared that CPU Mardan is working for child rights awareness, protection at district and for this purpose a coherent coordination & referral mechanism is already established with line departments/NGOs and INGOs. Child protection committees have been established at UC level. Apart from this district coordination meetings are conducted for strengthening coordination.
- Bilal Khan of KP-CPWC further added that as per TORs, CPU Mardan will Lead DCWG at district level & a strong coordination and liaison among government bodies and relevant organizations will be established in view to find out solutions to protection concerns and flow of information sharing between district and provincial will be ensured.
- He further added that DCWG members (Leads, Co-Leads and members) have to work jointly and responsibilities should be shared. And in next DCWG meeting all the members' organization have to share their progress in their related programs/projects.
- Mr. Sarfaraz Khan, CPO told that work plan format will be shared through e-mail with all the members of DCWG for their activities. He requested the participants to fill it in-time so that work plan should be finalized.
- Mr. Sarfaraz Khan, CPO told that as soon as service directory is updated, it will be shared with all participants through e-mail.
- District Officer Social Welfare Mr. Mueed Shah Bacha thanked the participants for their keen interest. He further added that in future we will try to make more fruitful meetings of DCWG.