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Document Information

Meeting :	Northern Forum 2009				
Prepared By/ Date:	Ravi				
Type:	Conference				
Purpose:	Improve Coordination, Facilitation and Networking among agencies, groups and individuals working in the Humanitarian Sector				
Meeting Date:	11 th Sep 09	Start Time:	8.30 am	End Time:	9.45 am
Venue	CARITAS SEDEC				
Meeting Chair:	Jeevan Thiagarajah Executive Director - CHA		Facilitator	CHA	
Minute Taker:	Ravi		Phone:	4610943	

Present

Organisation	Organisation	Organisation
Muslim Aid	Sewalanka	LWR
JRS	JDC	SAH
Caritas	HDI	World Concern
ASB	JEN	CARE
Child Fund	CRS	International Alert
FORUT	NRC	Practical Action
Christian Aid	UMCOR	Pulse Sri Lanka
ACTED	Log Cluster	NCCSL
ADT	Oferr	NVPC
LEADS	IFRC	KNH
IRD	US AID	
NTT	Malteser Int	
Methodist Church	IHR	
RDF	SOS Childrens Village	

Agenda No	Subject	Action by/ date
1.	Advocacy update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End objective of this northern forum is to conduct an immersion programme on development sensitivity. • Resettlement has begun; it's told that half of the displaced will be resettled soon. • Resettlement in Killinochchi and Mullaitivu will be done subsequently. 	
2.	Situational Analysis of North - Ms. S. Sooriyakumary, President, Oferr Ceylon	
	<p>Ms Sooriyakumari gave a sensitive overview of the situation in the camps .She stated what has improved and what the people want, the concerns of NGOs working there and the support needed for the vulnerables . The dilemmas the people face the negative impacts and the way forward for the people was highlighted.More information is available in the presentation</p> <p>Action point : to share the presentation on situational analysis with Northern Task force.</p>	
3.	Revisiting Past Working Practices - Mr. Raga Alphonsus, Head of Programme Support Unit, Zoa Refugee Care- Netherlands	
	<p>Mr Raga Alphonsus gave an analysis of the Humanitarian context of the periods between 1987 to date in 6 segments by circumstances and the responses.He further briefed about the strategies , the role of government and Civil Military liaison and relationships. He stated the challenges ahead we should also look at past working practices and learn to create a greater trust with government.</p> <p>More details are available in the presentation</p>	
4.	Need for Development Sensitivity - A.Vaithilingam CHA Peace Unit	
	<p>A Vaithilingam gave a brief on the need for development sensitivity in working in the areas of the north and east .More details are available in the presentation</p>	