

Agenda No	Subject	Action by/ date
1	<p>Advocacy update</p> <p>The key issues raised by Nayomi were</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the complimentary food is an issue, CHA has been promoting greater access to vegetables etc. deriving from home gardening. CHA has been in touch with the National Institute of Water Management and WFP in the process. • Continued support to the GoSL on return and resettlement issues. • Advocating for the improvement of facilities for juveniles through the Ministry of Justice. • CHA is continuing to focus on finding solutions to the taxes on NGOs. • CHA is continuing with conversations with regards to NGOs and development the North. 	
2.	<p>Presentation on the National Framework and action plan for the reintegration of ex - combatants into civilian life – Ms Amanthi Wickremasinghe – Ministry of Disaster Management and Human Rights</p> <p>Ms Amanthi Wickremasinghe gave a brief history of the National Framework and how it came about to initiated.</p> <p>The main Goals were to</p> <p>Safeguard the human rights of ex-combatants, including the responsibility to protect and assist them in accordance with the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka</p> <p>Contribute to sustainable peace, reconciliation and social cohesion</p> <p>Increase the employability of ex-combatants, minimise their risk of socio-economic marginalisation and create opportunities for economic revitalisation in post-war Sri Lanka</p> <p>Key principles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Similar levels of reintegration assistance irrespective of former affiliation • Equity in gender treatment • Demand driven approach, enabling ex-combatants to choose their reintegration preference to the greatest possible extent • Linking ex-combatants with broader community-based economic recovery efforts • Avoiding actions that may be perceived as privileging ex-combatants in relation to other war-affected communities <p>The National Framework proposal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institutional Structure • Multi-Donor Trust Fund • Awareness Campaign • Profiles Database • Amnesty and Transitional Justice • Protective Accommodation and Rehabilitation Centres (PARCs) • Issuance of Identity Cards/Basic Legal Documentation 	

- Economic Reintegration within the Regional Development Plan
- Promoting Financial Independence
- Micro –Finance
- Allowance Payments
- National Disarmament Campaign and SALW Survey

The process of the National Action plan began in August 2009 guided by the inter ministerial steering committee 5 thematic groups were set up on Education, Health, Reinsertion and Social Reintegration, Economic Reintegration, Small Armed and Light Weapons to look at issues and come up with an action plan.

The outline of the National Action plan

- CONTEXT ANALYSIS
- NATIONAL ACTION PLAN STRATEGIES
- PARTICIPANTS AND BENEFICIARIES
- PRELIMINARY TECHNICAL ASSESSMENTS
- COMPONENTS AND SEQUENCING
 - Rehabilitation
 - Reinsertion
 - Reintegration: Economic & Social
 - Small Arms Control
- CROSSCUTTING ISSUES
 - Reintegration Information Management System
 - Public Awareness and Communication Strategy
 - Capacity Development
 - Gender & Youth
- NATIONAL ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION
- RESULTS FRAMEWORK

She further explained the sequencing steps of reintegration over a 6 year time frame.

The Framework is available on the web on the Ministry website

http://www.dmhr.gov.lk/english/news.php?start=5&p_f=0&Sort= and downloadable at http://www.dmhr.gov.lk/uploads/231_Sri%20Lanka%20Reintegration%20Framework.pdf

Presentation on Livelihood assistance - Ms A Kitazume Project Leader - Rural Livelihood Improvement Project Hambantota - JICA

Brief details of the CAP and the projects completed thus far was highlighted. The present project areas and the process involved was explained in detail.

More details of the presentation is available on the web.

