

Webinar - Humanitarian Reporting on 5Ws (Pakistan Floods 2022)

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The image is a screenshot of a Zoom webinar slide. The slide has a blue background with white text. At the top, it says "PAKISTAN Humanitarian 5Ws (WHO, WHAT, WHERE, for WHOM and WHEN)" in a large font. Below that, in a smaller font, it says "Tools, Process and Responsibilities". At the bottom left, it identifies the speaker as "Rashmi Rita, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)". At the bottom right, there are logos for the National Humanitarian Network (NHN) and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). The Zoom interface is visible at the top and bottom of the slide, including a recording indicator, a status bar, and a toolbar with various controls like Unmute, Start Video, Security, Participants, Polls, Chat, Share Screen, Pause/Stop Recording, Breakout Rooms, Support, Reactions, More, and End.

Pakistan is responding to the worst humanitarian crises in its history. Record monsoon rains and melting glaciers in Pakistan's northern mountains have brought floods that have affected 33 million people and killed at least 1,314. Responding to the needs of the affected population is becoming ever more complex and challenging. In order to better coordinate and collect the response data from local humanitarian stakeholders, National Humanitarian Network has collaborated with UN OCHA to utilize a uniform 5W data collection tools. The tool will help the humanitarian stakeholders as well as the government to access the response activities on the ground in order to take better and informed decisions. In order to orient the local civil society on the process of feeding and sharing data on the 5W matrix, NHN under the banner of Pakistan Resilience Partnership (PRP) conducted a webinar on 7th September, 2022.

The webinar was attended by 77 participants from local and national civil society organizations. The webinar was hosted by the NHN national humanitarian coordinator Mr. Muhammad Kamran who welcomed the participants and briefed them about the importance of the topic. He emphasized that availability of uniform data from ground level plays an important role in any disaster as it helps the authorities to make informed decisions. It also helps in avoiding the duplication of efforts and hence saves vital resources which can be directed to places where it is needed the most.

Mr. Kamran also introduced the facilitator Miss Rashmi Rita. She is serving as information management officer in OCHA regional office for Asia and the Pacific. She has been deployed in Pakistan to help OCHA Pakistan to coordinate the flood relief efforts.

She briefed the participants that the new 5W information collection tool has been designed to serve all the humanitarian stakeholders through single point. Therefore, all stakeholders will submit the data only once through the Google sheet. This data will be available to all relevant stakeholders including, PHF, NHN, UN Agencies which can use the data to develop their own information products. She gave an overview of the process involving data collection, consolidation and validation and visualization and analysis. She also explained the process of registering an organization with the system so that they are able to feed their data. After the brief presentation a detailed question answer and demonstration session was conducted by her. She showed the participants the google sheet used for data collection. She went through all the fields used available in the form and clarified any questions about them. She was able to clarify all the queries by the participants so that they are fully equipped to use the data collection form effectively.

At the end of the session Brig. Sajid Naeem from ADPC and Mr. Liaqat Ali from NHN thanked the participants for their active participation. Mr. Sajid Naeem reiterated the importance of accurate information in any humanitarian response by sharing his own experience of Pakistan 2010 floods. He also thanked the facilitator for her support and efforts.

The recording and presentation of the webinar is available at NHN digital resource center and can be accessed from the following link.

<http://resourcecenter.nhnpakistan.org/index.php/webinars-records/401-5w-datacollection>