

Terms of Reference national CP/GBV Working Group (WG) July 2024

Introduction: Girls and boys are at risk to many types of GBV, including – but not limited to, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, sexual abuse, trafficking, Intimate Partner Violence (IPV), domestic violence, child marriage, and other violence during crises, these risks are exacerbated in an emergency setting. Furthermore, during an emergency, many services for children and early adolescents are limited and the majority run through CP and GBV programming. Gender Based Violence (GBV) and Child Protection (CP) AoR coordinators at national and sub-national levels need to work in close collaboration and coordination to ensure implementation of coordinated prevention and provision of safe and accessible response services to children and adolescents. The working group is not a case management working group per se, it relates to all elements of GBV-CP collaboration. The WG will complement the work undertaken by the Case management Task Force and other relevant initiatives. In this respect the national GBV AoR and the national CP AoR recognize the need for enhanced coordination throughout Myanmar.

The GBV-CP WG will advise the Case Management Task Force on specific needs of child survivors of sexual or gender based violence. However, the GBV-CP WG will not engage in development of specific tools or resources relevant to the caring for child survivors in Myanmar as that falls squarely within the remit of the CMTF.

It was identified as a need to establish a coordination body focusing on both GBV and CP and the collaboration. The present document outlines the commitment of the GBV AoR and the CP AoR in ensuring this cooperation is in line with relevant principles and the roles and responsibilities of the working group.¹

Goal: To enhance collaboration and coordination between the child protection and gender-based violence actors at both subnational and national level in Myanmar.

Functions of the CP/GBV working group include, but are not limited to:

1. Develop resources
 - Develop or adapt resources relevant to CP and GBV in Myanmar context for use by the GBV AoR and the CP AoR
 - The GBV-CP WG will aim to develop key messages and awareness raising materials for use by GBV AoR and CP AoR
 - Identify gaps in resources for CP and GBV in Myanmar context and find solutions to address these gaps
 - Upon request from the CMTF, develop key materials relevant to case management of child survivors of sexual and gender based violence

¹ Child Protection principles and GBV principles are outlined in relevant documents and global standards and are available upon request.

² Reference to the 2022 *child protection case management Standard Operating Procedures* (under review), case workers will have up to 32 cases, but each child will only have one case manager. In complex cases it is essential

2. Capacity building

- Develop and adapt targeted child protection and/or GBV training for CP and GBV actors to strengthen knowledge and understanding with a focus on CP and GBV principles, standards and practices in a cooperative manner both for prevention and response activities under each AoR.
- Where either GBV and/or CP does have presence, provision of basic training on CP/GBV for those actors with presence on the ground.
- Support actors with prevention and mitigation of CP and GBV risks with tools and/or capacity building
- Upon request from the CMTF, the GBV-CP WG will support development of training materials for child survivors of GBV in Myanmar context.
- Develop and provide CP and GBV mainstreaming packages for other clusters

3. Coordination between sub-national and national CP/GBV AoR and/or WG

- Strengthen or establish clear information channels between subnational and national GBV/CP AoRs and/or WG
- Strengthen or establish GBV/CP Working Groups at subnational level
- Strengthen coordination and collaboration between CP/GBV WGs at subnational with the national level CP/GBV WG
- Support development of and implementation of subnational CP/GBV action plans
- Support subnational working groups to identify gaps and duplications in prevention and response to CP and GBV, as well as specific challenges for CP/GBV and to support solutions to these challenges

Information management

- Establish clear mandatory communication channels between subnational and national AoRs in relation to GBV/CP collaboration

Membership

- The CP/GBV WG will be composed of at least 10 members (5 CP actors, 5 GBV actors): members from each AOR should include AoR lead UN Agencies, INGO, NNGOs, CBOs/CSOs.
- Organizations have established expertise and operational experience in CP and/or GBV in Myanmar

³Ibid

- Organizations have ability to be **represented** at meetings of the CP/GBV WG
- **Communication** within and between CP/GBV WG members will be **in English** (remote feedback where necessary)
- The CP/GBV WG members are required to attend a minimum of **75% the WG meetings**. Where member does not attend for more than 2 WG meetings in a row, the WG will have the option to discuss and vote to remove and replace such member from the WG.
- The CP/GBV WG members are expected to commit to constructive cooperation for the wider purpose of the CP/GBV collaboration. WG members are expected to **meaningfully participate in review and feedback** of key CP-GBV documents and processes.
- The CP/GBV WG will determine entry procedures for new members and perform periodic reviews on WG membership with option to remove members if above-mentioned criteria are not fulfilled.

Responsibilities of the chair and co-chair

Lead agencies include UNFPA and UNICEF. The Coordination will be on a voluntary basis through nomination and voting amongst members with one coordinator from GBV AoR and one coordinator from CP AoR

Responsibilities of members

- Subnational and national members make a commitment to respond to communications, attending meetings and conference calls (as requested), provide inputs and feedback on agreed deadlines
- Provide / promote CP/GBV tools, training materials and resources to lead agencies as they are developed and agreed upon by the WG in order to contribute to the development of inter-agency technical guidance.
- Participate in technical review of training materials and guidance materials
- Promote best practices for prevention and response to GBV for adolescents and children
- Share best practices and lessons learned in relation to CP and GBV prevention and response activities.
- Contribute to support the CMTF as required with capacity building efforts on case management by conducting case management training within their respective agencies, as well as inter-agency trainings
- Commit to support case management agencies with limited resources towards ensuring consistent quality standards for all children who are at risk of, or have experience of, GBV.

Meetings

The CP/GBV WG shall meet monthly or as needed.

Revision of the TOR

On mandatory basis, the members of the GBV/CP Working Group shall revisit the ToR on an annual basis unless there is an identified need to update on ad hoc basis.