CONFLICT SENSITIVITY CONSORTIUM OF SIERRA LEONE

CONFLICT MAPPING WORKSHOP MARCH,2010

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OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP

- TO REVIEW KEY OUTPUTS OF THE DESK RESEARCH AND IDENTIFY GAPS IN EXISTING CONFLICT ANALYSIS RESEARCH UNDERTAKEN IN SIERRA LEONE.
- TO GENERATE A COMMON UNDERSTANDING ON THE KEY CONFLICT ISSUES IN SIERRA LEONE.
- TO PLAN AND REVIEW METHODOLOGY, TOOLS AND SCHEDULE OF THE FIELD-BASED CONFLICT CONTEXT ANALYSIS.

WHAT IS CONFLICT ANALYSIS?

- * CONFLICT ANALYSIS IS A PRACTICAL PROCESS OF EXAMINING AND UNDERSTANDING THE REALITY OF THE CONFLICT FROM A VARIETY OF PERSPECTIVES.
- THIS UNDERSTANDING THEN FORMS THE BASIS ON WHICH STRATEGIES CAN BE DEVELOPED AND ACTIONS PLANNED.

WHY DO WE NEED TO ANALYSE CONFLICT?

- TO UNDERSTAND THE BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF THE SITUATION AS WELL AS CURRENT EVENTS.
- TO IDENTIFY ALL THE KEY ACTORS INVOLVED IN THE CONFLICT.
- TO IDENTIFY FACTORS AND TRENDS THAT UNDERPIN CONFLICT
- TO LEARN FROM FAILURES AS WELL AS SUCCESSES
- TO KNOW MORE ABOUT HOW VARIOUS ACTORS RELATE TO EACH OTHER.

GROUP WORK

- IDENTIFY 4 COMMUNITIES THAT YOU CONSIDER AS CONFLICT PRONE IN YOUR OPERATIONAL AREAS?
- WHICH 2 KEY PROJECTS WERE NEGATIVELY AFFECTED BY CONFLICT SITUATIONS?
- LIST 3 POSSIBLE CAUSES OF THESE NEGATIVE IMPACTS?
- WHAT 3 KEY ACTIONS DID THE ORGANISATION TAKE TO MINIMISE THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS?
- WHAT 2 KEY RECOMMENDATIONS DID THE COMMUNITY MAKE (if any) TO MINIMISE FUTURE NEGATIVE IMPACTS?

FIELD ASSENMENT PLAN

- COUNTRY DIVIDED INTO TWO CLUSTERS:
 - NORTH & WEST
 - EAST & SOUTH
- IDENTIFIED COMMUNITIES TO BE VISITED IN 10 DAYS, BETWEEN 22nd & 31st MARCH,2010.
- TEAM WILL WORK WITH PARTNERS IN EACH COMMUNITY FOR 2 DAYS (dates to be confirmed)

TOOLS FOR ANALYSING CONFLICT SITUATIONS

- TIMELINES
- CONFLICT MAPPING
- THE CONFLICT TREE
- STAGES OF THE CONFLICT
- THE ONION
- FORCE FIELD ANALYSIS
- THE ABC (Attitude, Behaviour, Context)

TIMELINES

- * IT IS A GRAPHIC THAT SHOWS EVENTS PLOTTED AGAINST TIME.
- ❖IT LISTS DATES (years, months or days)
- **❖IT DEPICTS EVENTS IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER**

CONFLICT MAPPING

- IT REPRESENTS A CONFLICT GRAPHICALLY
- IT PLACES THE PARTIES IN RELATION TO BOTH TO THE PROBLEM AND TO EACH OTHER HOW DO WE MAP A CONFLICT SITUATION?
- What do you want to map?
- When?
- From what point of view?

THE CONFLICT TREE

- BEST USED WITHIN GROUPS, TEAMS, ORGANISATIONS
- WHAT IS THE CORE PROBLEM?
- WHAT ARE THE ROOT CAUSES?
- WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS THAT HAVE RESULTED FROM THIS PROBLEM?
- WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR OUR GROUP TO ADDRESS?

METHODOLOGY

- KEY INFORMANT INTERVIEWS (NGO, District Council & chiefdom council members, clients (women & children), traditional leaders
- FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSIONS
- Cluster interviews.
- Review of incident, project reports, project evaluation findings and recommendations.
- Analysis and interpretation of agency-based statistics (secondary data).