



Scope of Work: *LEGS Online Gender Module*

Introduction

The Livestock Emergency Guidelines and Standards (LEGS) are a set of international guidelines for livelihoods-based livestock responses in emergencies. The LEGS Project was established in 2006 with the goal of improving the quality and livelihoods impact of livestock-related projects in humanitarian situations. The LEGS handbook was published in 2009, following a broad consultation process drawing on evidence-based good practice from around the world. The Handbook provides standards and guidelines for appropriate and timely livestock-based livelihoods responses in emergencies, using a participatory and evidence-based approach. LEGS follows a similar format to the Sphere handbook and is now an official companion standard to Sphere and with Sphere is a member of the Humanitarian Standards Partnership. The second edition of the Handbook was published in 2015.

Following the publication of the LEGS Handbook, the LEGS Project designed a training programme, based on regional Training of Trainers (TOT) courses. The graduates of these TOTs are equipped with the skills, materials and methods to run the standard 3-day LEGS Training course. Other learning resources include a half-day awareness session aimed at donors and decision makers, the Fundamentals of LEGS (one-day) training, and two short introductory videos.

Outline of the LEGS 3-day Training Course

The LEGS 3-day course is a face-to-face training designed to bring the LEGS guidelines to life and enable practitioners to implement the LEGS approach in the field. The course is aimed at practitioners who are involved in emergency response, both livestock specialists and general humanitarians. It is made up of twelve 90-minute sessions covering: livestock and livelihoods in the humanitarian context; introduction to the LEGS Handbook; initial assessment; response identification; analysis of technical interventions and options; monitoring; and response planning.

The Need for a LEGS Gender Module

Women play a key role in livestock production and management throughout the world. Disasters such as drought, earthquakes or cyclones affect men and women differently and a thorough understanding of gender roles, responsibilities and power relationships is necessary to ensure that women's needs as well as men's are met in humanitarian response, and that gender inequities are addressed.

Gender and social equity is one of the cross-cutting issues in the LEGS Handbook, and so is covered during the 3-day training. However, there is not sufficient time during the training to address gender issues in any detail.

The summary of the Review of the LEGS Project carried out in 2015 states *'The LEGS training materials have been edited to encourage greater participation of women in the training and to increase the recognition of the role that women play in livestock management. There is scope for further strengthening of gender analysis in the LEGS Training, and the identification of case studies illustrating good gender practice in emergency livestock projects.'*

It is therefore proposed to develop an on-line Gender Module, which will complement the 3-day face-to-face training, and provide additional information and analysis to better equip practitioners to address gender issues in the planning and implementation of emergency response.

LEGS Gender Module: Scope of Work

The aim of the Gender Module is to enable practitioners engaged in emergency response with livestock keepers to plan and implement more gender-responsive emergency livestock interventions, as a complement to the existing 3-day training. While it is recognised that many gender inequities are systemic and stem from power relationships that may be beyond the capacity of those engaged in livestock emergency responses to address, the LEGS Project remains committed to tackling gender inequality and to promoting gender-responsive interventions.

The specific learning objectives are that at the end of the module participants will be able to:

1. Define what is gender and apply a simple gender analysis framework
2. Understand how to analyse gender roles in livestock production and management
3. Understand how to analyse the impact of an emergency from a gender perspective
4. Based on this understanding, apply gender analysis to planning emergency livestock responses using case studies and practical scenarios
5. List specific activities and actions to apply in their own work

The target audience for the Gender Module is the same as for the 3-day face-to-face training, namely practitioners and implementers of emergency response, both livestock professionals and general humanitarian workers, as well as LEGS Trainers.

The proposed format is an online course with as many interactive features as the budget will allow, to take 20-30 minutes to complete. The course will be hosted on the LEGS website, and also on other learning sites including the HLA, IFRC etc as appropriate. If possible an evaluation/test will be incorporated at the end, to allow a certificate to be issued.

The following draft contents are proposed:

1. Key definitions and understanding gender
2. Gender framework appropriate for emergency livestock programme planning (simple model adapted from Moser, Harvard and Longwe)

3. Review of what the LEGS Handbook says about gender, including the *gender and social equity* cross-cutting issue
4. Exploring the three key gender issues (from LEGS):
 - Understanding roles, rights and responsibilities
 - Gender analysis of disaster impact
 - Disaggregating data
5. Applying gender analysis to emergency response planning, including case studies
6. Evaluation/test questions and certification

To develop the Module, the LEGS Project is seeking the following:

- A gender consultant to prepare the Module content and provide support to the development process (up to 5 days)
- A production company to develop the on-line module, in liaison with the gender consultant and the LEGS Project, for a budget of up to \$20,000

Application Process

Interested production companies and/or gender consultants should send an Expression of Interest including a proposed development process, timetable and estimated costs to the LEGS Coordinator (Coordinator@livestock-emergency.net) by **6th September 2017**.

For additional information on LEGS please see the LEGS website: www.livestock-emergency.net, and for further information about this Scope of Work please contact the LEGS Coordinator: Coordinator@livestock-emergency.net.