

The Meeting Notes of the Social Protection and Migration Working Group

Date: 09.09.2014

Time: 10:00AM-03:00PM

Venue: LIFT Meeting Room

- The group agreed to add 'Fluctuation in income and seasonal unemployment' on the problem statement of 'Income' because social protection measures focus on increased income stability rather than increased income.
- DRR, rice banks and micro insurance were considered within other working groups' scopes and thus were not included as social protection mechanisms in the Group's results framework.
- Also, community forestry was considered as NOT a relevant type of social protection mechanism in case of the Dry Zone even though it was in some areas of Shan state. Therefore it was not included in the framework.
- The LIFT's intention for migration was clarified as neither to increase nor decrease migration. On one hand, the LIFT pursues food & nutrition security and poverty reduction which can reduce push factors for migration. On the other hand, it seeks to ensure safe migration of the landless and the poor who step out of agriculture due to job opportunities elsewhere within the country or abroad and to assist their remaining families¹.
- The Group agreed that the framework should give enough flexibility to IPs to decide on their interventions rather than many vertical and horizontal levels of outcomes connected each other with arrows giving a sense of restricted choices for them.
- Gender equity was agreed as cross-cutting concern for all outcomes (e.g. women need to be paid equally with men in case of the same type of work they do)

¹Refer to Article 24-27 of the LIFT strategy