Management Response

Oxfam Management response to the review of Sustainable Water and Sanitation in Sierra Leone: Impact evaluation of the ‘Improved WASH Services in WAU and WAR Districts’ project (Effectiveness Review Series 2019/20)

What is the purpose of an evaluation management response (MR)?

A management response enables us to document the key learning generated from the project evaluations whilst also ensuring that the report is given careful consideration by relevant stakeholders.

The management response should:

1. Include a summary of the reflections of your team and program/project stakeholders in relation to the evaluation’s findings, conclusions and recommendations;
2. Detail actions that will be taken to respond to the evaluation findings;
3. Offer an opportunity for all relevant project stakeholder to comment on the utility of the evaluation process and final report.

1. The context and background of the review, i.e., the purpose and scope of the evaluation.

Oxfam GB’s Strategic Evidence Framework is part of the organization’s effort to better understand and communicate its effectiveness, as well as enhance learning across the organization. Under this Framework, a small number of completed or mature projects are selected each year for an evaluation of their impact, known as an ‘Effectiveness Review’. The ‘Improved Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Services in Western Area Urban (WAU) and Western Area Rural (WAR) Districts’ project – also known as the Freetown WASH Consortium (FWC) programme’s third phase (FWC Phase III) was selected for an Effectiveness Review during the 2019/20 financial year. The purpose of the evaluation was to assess impacts of the project on Sustainable Water and Sanitation for individuals and households and to investigate how community-level factors related to observed impacts.

Please see the Executive Summary of the full evaluation report for further details and key findings, lessons and recommendations.

2. Overall, does the country team agree with the review findings? Are there any conclusions and/or recommendations which the country team does not agree with or will not act upon and why?

We were part of this process and validated the draft findings. Therefore, we agree with the findings.
3. **How do you plan to use the evidence which is generated from this review? Please include main follow-up actions** (This should be a summary of the detailed action plan, focusing on the key actions and timeframes. Information on actions should be specific and timebound. The detailed action plan is for internal use only and will not be published, so please do not “refer to the detailed action plan” in your response)

   We have shared the findings with our Key WASH partners, WASH-NET and MOPADA SL together with other WASH sector working group and recommendations will be taken up.

4. **Is there any support your team would require in order to maximise the use of the evidence generated from this review?**

   Support the WASH partners in ensuring the evidence generated informs the future WASH related designs and program activities.

5. **Are there any additional reflections that have emerged from the review process that you want to share?**

   No other reflections emerged as results of the review.