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Initial Rapid Needs Assessment Tool

WHAT is it for?

This Initial Rapid Needs Assessment Tool is used **to provide a general, multi-sectoral assessment in the initial phase of an emergency**. The tool is designed to collect data at the household level. The amount of time needed to cover all questions is approximately **30–45 minutes**.

The **purpose** of this tool is:

- To know more about the situation on the ground.
- To verify initial observations that may have been made by assessors using the <u>Tool #1: Direct</u> <u>Observational Tool</u> or <u>Tool #2: Five Discussion Questions</u>
- To feed into Tearfund's Humanitarian Review or Emergency Response Committee; and inform decisions about the most appropriate response to the emergency.

The tool is used to collect sectoral information at the household level. Each sector (page 2) has a series of key questions, which are designed in reference to Sphere standards where applicable.

WHEN is it for?

To be used within the first 24 hours to 7 days of a rapid-onset emergency.

WHO is this for?

For team/individuals required to conduct assessments where there is **no** UN- or UN Cluster-coordinated assessment.

HOW to use

When using this tool, consider the following things:

- Every context and community is unique and there will be underlying cultural norms and practices that may be unseen or unknown by you as an assessor.
- Certain questions will require cultural sensitivity and contextual knowledge (eg household sanitation practices, types of staple food) to modify how the question is asked and what multiple-choice answers to provide.
- It may be appropriate to identify community leaders and discuss the assessment with them before conducting household visits.
- Ensure your discussions are inclusive, recognising the need for men, women and children to share their reflections on the crisis.
- Consider the most appropriate time of day to conduct household visits, as there may be certain times of the day when part of the community is absent.

• The main aim of this assessment is to gather information that is accurate, impartial and representative of the majority of the affected community.

You will need to:

- Introduce yourself and the purpose of the survey.
- **Record basic information about the community** you are assessing (ie location, population size) and **household-level information** from the informant (ie number of people in the household).
- Ask questions and record answers for each of the sectors.

This tool can be deployed in Kobo format. Contact the Humanitarian Support Team for the Excel document, which should be uploaded to: <u>https://www.kobotoolbox.org/</u>

Limitations of the tool

• This tool is only intended for the initial phase, and should be followed by more detailed or sector-specific assessments as time permits.

The following explains the *rationale* behind questions in each section of the Initial Rapid Needs Assessment, and how the data collected can be used to inform a response.

STANDARD

In this section, you will gather basic household information and find out about the informant's perceived needs. The answers should help you pace the sectoral questions: spend more time on sectors highlighted as priority needs by the informant.

The questions under 2. Disability screening questions, based on the <u>Washington Group questions on disability</u>, aim to identify people at risk of restricted participation. If the informant or any of their household members express difficulty in any of the areas, you may need to rephrase later questions and record additional comments, in order to understand and record their specific needs.

<u>WASH</u>

When assessing WASH, we are looking at the following areas:

- 1. Water assessing the nature and quality of water sources and water storage
- 2. Sanitation assessing the use of latrines in terms of availability and access
- 3. Hygiene assessing behaviour around handwashing, showers and personal hygiene, and waste disposal

The findings should identify priority WASH needs and the affected communities' level of awareness.

Food security

When assessing food security, we are assessing the following four main areas:

- 1. Availability Is the food available locally, in the markets or in the area?
- 2. Accessibility Do people have access to food? Do they have the means to safely get it?
- 3. Utilisation How often are people eating? What type(s) of food are people eating?
- 4. **Stability** How long will the food stocks last?

The first two are usually what we focus on in an emergency situation: availability and access. The third and fourth areas start to inform our understanding of nutritional needs.

Shelter/Non-food items

For Shelter, we are assessing households' **current shelter vulnerabilities** and **existing local resources**. The findings should identify post-disaster risks, vulnerabilities and capacities, opportunities to address recovery from the outset, and the need for more detailed assessments including environmental impact assessment.

For Non-food items (NFIs), we are assessing households' **immediate needs** and **access to NFIs.** The findings can inform whether an NFI distribution is needed and whether the distribution of NFIs or cash-based assistance would have the most impact.

Livelihoods

When assessing livelihoods, we are assessing: households' livelihood patterns before and after the emergency, key livelihood timings and gaps in capacity for livelihood recovery.

The findings will uncover affected communities' capacity to recover, any interventions needed and key timings (eg the next planting season).

Protection

When assessing protection issues, we are **identifying vulnerable groups** in the affected communities, and assessing their **level of vulnerability with regards to protection needs**.

The findings will identify which vulnerable groups require additional assessment and/or response, and what their potential protection needs are.

Communication

The answers to these questions will indicate 1) preferred beneficiary feedback mechanism(s) and 2) vulnerable groups' communication needs.

Ensure the assessment team have appropriate translators.

Annexes 1 & 2: Emergency Market Assessment

Annex 1 contains questions for beneficiaries that make up Part A of <u>Tearfund's Emergency/Remote Market</u> <u>Assessment</u>. The findings will give you an impression of **access to markets**, perceived **availability of key commodities** and **preferred assistance modality**. They are included here because you may choose to ask them at the end of your household surveys.

Annex 2 contains **questions for traders** that make up Part B of <u>Tearfund's Emergency/Remote Market</u> <u>Assessment</u>. Unlike the Initial Rapid Needs Assessment and the questions in Annex 1, the people surveyed with these questions must be:

- Traders (retailers or wholesalers) in local marketplaces mentioned by beneficiaries in Annex 1.
- Try to speak to at least three retailers and two wholesalers (if wholesalers are present) in each marketplace.

The findings will give you an overall idea of the **traders' capacity** to re-supply and meet an increased demand for goods.

Before you launch into the questions, remember to introduce yourself and the purpose of the survey.

- My name is [your name] and I am a staff member from Tearfund/[partner name] an international relief and development organisation.
- We are here today to understand more about the situation on the ground, to help our organisation determine the most appropriate response to the [name Disaster].
- This survey is voluntary and you can choose not to participate.
- The questions will be on *[Sectors]*. If you are not comfortable answering any of the questions, just say 'Do not know.'
- The information we are gathering will be confidential and used for a report without any link to the individuals who are speaking with us. We will return to share the results of this assessment and propose a way forward.
- Can I please take about 30 minutes of your time for the survey?
- (If you have gained their agreement) Thank you for your willingness to talk to us!

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PART A – Standard

1 ASSESSMENT AND INFORMANT DETAILS

1)	Name of assessor		6)	Ethnicity of informant	
2)	Date of assessment		7)	Language spoken	
3)	Location (village/community level) Please also identify the context: urban, rural or IDP camp	 Urban Rural IDP camp 	8)	Age of informant	 12 – 17 years old 18 – 24 years old 25 – 34 years old 35 – 44 years old 45 – 54 years old Over 55
4)	GPS coordinates				Over 55
5)	Gender of informant	 Male Female 	9)	Number of people in informant's household	

2 DISABILITY SCREENING QUESTIONS

The next questions ask about difficulties you or anyone in your household may have doing certain activities because of a HEALTH PROBLEM.

	No – no difficulty
difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?	□ Yes – some difficulty □ Yes – a lot of difficulty
	 Cannot do at all Do not know

2)	Do you or anyone in your household have difficulty hearing, even if using a hearing aid?	 No – no difficulty Yes – some difficulty Yes – a lot of difficulty Cannot do at all Do not know
3)	Do you or anyone in your household have difficulty walking or climbing steps?	 No – no difficulty Yes – some difficulty Yes – a lot of difficulty Cannot do at all Do not know
4)	Do you or anyone in your household have difficulty remembering or concentrating?	 No – no difficulty Yes – some difficulty Yes – a lot of difficulty Cannot do at all Do not know
5)	Do you or anyone in your household have difficulty (with self-care such as) washing all over or dressing?	 No – no difficulty Yes – some difficulty Yes – a lot of difficulty Cannot do at all Do not know
6)	Using your usual (customary) language, do you or anyone in your household have difficulty communicating, for example understanding or being understood?	 No – no difficulty Yes – some difficulty Yes – a lot of difficulty Cannot do at all Do not know
7)	Do you know of people in other households who have these difficulties? If 'Yes', how many?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know

3	CRITICAL ISSUES	
1)	What are your top THREE priorities? Select three options only.	 Water, sanitation and hygiene Shelter Food Other (please specify) Do not know Livelihood Livelihood Personal safety Communication
2)	What would be your preferred type of assistance, and why? See definitions below.	 Cash Vouchers In-kind Do not know Why?
3)	Have you received assistance from any organisation yet, eg government, INGO, NNGO, civil society, churches? If yes, what assistance have you received or what assistance are they planning to extend?	

Definitions of cash, vouchers and in-kind assistance

- **Cash:** Provision of assistance in the form of money either physical currency or e-cash
- **Vouchers:** Provision of assistance in the form of a paper, token or e-voucher that can be exchanged for a set quantity or value of goods
- In-kind: Provision of assistance in the form of physical goods

PART B – Sectors

4	WASH	
4.1		
1)	Where do you collect your drinking water from? If 'Other', please specify.	 Lake (untreated) River (untreated) Pond (untreated) Well (untreated) Another treated source with a tap From deliveries of water by truck Other
2)	If you are using untreated water sources, do you treat the water yourself?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know
3)	How many litres of water do you collect a day?	 Less than 10 litres 10–15 litres 15–20 litres Over 20 litres per day Do not know
4)	Is this enough water to meet all your needs?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know
5)	What do you use the water for? Select all that apply.	 Drinking and cooking Bathing Watering crops Watering livestock Cleaning Flushing latrine Other (please specify)
6)	Please could you show me where you store your water?	DIRECT OBSERVATION Which of the following do you observe? Select all that apply: Water containers are clean Water containers are covered with a lid The household has a container for collecting water and a separate container for storing it What volume of water storage do the household have? Approximately litres
7)	How long does a round trip to collect water (including queuing) take?	 30 minutes or less More than 30 minutes The time varies Do not know

	Sanitation use note that the following questions will require cult	ural sensitivity and adaptation.
1)	Does every member of your household, including those with health problems, have access to a latrine? If 'No', where do members go to relieve themselves?	 Yes (Go to Q2) No (Go to Q5) Do not know
2)	Is the latrine used by other households? If 'Yes', how many other households use the latrine?	 Yes No Do not know
3)	Who cleans and maintains the latrine?	
4)	Do the women in your household feel safe using the latrine?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know
5)	Are women in your household able to obtain menstrual hygiene materials? If 'No', please explain why.	 Yes No Do not know
4.3	Hygiene	
1)	Can you name THREE occasions when it is particularly important to wash hands?	 After defecation Before preparing food Before eating food After handling children's faeces After coming in from the field (or outside) Could not list 3 from above
2)	Please could you show me where you wash your hands?	DIRECT OBSERVATION Is there sufficient running water at this handwashing station? • Yes • No Can you see that there is soap (or ash) available at this handwashing station? • Yes • No
3)	Does your household have access to shower facilities?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know
4)	What do you do with your household rubbish? If you dispose of it away from your home, where do you leave it?	

5 FOOD SECURITY

5.1 Access and availability

1)	Is there food available in the household?	□ Yes (Go to Q2) □ No (Go to Q3) □ Do not know (Go to Q3)
2)	If 'Yes', how long will the food supplies in your household last?	 Less than 1 week 1-2 weeks More than 2 weeks Do not know

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3)	What are your main THREE food concerns? Select	No food, no market
	three options only.	Not enough food
		Not good enough food
		O No cooking facilities
		No utensils
		No cooking fuels
		Loss of agricultural land
		 Loss of agricultural assets (eg tools, storage capacity, seeds)
		No physical access to markets
		No income, money, resources to purchase food
		Other (please specify)
		Do not know
4)	Is there food available to purchase in a local market? If 'No', please explain why.	□ Yes □ No
.,		 Do not know
-)		
5)	Do you have the resources to buy or trade for the food items you need?	Yes O No O Do not know
6)	Who is the most affected by the current food situation? If 'Other', please specify.	Children O Women O Lactating women
		Elderly People with disabilities Sick/injured
		Other Ob not know
5.2	Utilisation	
1)	How many meals a day did you have before the	□ None □ 1 meal □ 2 meals □ 3 meals
	disaster?	O More than 3 meals O not know
2)	How many meals a day do you have now (after	□ None □ 1 meal □ 2 meals □ 3 meals
-,	the disaster)?	 More than 3 meals Do not know
<u> </u>		
3)	What types of food have you eaten in the last 7 days?	□ Cereal □ Meat □ Vegetable □ Fish
	(Select all that apply)	□ Fruit □ Oil
		• Other (please specify) •
		Do not know
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6 SHELTER/ NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFIs)

6.1	Shelter	
1)	What is the estimated number of houses in the community?	DIRECT OBSERVATION
2)	What is the estimated number of houses NOT fit for living in?	DIRECT OBSERVATION
		Less than 20%
		□ 21%–50%
		□ 51%– 70%
		O More than 70%

3)	What are the main types of shelter people from your community are living in now? (Select all that apply)	 House or flat Repaired partially damaged homes Improvised shelter (eg made from salvaged construction materials etc) Tents Planned temporary or transitional shelter other than tents (eg made from distributed items) Buildings used as collective accommodation Other (Please specify eg host family homes, rented accommodation) No shelter
4)	What are your top THREE shelter concerns? Select three options only.	 There is no shelter. Shelters are overcrowded. Homes are so damaged that they are unfit for living in. Building materials to repair/build shelter are unavailable. Skills to repair/build shelter are unavailable. Disagreements over land usage/ownership. People are lacking basic household items. Other (please specify) Do not know
5)	What shelter materials can you find locally? Do people need to pay for these materials?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know
6.2	Non-food items	
1)	What are your top THREE priorities regarding non-food items? Select three options only.	 Clothing Blankets and bedding Cooking utensils Fuel (eg firewood, coal) Shelter materials Other (please specify)
2)	Are you able to find the priority items in the local market?	Yes ONO ODO not know
3)	Do you have resources to buy or trade to get the priority items?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know

7	LIVELIHOODS	
- 1 I	What were the main livelihood activities in this area before the disaster?	
<u> </u>	How have the livelihood activities been affected by the disaster?	

3)	What are your top THREE priorities regarding livelihoods?	
4)	Do you think you can continue, start or restart your livelihood now or within the next 2 months?	 Yes No Do not know Any additional comment:
5)	Are there any essential assets or inputs or activities that would help you to restart your livelihood activity? If 'Yes', please specify which assets/inputs/activities.	 Yes No Do not know

8	PROTECTION	
1)	Are all members of the community, including the elderly and disabled, able to access humanitarian assistance being provided? If 'No', please explain.	 Yes No Do not know
2)	Who enforces the law and provides security in areas affected (formal and informal)? If 'Other', please specify.	 Police National armed forces Community security groups Other None Do not know
8.1	Child protection	
1)	What are the main risks for children in this current location? (Select all that apply)	 Recruitment and use of children by armed forces and armed groups Being trafficked Child labour Child marriage Sexual violence Abductions Other (please specify)
2)	Are there any children in this area who have been separated from their usual caregivers due to the emergency? If 'Yes', how many do you think there are?	 Yes No Do not know Less than 100 More than 200 Between 100 and 200 Do not know
3)	Are there any children in this area who are not living with any adults at all , due to the emergency? If 'Yes', how many do you think there are?	 Yes No Do not know Less than 100 More than 200 Between 100 and 200 Do not know
4)	What do you think are the most important needs that should be met to ensure that children are safe in this area?	

8.2	8.2 Psychosocial support				
1)	Is there evidence of people in your community feeling distressed eg very upset, sad, worried, scared or angry? If 'Yes', please specify.	 Yes No Do not know 			
2)	What strategies are people using in order to cope with stress?	Do not know			
3)	Are you aware of any support that people under stress can access at this point?	 Yes No Do not know 			
(Not	Sexual violence and other forms of gender-based v te to assessor: due to the sensitive nature of these qu ware of signs of distress and consider skipping this s	iestions, check if the person is happy to answer these questions.			
1)	Are there specific risks that women and children face when trying to access humanitarian assistance? If 'Yes', please specify.	 Yes No Do not know 			
2)	If this interview is taking place in an IDP camp: Are there specific risks that women and children face while living in this camp? If 'Yes', please specify.	 Yes No Do not know 			
3)	Do you think the number of incidents or offences against women or children have increased since the emergency?	 Yes (please specify) 			
4)	Do you know whom to report incidents or offences against women and children to?	 Yes (Please specify) 			
		□ No □ Do not know			

9	COMMUNICATIONS		
1)	Are mobile phone networks available and working?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not	know
2)	How do you prefer to receive information? (Select all that apply)	 Agency staff Community volunteers Community leaders Local government authorities Place of worship Public noticeboard Do not know 	 Banners/posters Printed materials (eg leaflets) SMS Newspaper Radio Online (eg Facebook)
3)	How do you prefer to share information and give feedback to us? (Select all that apply)	 Community meetings Community leaders Face-to-face discussion Paper feedback form 	 Telephone Text messages Online (eg Facebook) Do not know

Annex 1

Emergency Market Assessment: QUESTIONS FOR BENEFICIARIES

This annex contains the **questions for beneficiaries** that make up Part A of Tearfund's Emergency/Remote Market Assessment. They are included here because you may choose to ask them at the end of your household surveys.

Please note that this annex **does not** constitute a full market assessment. See Annex 2 for the remainder.

1	ASSESSMENT DE	TAILS			
1)	Name of assessor		3)	Location	
2)	Date of assessment		4)	GPS coordinates	

2	QUESTIONS FOR BENEFICIARIES		
2.1			
1)	since the emergency? (Answer was' or 'Ne' for	Market location:	
		□ Yes □ No 	
		Market location:	
		□ Yes □ No 	
		Market location:	
		□ Yes □ No 	
2)	How long does it take you to reach local	Market location:	
	marketplaces? Please answer for each marketplace named above and specify your	30 minutes or less 30 minutes to 1 hour	
	mode of travel.	O More than 1 hour	
		 Walking Public transport Other 	
		Market location:	
		O 30 minutes or less O 30 minutes to 1 hour	
		O More than 1 hour	
		 Walking Public transport Other 	
		Market location:	
		O 30 minutes or less O 30 minutes to 1 hour	
		O More than 1 hour	
		 Walking Public transport Other 	

Do you feel safe when travelling to the local marketplaces named above?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know
Availability of commodities	
What three commodities (specific food or non-food items) are you most in need of for your household?	Commodity 1: Commodity 2: Commodity 3:
Have you been able to purchase your top three commodities in local markets since the emergency? If 'No', explain why.	Commodity 1: ^o Yes ^o No
	□ Do not know
	Commodity 2: ^o Yes ^o No
	Do not know
	Commodity 3: ^o Yes ^o No
	□ Do not know
Are these three commodities available in sufficient quantity in the local markets?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know
Are you satisfied with the quality of these three commodities as available in the local markets?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know
Have you noticed any fluctuation in the price of these three commodities since the emergency?	□ Yes □ No □ Do not know
Assistance modalities	
What mechanisms do people in this area use to transfer money? Select all that apply.	 Banks Remittance companies Mobile money Post office Only direct cash Other Do not know
	marketplaces named above? Availability of commodities What three commodities (specific food or non-food items) are you most in need of for your household? Have you been able to purchase your top three commodities in local markets since the emergency? If 'No', explain why. Are these three commodities available in sufficient quantity in the local markets? Are you satisfied with the quality of these three commodities as available in the local markets? Have you noticed any fluctuation in the price of these three commodities since the emergency? Wat mechanisms do people in this area use to

Annex 2

Emergency Market Assessment: QUESTIONS FOR TRADERS

This annex contains the **questions for traders** that make up Part B of <u>Tearfund's Emergency/Remote Market</u> <u>Assessment</u>. Unlike the Initial Rapid Needs Assessment and the questions in Annex 1, the people surveyed with these questions must be:

- Traders (retailers or wholesalers) in local marketplaces mentioned by beneficiaries in Annex 1.
- Try to speak to at least three retailers and two wholesalers (if wholesalers are present) in each marketplace. See definitions below.

Definitions - wholesaler and retailer

- A wholesaler sells the goods in bulk quantities to other businesses, who then sell it on
- A retailer sells the goods directly to the final consumer, usually in smaller quantities

1	ASSESSMENT AND TRADER DETAILS				
1)	Name of assessor		4)	GPS coordinates	
2)	Date of assessment		5)	Name of informant	
3)	Name/location of marketplace		6)	Is the informant a retailer or wholesaler? See definitions above.	RetailerWholesalerBoth

2	MOST-NEEDED COMMODITIES	
1)	From Annex 1, what are the three most important commodities people say they need?	Commodity 1:
	h	? Commodity 2:
		Commodity 3:

3	QUESTIONS FOR TRADERS		
Con	nmodity 1		
1)	Name of Commodity 1 Copy from 'Most needed commodities' but make clear specifications about quantity, quality, origin and brand.	Name: Specifications:	
2)	Approximately how many retailers supply this commodity, in this marketplace?	 Between 1 and 5 Between 6 and 10 Between 11 and 15 Between 16 and 20 	 More than 20 None Do not know
3)	Approximately how many wholesalers supply this commodity, in this marketplace?	 Between 1 and 5 Between 6 and 10 Between 11 and 15 Between 16 and 20 	 More than 20 None Do not know
4)	What are the main source marketplaces for this commodity? (Where do traders resupply?)		
5)	Have the usual external supply routes for the source marketplaces been affected since the emergency? If 'Yes', please specify which source marketplaces have been affected and how.	 Yes – completely restricted Yes – severely restricted Yes – partly restricted Yes 	 No – not affected Do not know
6)	If the demand for this commodity were to increase, what is the maximum amount of stock that you could bring in, within one week? Please specify units.		
7)	If the demand for this commodity were to increase, what is the maximum amount of stock that you could bring in, within 2 weeks? Please specify units.		
8)	If the demand for this commodity were to increase, what is the maximum amount of stock that you could bring in, within one month? Please specify units.		
9)	What are the key problems you might face if demand increased and you tried to re-supply? Note to assessor: <i>Be careful. Traders might</i> <i>suggest that they can re-supply quickly and</i> <i>without problems if they think that you will</i> <i>purchase from them. Make sure that you probe</i> <i>their answer, asking whether they have a 'Plan</i> <i>B' for re-stocking the commodity.</i>		

10)	Has the price of the commodity changed since the emergency? If 'Yes', by how much (as a percentage) has the price of the commodity changed since the emergency?	 Yes – increase in price Yes – decrease in price No change in price 	
11)	What is the price at which the commodity is currently being sold in this marketplace?		
Com	modity 2		
1)	Name of Commodity 2 Copy from 'Most needed commodities' but make clear specifications about quantity, quality, origin and brand.	Name: Specifications:	
2)	Approximately how many retailers supply this commodity, in this marketplace?	 Between 1 and 5 Between 6 and 10 Between 11 and 15 Between 16 and 20 	More than 20NoneDo not know
3)	Approximately how many wholesalers supply this commodity, in this marketplace?	 Between 1 and 5 Between 6 and 10 Between 11 and 15 Between 16 and 20 	 More than 20 None Do not know
4)	What are the main source marketplaces for this commodity? (Where do traders resupply?)		
5)	Have the usual external supply routes for the source marketplaces been affected since the emergency? If 'Yes', please specify which source marketplaces have been affected and how.	 Yes – completely restricted Yes – severely restricted Yes – partly restricted Yes 	 No – not affected Do not know
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9)	What are the key problems you might face if demand increased and you tried to re-supply? Note to assessor: <i>Be careful. Traders might</i> <i>suggest that they can re-supply quickly and</i> <i>without problems if they think that you will</i> <i>purchase from them. Make sure that you probe</i> <i>their answer, asking whether they have a 'Plan</i> <i>B' for re-stocking the commodity.</i>		
10)	Has the price of the commodity changed since the emergency? If 'Yes', by how much (as a percentage) has the price of the commodity changed since the emergency?	 Yes – increase in price Yes – decrease in price No change in price 	
11)	What is the price at which the commodity is currently being sold in this marketplace?		
Com	modity 3		
1)	Name of Commodity 3 Copy from 'Most needed commodities' but make clear specifications about quantity, quality, origin and brand.	Name: Specifications:	
2)	Approximately how many retailers supply this commodity, in this marketplace?	 Between 1 and 5 Between 6 and 10 Between 11 and 15 Between 16 and 20 	 More than 20 None Do not know
3)	Approximately how many wholesalers supply this commodity, in this marketplace?	 Between 1 and 5 Between 6 and 10 Between 11 and 15 Between 16 and 20 	 More than 20 None Do not know
4)	What are the main source marketplaces for this commodity? (Where do traders resupply?)		
5)	Have the usual external supply routes for the source marketplaces been affected since the emergency? If 'Yes', please specify which source marketplaces have been affected and how.	 Yes – completely restricted Yes – severely restricted Yes – partly restricted Yes 	 No – not affected Do not know
6)	If the demand for this commodity were to increase, what is the maximum amount of stock that you could bring in, within one week? Please specify units.		
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10)	Has the price of the commodity changed since the emergency? If 'Yes', by how much (as a percentage) has the price of the commodity changed since the emergency?	 Yes – increase in price% Yes – decrease in price% No change in price
11)	What is the price at which the commodity is currently being sold in this marketplace?	



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