**TOOL 2:** Reference crisis, key markets and commodities needed by the shock-affected population[[1]](#footnote-1)

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| **Q1** | **Describe the type of reference crisis** *(Give a brief description. Include the month(s) and year(s) when the crisis took place.* | | | |  | | | |
| **Q2** | **Name the area(s) affected by the crisis.** *(e.g., district, community or other area. Organize a map of the area.)* | | | |  | | | |
| **Q3** | **What was the population size in the affected area(s) during the time of the crisis?**  *(Number of households and people. If the population varied during the crisis, give population estimates during the worst part of the crisis. )* | | | | **Total population** | | **Affected population** | |
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| **Q4** | **How did the size of the population in the affected area change due to the crisis?** *(If the total size of the population changed as a consequence of the crisis, potential total demand may have changed. Therefore, try to establish the size of the population before and after the shock and explain the change.)* | | | | | | | |
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| **Q5** | **A. What were the 4 most important commodities needed by the affected population?** *(Note them in order of importance)* | | **B. How much/many does a typical household need PER DAY/ WEEK/MONTH for/of each of the listed commodities?** | | **C. When were these commodities needed after the shock?** | | **D. For how long were they needed?** | |
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| **Q6** | **List the communities that were affected by the shock, their population size, and the marketplaces they normally frequented and alternative/close markets.** *(Try and cluster the communities according to the markets they use)* | | | | | | | |
| Community name | | Population size  *(households)* | | Name of the marketplace used normally | | Alternative/closest marketplace | |
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| **Q7** | **In summary, what were the main marketplaces used by the majority of the affected population?** *(Review data above in Q5 and consider the more popular markets)* | | | | **Principal marketplaces** | | **Population size they served** *(households)* | |
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| **Q8** | **Of the main marketplaces listed in Q6, are these commodities available now and were they likely to be available after the shock?** | | | | | | | |
| **Name of the marketplace** | | **Commodities available now?** *(Specify: yes, no, not sure, only sometimes, seasonally, only some commodities [specify which ones], etc.)* | | | **Commodities available after the shock?**  *(Specify: yes, no, not sure, only sometimes, seasonally, only some commodities [specify which ones], etc.)* | | |
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| **Q9** | **Based on past experience (past shocks and responses), secondary data, and key informants, is it likely that these marketplaces will be able to supply sufficient quantities of the key commodities in the event of a similar crisis in the future?** | | | | | | | |
| **Name of the marketplace** | | **Likely or unlikely to supply sufficient quantities**  *(Mark if likely or unlikely)* | | | **Comments**  *(Add comments that may need further investigation during trader interviews)* | | |
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| **Q10** | **Did the shock prevent households from accessing these marketplaces?** | | | | | | | |
| **Name of the marketplace** | | **Able to access?** *Mark Yes or No* | | | **If not able to access, why not?** | | |
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| **Q11** | **Are there security, ethnic, gender or other social issues that can affect access to marketplaces?** *(Note YES or NO for every market and if the answer is YES, explain WHAT and WHY. Note that there can be social issues like old age and difficulties for certain wealth groups.)* | | | | | | | |
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| **Q12** | **SUMMARY OF FINDINGS: Based on all the above information, list commodities needed per marketplace to be assessed.** | | | | | | | |
| **Name of the marketplace** | | **Marketplace location** | **Frequency of operation** | **Distance to the marketplace** | **Means of transport to access** | **Time to get there** | **Cost to get there** |
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| **Q13** | **Based on all the above information of population size, commodities requested, and frequency and duration of need, list commodities needed per marketplace to be assessed in the RAM.**  *(Note that this is required for application of the RAM.)* | | | | | | | |
| Name of the marketplace | | Commodity needed by affected population | | Frequency | Duration | Number of households | Comment |
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| **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS** | | | | | | | | |
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1. Adapted from Tool 2 of the Rapid Assessment for Markets (RAM) Guidelines published by IFRC/ICRC, 2014. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)