IBBY Yemen | 2026 Work Plan

PREPARED FOR: PARTNERS, DONORS, STAKEHOLDERS

Context & Why This Matters

PROLONGED CRISIS

A prolonged crisis has severely limited children’s access to safe learning spaces and essential reading materials, affecting their overall wellbeing and development.

COMMUNITY-BASED DELIVERY

Community-based, low-cost delivery of reading and storytelling programs is vital in fragile settings to support emotional coping and learning continuity.

IBBY Yemen's Mission and Vision for 2026

VISION & MISSION

Our mission is to promote reading and creativity while connecting Yemeni children’s literature to IBBY, ensuring operational readiness and consistent program delivery.

2026 Objectives & Targets

READING ACCESS

Expand access to reading activities through community spaces and resources, aiming for **24–36 reading sessions** across various regions.

PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

Deliver safe book- and arts-based psychosocial support services, targeting **12–18 sessions** to help children cope with trauma and stress.

LITERATURE ECOSYSTEM

Strengthen the Yemeni children's literature ecosystem by organizing **2 capacity workshops** for local writers and illustrators to enhance skills and visibility.

Program Pillar 1: Fostering a Love for Reading

ENGAGING YOUNG READERS

IBBY Yemen promotes reading through community circles, school sessions, and digital prompts, ensuring child-centered, safe participation in all activities.

Book- and Arts-based Psychosocial Support

ENGAGING CONFLICT-AFFECTED CHILDREN

Our approach integrates stories, drawing, and creative writing through child-friendly group activities, ensuring safe participation and emotional expression.

Empowering Writers and Illustrators in Yemen

CAPACITY BUILDING INITIATIVES

We will conduct **workshops and competitions** to strengthen local talent, culminating in the 2026 Yemen Honour List to elevate visibility.

Program Pillar 4: Media, Outreach, and Documentation

COMMUNICATION AND VISIBILITY STRATEGIES

Effective storytelling through field reporting and campaigns enhances visibility, engagement, and partner collaboration, ensuring IBBY Yemen's impact resonates widely.

2026 Timeline & Milestones

Q1

In the first quarter, we will focus on readiness through policy development, onboarding staff, equipping tools, and mapping partners.

Q2

During the second quarter, we plan to launch our initiatives, activate Book Day events, and establish our first partnerships for collaboration.

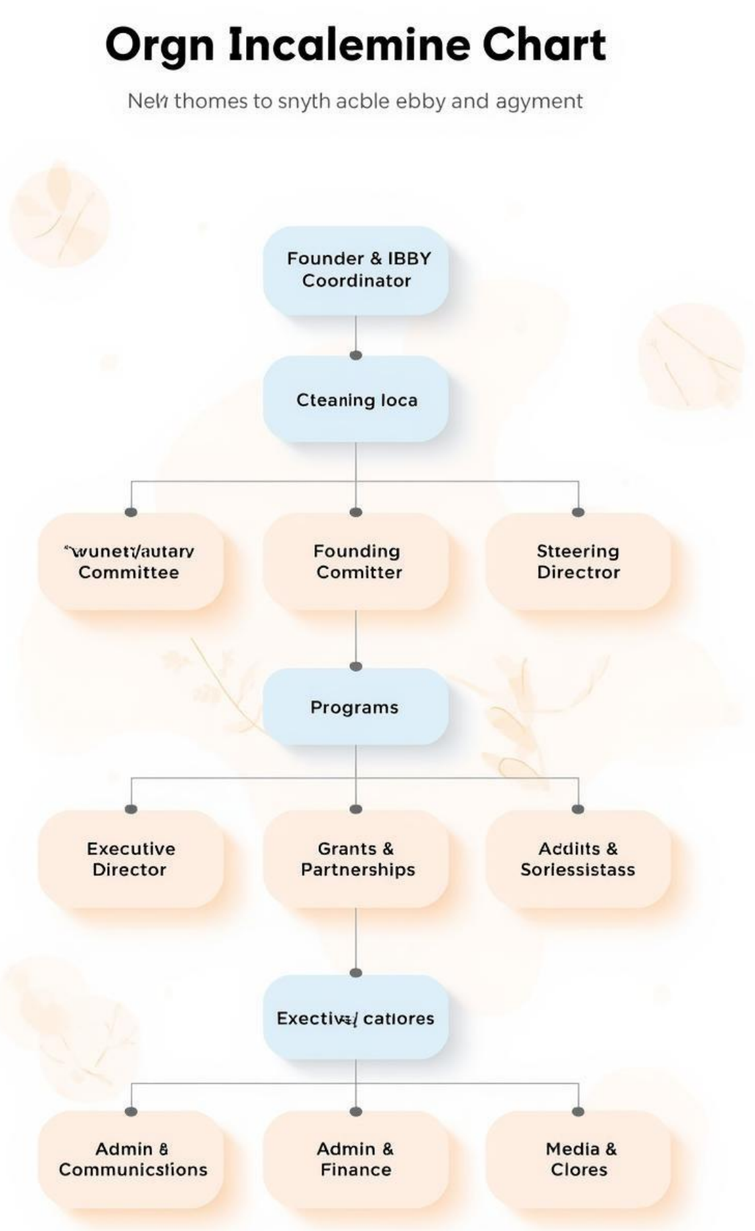
Q3

In the third quarter, we aim to scale up our delivery of programs, host competitions and workshops, and enhance our documentation efforts.

Governance and Team Structure for IBBY Yemen

KEY LEADERSHIP ROLES

The governance structure includes the Founder & IBBY Coordinator, Executive Director, and functional leads for effective operations and strategic oversight.



Core Responsibilities

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

Responsible for strategic planning, ensuring quality assurance, and engaging stakeholders to align with IBBY Yemen's mission and objectives.

PROGRAMS

Focused on planning, delivering session activities, and reporting outcomes, while collecting success stories to highlight program impacts and effectiveness.

GRANTS/PARTNERSHIPS

Manages proposals, builds donor relationships, and develops a partnership pipeline to secure funding and collaborative opportunities for IBBY Yemen.

Safeguarding & Ethics

RESPECT

IBBY Yemen prioritizes **respect** for every individual, ensuring non-discrimination and the dignity of children and their families in all activities.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Maintaining **confidentiality** is crucial; we ensure safe data handling practices to protect the identities and stories of all participants involved.

ONBOARDING

Safe volunteer **onboarding** processes include comprehensive training to uphold our safeguarding principles while promoting a supportive environment for all young participants.

Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning

OUTPUTS

We will track the **number of sessions delivered**, participants reached, and materials produced to measure our program's effectiveness.

QUALITY

Quality will be assessed through **participant feedback**, facilitator reflections, and adherence to safeguarding compliance to ensure safe programming.

EVIDENCE

We will gather **photos and stories** (with consent), attendance records, and short outcome notes to provide tangible evidence of our impact.

Partnerships & Funding

MODEL

The 2026 model focuses on **volunteer-led initiatives**, leveraging in-kind support and utilizing hosted venues to enhance program delivery.

GRANTS

The grants pipeline consists of **micro and small grants** aimed at promoting reading, psychosocial support, and cultural education initiatives.

TYPES

Partnership types include collaboration with **schools, community centers, NGOs, publishers, and the private sector** to foster a sustainable ecosystem.

Risks and Mitigation

ACCESS

Address access and security constraints by employing flexible scheduling and collaborating with local partners to ensure safe program delivery.

FUNDING

Mitigate funding volatility by diversifying donor sources, securing in-kind support, and implementing phased activities tailored to available resources.

DATA PROTECTION

Enhance data protection measures by adhering to strict consent protocols and minimizing data collection to safeguard participant information and privacy.

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