### ACTION POINTS

- Partners are requested to submit their Service Request Form (SRF) via [ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org](mailto:ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org) to access storage and transport services.
- Partners who would like to request Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) for their storage should write to [ethiopia.logisticsclustermsu@wfp.org](mailto:ethiopia.logisticsclustermsu@wfp.org). More information on the MSU request process can be found [here](#).
- Partners who wish to be added to the Logistics Cluster mailing list should contact [Hannah.bamberger@wfp.org](mailto:Hannah.bamberger@wfp.org)
- Partners to share their logistics gaps and needs in the Amhara region with the Logistics Cluster via [Ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org](mailto:Ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org).

### AGENDA

- Welcome and Introduction
- OCHA Updates
- Operational Updates
- Partner Update: ORDA Operations in Amhara
- Logistics Cluster Available Services
- FAQs and Partner Discussions

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

- The Logistics Cluster initiated the meeting welcoming participants and thanking them for attending the third bi-weekly Logistics Cluster coordination meeting in Bahir Dar.
1. OCHA Updates

- OCHA informed that OCHA Access Working Group has increased its footprint in Bahir Dar.
- OCHA informed Access Working Group meetings will be launched in Bahir Dar in the coming weeks.
- OCHA provided access updates across the Amhara Region, and raised security concerns.
- OCHA informed that it plans to have a bilateral meeting with the authorities in the coming days to discuss accessibility in the Amhara Region.

2. Operational highlights

- The Logistics Cluster informed partners that between 28 October and 17 November, 132 mt of supplies of behalf of 4 partners were dispatched to the Amhara region. Items fall under Food Security, Shelter, and Health.
- Partners were informed that, in 11 November, the Humanitarian Country Team endorsed the extension of the Logistics Cluster activation period.
- Partners were informed about the current available storage capacity in the Amhara region, there is a 50% available space in the Kombolcha warehouse, which is 640 m2, and there is currently a 100% availability in the Gondar warehouse, which is 2,400 m2.
- The next coordination meeting in Bahir Dar will take place on Thursday, 9 December at 10:30 EAT, both online and in-person. The Logistics Cluster National Coordination Meeting will take place on Tuesday 2 November at 11:00 EAT, online.
- To be added to the mailing list to receive Logistics Cluster communications and notifications on upcoming meetings, partners should contact hannah.bamberger@wfp.org.

3. Partner Update: Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Operations in Amhara

- CRS shared information on the background of its organisation. Partners were informed that seven organisations were in consortium, under JEOP and CRS is the lead of this consortium.
- CRS provided figures about JEOP’s activities in Ethiopia.

4. Available Services and how to use them

- Partners were informed about the Logistics Cluster footprint in Ethiopia: there are warehouses in 7 hubs across the country, and the warehouses in the Amhara region have a capacity of 3,840 m2 (2,400 m2 in Gondar and 640 m2 in Kombolcha).
- Additionally, the Logistics Cluster offers transportation services to partners who require trucks to move relief items, as well as training sessions on request.
- Partners were informed that the Logistics Cluster holds regular coordination meetings in Addis Ababa, Shire, Semera, Mekele and Bahir Dar.

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To subscribe to the Logistics Cluster mailing list, partners should contact hannah.bamberger@wfp.org as well as check https://logcluster.org/ops/eth20a for any upcoming meetings, meeting minutes and any other relevant documentation.

5. FAQs and partner discussion

- Partners shared main logistics challenges, highlighting that transportation issues remain an important challenge, following by warehouse capacity as well as prepositioning cargo.
- Partners were informed that they can reach out to the Bahir Dar Field Cluster Coordinator (crispin.tshiamala@wfp.org) and the Logistics Cluster Information Management Officer (hannah.bamberger@wfp.org) if they require any additional information, or if they wish to be added to the Logistics Cluster mailing list.
- Partners were informed that all meeting minutes can be found on the Logistics Cluster website here.

The next Bahir Dar Coordination Meeting is scheduled for 11 November at 10:30 EAT.

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