Highlights

- The Preparedness Expert rolled out the Field-Based Preparedness Project (FBPP) in March 2021 in Tajikistan and handed over the responsibilities to the national Preparedness Officer in July 2021.

- The National Preparedness Officer continued working with the Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defense (CoES), who is the national counterpart of FBPP and the lead of the National Logistics Preparedness Working Group (NLPWG). The NLPWG was established in June following the FBPP project advocacy for a coordinated mechanism towards strengthening national humanitarian logistics capacities.

- During the last quarter of 2021, the National Preparedness Officer conducted various meetings with CoES and NLPWG members to strengthen the humanitarian logistics preparedness through coordination and logistics information sharing. In line with the Institutional Capacity Strengthening (ICS) approach, a piloted Capacity Needs Mapping (CNM) exercise was conducted with a CoES Working Group in September.

- In December, another CNM exercise was conducted with CoES, NLPWG members, and representatives of the private sector to discuss existing capacities of the Humanitarian Supply Chain & Logistics (HSC&L) system and identified gaps and challenges that hamper the system.

Background

Based on risk indices and national-level logistics performance and capacity indicators, in 2020 Tajikistan was identified as one of the country candidates for the Global Logistics Cluster’s Field-Based Preparedness Project. The primary aim of the Project is to support and empower national actors to strengthen their capacity to autonomously prepare for and respond to humanitarian crises. A key element of this is the facilitation of a coordinated approach towards improving the resilience of local humanitarian supply chains and supporting effective information exchange.

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between the government, national actors, and the private sector, to ensure all actors are well prepared for joint humanitarian logistics responses. In the event of a large-scale disaster event, should the Government of Tajikistan request international humanitarian assistance, the Global Logistics Cluster capacities can support national actors in facilitating a coordinated response.

In March 2021, a Preparedness Expert was deployed to Tajikistan to commence the process of mapping national logistics capacities and stakeholders. He worked with national counterparts to socialise the System’s Capacity Strengthening framework and approach as well as assist them in the identification of a Capacity Outcome Statement (COS). The COS will guide subsequent capacity strengthening initiatives based on the identified local needs. A national Preparedness Officer was then recruited and came on board in July 2021 to ensure the smooth handover of Project activities and continuous engagement with the national stakeholders.

Coordination

- In October, the Preparedness Officer organised a meeting with the NLPWG members to brainstorm the logistics coordination and emergency stock prepositioning. Some of the key topics discussed include logistics service provider database, transport capacity, customs clearance processes, warehouse capacity, road access constraints, and information sharing among the organisations involved in humanitarian logistics preparedness.

- The Preparedness Officer also discussed with CoES the main findings and feedback from the piloted CNM exercise, which was carried out in September. CoES agreed to lead and extend the conduct of the CNM exercise with a wider NLPWG members in December. The Preparedness Officer continued to socialise with CoES on system’s capacity strengthening processes and methodologies to ensure smooth preparation.

- On 14 December, the CNM exercise was conducted with NLPWG members and representatives of the private sector. Existing capacities of the Humanitarian Supply Chain & Logistics (HSC&L) system as well as relevant gaps and challenges were actively discussed at the meeting. The steps to strengthen these capacities were also identified. One of the key findings of the exercise showed that the coordination mechanism needs to be improved both in time of emergency crises and at peace.

Information management

- The Tajikistan Preparedness Webpage was launched in January 2022 to facilitate the Project’s communication and advocacy. Some of the key project documents published on the website are also available in Russian.

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