LOCATION
Mekele

DATE
29 March 2022

CHAIR
Logistics Cluster

PARTICIPANTS
African Humanitarian Aid and Development Agency (AHADA), Action for Social Development and Environmental Protection Organization (ASDEPO), Cooperative for Assistance and Relief Everywhere (CARE), Concern World Wide (CWW), Family Health International (FHI360), Food for the Hungry Ethiopia (FHE), Imagine 1 Day (I1D), Innovative Humanitarian Solutions (IHS), International Committee for the Development of Peoples (CISP), International Medical Corps (IMC), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Plan International Ethiopia (PIE), Save the Children International (SCI), United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), World Food Programme (WFP)

ACTION POINTS
• Partners wishing to access transport and storage services to submit the Service Request Form (SRF) via ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org
• Partners wishing to access the Logistics Cluster facilitated airlifts have to:
  (1) obtain the necessary clearance from the authorities (independently from the Logistics Cluster) and in parallel
  (2) coordinate with the Health Cluster Coordinator (Endalemaw Aberra, WHO, aberae@who.int), Nutrition Cluster Coordinator (Wondayferam Gemeda, UNICEF wgemeda@unicef.org), ES/NFI Cluster (Getahun Shimelis, CRS, Getahun.shimelis@crs.org), Agriculture Cluster (Ntandoyenkosi Mlobane, FAO, ntandoyenkosi.mlobane@fao.org), WASH Cluster (Laure Lanquez, UNICEF, lanquez@unicef.org) to be included in the prioritisation list
  (3) request to submit a Service Request Form (SRF).
  For additional information, kindly contact hannah.bamberger@wfp.org. Further information can be found in the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) published online
• Partners to contact their respective clusters for mobilizing list of items for prioritization to be dispatched through airlift.

AGENDA
1. Welcome and Introduction
2. OCHA Updates
3. Operational Updates
4. Humanitarian Convoys
5. Air Operations Update
6. FAQs and Partner Discussion

https://logcluster.org/ops/eth20a
1. Welcome and Introductions

- Partners were welcomed and encouraged to participate in all Logistics Cluster hubs meetings as they are critical for sharing information and for timely coordination of common services.

2. OCHA Updates

- OCHA highlighted that 75% of Tigray is accessible as the Western zone remains hard to reach.
- OCHA also flagged that the security situation in Tigray remains volatile.
- OCHA informed partners that an inter-cluster mission to Erob Wereda that took place between 25 and 28 March was conducted successfully.
- For further information, partners are encouraged to contact tsegaye.kahsay@un.org

3. Operational Updates

- Partners were informed that 0.98 mt of medical supplies belonging to one partner were retrieved from the warehouse in Mekele on 24 March and 25 March. The items were picked up by the partner’s implementing partner organizations to be distributed to IDP sites in Mekele.
- Partners were also informed that 3.62 mt of medical supplies belonging to one partner were retrieved from the Mekele warehouse to be distributed in medical centres. Transport and fuel were secured by the partner.
- Partners were informed about the current warehouse capacity for Mekele. The total size of the warehouse is 1,600 m². Currently, 377 m² are occupied by cargo on behalf of seven partners, representing a warehouse occupation of approximately 23.6%.
- Partners were reminded that to access transport and storage services facilitated by the Logistics Cluster, they are requested to submit the Service Request Form (SRF) to ethiopia.logisticsclusterCargo@wfp.org.

4. Humanitarian convoys

- Partners were informed that convoys remain on hold since 14 December 2021.
- Partners were also informed that the test convoy is in Semera waiting for clearances from the regional authorities.

5. Air Operations Update

- Partners were informed that 38.8 mt of prioritized life-saving nutrition items on behalf of two partners were airlifted successfully between 22 March and 29 March through the Logistics Cluster.
- Partners were also informed that the Boeing 737 is currently facing technical issues.
6. FAQs and Partner Discussion

- Some partners highlighted that they have not been able to transport cash into Tigray for the last three weeks.

The next Logistics Cluster Coordination Meeting in Mekele is scheduled for Tuesday 5 April 2022 at WFP Conference Room 15:00 EAT and online.

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