Meeting Minutes, 10 May 2022
Mekele, Ethiopia

LOCATION
Mekele

DATE
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CHAIR
Logistics Cluster

PARTICIPANTS

ACTION POINTS
• Partners wishing to access transport and storage services to submit the Service Request Form (SRF) via ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org
• Partners are requested to submit their Service Request Form (SRF) via ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org to access storage and transport services. In order to request mobile storage units (MSUs) partners must submit the MSU request form to the same email address. More information on the MSU request process can be found here.
• Partners have been asked to share updates on return trucks from Mekelle to Semera.

AGENDA
1. Situation Updates
2. Humanitarian Logistics Operations
3. Logistics Cluster Operational Updates
4. FAQs and Partner Discussion

1. Situation Updates

OCHA Access Working Group Updates
• OCHA reported 75% of Tigray is currently accessible. The western zone remains hard to reach.
• OCHA also highlighted that the volatile security situation in Tigray. OCHA advised participants to take mitigation measures due to the increased reports of crimes in Mekelle.
• For further information, partners are encouraged to contact tsegayekahsay@un.org

https://logcluster.org/ops/eth20a
UNHAS Updates

- UNHAS passenger flights (Addis Ababa - Mekelle - Addis Ababa) are scheduled for every Tuesday and Thursday. OCHA, on behalf of UNHAS, informed partners that two flights took place last week.
- For further details partners were recommended to reach out to UNHAS.Ethiopia@wfp.org

2. Humanitarian Logistics Operations

HUMANITARIAN CONVOYS, SEMERA – MEKELLE

- Partners were informed that convoy 005/2022, consisting of 17 trucks, arrived in Mekelle on 4 May 2022 through the humanitarian corridor in Afar. Partners were also informed that a total of 629.39 mt of food and NFI items were transported on behalf of five partners.
- Partners were also informed that Convoy 006/2022, consisting of 62 trucks, arrived in Mekelle on 7 May 2022 through the humanitarian corridor in Afar. Partners were also informed that a total of 2,260 mt of food, WASH, and ES/NFI were transported on behalf of 10 partners.
- Convoy 007/2022 consisting of 105 trucks departed Semera on 8 May.
- The Logistics Cluster announced that convoys will leave Semera every three days for the next two weeks in order to ensure that authorities in charge of cargo inspection have the required capacity to process cargo in Afar.

AIRLIFT OPERATIONS, ADDIS-ABABA – MEKELLE

- The Logistics Cluster informed partners that 38.5 mt of health, nutrition, agriculture, WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene) and ES (emergency shelter)/NFI (non-food items) items on behalf of five partners were airlifted successfully between 4 May and 7 May 2022.
- The Logistics Cluster also informed partners that at the moment available resources allow the Logistics Cluster to plan for two cargo rotations. After this, the Logistics Cluster will remain on stand-by until further funds for airlift operations are received.

3. Logistics Cluster Operational Updates

- Partners were informed that the Logistics Cluster warehouse in Mekelle received 75 mt of Food, WASH, Health and ES/NFI items belonging to four partners between 5 May and 8 May 2022. The total size of the Mekelle warehouse is 1,600 m². Currently, 827 m² are occupied by cargo on behalf of nine partners, representing a warehouse occupation of 51.68 %.
- 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. FAQs and Partner Discussion

- A participant asked if the Logistics Cluster has a plan of increasing the capacity of the warehouse size in Mekelle due to the increased arrival of humanitarian cargo. The Logistics Cluster explained that at present there is no plan to increase the capacity of the warehouse in Mekelle because partners do not store their cargo at the Logistics Cluster warehouse in Mekelle. However, the Logistics Cluster will continue to monitor the need of storage capacity, should the need arise.

The next Logistics Cluster Coordination Meeting in Mekelle is scheduled for Tuesday 17 May 2022 at WFP Conference Room 15:00 EAT and online.

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