Meeting Minutes, 24 May 2022
Mekele, Ethiopia

LOCATION
Mekele

DATE
24 May 2022

CHAIR
Logistics Cluster

PARTICIPANTS
Action for Social Development and Environmental Protection Organization (ASDEPO), Catholic Relief services (CRS), Food for the Hungry (FHE), GOAL, Imagine 1 Day (I1D), Innovative Humanitarian Solutions (IHS), International Committee for the Development of Peoples (CISP), International Committee for the Red Cross (ICRC), International Medical Corps (IMC), International Organization for Migration (IOM), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), OXFAM, Plan International Ethiopia (PIE), SNV Netherlands Development Organization (SNV), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), World Food Programme (WFP), World Vision Ethiopia (WVE)

ACTION POINTS
Partners to share information with the Logistics Cluster on their trucks in order to explore the possibility to join convoys between Semera and Tigray. Partners are also encouraged to inform the Logistics Cluster if their trucks return from Tigray on their own.

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

1. Situation Updates

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

2. Humanitarian Logistics Operations

Humanitarian convoys between Semera and Mekelle
- Convoy 0010/2022 consisting of 164 trucks (including five WFP fuel tankers carrying 242,254 litres of fuel) arrived in Afar on 21 May 2022. Partners were also informed that a total of 6492 mt of food, protection, water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) and non-food items (NFIs) were transported on behalf of nine partners.

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- Convoy 0011/2022 consisting of 135 trucks reached Afar on 23 2022. Approximately 5400 mt of food, education, WASH and emergency shelter (ES) and NFI items were transported on behalf of five partners.
- The Logistics Cluster informed partners that clearance challenges are being faced at checkpoints for container trucks, High Energy Biscuits (HEB), and teff seeds.

Airlift operations between Addis Ababa and Mekele
- Partners were informed that 23.5 mt of prioritized lifesaving ES/NFI and agriculture items on behalf of two partners were airlifted through the United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) in the past week.

4. Logistics Cluster Operational Updates

- 117.5 mt of food items belonging to one partner were retrieved from the Mekele warehouse on 17 and 18 May 2022. The items were retrieved by the partner and transported to the partner warehouse in Shire.
- The warehouse in Mekelle received 226.52 mt of food, WASH, and health items belonging to five partners between 17 and 19 May 2022.
- The Mekelle warehouse capacity corresponds to 1,600 m². Currently, 1,280 m² is occupied by cargo on behalf of eight partners, representing a warehouse occupation rate of 80%.
- In order to access transport and storage services facilitated by the Logistics Cluster, partners are requested to submit their Service Request Form (SRF) to ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org.

5. AOB

- The Logistics Cluster announced the activation of the new Logistics Cluster hub in Jigjiga covering the drought response in the Somali region.

The next Logistics Cluster Coordination Meeting in Mekele is scheduled for Tuesday 31 May 2022 at WFP Conference Room 15:00 EAT and online.

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