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Mogadishu, Online

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CHAIR
Logistics Cluster

PARTICIPANTS
Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), International Medical Corps (IMC), GREDO, United Nations’s Children Fund (UNICEF), Somaus Help Inc., Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Save the Children, United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA), World Health Organization (WHO), Medicins Sans Frontieres (MSF), Secours Islamique France (SIF), Concern Worldwide, Action Against Hunger, International Committee of the Red Cross and World Food Programme (WFP).

ACTION POINTS
- Logistics Cluster to continue to share updates on access restrictions.
- Logistics Cluster to continue to share updates on fuel prices.
- Logistics Cluster to share Market Alerts Report upon request.
- Partners to share transport needs from Kenya to southern Somalian locations.
- Partners to reach out to the Logistics Cluster regarding any physical presence in El Berde.
- Partners to reach out to the Logistics Cluster re transporting cargo from Berbera or Bosasso to Mogadishu.
- Partners to share impact of new tariffs introduced at the Berbera sea port.
- Partners to share feedback from transporters on the road from Mogadishu to Jowhar.
- The Logistics Cluster to share Information Management products including one-page summary on (1) customs clearance (2) border crossing from Kenya to Somalia (3) key logistical challenges and (4) impact of Miraa trade on humanitarian logistics.
- Partners to share cargo transport needs to Mahas for the Logistics Cluster to consolidate.

AGENDA
1. Action Points Review
2. Situation Update
3. Coming IM & Coordination Efforts
4. Common Service Planning
5. Fuel Prices
6. AOB

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1. Action Points Review

The action points from the Coordination Meeting on 12 July were reviewed:

- The Logistics Cluster will continue to share updates on access restrictions across Somalia (road and airstrip accessibility). [Ongoing]
- The Logistics Cluster will continue to share updates on fuel prices across Somalia. [Ongoing]
- The Logistics Cluster will share Market Alert Reports upon request. [Ongoing]
- The Logistics Cluster will consolidate partners’ needs for El Wak and Mahas. [Completed]

2. Situation Update

General Country Updates:

- The Logistics Cluster is currently engaging with the Kenyan Government on the possibility of permanently opening the Mandera border. Feedback received from the Kenyan Government indicated that the border will not be permanently open until elections are concluded.
- In the meantime, one-off requests are being submitted. Current one-off crossing requests are yet to be approved. The target for the next one-off crossing is for mid-September.
- To anticipate needs, partners are requested to submit their transportation needs from Kenya to southern locations in Somalia.
- If approval is granted, the window may be short and received on short notice.

Road Transport Network Updates:

- Currently there is no warning issued for any other roads.

Air Transport Updates:

- All airstrips are currently accessible.
- Authorities have officially opened the airport in El Wak. Partners are requested to share their transport needs to El Wak for the Logistics Cluster to consolidate.
- Commercial transporters have indicated that the airstrip is deteriorating and if the airstrip is not repaired soon it will be difficult to continue to fly to El Berde. Partners to reach out to the Logistics Cluster if physically present in El Berde to allow engagement with the local authorities.

Sea Transport and Airport Updates:

- All sea ports remain operational: Mogadishu – Berbera – Bosasso – Kismayo.
- WFP time-chartered vessel MV Zehrah 1 is currently at sea to Mombasa and is expected to arrive on 18 August. The next port after Mombasa is Mogadishu followed by Bosasso and then Berbera.

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• Partners are requested to share cargo movement needs from Mogadishu to Bosasso and Berbera by 17 July.
• Partners to consider transporting cargoes from Berbera and Bosasso to Mogadishu via road, to then fly cargoes from Mogadishu to the southern locations. This is more cost efficient as the aircraft does not have to fly all the way to the north to pick the cargo and then return to the south.
• Current and ongoing winds are slightly delaying the vessel movement.
• The Logistics Cluster is currently consolidating feedback on the impact of the new tariffs which have been introduced at the Berbera port. Partners to share feedback with the Logistics Cluster on the new tariffs to allow the Logistics Cluster to conduct advocacy if needed.
• Updates to upcoming schedules will be shared with all partners on the Logistics Cluster website.

Relief Materials Pipeline and Sourcing:
• **Availability/Assortment:** Food commodities are available in all regions. However, there is limited supply of food commodities in Puntland due to low supply from the source market.
• **Prices:** While the prices of food commodities and fuel in South Somalia, Somaliland and Banadir/Hirshabelle have increased, the prices in Puntland and Central Somalia have remained stable.
• **Infrastructure:** The supply corridors in all regions are accessible. However, in Central Somalia, the supply corridor between Galkayo and Dhusamareb is currently very rough resulting in increased lead time for transporters. In addition, the supply corridor from Mogadishu to Raage-Elle district via War Sheik is heavily impacted by the floods caused by river Shabelle. Partners are advised to plan accordingly.
• Partners to reach out if a more granular analysis of the functionality of some markets are required.
• For a detailed report, please reach out to annekathrin.landherr@wfp.org

3. Logistics Cluster Concept of Operations (ConOps)

**Information Management**
• The Logistics Cluster is currently developing a number of Information Management Products to support ongoing advocacy in different areas:
  o Custom delays analysis results: paper presenting the results from this year’s analysis [expected this week]
  o Inter-agency opportunity analysis for Dollow/Dhobley border crossing: avoidance cost estimates for long-term Kenya-Somalia border opening [expected this week]
  o Miraa trade impact on air operations [expected this week]
  o Key Logistics challenges update: summary of high level/coordination-related issues in logistics for advocacy [expected next week]
• The updated Roads Access map and Airport Access map (as of 26 July) have been uploaded on the Logistics Cluster website.

**Coordination**
• Subnational Logistics Cluster meeting in Baidoa (focused on Bay/Bakool) [expected in two weeks]
• Subnational Logistics Cluster meeting in Beletweyne (focused on Hiiran) [expected in three weeks]
Services

- Thus far in 2022:
  - The Logistics Cluster has supported 12 organisations (CESVI, UNHCR, HAPPEN, IOM, ACF, MOHADM, Gredo, GRRNUNICEF, Concern, Save the Children and MOH).
  - The Logistics Cluster transported 1,385 mt of cargoes (Nutrition, Wash, Health, Education, Shelter, NFIs and Food) to 22 locations (Adado, Afmadow, Baidoa, Belethawa, Beletweyne, Bulo Burte, Burdhubo, Dhooley, Dhusamareb, Diinsor, Dollow, El Wak, El Berde, Galkayo, Garbaharey, Garowe, Huddur, Kismayo, Luuq, Mogadishu, Qansadhere and Wajid).
  - 73.38 mt of cargo was transported on behalf of five organisations during the month of July 2022.
  - 673.81 mt of cargo has been transport via air, 591.57 mt via road and 120 mt via sea.

- The Logistics Cluster has increased its transport capacity to support partners in the scale up in the next few months.
- The majority of requests for airlifts are for transport to the southern regions.
- Access remains a concern due to insecurity, especially in areas under the control of non-state armed actors. This is creating high dependency on airlifts, increasing the cost of transportation.

Rotary Wing Needs Mapping

- The Logistics Cluster is currently assessing the needs for helicopters.
- So far, only ad hoc requests for Mahas have been received from partners. Therefore, organisations had to rely on UNSOS assets which can only be made available once UNSOS core mandate is fulfilled, therefore imposing a prioritisation challenge.
- Partners are requested to share their needs to transport cargoes to inaccessible locations.
- Asset identification is currently underway if a helicopter should be deployed to support the upscaling of operations in Somalia.

4. Energy Fuel Prices

Energy Fuel Analysis: Diesel

- The Logistics Cluster continues to conduct assessments on fuel prices. Fuel prices are monitored in eight regions (Juba Region, Sorghum Belt (Baidoa), Shabelle (Jowhar), Central (Galkayo), Garowe (Nugaal), NE (Bossaso), Banadir (Mogadishu) and NW (Hargeisa).
- The average price for diesel is currently at USD 1.18 per litre.
- The data consolidated indicated that there was an increase in price of 4 percent between June and July.
- Since January 2022, there has been an estimated 45 percent increase in fuel price.

Energy Fuel Analysis: A1 Jet Fuel

- A1 Jet Fuel is mainly used for airlifting and it is therefore important for partners to continue monitoring its availability and cost.
- The average price for A1 Jet Fuel is currently at USD 1.30 per litre.
- Since January 2022, A1 Jet Fuel has increased from USD 0.60 per litre to USD 1.30 per litre, a 117 percent increase.
5. AOB

- **Question 1: What is the latest update on the road from Mogadishu to Jowhar?**
  - The Logistics Cluster is requesting partners to collect and share information on any updates on the road between Mogadishu and Jowhar.
  - The Logistics Cluster informed that currently the situation between Mogadishu and Jowhar remains unstable and that the only option is to fly to Jowhar from Mogadishu.
  - Partners to reach out to the Logistics Cluster if there is a need to transport by air to Jowhar.

- The Logistics Cluster will meet again on the **16 August at 11:00 am EAT.**

- All requests (including IM requests) to be directed to somalia.clustercargo@wfp.org

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