LOCATION  KABUL, online

DATE  31 May 2023

CHAIR  Logistics Working Group


AGENDA  1. Recap of Previous Action Points (from LWG meeting on April 26th, 2023)
2. LWG Communications, Meeting link etc.
3. Logistics Gaps & Needs Analysis (GNA)
4. Service Market Place (SMP)
5. Updates on Border Status and Customs Issues
6. Aviation-Related Update
   • PACTEC Flight Assessment
7. Shared Resources
8. Any Other Business (AOB)

1. Recap of Previous Action Points:

   • Ongoing — Customs standardization and streamlining has been taken up by the United Nations Operations Management Team (UN OMT). Member UN organizations have been asked to share internal Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for sector-specific customs procedures for review and consolidation. Any partners interested in sharing information on customs procedures for joint discussion and consolidation should contact the Logistics Working Group (LWG)

   • Pharmaceutical Exemption Letter by AFDA – Update sent to partners by PU-AMI on the use of the exemption letter and how to add an NGOs name in the letter.
2. LWG Communication Forum

The LWG team shared the below weekly planning with partners during the LWG coordination meeting to increase awareness of the communication forum.

- **Week 1**: LWG team will share slides from the meeting
  - Click here: [Link to the slides presentation](https://logcluster.org/countries/AFG) of the meeting on 31 May 2023.
- **Week 2**: Follow up on previous meeting action points and publish meeting minutes
- **Week 3**: Meeting planning, a call for action points/presentations
- **Week 4**: Reminder and sharing meeting link with LWG partners.

The shared Teams meeting link will remain open, allowing for continuous communication and information exchange between LWG partners between scheduled coordination meetings. Partners are encouraged to use this forum for logistics questions, concerns, or challenges.

3. Logistics Gaps & Needs Analysis (GNA):

The (GNA) Logistics Gaps and Needs Exercises were introduced to partners during the LWG coordination meeting, along with a refresher overview of previously conducted GNAs in Afghanistan. A new GNA is being proposed due to the recent national policy changes affecting humanitarian staffing.

The GNA is a series of interviews with the logistics coordinator or operations director of organizations that have humanitarian logistics operations in-country. It is an official report based on partners’ feedback.

Below are the useful resources related to an overview of the GNA process
1. April 2020 Afghanistan GNA linked [here](https://logcluster.org/countries/AFG)
2. October 2021 Global Call and Rapid GNA [here](https://logcluster.org/countries/AFG)
3. What is a GNA? video [here](https://logcluster.org/countries/AFG)

4. Service Market Place (SMP):

Following the last LWG coordination meeting’s briefing on UNHRD, the WFP Humanitarian Logistics Services (HLS) team introduced WFP On-Demand Services and the SMP. It was emphasized that the LWG remains the primary point of contact for partner logistics concerns and challenges and common collaborative solutions.

The SMP general briefing included types of services and how the platform works. Service Marketplace is the WFP one-stop-shop for service provision, allowing the humanitarian community to request services by simply registering to the digital platform in a streamlined and quick way.
Link: How to register to the WFP Service Marketplace Platform
For accessing the SMP home page please click here
For more information on how to register and create a request download the WFP Service Marketplace Quick Reference User Guide (here). Or contact: Besharat AHMAD besharat.ahmad@wfp.org

Logistics Impact of Ban on Female National Staff Workers:

On 11 April 2023 Special Representative and the Resident Coordinator called for a one-month trial period where all national UN staff were requested to work from home, further updates are expected in May.

Discussions were held on partner reliance on the commercial logistics sector; dependence on humanitarian logistics support organizations; partner internal organizational logistics staffing across procurement, warehousing, transportation, contracting, and partner contingency planning.

The LWG continues to monitor closely for unanticipated gaps and secondary effects of reduced commercial or humanitarian logistics capacity resulting in the potential widening of decree enforcement, stronger restrictions on female staffing, or larger changes to humanitarian response programming.

5. Updates on Borders and Customs Issue

- Border Status Update: the following are the border statuses as of 31 May 2023:
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- **Iran and Afghanistan**: No partner concerns were reported. LWG will continue to monitor.
- **Pakistan Internal Political**: No partner concerns were reported. LWG will continue to monitor.
- **Abrisham Bridge** located in Nimroz province of Afghanistan added to the borders map. This is a new commercial border crossing point between Afghanistan and Iran.
- **Call for additional Border Crossing Points (BCPs)**: Partners are encouraged to share with the LWG additional BCPs of concern if relevant to their operations. The LWG will investigate ways to monitor these BCPs and add them to the weekly monitoring table.

Additional information regarding movements at points of entry can also be found from IOM DTMs monthly flow monitoring [here](https://www.moveoneinc.com/).

6. Aviation-Related Updates

**UNHAS Domestic (Passenger and light cargo service)**
- Passenger and cargo to all domestic destinations operational.
- For more information, please visit the [Humanitarian Booking Hub](https://www.humanitarianbookinghub.org), the LWG Website, the UNHAS User List, or contact UNHAS Customer Service at unhas-afg.customerservice@wfp.org and khalilullah.kakar@wfp.org

**UNHAS International (Passenger and light cargo service)**
- Islamabad airbridge operational
- Dushanbe airbridge operational
- Doha airbridge operational
- Dubai airbridge is operational through Al Maktoum International Airport

**UNAMA (Passenger service only)**
- Almaty airbridge is operational

**Commercial Airlines (Passenger and cargo service)**
- Mahan: Kabul — Teheran and Mashhad
- Taban: Kabul-Tehran and Mashhad, Kandahar-Mashhad
- Kish Air: Operated to Kandahar
- Ariana: Kabul — Dubai, Riyadh, Jeddah, and Islamabad, AL Ain ANN UAE.
- KamAir: Kabul – Islamabad, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Shanghai, Ankara

**Freight Forwarders and Courier Services**
- UPS services: (Operational (Move One authorized UPS services)) For more information, please contact Move One Country Director, Richard Tagg at richard.tagg@moveoneinc.com or visit [https://www.moveoneinc.com/](https://www.moveoneinc.com/)

**ECHO Humanitarian Air Bridge (HAB)**
- For more information, please reach out to thibault.larose@echofield.eu and alexandre.veron@rlh.coop

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PACTEC:

- Operational
- PACTEC conducted a survey on their flights, passenger, and cargo demand. The result of this survey is presented by PACTEC Country Director John Woodberry to LWG partners during the meeting. PACTEC presentation slide which included Assessment result is shared by LWG with partners.
- For more details regarding PACTEC services and flight schedules, kindly reach out to: Sayed Hamid Hashimi Booking/ Flight Following Manager bookingkbl@pactec.net, John Woodberry PACTEC Country Director jwoodberry@pactec.net

7. Shared Resources Forum

- IRC is looking for information on RUTFs suppliers: Muhammad Ziad Muhammad.Ziad@rescue.org
- Intersos is looking for cold chain storage for duration of one month: Damien Chateau logistics.afghanistan@intersos.org.
- ICF is looking for information on packaging waste recycling: Samantha Brangeon: Samantha.brangeon@icf.com
- Save the Children is looking for RCW50 refrigerator, cool boxes and information on vehicle rental rates in different provinces: Khairuddin Khaikhwa khairuddin.khairkhwa@savethechildren.org, Allan Tuazon Allan.Tuazon@savethechildren.org
- DRC is looking for suppliers of mining explosive material: Hamidullah Sediqi hamidullah.sediqi@drc.ngo
- Medair is looking for old and used electronic equipment recycling company: Jorg Kunz jorg.kunz@medair.org
- IMC is looking for pre-qualified medical/pharma vendors: Faisal Bariyaly mbariyaly@InternationalMedicalCorps.org
- IMC is looking for vehicle rental vendors in Central, Eastern and Northern regions of Afghanistan: sohailahmed@InternationalMedicalCorps.org

Quick Links:
- Logistics Working Group Web Page: Afghanistan | Logistics Cluster Website
- WFP Service Market Place (SMP): Service Marketplace | Delivering humanitarian assistance services
- UNHRD Partner Portal: Home page | UNHRD

8. AOB

- Any partners who would like to request dedicated time to present their specific logistics challenges in next LWG Coordination Meeting can please contact the LWG Team.
- The next Logistic Working Group coordination meeting will be held on: Wednesday, 28 June 11:00h Kabul time.
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