2. Last Meeting Action Point Updates/Review

Updates on the action points from the last coordination meeting held on 3rd May 2023 are:

- Monitoring of road conditions during rainy seasons and advocate on mitigating logistics challenges. (So far, this year rainy season hasn’t been as severe as anticipated. However, the bridge between Madagali and Michika (Wuro Gayandi) collapsed during the early rainy season, on 21st June 2023. This resulted in challenges in accessing Madagali for humanitarians based in Adamawa, especially for personnel. To alleviate the logistics constraints, we are advocating with security agencies, relevant government authorities and internally with UNHAS to support in restoring access or enable humanitarian access through alternative means.)

- Information on fuel, ready to use therapeutic food (RUTF) and micronutrients suppliers to be shared with requesting partners (The information has been shared with the partners).
3. AN OVERVIEW: LOGISTICS SERVICES ON DEMAND

World Food Programme (WFP) Nigeria provides supply chain services to external clients, such as other UN organizations, non-governmental, inter-governmental organizations and embassies/governments on demand. Organizations can request for these services through WFP focal points, who will then guide on the next steps to take. These services will be provided to users on a full cost recovery basis.

The services are:

- Procurement, surface/sea-transportation and storage/handling of food and non-food items
- Fleet (excluding light vehicles) and fuel services
- Maintenance of vehicles, generators and automotive equipments
- Capacity building in supply chain services.

To obtain any of these services:

- A service level agreement (SLA) should be signed by the client and country office.
- A total cost of the service will be estimated including the management cost recovery fee (MCR) which will be used to issue a pro-forma invoice (PFI) to the external client.
- The signed SLA and PFI will then be shared with the service provision team in WFP HQ.

4. Impact of Fuel Subsidy

Following the recent removal of the fuel subsidy in Nigeria, the price of petroleum fuel has increased by over 300%. Several organizations have experienced difficulties in maintaining hired vehicles vendors. Most vendors have asked for a review of existing contracts to capture the new reality of increase in fuel prices and other essential commodities. Some of the participants present expressed similar concerns and discussed the measures they have taken within their organizations to cope with the changing prices.

Participants mentioned the challenges they faced in the initial stages when the prices were unstable and had to request for quotations on a regular basis. One participant explained the use of thresholds in their contracts with vehicle hire vendors, where a certain percentage increase can be catered for within the contract without having to redo the framework/long-term agreement.

Transportation costs have also increased significantly. The prices have been re-evaluated and new contracts have had to be put in place by the humanitarian organizations. Partners expressed the willingness to support each other with pricing information if needed.
5. Situation Update

- All organisations are advised to conduct risk assessments before embarking on the following routes. These updates are for information purposes only.

TRANSPORT NETWORK

BORNO, ADAMAWA AND YOBE STATES:
- The north route and the north west Route to Monguno and Damasak remains accessible with escorts once and twice a month respectively.
- The west route to Damaturu is still accessible.
- The south west route, transporters move through the direct route (Maiduguri - Damboa) while others take the alternative longer route through Yobe state.
- The south route to Banki is accessible, while the north east route is accessible to Dikwa and Ngala.
- Ngala to Rann part of the north east route is partly inaccessible. However, commercial vehicles are able to move cargo from Cameroun to Rann.
- The route from Pulka to Gwoza is accessible.

STORAGE, STAGING, AND DISTRIBUTION (Reporting Period: 1st - 28th July 2023)

- **Air cargo consolidation - Maiduguri (managed by INTERSOS):**
  - **Updates:** 59 consignments with a total weight of 11.7mt/29.8 m3 of cargo consolidated and airlited for 19 partners from Maiduguri to various deep-field locations.
  - From June 2022 (beginning of rainy season) to date over 180 MT/ 573 m3 of cargo has been transported to 11 destinations.
  - 3 consignments were moved from the field locations to Maiduguri.
  - **Challenges:** Late notifications from some partners for cargo pickup, and in some cases, the cargo is not ready. (Partners are encouraged to notify the Aircargo pickup unit at least 24hrs to avert avoidable delays. Partners should endeavour to get their cargo ready before initiating a pickup)
  - UNHAS will be introducing charges for passenger travel and transport of cargo to field locations due to funding constraints. (For cargo, there will be a $2.00 per kilogram will be introduced. For passenger travel on the other hand, charges and the effective dates will vary across the different organizations type. For instance, for UN organizations, the charges will be implemented in September, in October for International NGO’s and January 2024 for National NGO’s).

- **Monguno (managed by INTERSOS):**
  - **Warehouse occupancy rates:** There is 86% of total storage space available for NFI MSU (Mobile Storage Unit), 6% space for temperature control storage room, 79% space available for food MSU, 81% space for timber shed.
  - The total volume and weight of cargo stored is 477 m3 and 163.2 mt respectively.
Updates: General cleaning and fumigation was done to mitigate insects and rodents infestation

- Banki (managed by INTERSOS):
  - Warehouse occupancy rates: There is 69% available storage space in the mobile storage units, 49% space in temperature control room, 5% available storage space for timber shed.
  - Total volume and weight stored is 935.7 m³ and 127.6 mt respectively.
  - Updates: General cleaning and fumigation was done to mitigate insects and rodents infestation

- Bama (managed by Salient):
  - Warehouse occupancy rates: Currently, there is 82% of space available in the warehouse, timber shed 92% space available and 90% space available in the temperature-controlled room to store new deliveries.
  - Total volume and weight stored is 168.1 m³ and 44.0 mt respectively.

- Damasak (managed by Salient):
  - Warehouse occupancy rates: 77% space available in the warehouse, 79% available at the timber shed and 84 % at the temperature-controlled room.
  - Total volume and weight of cargo stored is 344.9 and 91.1mt respectively.

- Ngala (managed by eHealth Africa):
  - Warehouse occupancy rates: The five MSUs are filled to about 38 %, two timber sheds have 28 % space, and temperature-controlled room has 6 % available space.
  - Total volume and weight of cargo currently stored is 953.6 m³ and 181.7 mt respectively.

- Dikwa (managed by eHealth Africa):
  - Warehouse occupancy rates: The three MSUs have about 27% available, timber sheds is about 60% space, and the temperature controlled room has 17 % available space.
  - Total volume and weight stored is 2,236.7m³ and 811.0mt respectively.
  - Updates: The slab work of the MSUs is completed
  - Solar (inverter) system has been installed and it runs the warehouse

6. Any Other Business (AOB) and Questions

- UNHAS Flights to Southern Borno: Plans to commence flights to BIU local government area (LGA) in southern borno was stalled. The plans were suspended because the need for UNHAS flights to the area was not mentioned at the steering committee/user group meeting.
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- **Local Air Travels**: Upon the suspension of MAX AIR (one of biggest airline to Maiduguri) it has been challenging to secure flights as UNHAS flights became overstretched (Organizations have opted for other commercial flights such as Airpeace and Rano air).

- **Capacity Building/Training**: The sector is organising two virtual trainings in the coming weeks. Based on a recent assessment on information/knowledge gaps. The first training is on Logistics Contracting will be held on 4th August 2023 and will be followed by a training on Importation of Charitable Items on 8th August 2023.

- **Vehicle maintenance**: Vehicle maintenance has been a challenge for organizations which have their own fleet. While minor, routine maintenance can be carried out with the vehicle maintenance vendors identified within Maiduguri, for any major work which is needed, the vehicles have to be sent to other locations.

- **Fuel Supply**: If the fuel availability and pricing in the country continues to be an issue, some of the participants suggested the setting up of a fuel station/fuel supply for humanitarian organizations.

The date for next logistics sector coordination meeting will be communicated in due course

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