WFP as the lead of the Pacific Logistics Cluster is supporting Pacific governments to strengthen their disaster preparedness and response capacities.

On 24 -25 October 2023, Tropical Cyclone Lola made landfall on Pentecost and nearby islands with damaging winds of up to 230 kph at the centre of the storm, with "destructive hurricane force" hitting multiple provinces in the country’s north and central provinces, specifically Torba, Sanma, Penama, Malampa, and Shefa.

WFP deployed three logistician specialists to support the Government of Vanuatu to enhance capacity of the national logistics cluster in data and information management, and logistics coordination to facilitate a timely response.

With funding from USAID, WFP will support NDMO arrange transportation like ships to deliver critical relief like food, tents, health and sanitation items to the affected areas. Through this funding, WFP will also donate non-food items like tarpaulins and shelter fixing kits that will help meet the needs on the ground and bolster the NDMO’s response for Lola.