LOCATION: Jerusalem and Cairo (online and in-person)

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CHAIR: Palestine Logistics Cluster

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ACTION POINTS

• Partners to provide input on their pipeline for the Egypt and Jordan corridors through the dedicated form circulated by email. Partners who did not receive a form are encouraged to reach out to palestine.logcluster@wfp.org.
• Organisations to submit the online Egyptian Red Crescent (ERC) 48 h and 15 days forms to assist in the delivery of aid.
• Partners are invited to continue submitting their customs-related questions in the dedicated form.
• Partners invited to share their aid exportation experience from Jordan by submitting a survey.

AGENDA

1. Gaza updates
2. Logistics Cluster common services
3. Egypt corridor update
4. Jordan corridor update
5. ETC Update
6. AOB

1. Gaza Updates

LOGISTICS CLUSTER UPDATE

• A new warehouse (1,000 m²) is made available for humanitarian organisation in North Camp area in Rafah. Currently, the Logistics Cluster facilitates access to four warehouses in Rafah with a total storage capacity of 2,470 m².
• The Logistics Cluster conducted a Gaps and Needs Analysis (GNA) Survey in Gaza with overall participation of 27 responding organisations. The key findings were presented during the meeting and will inform the adaptation of the Logistics Cluster strategy to better support humanitarian community responding to the Gaza emergency.
• The Logistics Cluster coordination meetings in Gaza take place on Mondays in-person only. Partners wishing to attend are encouraged to contact: palestine.logcluster@wfp.org
• The Logistics Cluster is planning for partner cargo to be included in the WFP-led convoys to the North as and if possible.
• Each organization in Rafah is responsible for its own evacuation planning.

COMPILED LOGISTICS SUPPLIER LIST

• The Logistics Cluster has circulated the Compiled Logistics Supplier List through the mailing list. The list is based on partners' vendors/suppliers' contributions. The aggregated list comes from partner to partner and is intended to ease access to and exchange of information.
• Partners are encouraged to share their lists of suppliers with palestine.logcluster@wfp.org, for the benefit of the wider humanitarian logistics community as the Logistics Cluster will circulate the list on a regular basis.

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**INTER-AGENCY PIPELINE**

- For longer-term visibility, organizations are requested to input their incoming pipeline through the Jordan and Egypt corridors for the next three months through the dedicated form per organization, which was circulated by the Logistics Cluster via email. Partners who have not received the form or are facing any issues can reach out to palestine.logcluster@wfp.org.
- Partners are requested to update their dedicated pipeline reporting forms on a weekly basis by COB Sunday to ensure the latest information is always available for informed decision-making.
- As of 12 February, 27 organizations updated their dedicated reporting forms, with a total of 238,222 mt of aid planned to be delivered in Gaza during the next three months. The pipeline collection is an ongoing process and data is based on available inputs from humanitarian organizations on a weekly basis. Therefore, it does not represent the entire pipeline and should be interpreted accordingly.

**SITUATION UPDATE**

The Logistics Cluster shared an [update on the situation](https://logcluster.org/en/ops/pse23a) in Gaza, as follows:

- **Crossings:** Kerem Shalom (KS) crossing has been closed on and off during the last week due to ongoing protests and insecurity. Around 330 trucks are now sleeping in no-man’s land. It was reported that Rafah crossing will be closed for 10 days for humanitarian aid crossing.
- **Damages:** At least 45 percent of housing units in Gaza are reportedly destroyed or damaged (6,179 buildings).
- **Health:** Over one third of the hospitals and nearly two thirds of primary health care facilities are not functional in Gaza.
- **WASH:** Lack of sufficiently available water resources as none of the 3 water pipelines is functioning now.

**2. Logistics Cluster Common Services**

- The Logistics Cluster facilitates access to the following common services in Gaza, Egypt, and Jordan. Partners wishing to access any of these services can consult the [Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)](https://logcluster.org/en/ops/pse23a). To request storage, transport, or cargo notification services, partners must submit the online [Service Request Form](https://logcluster.org/en/ops/pse23a) or the Excel SRF file to Palestine.ClusterCargo@wfp.org.

**IN GAZA**

- Four warehouses in Rafah are available for partners’ storage, with a total space of 2,470 m². Deir al Balah and Khan Younis warehouses remain on hold. Storage is available for partners for up to seven days, however, partners must have a distribution plan in place and move cargo as fast as possible.
- The Logistics Cluster transport service is available from Rafah to the Logistics Cluster common warehouses in the Gaza Strip.

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- Cargo notification service is available to inform partners once their cargo has arrived at the Rafah handover point from both Kerem Shalom and Rafah entry points. Partners are strongly encouraged to request this service to help minimize incidents of lost cargo. Moreover, partners are requested to increase the visibility items on all pallets for easier identification.

IN JORDAN
- The Logistics Cluster facilitates access to common transport services from Jordan for the following route:
  - King Hussein Bridge/Allenby – Nitzana – Gaza. The service is currently available at no cost to the user. The Logistics Cluster will communicate to partners when it becomes a cost-recovery service.
- The Logistics Cluster facilitates the convoy coordination services for the following route:
  - Amman – Aqaba – Nuweiba – Arish – Gaza. WFP and the Logistics Cluster support the coordination; however, partners must provide their own trucks and must be registered in Egypt, following the standard procedures that are used to bring cargos from Arish to Gaza.

IN EGYPT
- Storage service is available in Port Said with 800 pallet positions (not bonded).

3. Jordan Corridor Updates

- Authorization received to initiate the first 50 vehicle convoy of direct delivery trucks. To join the convoy, partners are requested to submit their cargo details through the Service Request Form (SRF).
- While filling in the SRF for the direct convoy, it is important to specify the Logistics Cluster consolidation warehouse as the starting point, Kerem Shalom as the reception point, and also list item level information, including dollar values.
- The Logistics Cluster invited partners to submit a survey launched to collect partners’ customs and aid importation/exportation experience in order to support clarification of processes and requirements.
- 23 trucks carrying food, shelter, and WASH items were dispatched from Amman through KHB route on 14 February 2024 on behalf of six organizations.
- The Logistics Cluster coordination meetings for Jordan corridor takes place on Thursdays at 14:00 (Amman time) online and in-person in Amman.

4. Egypt Corridor Updates

- The Logistics Cluster-led IMPACCT Working Group meeting was held with ERC and NGOs on 14 February. Organisations who have questions on aid importation procedures in Egypt are invited to submit them in the dedicated form.
- Partners are requested to continue submitting the ERC online forms to allow for visibility on the incoming cargo and to facilitate the seamless delivery of aid to Gaza from Egypt. ERC and OCHA continue enhancing the forms, therefore, partners are advised to always download the templates from the forms.
  - ERC 15-day movement projection form: requires partners to notify ERC 15 days in advance of intended cargo arrival.
  - ERC 48-hour arrival notification form: requires partners to notify ERC 48 hours in advance for trucks heading to Al Arish in order to facilitate security clearance and develop the manifest.

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5. Emergency Telecommunication Cluster (ETC) Update

- The Emergency Telecommunication Cluster (ETC) has shared an update on its operations in Gaza, highlighting ongoing activities and challenges.
- ETC is coordinating with the COGAT to secure permissions for bringing telecommunications equipment into Gaza.
- To support the UNDSS, ETC is configuring mobile and handheld radio equipment for use in Gaza, including the establishment of VHF radio network stations with repeaters in Khan Younis and Rafah.
- Satellite phone services through Iridium and Thuraya are functional in Gaza. In addition to Cellcom, also other networks such as Jawal and Ooredoo are partially working, particularly in the southern regions of the Gaza Strip.
- For further details on ETC activities partners can check ETC operation webpage or email directly at Palestine.ETC@wfp.org.

6. AOB

- Agencies are requested to communicate their requirements for AVs, communications equipment, and PPEs with the MFA. Lists can be shared with Max Schott, Schott@un.org copying Anne.Poorta@un.org.
- OCHA Access Support Unit (ASU) provided an update on the pre-approval process of humanitarian aid items entering Gaza. ASU continues to share a list with COGAT on a weekly basis of items submitted by partners for pre-approval.
- The Egyptian Red Crescent (ERC) coordination meetings with humanitarian organisations are being held every Sunday at 10:00 in Cairo.

The next Palestine Logistics Cluster coordination meeting will be held on 22 February 2024 at 11:00

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