
Meeting Minutes, 30 July 2024

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia



LOCATION	Online and in-person at WFP Office, Addis Ababa
DATE	30 July 2024
CHAIR	Logistics Cluster
PARTICIPANTS	ACTED, AIDDEV (AID Development), CARE Ethiopia, Catholic Relief Service (CRS), Danish Red Cross (DRC), Danish refugee council (DRC), FAO, GOAL, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), International Medical Corps (IMC), IOM, Islamic-relief, MSF-H, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), OXFAM, People in Need, Prague International Networking Foundation (PINF), Plan International, Première Urgence Internationale (PUI), PUM, Save the Children International (SCI), SNV Netherlands Development Organisation, SÖS Ethiopia, UNHCR, UNOCHA, WFP, WHO, World Vision International (WVI).
AGENDA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• OCHA Access Updates• Logistics Cluster Updates• AOB
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Logistics Cluster to assess the additional training needs through survey

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1. OCHA Access Updates

- Security challenges in Gondar, and surrounding areas.

Amhara:

- Due to increased kidnappings on the Gondar-Gendaweha-Metema route, a longer alternative route (Gondar – Tikil Dingay – Seroka – Abrha Jira – Kelala – Kokit – Metema – Genda Wuha) is being explored but requires further assessment before full implementation.
- Bridge collapse on Tekeza River blocking access between Zequala and Sehala.

Benishangul Gumus Region:

- Physical access constraints are significantly impeding access to Kamashi zone.
- Flooding has damaged main roads linking Assosa to Kamashi and the Renaissance dam area.
- Shortage of electricity supply in Kamashi and Assosa.
- For further updates on access, partners can reach out to anuwar.nur@un.org

2. Logistics Cluster Updates

Convoy Movement Updates

- Logistics Cluster supported Ethiopia Disaster Risk Management Commission (EDRMC) with food security deliveries from Wereta to Guhala (44.5 MT) and Hamusit (123 MT) in Amhara region.
- Ongoing convoy movements includes Adama to Gambella, and from Bahir Dar to Woldia, Dessie, Kemise, and Debre Berhan.
- Convoy from Addis Ababa to Gondar tentatively scheduled for 6 August.

Response to Landslides in Gofa Zone:

- Logistics Cluster is supporting partners with the Gofa landslide emergency. Three mobile storage units (MSUs) have been deployed.
- 10.52 MT of shelter items were transported for IOM from Addis Ababa to Gofa.
- One Logistics Cluster staff will be based in Hawassa to support and coordinate response activities. Partners are advised to copy eyerusalem.abraham@wfp.org while sending service request form (SRF).

Tigray Cargo Movement

- In the past two weeks, partners reported the movement of 174 trucks into Tigray region on behalf of three partners.

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- Since 15 November 2022, a total of 9,953 trucks have reported arrivals in Tigray, transporting 372,057 MT on behalf of 51 partners.

Partner Training:

- Upcoming warehouse management training will be held in the Somali region. Registration link will be shared in the coming weeks.

Gap and Need Analysis (GNA)

- Logistics Cluster has been extended until December 2024 as recommended by the Inter-Cluster Coordination Group (ICCG) and approved by the Humanitarian Country Team (HCT).
- Next round of GNA is being conducted to assess partner needs and inform the operational strategy beyond 2024.

AOB

- Landslide impact on the road accessibility: OCHA commented that there has been no major impact on road access to date.
- Recommended routes from Addis to Gambella: Via Welega and Bedelle, with no recent security threats reported.
- The Customs workshop is scheduled for 27–29 August aiming to address bureaucratic and administrative impediments faced by NGOs and UN agencies related to customs procedures. Workshop is organised by OCHA, Logistics Cluster/IMPACCT in tandem with government line ministries.

The next coordination meeting is on 13 August 2024 at 11:00 EAT online and in person (WFP Country Office third floor Meskerem meeting room).

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