

## Highlights

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- The Terms of Reference for the NLTWG have been developed and reviewed, alongside a separate review of priority project implementation areas, to strengthen coordination and align activities with evolving national needs.
- Engagement with local organizations and academic institutions was streamlined to enhance collaboration and leverage local expertise in logistics preparedness.
- Logistics coordination support was provided to partners responding to the Marburg Virus Disease outbreak, in alignment with government-led efforts.

## Background

Between January and March 2025, Tanzania experienced varied weather conditions characterized by the progression of the Msimu (long rains) season in unimodal areas and intermittent off-seasonal rainfall in bimodal regions. In January, rainfall activities continued in unimodal zones as the season advanced, while some bimodal areas received off-seasonal showers. February was marked by predominantly dry and hot conditions across much of the country, particularly from the second week, although localized rainfall and thunderstorms were reported in some areas, leading to instances of flooding and waterlogging. In March, rainfall activity intensified across many parts of the country, with widespread thunderstorms and heavy rain, especially from mid-month onward, which again resulted in localized flooding and waterlogging.

Logistics preparedness and response activities during this quarter were generally slow, but there were several interventions implemented in close coordination with government authorities and key partners to maintain readiness and provide support in line with national priorities and evolving seasonal needs.

## Coordination

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- On February 12 and 13, 2025, a technical workshop was held in Morogoro to develop the Terms of Reference (ToR) for the National Logistics Technical Working Group (NLTWG) and refine the strategic direction for logistics preparedness and response. The workshop convened twelve participants from the Disaster Management Department (DMD), Tanzania Red Cross Society (TRCS), academic institutions, local government, Save the Children, DarMAERT, and UN agencies. The ToR was developed and reviewed to clarify roles and responsibilities, while priority project implementation areas were examined separately to ensure alignment with evolving national needs and partner capacities.
- Logistics coordination support was provided to partners responding to Marburg Virus Disease (MVD) in alignment with government-led efforts. This included facilitating information sharing, aligning logistics actions, and coordinating partner support to avoid duplication and address gaps effectively. Building on this experience, logistics coordination efforts are now extending to the emerging Mpox response, ensuring that partners are mobilized in support of government priorities and that logistic preparedness and response activities remain well-coordinated across sectors.
- Engagement with local organizations and academic institutions was streamlined to enhance collaboration and leverage local expertise in logistics preparedness. These efforts, undertaken through bilateral meetings and participation in events such as the table-top exercise on early warning and activation of anticipatory actions with national and humanitarian stakeholders, contributed to fostering knowledge exchange, promoting locally informed solutions, and strengthening collaboration in preparedness planning.

## Information Management

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The comprehensive and summary reports from the warehouse assessments have been finalized and published online [\[link\]](#). Developed through a collaborative process, the report outlines clear objectives and compiles essential information required for conducting thorough assessments.

## Advocacy

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Advocacy for strengthened logistics preparedness was advanced through strategic stakeholder engagement and participation in technical events with government, academic, and humanitarian partners. These efforts promoted awareness of logistics challenges and encouraged collaboration into logistic preparedness and response planning.

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