

**LOCATION: Philippines****DATE: 30 December 2013****Coordination**

- Logistics Cluster meetings are regularly held in Tacloban, Guiuan, Omroc, Cebu, Roxas and on a periodic basis in Manila. To date, 39 Logistics Cluster Coordination meetings were held in the 6 locations.

**Information Management/GIS**

- The Logistics Cluster has dedicated IM officers based in Cebu and Tacloban. Regularly updated IM products including Logistics Cluster situation update, meeting minutes and maps are available at: <http://www.logcluster.org/ops/phl13a>
- The Logistics Cluster has also a dedicated GIS capacity in Cebu along with a plotter and is providing GIS/Mapping support to the humanitarian community.

**Border Crossings & Customs**

- The normal customs procedures must now be followed for the import of all cargo. The One Stop Shop and the Logistics Cluster remain available to assist in an advisory role if required. Requests may be sent to Oliver Bartolo (LET Customs Procedures Advisor, +63 9158481559).

**Assessments**

- The Logistics Cluster, in coordination with International Medical Corps, conducted an assessment of damaged bridges (Hilataban, Malitbog & Daguitan bridges) and road network in Burauen City, South of Tacloban. The Government and local authorities are aware of the situation and are addressing it on a priority basis. Hilataban Bridge has been completely destroyed, about 16 barangays have been cut off and movement of heavy and other vehicles has been restricted, thus hampering the large-scale movement of humanitarian relief and other supplies in the affected area.

**Civ/Military Coordination**

- According to UNOCHA reports, a Military Engineering contingent is expected shortly to support the operation with engineering equipment and technical engineering capacity. They will operate in Tolosa, Palo and Tanuan, with an operation centre in Cebu.
- The Logistics Cluster has submitted a request to OCHA/Office of Civil Defence (OCD) for military engineering assistance to initially assess, and potentially support, infrastructure rehabilitation of the reported damaged bridges in Burauen City.

**Air Transport**

- As of 30 December, UNHAS has transported 1,892 passengers and over 7 MT of humanitarian cargo. 307 flights have been executed to 20 different locations.
- UNHAS will not be operating scheduled flights 01 January 14, though will remain on STAND BY for emergency situations.
- From 02 January 2014, UNHAS will be operating two flights a day between Cebu and Tacloban (morning and afternoon) except on Sundays. There would be three flights operated a week (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) between Cebu and Roxas and three flights a week (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday) between Cebu and Guiuan.

- Current UNHAS fleet is 1 x Beech 1900 and 1 X Sikorsky76 both based in Cebu. A Dornier 228 (18 seats) is being contracted as a replacement of the Beech 1900 with effect from 01 January 2014.
- UNHAS is working with Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) in order to upgrade rescue and firefighting capability at Guiuan Airport. This action will enable UNHAS schedule fixed-wing aircraft (more than 10 seats) to fly safely to and from Guiuan.
- For reasons of maintenance and crew rest, flights will no longer take place on Sundays, however UNHAS remains on emergency standby and can be reached on – [unhas.philippines@wfp.org](mailto:unhas.philippines@wfp.org) mobile 09158616981/09276029005.

#### Sea Transport

- The MV Victoria left Cebu on 24 December for Roxas and Bantayan carrying Food and Non-Food relief items on behalf of 8 different organizations. The MV docked Roxas on 25 December and departed for Bantayan on 28 December, arriving on 29 December. The next voyage is scheduled for early January from Cebu to Leyte and Samar Islands.
- As of 30 December, the Logistics Cluster has facilitated the transport of 7,645m<sup>3</sup>/2,528 MT of inter-agency cargo by via sea.

#### Storage

- WFP, as lead agency of the Logistics Cluster, is providing some 8,000 m<sup>2</sup> of temporary storage space to humanitarian organizations in the key locations of Tacloban, Guiuan, Ormoc, Roxas and Cebu, with the capacity to scale-up rapidly if needed. Land on the compound in Tacloban and Ormoc has been made available for organizations to establish their own dedicated Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) if required (long-term storage).
- The WFP warehouse compound at Palo has 28 MSUs; IFRC, UNICEF and ACF have set up MSUs in this compound. Five remain available for inter-agency storage via the Logistics Cluster.
- One MSU is available in Ormoc for temporary inter-agency use.
- A warehouse assessment is underway at Ormoc and Roxas. Initial findings suggest that adequate space is available in Ormoc while there is a shortage of warehouses in Roxas; sight visits will be carried out shortly.
- As of 30 December, 111 requests for storage have been received and 6,242m<sup>3</sup>/1,977 MT has been stored in inter-agency warehouses. Support also continues to be provided to humanitarian organisations for the assemblage of MSUs.

#### Overland transport

- An assessment of commercial transport in Roxas is underway. Initial findings suggest that there is a shortage of commercial transporters. Three small commercial transporters with a capacity of 3-4 trucks have been identified.
- Majority of roads on Panaya Island are completely operational except for a few roads which are under construction, yet are open for single lane traffic.
- The Red Cross has a dedicated fleet of trucks (Four 20 tonners: Two 5 Tonners) in Roxas, which may be used by any organization subject to availability (fuel not included). Organisations interested in using these vehicles must contact the Logistics Cluster.
- The Logistics Cluster support with trucks to Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) for their distribution activities across Leyte is on-going. The Logistics Cluster has provided the DSWD up to 28 trucks a day,

along with three MSUs.

- There are 10 dedicated trucks available in Roxas for inter-agency cargo movement.
- To date the Logistics Cluster has facilitated the transport of 5,999m<sup>3</sup>/3,647 MT of inter-agency cargo via road.

#### Logistics Gaps or Bottlenecks

- Commercial sector shipping from Manila and Cebu to Tacloban remains overstretched, causing some delays in cargo delivery.
- The lack of road transport capacity is presenting some difficulties for partners in the Guiuan and Roxas.
- Commercial warehousing in general remains limited. However, Logistics Cluster storage is available in key locations.

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