WFP LIBERIA LOGISTICS SECTOR COORDINATION

LOGISTICS SECTOR COORDINATION MEETING
LIBERIA- REFUGEE RESPONSE
MINUTES – 18.07.11

Date: 18 July, 2011 – 1000 hours
Location: WFP Conference room, WFP Country Office, Monrovia
Participants: DRC, UNHCR, USAID, WFP
Next Meeting: 1 August @1000 – WFP conference room, WFP Country Office, Mamba Point, Monrovia

1. Action Items

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<td>NPA port fees</td>
<td>LogSector</td>
<td>4 Apr</td>
<td>ASAP</td>
<td>LogSector to request &amp; distribute to sector participants NPA rates for all ports in Liberia.</td>
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<td>Logs capacity/ needs identification</td>
<td>All</td>
<td>14 Mar</td>
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<td>To determine overall logs capacity, partners are requested to submit their capacity</td>
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<td>Road matrix</td>
<td>All</td>
<td>25 Apr</td>
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<td>- Partners are requested to submit info on road accessibility and road rehabilitation project; - LogSector to obtain list from MPW with Who is doing What &amp; Where; - LogSector to produce a map with overview of ongoing road projects.</td>
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<td>Request to MoT for suspension of restricting neighbouring country transport capacity</td>
<td>LRRRC/LogSector</td>
<td>25 Apr</td>
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<td>A letter has been sent by LRRRC to Ministry of Transport for suspension of restrictions on neighbouring country transport capacity. LRRRC/LogSector to follow-up and get answer from MoT.</td>
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<td>Logistics Service Providers catalogue</td>
<td>LogSector All</td>
<td>2 May</td>
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<td>UNMIL road works</td>
<td>UNMIL</td>
<td>13 Jun</td>
<td>4 July</td>
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<td>Rejection of WFP-UNOPS road project and quicker approval process for future projects</td>
<td>LRRRC</td>
<td>27 Jun</td>
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<td>LRRRC high level intervention with MPW on way forward on road project from Karnplay to Lepula and future road projects by humanitarian actors.</td>
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<td>EHAP</td>
<td>LogSector</td>
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<td>LogSector to do final revision and submit LogSector inputs for EHAP to OCHA – (done)</td>
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2. Discussion on previous action items

Discussion on action points reflected above:

- The list on ongoing road project from Ministry of Public Works (MPW) is still pending.
- A road assessment mission was deployed and data collected will soon be reflected in updated road accessibility maps.

http://www.logcluster.org/ops/civ11a
There are currently no bailey bridges from UNMIL available and no immediate bridge repair material available either. Any request for such items should follow normal procedures for requests to UNMIL, and due to no immediate availability these action points will be removed.

No update on UNMIL road projects.

Ministry of Public Works (MPW) has come back with a suggestion for WFP involvement in part of their projects in Nimba. Further information on exact scope of works and time-frame planned by them has been requested and WFP will do another assessment trip.

LogSector EHAP inputs have been submitted to OCHA for inclusion in the revised EHAP.

Nothing new to report on the other action points.

3. Infrastructure Update

- Work is reported to have started on Zorgowee bridge by the MPW’s outsourced contractor for concrete decking. MPW has reported that work might be slightly delayed, but should be finalized before the end of August. There is still no update from MPW when the road from Bahn to Karnplay will be opened for truck traffic.

- DRC reported on good progress on their road project in Nimba county.

**Action Point:** The report presented to the LogSector meeting to be distributed to all LogSector participants.

- DRC raised the issue of bridge close to Blemieplay leading up to one of the bridges included in their scope of works. In order for this road to be passable this additional bridge would need to be repaired as well

**Action Point:** DRC and WFP to do a joint assessment of this bridge and explore options for repair of the additional bridge.

4. Partners Brief

LogSector participants provided a quick briefing on recent developments.

UNHCR reported that refugees in River Ghee received food on 8th and 9th July. The movement of refugees from Fergusson transit site (to be closed down) to Little Wlebo is ongoing and progressing well. 120 tents are being dispatched to Little Wlebo camp to cater for the additional caseload, while additional shelters are being built. UNHCR is shifting more staff to Zwedru and LSL (NGO outsourced for UNHCR logistics) is moving additional logistics assets to Zwedru.

**Action Point:** UNHCR to send updated information to the Logistics Capacity matrix to reflect the changes in location of logistics assets.

WFP will as earlier reported have to close down the new warehouse compound in Saclepea due to land dispute. The final closure will be this week and the remaining items (UNICEF school books) are currently being moved. At the same time the expansion of the old warehouse compound in Saclepea is ongoing with the assistance of UNMIL for levelling of land, and additional 3 mobile storage units are planned to be installed. Due to increased caseload under food assistance to people affected by high food prices, WFP will have less truck capacity to assist UNHCR in their operation.

5. AoB

The upcoming referendum and election was briefly discussed and feedback given on latest security updates.

Meeting closed at 10:50