

LOGISTICS CLUSTER MEETING MINUTES

Southern Sudan, Wunrok.

WFP Conference Room, WFP Compound

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Action Points:

- Logistics Cluster to check if GOAL Juba requested for fuel transport (CMR) for GOAL Wunrok.
- Logistics Cluster to follow up with GOAL/MERCY CORPS on space availability for mobile storage unit erection in Mayen Abun and Agok.
- Logistics Cluster to follow up/ identify if there will be need for a post-emergency storage in Wunrok. GOAL has offered space and staff to manage the warehouse.
- Logistics Cluster to share updates on upcoming convoys from Khartoum to Malakal and possible road transport from Malakal to Wunrok.

1. Fuel

- A Convoy of 13 Trucks carrying fuel and NFI items arrived in Wunrok with UNMIS escort on the 4 June 2011. No news from humanitarian community on how the fuel/NFIs have been received and impacted their operations.
- The Logistics Cluster is consolidating CMR's for the next convoy. UN/INGOs are encouraged to book a place by 8 June 2011, as well as to procure their fuel.
- Logistics Cluster is working on a MOU with UNMIS to supply fuel in Wau, Juba and Malakal. This fuel is not intended for normal operation, but strictly for emergency tasking and to cover critical shortfalls. In addition, Logistics Cluster is looking into having a common supply base of fuel in Wunrok (bladder/Tanker). Partners are therefore requested to provide any information in regards to available fuel tanks.
- Logistics Cluster is looking into a fuel shuttle from Juba to Wau. Wau to be a supply base for Wunrok and Aweil. This is most likely to take place together with the next convoy. Fuel requests have been received for Wau.
- Agencies are encouraged to maintain their fuel drum levels in the field, to ensure that the fields offices do not run out, any extra supplies are requested to be sent back to Juba to assist with their short fall.
- GOAL announced they have some 100 empty fuel drums in Agok to be used for any fuel transport needed.
- UNICEF is preparing an inter-agency fuel convoy from Juba to Wunrok shortly. The fuel is allocated for WASH and will be stored in GOAL warehouse in Wunrok.

2. Warehousing

- Common Stores have been received in Wunrok. Installation of two mobile storage units in Turalei and in Wunrok is already complete.
- Two mobile storage units were received yesterday and are planned for Mayen Abun and Agok. Since they already have facilities in place in Mayen Abun and Agok, GOAL has offered to look into possibilities of making the space available for the additional mobile storage units in these locations.
- GOAL has offered space and staff to manage a warehouse for post-emergency storage in Wunrok.

3. Road Conditions

- Partners are encouraged to share information with Logistics Cluster on the road conditions of the area they work in. This will help in updating the Road Access Constraint map. Please mail info to venkat.dheeravath@wfp.org.
- Yesterday an engineer arrived in Wunrok to assess the road between WFP, GOAL, ACF compounds/warehouses and the main road, including a tasking for accommodation space. GOAL Logistics has already done an assessment of the 400m (the worst part) and will liaise/provide their input to the WFP engineer. Land is still needed for accommodation purposes for the agencies responding in Wunrok.

4. AIR

- On 6 June 2011, the Logistic Cluster and UNOPS conducted a rapid assessment on airstrips in Twic County, namely Alek, Turalei and Mayen Abun. The assessment will identify which airstrips should be a priority based on the amount of repairs needed. An estimated time frame of 6 weeks to complete any repairs is being discussed. Result of the assessment is not yet released.
- GOAL are already in contact with contractors (in Kwajok) that might be able to provide marum, machines and other equipment for the project (however they are lacking fuel).

5. Common Transport Services (IOM/Log Cluster)

- Return of empty drums from Wunrok/Aweil will be done upon receipt of CMR.
- Request for CTS for the next fuel convoy should be done, as soon as possible (latest Wednesday 8th June) so consolidation can begin on paper.
- CTS advise UN/INGO partners to procure metallic drums for the transportation of fuel as it consumes less volume.
- Agencies are also reminded to book their NFI's on CTS, for the next convoy. Kindly send CMR's to alastair.cook@wfp.org and cc_faheem.araie@wfp.org
- If agencies have full truck loads to move and would like to join the convoy, kindly liaise with IOM.

6. A.O.B

Border situation

- On 21 May, barge and truck movement (with commodities and fuel) from the North into Upper Nile State were resumed. Fuel supply and hence prices, have stabilized in the state. Despite reports from Northern media sources claiming that cargo traffic operations between north and south have resumed, North to South supply chains feeding into Western Bahr el Ghazal, Northern Bahr el Ghazal and Warrap states are still severed at border crossings. However the border is reported open for personal movement.
- GOAL is looking into possibilities to get their supplies to Wunrok from the north via Kosti/Malakal.

Shuttle Wunrok-Wau

- GOAL raised the issue of staff moving on a daily basis between Wunrok and Wau. (Wau is becoming a hub, especially if the air movement into Twic continues to be limited due to SPLA security clearances) A lot of fuel and fleet capacity among the agencies is being used for this which is why a suggestion of an organized shuttle service has been raised.
- Another option raised by GOAL is to hire external "taxis" for transport of staff. Cost for a shuttle Wunrok – Wau – Wunrok is around 600-700 SDG including drivers.

The next Logistics Cluster meeting in Wunrock will be communicated by e-mail

Attendance

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