LOCATION: Fiji
DATE: 23 March 2016

**Situation Overview**

- The Fiji National Disaster Management Office (NDMO) continues to lead the Tropical Cyclone Winston response, which hit Fiji on 20 and 21 February 2016.
- 44 people are confirmed to have been killed and more than 2,161 people remain in 122 evacuation centres in the Eastern and Western Divisions.
- The State of Emergency due to end on 21 March, has been extended for an additional 30 days. The extension will be in effect until 19 April and only applies to the cyclone hardest-hit areas.

**Access Updates**

- Air transport delays from Sydney to Fiji for relief cargo are expected to continue until the end of March, due to a limited number of commercial wide-body aircraft operating on the route.

**Transport**

- The gradual withdrawal of foreign militaries assisting the government-led cyclone response continues. The transportation assets (vessels and helicopters) still on ground are for ad-hoc use and mainly prioritising urgent requests for relief cargo transport.
- The HMNZS Canterbury is scheduled to return to Suva on 28 March before sailing back to the Lau Group to provide transportation support for the government and humanitarian community.

**Customs**

- As of 22 March, 35 requests to import a total of 1068 MT of humanitarian relief items have been received from 24 different organisations, of which 63% has arrived, tracked through the import process implemented by the NDMO and supported by WFP. 50% of relief items still expected to arrive are shelter, with 32% health and 18% logistics supplies.

**Civil Military Coordination**

- As of 22 March, a total of 112 Requests for Assistance (RFA) were submitted for the use of national and foreign military assets and 80 were successfully completed.
- With the emergency response moving towards the recovery phase and the scaling down of foreign militaries’ presence on the ground, future RFAs from the humanitarian community to use military assets, are likely to remain incomplete.

**Storage**

- Four Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) provided by WFP to augment NDMO’s storage capacity have arrived at Nadi airport on 21 March. Two of the four MSUs initially planned to be located in Lautoka, will be tentatively installed at a warehouse hub of the Central Division near Nausori Airport, pending NDMO confirmation.

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A WFP’s MSU construction expert has arrived in Suva to provide training to government and Fiji Red Cross staff members.

**Information Management (IM) and Coordination**

- All logistics updates are shared via the dedicated webpage [http://www.logcluster.org/ops/fiji16](http://www.logcluster.org/ops/fiji16) and mailing list, see the webpage for subscription instructions.
- To monitor relief distributions, a database has been developed to track relief items distribution: [http://www.arcgis.com/apps/Viewer/index.html?appid=5e4b278d33604d5490b33caad8adda03](http://www.arcgis.com/apps/Viewer/index.html?appid=5e4b278d33604d5490b33caad8adda03)
- Updated information on additional service providers is available in the Fiji Logistics Capacity Assessment (LCA): [http://dlca.logcluster.org/display/DLCA/4.2.8+Fiji+Additional+Service+Provision+Contact+List](http://dlca.logcluster.org/display/DLCA/4.2.8+Fiji+Additional+Service+Provision+Contact+List)

**Other Logistics Gaps or Bottlenecks**

- The withdrawal of foreign military forces’ transportation assets in the coming weeks, is likely to affect the government transport and distribution capacity of relief supplies.
- The government’s transport, storage and distribution capacity has been strained by a surge of Unsolicited Bilateral Donations (UBDs). Of the 34 containers that have arrived via sea to Lautoka in the past 2 weeks, 7 have been cleared with commodities distributed to cyclone-affected communities in the Western Division. The government has requested DHL Disaster Response Team (DRT) to do an inventory of the remaining UBDs, so that it can plan distributions accordingly.

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