Situation Update

- The death toll from the recent earthquake and tsunami in Central Sulawesi now stands at 1,948, according to the latest press briefing from the National Disaster Management Agency, BNPB. A further 74,444 people have been displaced and 10,679 people have been injured, while 835 are still missing.
- The area is still experiencing aftershocks, including a stronger 5.1 aftershock this morning, 9 October.
- Based on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) letter D/01853/10/10/2018/16, current needs open to international assistance are as follows:
  - Air assets capable of landing on a short runway (2 km airstrip)
  - Family tents and shelter kits
  - Water treatment kits
  - Generator sets
  - Financial donations (preferably directed to BNPB and the Indonesian Red Cross (PMI))
- According to this letter, other needs will be met through the utilisation of in-country resources. Further details can be found [here](#).
- WFP has been requested to provide support to AHA and BNPB in the form of common storage and transport for distribution.
- WFP currently has eight staff in Palu supporting the response, with the Logistics Coordinator from Jakarta expected to arrive in Palu on 10 October to provide additional support.
- There are currently 37 organisations operating on the ground in Palu. A list of these organisations will be provided as soon as possible.
- BNPB will continue to provide regular updates on the emergency response as well as emerging needs. Further information can be found [here](#) or by following the official BNPB spokesman’s Twitter account: [https://twitter.com/Sutopo_PN](https://twitter.com/Sutopo_PN)
- The ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA) is providing regular situation updates which can be accessed [here](#).
Customs

- A Customs, Immigration and Quarantine one-stop-shop centre has been established in Balikpapan by BNPB, relevant government ministries, and AHA.
- Consignees must be registered with the Government of Indonesia and there must be a formal acceptance of the offer of assistance prior to shipping any relief items to Indonesia.
- Due to the categorisation of the earthquake and tsunami in Central Sulawesi as an emergency disaster, import duties (taxes) will not be charged for goods that are for disaster relief and/or donations during the disaster emergency response period or in the transition period to rehabilitation and reconstruction as per Finance Ministerial Decree No. 69/PMK.04/2012.
- Countries and organisations are required to apply for tax exemptions by submitting documents to BNPB. Please see further details on required documentation here.
- Indonesian Customs will provide support and accelerated services, including import duty exemptions.
- Aircrafts that will be in Indonesia for an extended period may use temporary admission procedures.

Logistics Infrastructure

AIRPORTS

Balikpapan Airport

- Information received from humanitarian organisations is that several organisations are still planning flights to Balikpapan over the coming week. There is also information that several organisations are working on a dual supply strategy, procuring what is possible locally and importing what cannot be supplied effectively in Indonesia.
- Approximately 90 mt of relief items were transported by air from Balikpapan to Palu today. The items shipped were primarily tents, shelter tools, water filtration items, generators and blankets.
- There are ten flights planned from Balikpapan to Palu on 10 October, transporting a total of 104 mt of relief cargo.

Palu Airport

- No informational updates at this time.
STORAGE

- AHA, BNPB and WFP have agreed on locations for Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) in Palu. Coordinates of these locations will be shared in the coming days.
- The first of the MSUs was erected at Palu Airport today and a second will be installed tomorrow. Another ten MSUs are expected to arrive in Palu by vessel on 15 October.
- Permanent and semi-permanent warehouse structures will be managed by BNPB with support from WFP, to facilitate common storage for humanitarian cargo arriving into Palu.

SEA PORTS AND FERRIES

- International ocean shipments can be cleared in Jakarta and Surabaya.
- The next scheduled cargo vessels from Balikpapan to Palu are:
  - PELNI: Vessel KM Labobar, departing on 11 October, arriving on 12 October.
  - PELNI: Vessel KM Lambelu, departing on 13 October, arriving on 14 October.
  - SPIL: Vessel Armada Sejati, departing on 11 October, arriving on 15 October.
- The schedule of upcoming shipments from Balikpapan and Surabaya can be found [here](#).

ELECTRICITY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- Electricity and telecommunication signals have improved in Palu, however electricity supply in Sigi and Donggala is still limited.

FUEL

- There are reports of limited access to fuel in Sigi and Donggala.

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