Health Logistics Inter-Sector Coordination
Meeting Minutes, 23 January 2020
Bangladesh, Cox’s Bazar

LOCATION: UNHCR Meeting Room, Cox’s Bazar
DATE: 23 January 2020
CHAIR: Health Sector, Logistics Sector

ACTION POINTS:
- Partners involved in local medical procurement requested to prioritise completing the QUAMED medical supplier questionnaire by 26 January.
- The invitation inviting partners to the planned medical logistics training will be circulated in early February.
- WHO to share the list of surplus stock available for donation.

AGENDA:
1. Previous action points
2. Updates and discussion
3. QUAMED Quality Assessment

1. Updates and discussion

- The 80 temperature loggers have arrived in Cox’s Bazar and are available on a loan basis. Please contact Priya Pradhanang at priya.pradhanang@wfp.org to arrange pick up through a WFP loan agreement.
- Procurement of seven solar fridges (around 500 lt capacity in total) for storing cool chain items is ongoing. The fridges are being sourced from Dhaka as they could not be found on the local market.
- Around 65% of Logistics Sector common temperature-controlled storage units are utilized and partners are advised to submit requests through an SRF if additional space is needed.
- IOM and WHO have prepared a cold-chain training module to be included in the upcoming Medical Logistics training.
- WHO provided a summary of experience dealing with an experienced national company for disposal of expired medicines. The company can advise or manage the entire process. It was agreed in the forum the most efficient approach for partners who intend to dispose of expiring medicines is to act individually, as a common arrangement would be difficult to coordinate. Further details and the company contact can be obtained by contacting Voitek Asztabski at asztabskiw@who.int
- The Logistics Cluster will begin the process of reviewing the Concept of Operations at the next Logistics Sector meeting.
2. Health Sector Update

- Welcome to the recently arrived Health Sector Coordinator Dr Mukesh Prajapati who can be reached at: prajapatim@who.int
- A month-long Measles and Rubella (MR) vaccination campaign started on 12 January 2020 and will continue until 12 February 2020 in all Rohingya camps in Teknf and Ukhiya. Children above 6 months and under 10 years of age will be vaccinated under this activity. The total number of beneficiaries is 315,000.
- Health Sector will publish its facility maps by the first week of February 2020 and these will be shared with partners.

3. Quality Assessment

- QUAMED presented their project objectives for the mission to Dhaka and Cox’s Bazar starting next week to assess the quality of medicines available on the local market.
- A questionnaire was circulated to partners requesting information on their experience with local medical procurement, and asking which suppliers they may have assessed during the mission.

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