

**LOCATION:** OSOCC Guiuan

**DATE:** 24 February 2014

**CHAIR:** Logistics Cluster Coordinator

**PARTICIPANTS:** CRS, People in Need, UNHCR, WFP

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#### INTRODUCTION

- The Logistics Cluster Coordinator updated partners on the schedule for the final phase out of the storage facilities in Tacloban, Ormoc and Guiuan and also on the discontinuation of UNHAS and all Logistics Cluster services. He equally reviewed the training initiatives implemented in Tacloban.

#### SITUATION UPDATE

- All Logistics Cluster temporary storage activities will close in different locations effective 28 February in Ormoc and 15 March in Guiuan and Tacloban. Partners holding stocks in the storage facilities have provided their withdrawal plans, while bilateral solutions have been explored with other organisations in Guiuan. All items are to be moved from the Logistics Cluster MSUs in Guiuan by 15 March, after which date the MSUs will be dismantled.
- Partners were informed that the Logistics Cluster has implemented trainings aimed at transferring logistics skills and knowledge to build local capacity. On the 1<sup>st</sup> of March, a Logistics Cluster Induction Training will take place in Tacloban to provide partners with the knowledge of the Standard Operating Procedures of the Logistics Cluster. Interested partners were advised to reply to an invitation that will be sent out shortly.
- UNHAS has ended regular services in the Philippines as of 15 February. However, services are still available for special charter and medical evacuations.
- Since partners are still interested in some of the trainings that were already implemented, the Logistics Cluster advised that partners will be informed if WFP has plans for similar trainings in the future.

#### UPDATES FROM PARTNERS

- People in Need inquired if the Logistics Cluster will have some ferry services going to the islands to accommodate their cargo. The Logistics Cluster advised that Plan International is organising movement of food to the islands with a limited capacity of only 300 bags. People in Need will organize their own boat.

- People in Need are looking for good lumber from within Philippines but there is concern that they are in protected areas. The Logistics Cluster informed the partners that they may liaise with the Early Recovery Cluster and the municipality for more details.
- People in Need informed all that they have 100 chainsaws coming and that they are getting storage support from Logistics Cluster and UNICEF. They equally expressed concern that not many agencies are present in Amahon Island, apart from food. The Logistics Cluster advised that they raise the issue in inter-Cluster Coordination meetings.
- The CRS requested the Logistics Cluster to help set up their MSU at Salcedo, near Guiuan. The Logistics Cluster promised to survey the location and also offered to set up the MSU whenever CRS is ready
- UNHCR informed us that they are finalizing distribution by the end of February and as such will move all their stocks in the MSU earlier. Other relief items coming in will be distributed directly.
- Partners were also notified that UNHCR has between 150-200 chainsaws which are available on request. OXFAM will take a large share of this but People in Need also indicated interest.

**AOB**

- Partners were informed that the President of the Philippines and Ms Valerie Amos, the Humanitarian Coordinator, will be visiting Guiuan on Tuesday 25 February and Wednesday 27 February respectively.
- With the scaling down of Logistics Cluster's services, partners agreed that there is not the need to continue regular meetings in Guiuan. Subsequent meetings may be organized on ad-hoc basis if there is need.

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