1. Cross-cutting Updates

- The next Global Logistics Cluster Teleconference on the COVID-19 Response will take place on Wednesday 22 July at 14:30 CEST. The minutes from the teleconference on 1 July can be found here.
- The Emergency Service Marketplace has rolled out various new features to 1) enhance the service request form and 2) make it possible to edit requests.
- The Logistics Cluster continues to consolidate Cargo Entry Point Updates (CEPU). An online map version of the CEPU is also available. Organisations are encouraged to provide their inputs to COVID-19@logcluster.org.

2. Cluster Operations

Central African Republic (CAR)

- Douala – Bangui Corridor: No new customs issues have been reported at the Douala port. However, due to increases in COVID-19 cases, border controls have increased and many trucks have been held up at Garoua Boulai.

Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC)

- The Logistics Cluster will start providing storage and transport services for the hubs in Goma and Kinshasa from July. The updated Concept of Operations can be found here.
- UNHAS and ECHO have made available various passenger and cargo flights; schedules can be found via the following links: UNHAS & ECHO.
- UNHAS announced that flights in the east and southeast will allow for evacuation of humanitarian workers from Tanganyika, but will not allow entrance to the province. One ECHO plane for passengers and cargo will be stationed in Kalemie to allow movement in the province.
- An UNHAS helicopter has been made available in Mbandaka for passenger and cargo services for actors in the Ebola response in the Equator province for a duration of 3 months.
- UNHAS announced that passengers in Bangui can go to Kinshasa, and then on to other provinces as long as they have an authorisation from the Direction Générale de Migration (DGM), granted upon request by the passenger’s organisation.
- Passengers on UNHAS and ECHO flights must carry masks and gloves at all times.

Ethiopia

- The Logistics Cluster has completed the groundworks in preparation for the delivery and installation of one mobile storage unit (MSU) to serve as a COVID-19 screening centre at Dewele point of entry on behalf of the Shelter Cluster.

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Pacific Region

- The time needed for customs clearance of humanitarian cargo is impacting the speed of cargo delivery. Some mitigation measures proposed by partners during the Pacific Logistics Cluster coordination meeting on 10 July are as follows:
  - Including a clause in your agreement with the relevant consignee, which states that the consignee will be responsible for obtaining customs clearances.
  - Including in your agreement ‘delivered duty paid’. Sometimes payment needs to be coordinated across several ministries and this can be very challenging for the consignee. If this is covered, it can expedite the process.
  - If you have staff in-country, ensure that they are prepared to provide support to this process.

Somalia

- The lockdown of Mogadishu Airport (AAIA) has now been extended until 25 July. No significant operational impact has been experienced by partners so far. The Logistics Cluster continues to monitor the situation.
- All airports in Somalia are now open for local passenger flights, but remain closed for international passenger flights, with the exception of Mogadishu and Hargeisa (for Ethiopian Airlines flights to Addis Ababa). Baidoa airport continues to be closed on Fridays and Saturdays for maintenance works. Abudwak airport is also still closed for maintenance.
- All passengers travelling to Somaliland’s Egal International Airport must show proof of a negative COVID-19 test, issued by a reliable laboratory/agency at least four days prior to travel. Passengers who do not present a certified test must undergo 14-day mandatory quarantine upon arrival.
- The Somaliland-Ethiopia (Berbera corridor) and Central Somalia-Ethiopia borders remain open, but strictly for commercial trade. The Kenya-Somalia land borders remain closed for commercial entities. However, certain points may periodically be opened for trade, subject to bilateral agreements between local authorities of relevant border towns. The Logistics Cluster continues to monitor the situation to inform partners of any temporary border openings.

Sudan

- As of 8 July, the COVID-19-related lockdown has been partially lifted and public transportation is allowed to resume service. Movement of persons within Khartoum State is allowed, but any movements from Khartoum State to other States are still forbidden for the time being. Preventive measures are being reinforced to prevent contamination through the virus.
- A training on the WFP COVID-19 supplies tracking tool is ongoing from 13 July to 19 July. 23 focal points from 16 organisations registered for the training. The tool allows to capture all supplies upon their arrival in the country, including donations from private donors, and monitor their last mile distribution. Fifteen staff members from the Federal Ministry of Health (FMOH) will also be trained.

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**Syria**

**Inside Syria**

- An increase in capacity at Tartous and Latakia ports has been noted compared to June. Humanitarian operations have not been affected.

**Cross-border**

- The Deputy Regional Humanitarian Coordinator has designated Dr. Vinod Varma from WHO as Supply Chain Coordinator. Dr. Varma will be responsible for validating all COVID-19 related requests made by organisations on the WHO Supply Portal for the northwest Syria response.
- Travel restrictions inside Turkey were lifted at the end of June and humanitarian operations have returned to normal.

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