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PARTICIPANTS	CARE, Concern Worldwide, National Disaster Risk Management Commission (NDRMC), United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Shelter Cluster, United States Agency for International Development (USAID), United Nations Populations Fund (UNFPA), World Food Programme (WFP)
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The next Cluster Coordination Meeting is set for 6 October at 11:00 EAT.• Partners are requested to report physical road constraints using the new Interactive Map.
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Information Gathering2. Aviation Updates3. Logistics Updates and Challenges4. Service Request Form5. Partner Forum, FAQs and Knowledge sharing

1. Information Gathering

- The existing communication channels for the dissemination of key information and products were shared, including the mailing list ethiopia-logs@logcluster.org, Ethiopia operations page (<https://logcluster.org/ops/eth20a>) and shared mailbox ethiopia.logclustercargo@wfp.org to reach the Logistics Cluster team to request for services.
- [The Digital Logistics Capacity Assessment \(DLCA\)](#) for Ethiopia is currently being updated to provide essential information on logistics infrastructure and services in country.
- The [dedicated COVID-19 response page](#) provides essential updates and information to minimise disruptions in the supply chain of current humanitarian operations.

2. Aviation Updates

- No major changes were reported to flight schedules serving Addis Ababa. A minimal humanitarian flight schedule is now in operation as commercial routes are available again. Further information and booking can be made through the [Humanitarian Booking Hub](#).
- Partners can continue to submit upstream cargo movement requests via the [Emergency Service Market Place](#).
- Partners were requested to reach out to the Logistics Cluster team if they have any queries or need support.

3. Logistics Updates and Challenges

- The new [Interactive Physical Road Constraints Map](#) was presented. The tool provides greater granularity and frequency of updates on physical road constraints within Ethiopia. Data collected here is used to generate the static maps that are published weekly. Partners were requested to use the tool to provide physical road constraint reports when they occur.
- Reports for Afar were still showing the following woredas (districts) as inaccessible: Awash, Fentale, Amibara, Duleche, Gewane, and Galeolo. The village of Asaita is still not accessible due to flooding on the road. Partners were asked for any updates to confirm that this situation is still ongoing.
- Around Dire Dawa, the bridge at Kurfachelle is still down, preventing direct routes to Meyumuluke and Kubi. An alternative route is available at Meyu – Awayday – Kubi.
- During the weekend a report was received of the road being washed away between Boreda – Karamile, preventing all traffic from passing. On Monday 21 September it was confirmed the road is now open again. This type of report highlights the effectiveness of the tool to provide timely updates as the situation rapidly changes.
- In Gambella, the main corridors are accessible, however journeys to South Sudan by river have to go via Itang port as the road is still inaccessible from Gambella to Mater port. The route between Dembi Dolor and Gambella is being reported as challenging to access.
- In Oromia, the Negele bridge near Hudet is still down.
- In Somali Region, the Kelafo and Mustahil bridges are still damaged preventing access to areas. An alternative route via Gode – Kebri Dehar – Ferfer is advised for accessing kebeles (wards) nearer Ferfer.
- An operation overview was presented, highlighting the key achievements for the Logistics Cluster to date including:
 - one MSU provided to the NDRMC and Shelter Cluster for returnees.
 - one MSU donated in Gode for the Disaster Prevent Preparedness Bureau (DPPB).
 - four MSUs set up at border regions of Djibouti to screen truck drivers for COVID-19.
 - three Flospans and one MSU provided to the Public Health Institute.
 - Rehabilitation work done on ten warehouses in Adama for NDRMC, available as common storage.
 - Facilitating the potential rehabilitation of four bridges.
 - Facilitated the movement of essential WHO medical supplies in partnership with UNHAS.
 - Supporting the work of the Protection against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) community to prototype a mapping tool.
 - Development and initiation of the cold chain preparedness plan as described below.
- Through consultation with WHO a preparedness plan has been proposed to facilitate the effective scale up of a cold chain supply chain to deliver vaccines across the country. An order of four converted containers has been initiated for use by WHO, with additional quotes expected for the procurement of converted refrigerated containers to support the operation.
- The funding overview was presented, with the initial EHF funding of 2 million USD received covering operation activities so far. It was highlighted that in order to bolster the scale up of the cold chain preparedness plan, more funding would be required.

4. Service Request Form

- Partners were advised to complete requests for assistance using the [Service Request Form](#) and to submit to the form to ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org.
- Prioritisation of cargo was explained, with requests facilitated by the Logistics Cluster RITA Officer and services prioritised and confirmed by the Logistics Cluster Coordinator, before a schedule of services is compiled and shared back to partners.
- After feasibility has been confirmed and the request approved, cargo will be tracked by the Logistics Cluster through the RITA tracking system.

5. Partner Forum, FAQs and Knowledge Sharing

- NDRMC highlighted a request for storage services of medical supplies from MSF at the MSU in Dogole. The MSU had been allocated to support humanitarian assistance to returnees. The Cluster Coordinator confirmed that he would reach out to MSF to confirm requirement.
- CARE highlighted physical access constraints limiting their ability to reach beneficiaries in three Woredas of East Haraghe zone: Kurfachele, Girawa and Bedeno; due to the bridge being down between Adale and Kurfachele. Difficulty of access has resulted in smaller trucks of 10MT being used, hampering efforts to provide critical support to beneficiaries. The Kurfachele bridge is due for inspection by WFP engineers, the Cluster Coordinator will revert back with an update on progress.
- NDRMC also reported a bridge down in Derder that needs to be assessed.

The next Coordination Meeting is scheduled for 6 October at 11:00 EAT.

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