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PARTICIPANTS	CARE, Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Concern Worldwide, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Food for the Hungry (FH), GOAL, International Committee of Red Cross (ICRC), National Disaster Risk Management Commission (NDRMC), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), United Nations World Health Organisation (WHO)
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The next Cluster Coordination Meeting is set for 17 November at 11:00 EAT.• Hakim to share the cold chain preparedness plan.
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Aviation Updates2. Logistics Updates and Challenges3. Partner Forum, FAQs and Knowledge Sharing

1. Aviation Updates

- Partners were informed on the current phase out strategy of the WFP free-to-user COVID-19 Common Services. As part of the phase out plans, free-to-user cargo movement request is no longer being accepted through the [Emergency Service Marketplace](#), and all cargo already booked in the system must be ready for dispatch by November 30.
- The [Humanitarian Booking Hub](#) will continue to serve partners on a cost recovery basis.
- Based on the current availability of commercial options and COVID-19 spread, WFP foresees that the requirements of The Global Passenger Services will continue until the end of 2020. WFP will re-asses with partners the need of services to continue beyond 2020.

2. Logistics Updates and Challenges

Physical Road Constraints

The recent physical road constraint reports were presented using the [Interactive Physical Road Constraints Map](#):

- The main corridors for the ports of Djibouti and Berbera have no constraints reported. In Sudan/Metema, operations are moving forward. At the border crossing from Kenya via Moyale, trucks are smoothly transshipping.
- Adama, Amhara and Tigray also have no reported physical road constraints.

- In the Afar region, severe flooding is still being reported across parts of Gewane, Gewaro and Awash Fentale. Capital areas are accessible but some kebeles (wards) are still flooded.
- A bridge near Melka Werer has been reported to have collapsed and is completely flooded by the Awash River but alternative access is possible through the river bed.
- In Oromia, floods are affecting access into some woredas (districts).
- The bridge at Hudet is still down, preventing direct access from Negele to Moyale.
- In Mustahil, the bridge has collapsed, limiting access to many kebeles (including Mirdis and Cagadurwa). Alternative roads to reach affected kebeles are Kelafo-Gode-Kebri Dehar-Ferfer.
- All corridors to Gambella via Nekemte and Jimma are accessible, except the corridor to Gambella ex-Nazareth via Dembi Dollo, which is not accessible. Main corridors from Gambella to the border points of Pagak and Raad are accessible, while the corridor from Gambella to Matar port is flooded and now inaccessible. Alternative access to South Sudan by river is now via Itang port.
- WFP Engineering and the Logistics Cluster have been involved in the assessment of collapsed bridges in Kurfachelle, Kelafo, Mustahil and Negele.
 - The Kurfachelle bridge in Dire Dawa was discovered to be damaged, but vehicles can pass via the riverbed for onward travel to Meyumuluke/Kubi. During the dry season, access should remain possible but in case of flooding the route would likely become inaccessible.
 - Kelefo bridge in Somali Region has been repaired to prevent further erosion and is passable. More work will be required to prevent further damage from occurring.
- Storage and transport availability for partners:
 - The recently acquired warehouse space of 1000 m² in Addis Ababa, 9 km south of the airport, is now operational. It is ready to serve partners on a free-to-user basis.
 - The Logistics Cluster is planning to facilitate access to five dedicated trucks of 5-10 mt each at the disposal of partners responding to the flood in the Afar region. The fleets will be positioned at Adama (one 5 mt and one 10 mt truck) and Semera (two 5mt and one 10 mt truck).
 - Partners can request support for services, whether transport or storage, using the [Service Request Form \(SRF\)](#).
- The operation overview was presented, highlighting the key areas of activities:
 - The Logistics Cluster is currently supporting one partner by providing warehouse space in Addis Ababa.
 - The Logistics Cluster has facilitated the transport of two mobile storage units (MSUs) from Adama to Komboulcha, as well as two MSU donations in Jijiga and a donation of three MSUs in Metema to various partners.
 - The Logistics Cluster is working in partnership with WHO, UNICEF and the Ministry of Health (MOH) on the assessment of cold chain needs in the country, including the assessment of cold chain availability at the airport.
 - The process of the Logistics Cluster extension to continue to support the needs of humanitarian partners and the preparedness for the cold chain vaccination campaign is currently ongoing.

- The Logistics Cluster has received a contribution of 800,000 USD from the Ethiopia Humanitarian Fund (EHF) as well as USD 2 million from USAID to support humanitarian partners in logistical needs, the preparedness work for a potential cold chain vaccination campaign, and to support other emergencies in the country, like the desert locust, flood and COVID-19.

3. Partner Forum, FAQs and Knowledge Sharing

- Partners asked the cluster for Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) designed for COVID-19. The Logistics Cluster has drafted a cold chain preparedness plan which is getting updated by WHO, UNICEF and MOH, and will be shareable. The Logistics Cluster also has an [SOP for warehouses](#) operating during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The next Coordination Meeting is scheduled for 17 November at 11:00 EAT.

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