Operational Updates

- Between 17 October and 12 February, a total of 29,405 m$^3$ of NFIs, equivalent to 6,142 mt, has been handled on behalf of 30 humanitarian organisations.

- In order to address an identified gap in warehouse management capacity for both humanitarian and government actors, the Logistics Cluster held a warehouse management training in Zummar on 23 January. This was held in Arabic with live translation available, and was attended by 15 staff from six national and international organizations.

- The Logistics Cluster is loaning Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) to a number of humanitarian organisations requiring extra storage capacity in Qayyarah, Bardarash and Kirkuk.

- Organizations facing any issues at checkpoints throughout the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (KRI) are encouraged to contact the OCHA Civil-Military Coordination team (contacts available from the Logistics Cluster).

- Regarding West Mosul, an Inter-Cluster Coordination Working Group carried out a scenario planning exercise to identify expected populations in need, displacement patterns and possible gaps and access constraints.

- A Hawiga Contingency Plan has been drafted by the humanitarian community to anticipate humanitarian needs that may result from a military offensive in the area. Water, food and health services are already indicated as a priority for the most vulnerable, and human rights violations and protection concerns have been reported. The Logistics Cluster will be extending the existing storage capacity in key areas and supporting the humanitarian response as required.

Humanitarian Response Plan 2017

- The Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) process for 2017 is nearly complete. The overall objective for the Logistics Cluster is to help expand the operational reach and presence of humanitarian partners. The strategic peer review session and the cluster defences have taken place; two projects have been recommended to be included in the Logistics Cluster portfolio.

- The Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) is being drafted as a supporting document of the HRP and includes specific needs and gaps identified by the Logistics Cluster, such as:
  - Increasing needs for logistics coordination and information, due to an unpredictable operational scenario and the movement of IDPs to hard-to-reach locations throughout several governorates with different structures and authorities.
  - Limited storage capacity for prepositioning and contingency stocks in rural areas close to the new emergency site locations and need to increase the capacity of national actors in terms of warehouse management skills.
  - Potential restrictions on movement of humanitarian cargo and personnel in key operational areas, due to a volatile security situation and potentially damaged infrastructure (especially bridges).
  - Potential delays in customs clearance approvals, especially for health-related items (e.g. controlled drugs).

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Common Storage and Logistics Cluster Updates

- Two initial MSUs have been erected in Hamam al ‘Alil to be used as common storage (560 m²) to both support the surrounding camp and for the prepositioning of items for the response in southern and western Mosul. An NGO partner is managing this facility that will be available to use in the coming days.

- A warehouse (1,750 m²) is being secured to serve as common storage on the outskirts of Gogjali, to support operations in east Mosul. An implementing partner has been identified to manage the facility on behalf of the Logistics Cluster.

- Organizations are asked to share their projected storage needs for both Gogjali and Hamam al ‘Alil in order to anticipate any need to quickly upscale these facilities.

- The Logistics Cluster is finalizing an agreement with an NGO partner to install three MSUs in Khazer and Debaga camps, providing a further 800 m² of prepositioning capacity for the humanitarian community. Additionally, an agreement is being finalized with another NGO partner for the provision of common storage in Zummar (480 m²).

- The Logistics Cluster storage capacity can be seen on the latest ConOps map at: http://www.logcluster.org/map/concept-operations-map-mosul-january-2017.

- All common storage facilities can be accessed by humanitarian organizations on a free-to-user basis. A revised ConOps map has been circulated to partners and the SOPs to access storage space can be found online: http://www.logcluster.org/document/sops-standard-operating-procedures-warehousing-mosul-update-01-november-2016.

- The Logistics Cluster has facilitated the transport of an additional 900 MoDM family tents in Qayyarah, in collaboration with IOM, which will serve to expand current camp capacity in the area.

One Stop Shop - KRI

- The One Stop Shop (OSS) continues to process customs clearance requests. The Logistics Cluster ensures regular support to the OSS members and humanitarian organisations through sharing information and offering operational suggestions to further streamline the process.

- A joint OSS/Logistics Cluster workshop will be held on 7 March to present the improved OSS services, including the formalized checklist and registration process, and to allow participants to discuss any bottlenecks and best practises (invitation to follow).

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