Operational Updates

- To date, since the start of the Mosul operation on 17 October, a total of 45,510 m³ of humanitarian cargo, equivalent to 9,057 mt, has been received for storage, and 7,058 m³ (1,593 mt) transported on behalf of 40 humanitarian organisations across the 17 different Logistics Cluster hubs.

- Since 17 October 2016 and as result of the military operation to retake Mosul, 141,373 families (848,238 individuals) are still currently displaced, with a further 229,038 having already returned (source: IOM DTM).

- Sporadic fighting continues in small pockets of Mosul, causing a further 20,000 people to flee in the last two weeks.

- Humanitarian organisations are requested to communicate on any key operational areas that are experiencing logistics gaps and would require support and services from the Logistics Cluster.

Common Storage

- The new warehouse in Sumel, close to Dahuk city, is now operational (2,760 m²). All commodities which were being stored through the Logistics Cluster in the previous warehouse in Batel have been transferred to this new location, at no cost to the user.

- On 13 July, the Logistics Cluster took part in an inter-cluster mission to Habbaniya Tourist City (HTC) to discuss key gaps and issues in the HTC and Kilo 18 camps in Anbar. The cluster is working with the Ministry of Displacement and Migration (MODM) to explore potential common storage solutions for humanitarian organisations active in the area.

- The Logistics Cluster has prepositioned three mobile storage units (MSUs) in Baghdad in response to expected increases in operations in the Anbar area. These are available to establish common storage or for loan to individual organisations.

- In response to the implementing partner’s request, the Logistics Cluster is scaling up the common storage facilities in the Khazer camps. The ground has been levelled and the erection of a further two MSUs will commence shortly.

- The common storage space available is currently 25,540 m² across 17 locations countrywide. The Logistics Cluster is currently storing 8,888 m³ (2,421 mt) of relief commodities on behalf of 25 humanitarian actors.


Coordination and Information Management

- The Logistics Cluster held an ad hoc coordination meeting in Sulimaniyah on 23 July to discuss any logistics gaps or constraints in the area. Moving forward, the cluster will liaise with MODM to support with the logistics of their distributions. Organisations requested the Logistics Cluster to conduct a Warehouse and Commodity Management training in Sulimaniyah in the near future.

- Two Warehouse and Commodity Management trainings have been held in Dahuk and one in Erbil so far, with a total of 101 participants from 44 organisations attending. A fourth session will be held in Baghdad on 1 to 3 August, with a fifth likely being conducted in Erbil towards the end of August.

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The Logistics Cluster has published a new Warehouse Assessment Tool. This brief assessment form was developed following feedback from organisations attending the above-mentioned series of Warehouse Management trainings held across Iraq this year. It is designed to help organisations assess potential and current sites and storage facilities for service provision in Iraq.

The Logistics Cluster has finalized the recruitment of a focal point for the One-Stop-Shop (OSS) for customs clearance. From the beginning of August, the new team member will be available to liaise between Logistics Cluster partners and the Joint Crisis Coordination (JCC); compile and analyse the outputs of the OSS; and provide general assistance with issues regarding the internal movement of humanitarian cargo in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (KRI).

Logistics Cluster Induction trainings will be held in Dahuk, Erbil and Baghdad in September; invitations will be sent out once dates are confirmed.


All Logistics Cluster reference documents, including past meeting minutes, maps and access procedures are available online at: http://www.logcluster.org/ops/irq14a.

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