LOCATION: PESHAWAR
DATE: 05 August 2014
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Coordinator


ACTION POINTS:

- Logistics Cluster to communicate to the Provincial level Inter-Cluster Coordination Meeting that a significant number of partners remain waiting for Non-Objection Certificates (NOCs). This is impeding their ability to deliver their organisation’s logistics response.
- Cluster partners were encouraged to share logistics assessment data from Bannu, particularly any warehousing assessments.
- Cluster partners were encouraged to provide additional locations for inclusion in the recently circulated road distance matrix.

AGENDA: 1. Introduction
2. Situation update
3. Logistics Cluster services
4. Identification of potential logistics gaps in KPK/FATA (Partner’s Briefs)

INTRODUCTION

- The previous meetings’ action points were addressed with the minutes from the previous meeting approved.

SITUATION UPDATE

- The current case-load for the operation now stands at 455,597 displaced persons, (UNOCHA, 24 July):
  http://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/PAK691_Pakistan_Humanitarian_Snapshot_Jun14_v4_A4_20140624.pdf
- Some cluster partners have recently received their "No-Objection Certificates" NOCs to work and travel in the Displaced Persons (DPs) areas. However, several partners are still waiting for their NOCs to be issued. This is impeding partners’ ability to respond overall and is affecting the set-up of their logistics response. The Logistics Cluster will again bring this to the attention of the Inter Cluster Coordination Meeting at Peshawar level so that advocacy for NOCs can be continued.
- Non-Food Items (NFIs) remain the main items being requested for Logistics Cluster transport.
- While the Provincial Disaster Management Agency (PDMA) are requesting urgent support in Bannu, several National NGOs and Organisations have reported a lack of funds for the transport and warehousing of commodities to Bannu. The Logistics Cluster re-affirmed its commitment to supporting National organisations.
- The Logistics Cluster continues to support the district commissioner’s offices in Bannu and Dehra Ismail Khan.

http://www.logcluster.org/ops/pak14a
The proposed prefabricated warehousing training has been well received. Training will commence next week with successful applicants notified by the end of 07 August. If demand for the training justifies, the Logistics Cluster will organise a second training, funding and availability of staff permitting.

LOGISTICS CLUSTER SERVICES

Given the number of new partners seen at the coordination meeting this week a reminder is provided below of the main services offered by the Logistics Cluster and how they may be appropriately accessed.

- Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) have been installed in the three main logistics hubs across the area of operation (Peshawar, Noswhera, Bannu, Dera Ismail Kahn) with temporary storage space made available to the humanitarian community on a no-cost to the user basis.
- Road transport services are available for urgent delivery of relief items to a partner’s area of operations. Requests for road transport services will be considered on a case by case basis.
- To access Logistics Cluster services, partners must complete and return an SRF. http://logcluster.org/document/service-request-form-4

Information is available on the Logistics Cluster website to support partners in completing their SRFs. http://logcluster.org/ops/pak14a  http://logcluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/srf_instructions

- A limited quantity of MSUs are also available under a temporary loan agreement to fulfil critical needs across the operation. Partners interested in loaning an MSU were requested to contact the Cluster Coordinator. Any requests for an MSU loan must be well justified and agreed upon as a Cluster.
  Organisations requiring support with erecting their own storage facilities were requested to contact the Cluster Coordinator for more information regarding the assembly team’s support.

IDENTIFICATION OF LOGISTICS GAPS, PARTNER’S BRIEFS

- Information on available warehousing at Bannu level would also be welcomed by several partners. Partners that have assessed the warehousing capacities at Bannu level were invited to share that information and information of a general logistics nature with the Logistics Cluster so that it could be mapped and shared with the wider logistics community.

The next Logistics Cluster Coordination Meeting will be held in Peshawar on 12 August at 10.00 am in the WFP Office

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