

**LOCATION:** OSOCC Tacloban

**DATE:** 23 January 2014

**CHAIR:** Logistics Cluster Coordinator

**PARTICIPANTS:** CARE, CDRRMO, IEDA Relief, IFRC, IMC, IOM, Mercy Malaysia, MSF-F, OCD, OCHA, Plan International, Philippines Red Cross, Samaritan Purse, Save the Children, UNFPA, UNHAS, UNICEF, WFP, WHO

- ACTION POINTS:**
- Presentation of the overview of Logistics Cluster’s services in support of partners in response to typhoon Haiyan.
  - Presentation of on-going and future Logistics Cluster services including plans for capacity building
  - Partners were reminded to provide timely visibility of incoming pipelines to allow the Logistics Cluster to adapt its transition strategy to existing gaps in the operation.

- AGENDA:**
1. INTRODUCTION OF NEW FOCAL POINTS
  2. OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW
  3. THE WAY FORWARD
  4. UNHAS
  5. PARTNER’S BRIEF
  6. AOB

### 1. INTRODUCTION OF NEW FOCAL POINTS

- The objective of the strategic meeting is to provide an overview of the key operational support provided to partners by the Logistics Cluster in the areas of coordination, information management/GIS/Mapping and service provision and to present the way forward focusing on assessments of gaps, rationalization of available services and Logistics Cluster activities and building local capacity.

### 2. OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW

- Coordination and operational support has been provided by the Logistics Cluster to 51 partners since inception of the emergency response.
- The Logistics Cluster provided Coordination, information management, GIS/mapping support and facilitation with customs processes.

#### *Transport*

- The Logistics Cluster facilitated the dispatch of 21, 700mt of relief cargo shipments to 72 locations for the humanitarian community using land, sea and air transport. Surface transport accounts for 72 percent of the total cargo transported, sea transport 23 percent while military air assets account for five percent of all dispatches. Most of the cargo was for Food Security, Shelter, WASH and Early Recovery Clusters.

#### *Storage*

- The Logistics Cluster provided storage for 8,700 m3 of relief cargo for 30 organizations. Temporary Storage facilities were provided at strategic locations in Palo, Tacloban Airport, Guiuan, Ormoc and Roxas.

### 3. THE WAY FORWARD

As the humanitarian community's programmatic response moves from relief to recovery and reconstruction, the revised strategy for Logistics Cluster engagement in support of the humanitarian community will focus on the following:

- Supporting operations through increased assessments, sharing of information on commercial alternatives, rightsizing staffing, enhanced HQ/CO support and increased local capacity. These services are expected to gradually phase out no later than April 2014.
- Providing specific transport services to meet identified gaps, no later than Mid-February 2014.
- Providing temporary (72 h) buffer storage capacity in identified locations where capacity remains limited, no later than April 2014.
- Building capacity and transferring knowledge through briefings and hands-on courses including Generator use & maintenance, Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) assembly, Warehouse management and Logistics Cluster SOPs. The first briefing on Generator Use and Maintenance will be held on Saturday 1 February at the Danish Red Cross Basecamp in the warehouse compound at Palo. The Danish Red Cross has also kindly agreed to facilitate this session. Partners were advised to indicate interest when they receive formal invitations.
- The Logistics Cluster Coordinator informed partners that going forward, the role of the Logistics Cluster will be to support partners as much as possible to restore their supply chains through commercial capacity, hence emphasising the need for partners to obtain their organizations support for enhanced pipeline visibility and to manage the transition efficiently.

### 4. UNHAS

UNHAS operational performance and transition strategy was outlined as follows:

- UNHAS has performed 162 flights to 20 destinations transporting 2,651 humanitarian passengers, 10 MT of cargo and carried out 12 medical evacuations in support of the emergency response to the typhoon Haiyan.
- As of 23 January 2014, UNHAS has operated a total of eight aircraft from the beginning of the emergency response (five fixed wing and three helicopters). Currently, only one 18-seater fixed wing aircraft (Do228) is serving relevant locations.
- Until the end of January, UNHAS will maintain a schedule of one flight to Tacloban from Monday-Saturday and for medevac, serving Guiuan and Roxas three times a week.
- Until mid-February, UNHAS will operate two flights a week to Guiuan and Roxas on Monday and Friday with the possibility to extend services to Borongan. One flight may be performed for MSF per week. The aircraft will continue to be available for medical evacuations and special flights on cost recovery basis until mid-February.
- The air movement officer thanked the Logistics Cluster for setting up UNHAS container office space and an MSU at the

airport and for helping UNHAS personnel establish contacts with the CAA and other stakeholders at the Tacloban airport. UNICEF and ETC were also acknowledged for providing a tent for passenger hall and internet access respectively.

#### 5. PARTNER'S BRIEF

- Partners raised questions on the possibility to take over storage tents at the Palo compound. Partners were reminded that the Cluster's mandate is to fill storage gaps until they are able to secure permanent warehouse space. The Cluster will continue assessments of commercial warehouses in key locations for the long term storage needs of partners. Palo facilities comprises of two components: 1. the compound 2. the storage tents. While the compound will be managed no later than April, the assets will be decreased gradually as the temporary storage gap decreases and handed over to the Government of the Philippines as part of comprehensive EPR project.
- IOM requested information on the Port of Tacloban and will liaise bilaterally with the Logistics Cluster for more information.
- Some partners have experienced delays in the delivery of relief cargo coming from Manila to Tacloban and other locations by road as a result of poor weather conditions. The backlog is being monitored and support will be provided if transport is not picking up.

#### 6. AOB

- The WHO is looking for a local office and experienced local logistics officers.
- Partners were informed that an Admin working group meets every Tuesday at 10am to discuss issues related to accommodations, office space and staffing.

The next Logistics Cluster Meeting in Tacloban will be held at the **OSOCC on Monday, 3 February at 17:00 hrs.**

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