
Meeting Minutes, 3 May 2019

South Sudan



LOCATION	Humanitarian Logistics Base, Bentiu
DATE	3 May 2019
CHAIR	Logistics Cluster Bentiu
PARTICIPANTS	AMA, Internews, IOM, IRC, MSF, UNHCR, VSF-SUISSE, Welthungerhilfe (WHH).
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Logistics Cluster to send out invitation for the meeting on 6 May to discuss the fencing of the outdoor storage at the common storage site.• Partners to submit requests for assistance by 14:00 the day before Common Transport Service (CTS) support is required.• The Logistics Cluster to confirm dates when physical stock count will take place.• Partners to inform the Logistics Cluster when individually-organised convoys are due to arrive in Bentiu.
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Operational Updates2. Access Constraints3. AOB

1. Operational Updates

- **Air Operations:**
 - The Logistics Cluster facilitated reception of two cargo flights on behalf of organisations operating in Bentiu in April 2019.
 - Partners were reminded that any cargo waybills, manifests and packing lists must be signed by the appropriate authorities in Juba (South Sudanese aviation authorities and national security).
 - Organisations must notify the Logistics Cluster at least three days in advance before charter air cargo reception support is required.
- **Common Transport Service (CTS):**
 - In March, more than **272 mt** of assorted food and Non-Food Items (NFIs) was moved by CTS trucks from the Humanitarian Logistics Base to various locations.
 - Out of four CTS trucks, one truck has been out of commission for nearly a month due to mechanical issues. The truck will not be available until end of June. Upon request from the Logistics Cluster, IOM agreed to provide another truck to fill the gap during this period.
 - Partners are to submit their requests for assistance by 14:00 at least one day before CTS is required.
- **Common Storage Facilities:**
 - In the past month, more than **266.44 mt** of assorted food and NFIs were handled by the Logistics Cluster in Bentiu.
 - The outdoor and indoor common storage spaces are filled to capacity. Rearrangement has been ongoing to create space for any incoming humanitarian cargo.

- Physical stock count at the common storage site has been tentatively scheduled to begin on 14 May. The Logistics Cluster will communicate final dates to partners via email.
- Plans to fence the outdoor storage space are still ongoing. A Bill of Quantities was prepared and shared with partners. Organisations using the common storage site confirmed their willingness to support by contributing construction materials for the fencing. A dedicated meeting to discuss the fencing of the storage space was proposed and scheduled for Monday, 6 May.
- The Logistics Cluster team in Bentiu continues to facilitate the offloading and loading of partners' cargo both indoor and at the outdoor storage space.
- **Western Corridor Convoy Coordination:**
 - In April, four convoys arrived in Bentiu from Juba. Two convoys were individually coordinated by UNHCR and Mercy Corps, while two others, comprising of IOM and UNICEF trucks, were coordinated by the Logistics Cluster.
 - The Logistics Cluster Transport Plan, including Western Corridor convoy schedule, is published every Monday and available on the [website](#).
 - Partners are asked to share information with the Logistics Cluster team in Bentiu on arrivals of individually organised convoys for better planning and coordination.
- **Beyond Bentiu Response (BBR)**
 - In April, the Logistics Cluster in Bentiu facilitated the transportation of more than 40 mt of humanitarian relief items during three Beyond Bentiu Response (BBR) missions in Koch, Leer, Mir Mir, Mayiendit North and Mayiendit South.
 - Partners were advised that the Logistics Cluster team in Bentiu has the capacity and resources to support the delivery of relief items for responses in Leer, Koch, Mayiendit North, Mayiendit South, Mayom, Nhial Diu and Guit areas during the dry season with the CTS trucks.

2. Access Constraints

- All roads from Bentiu to BBR locations (Koch, Leer, Mayendit, Mayom, Pariang, Guit, Nhial Diu), as well as in other areas surrounding Bentiu and Rubkona are currently reported passable.
- Mayendit has become accessible for CTS trucks for the first time in three years. Partners were advised to preposition relief items there ahead of the rainy season, when the road will most probably become inaccessible again.

3. AOB

- Organisations have recently used the airstrip in Leer for storage purposes. The Logistics Cluster reminded the partners that an airstrip should not be used for temporary storage under any circumstances.
- The next BBR mission to Leer, Koch, Mayiendit North, Mayiendit South, Mayom, NHIAL Diu, Guit and surrounding areas is planned on 8 May.

The next Logistics Cluster meeting is scheduled for 7 June in the Logistics Base Conference Room at 10:00.

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