
LOCATION	Juba, online
DATE	8 September 2020
CHAIR	Logistics Cluster
PARTICIPANTS	ACTED, Child's Destiny Development Organization (CHIDDO), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Geneva Call, INTERSOS, Medair, Mercy Corps International (MCI), Peace Winds Japan (PWJ), Polish Humanitarian Action (PAH), Tearfund, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), World Health Organization (WHO), World Vision International (WVI)
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Organisations to share any physical road accessibility updates with the Logistics Cluster.• Organisations that have received cargo that does not belong to them (boat convoy #7 to Sobat River) to contact the Logistics Cluster.• Operational Support and Logistics Pillar of the National COVID-19 Response Plan to re-launch PPE Common Request System via the COVID-19 National Steering Committee.
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Air Operations Updates2. Road Operations Updates3. River Operations Updates4. COVID-19 Update: PPE Common Request System

1. Air Operations Updates

- In view of the COVID-19 response, COVID-19 related cargo is prioritised, and the Logistics Cluster remains flexible to facilitate the movement by air, even if the final destination is reachable by road or river. Partners needing to transport COVID-19 related cargo should contact the Logistics Cluster team at southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org.
- Current list of the Inter-Cluster Coordination Group (ICCG) priority locations:
 - Reachable by air:
 - Ayod County: Western flank - Wau, Pajiek, Mogok and Pagil;
 - Duk: Poktap, Payuel, Padiet and Panyang;
 - Greater Pibor area: Pibor town;
 - Twic East: multiple locations;
 - Pochalla: Akiela, Adongo, Pochalla (Akoyi), Burator and Omiela.
 - Reachable by road:
 - Tonj East and South Counties: multiple locations;
 - Rumbek East: multiple locations;
 - Awerial: multiple locations;
 - Terekeka.

- Partners were reminded that non-priority cargo is served, but as per the Logistics Cluster mandate, priority locations are served first.
- Organisations were reminded to submit accurate weather and other clearances to the UNHAS radio room before 7:30 am on the day when a flight is scheduled. Lack of contact from focal points will result in flight cancellation. The Logistics Cluster team (southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org) should be copied in all emails regarding air operations.
- In August, the Logistics Cluster dispatched 315 mt of life-saving humanitarian cargo by air and the top three locations served were Udier, Maiwut and Akobo.

2. Road Operations Update

- Organisations were reminded to share any physical road accessibility updates with the Logistics Cluster. The Access Constraints Map is published weekly and is available [here](#). The latest information includes that the Yirol to Rumbek road remains impassable and thus Western Corridor Convoys (WCC) are travelling via Mundri. WFP is engaging contractors to rehabilitate the road section and maintenance is expected to start within two weeks.
- The next WCC is scheduled to depart Juba on 11 September. The frequency of WCC remains once every two weeks and the next ones are scheduled for 25 September and 9 October. During the rainy season, the road to Bentiu is impassable and the convoy route, passable for 20 mt trucks only, is ending in Abiemnhom. Interested organisations should submit their [Logistics Cluster Convoy Request Form](#) to southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org.
- Equatoria convoys (Kapoeta, Kajo Keji, Yambio and Yei) are organised once every two months with the next ones scheduled for mid-September. Organisations interested in joining upcoming Logistics Cluster convoys are urged to submit their [request forms](#), respecting registration deadlines indicated in the recently published [Convoy Schedule August-September 2020](#).
- Organisations interested in transporting cargo to deep field locations in Unity, Northern and Western Bahr El Ghazal through the Beyond Bentiu and Beyond Wau Responses are invited to consult the [Weekly Transport Plan](#) and submit their interest to the Logistics Cluster according to indicated deadlines. As roads are becoming impassable across South Sudan due to the rainy season, the Logistics Cluster Beyond Responses operation in Bentiu is downscaling. Beyond Response Destinations Maps, detailing reachable locations, are available on the [Logistics Cluster website](#).

3. River Operations Update

- Humanitarian cargo initially loaded on Barge #9 is being transhipped into boats due to delays faced in receiving necessary clearances to move along the Nile river. The cargo will be transported together with supplies of boat convoy #11 and will be transported via Old Fangak river route.
- Expected departure date for Barge #10 (Bor to Renk) is 24 September. Interested organisations are invited to submit their SRF to southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org and need to pre-position their cargo at the Bor Logistics Cluster hub.

- Boat convoy #12 from Bor to Sobat river locations is expected to depart on 23 September. The Logistics Cluster consolidated 50 mt of humanitarian cargo and interested organisations are invited to submit their interest to the Logistics Cluster.
- The Logistics Cluster recently published the below additional resources related to river transport services to support partners' operational planning:
 - Updated [River Transport Destinations Map](#) including an Estimated Transit Timetable.
 - [River Transportation Network Diagram](#).
- Organisations were informed that river movement schedules are published for three-month periods to assist early operational planning. The latest schedule is available here: [August - October 2020](#).

4. COVID-19 Updates: PPE Common Request System

- A USD \$5.2 million worth order of South Sudan Humanitarian Fund (SSHF) and African Development Bank (ADB) funded personal protective equipment (70 mt), procured by WHO through the UN Supply Portal, arrived in Juba between 3 and 7 September. The SSHF funded PPE cargo is destined for the PPE Common Request System aiming at providing PPE supplies to humanitarian responders. The Logistics Cluster, through the Operational Support and Logistics Pillar of the COVID-19 National Response Plan (NRP), is supporting with the reception and storage of this cargo, to be transported to the field at a later stage based on the PPE Common Request System allocations made by the inter-agency technical team in support of the COVID-19 National Response Plan.
- The Operational Support and Logistics Pillar will re-launch the PPE Common Request System through the National Steering Committee, which will provide further instructions on how to request PPE commodities. In case of any questions on the request form, please contact fiona.lithgow@wfp.org and sabri.benzaid@wfp.org.

The next Logistics Cluster meeting is scheduled for 22 September at 12:00 and will be held online.

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