Meeting Minutes, 23 July 2020
Khartoum, Sudan

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Khartoum, Sudan – Online

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CHAIR
Logistics Cluster

PARTICIPANTS
American Refugee Council, Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, Concern Worldwide, Danish Refugee Council, EMERGENCY, GOAL, International Aid Services, International Committee of the Red Cross, International Rescue Committee, Norwegian Church Aid, OCHA, Triangle Génération Humanitaire, UNICEF, USAID and WFP.

ACTION POINT
- Partners are encouraged to share operational updates with the Sudan Logistics Cluster team regarding their COVID-19 responses and logistics issues faced due to the pandemic.
- Partners are to send consolidated lists of supply data to wedian.mohamed@wfp.org and pamela.onyango@wfp.org to be entered into WPF supply tracking tool (Only for partners who did not take part in the training for the use of this tool).

AGENDA
1. COVID-19 – Operations and Logistics
2. Gaps and Needs Analysis (GNA) Report
3. WFP Fuel Access
4. AOB

1. COVID-19 – Operations and Logistics

- The last COVID-19 coordination meeting with State focal points for the East and pillar leads highlighted an increase of COVID-19 cases. Focal points for the River Nile, Kassala, Gadaref and Red Sea states indicated needs for oxygen concentrators, Personal Protective Equipment (i.e. masks and gels) as well as testing kits. As frequent power outages affect the country, partners who are planning on bringing oxygen concentrators in country should also consider procuring solar panels to ensure continued power supply for the concentrators. Solar panels are recommended over generators due the issue of fuel shortage.
- Partners are invited to share any update regarding their COVID-19 response and logistics issues faced due to the pandemic.
- 30 focal points attended last week’s training on the WFP supply tracking tool. The tool should be live next week (i.e. 26-30 July) and trained focal points will be asked to enter supply data for their organisations directly into the tracking tool. Organisations who have not been able to attend the training are asked to send consolidated lists of supply data to wedian.mohamed@wfp.org and

https://logcluster.org/ops/sdn20a
An additional training may take place soon and related details will be circulated in due course.

### 2. Gaps and Needs Analysis (GNA) Report

- The GNA report draft has been shared with partners. No feedbacks were received and the report is consequently endorsed by partners.
- The Sudan Logistics Cluster team is now working on the Concept of Operations. In this regard, partners are invited to share with pamela.onyango@wfp.org and gerard.genevois@wfp.org their needs for storage and transport of COVID-19 cargo in the foreseeable future.

### 3. WFP Fuel Access

- The fuel service is a bilateral service provision by WFP to the humanitarian community in Sudan. As such, it is not a service facilitated by the Sudan Logistics Cluster.
- Fuel prices are still going up.
- 6.5 million litres of fuel have been procured for WFP, humanitarian agencies and their partners operating in Sudan. Due to transportation-related challenges, the procured fuel has not reached yet WFP main hubs. WFP will inform partners when the fuel from this new stock is available for distribution.
- There is no update yet regarding the plan to potentially assign some fuel stations in Khartoum and some States to the service of the humanitarian community. OCHA is following up with the Government on this matter.
- This is a reminder that Fuel Request forms (FRF) are to be sent to sayda.elhadi@wfp.org (Copy: pamela.onyango@wfp.org; ravinder.palsingh@wfp.org and osama.abdelwahab@wfp.org).
- For matters related to fuel issuance, please contact ravinder.palsingh@wfp.org (Copy: pamela.onyango@wfp.org; sayda.elhadi@wfp.org and osama.abdelwahab@wfp.org).

### 4. AOB

**Custom Clearance**

- The delays that are currently affecting the prompt clearance of goods at custom points have been raised by OCHA and the relevant steering committee to the Humanitarian Aid Commissioner (HAC). HAC will inquire with the Minister of Finance to find out about the cause of the delays.

**Sudan Logistics Cluster Webpage**

- The webpage dedicated to the Sudan Logistics Cluster is now live and can be accessed through the following weblink: https://logcluster.org/ops/sdn20a. Partners are encouraged to bookmark the link for ease of access in the future.
• The webpage acts as a one-stop shop for all information management products and key documents produced by the Sudan Logistics Cluster.
• The page will be regularly updated and enriched as new documents and updates are created. Partners will be informed through the mailing list when a new document is published on the page.
• Partners are invited to channel to the Sudan Logistics Cluster team operational information that can help update documents such as the access constraints map.

The next Logistics Cluster meeting will be on Thursday 6 August 2020 at 10:00.

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