

<b>LOCATION</b>	Khartoum, Sudan – Online
<b>DATE</b>	1 October 2020
<b>CHAIR</b>	Logistics Cluster
<b>PARTICIPANTS</b>	Catholic International Development Charity in England and Wales, German Red Cross, International Committee of the Red Cross, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, International Medical Corps, International Rescue Committee (IRC), Mercy Corps, Médecins sans Frontières Spain, Near East Foundation, Norwegian Church Aid, Norwegian Refugee Council, Samaritan Purse, Triangle Generation Humanitaire, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, United Nations Population Fund, United Nations Children's Fund, USAID, World Food Programme and World Vision.
<b>ACTION POINTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Partners to review flood response maps created for <a href="#">Karthoum, Sennar and Blue Nile</a> and directly share their feedback with: <a href="mailto:gerard.genevois@wfp.org">gerard.genevois@wfp.org</a>, <a href="mailto:amna.abdein@wfp.org">amna.abdein@wfp.org</a> and <a href="mailto:gautier.ferran@wfp.org">gautier.ferran@wfp.org</a></li><li>• Partners are encouraged to share with the Logistics Cluster road access information they come across, in order to update the physical access constraints map which is circulated weekly.</li></ul>
<b>AGENDA</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. UNHAS Briefing and Update</li><li>2. Operational Updates</li><li>3. WFP Fuel Access Service</li></ol>

## 1. UNHAS Briefing and Update

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- The United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) has resumed its operations in Sudan since the end of July after a long suspension caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to Government clearance-related issues, UNHAS flights from/to Khartoum and El-Obeid were interrupted again for a few days at the end of September. All flights are now operating as normal since 28 September.
- UNHAS is eager to continue to support the Logistics Cluster's partners with their operations in country, especially during the current flood season. UNHAS can also expand the coverage of its air transport services in Sudan if the access to new destinations is expressed by the humanitarian community.
- UNHAS' latest [flight schedule](#) and [standard administrative and operating procedures](#) are published on the Sudan Logistics Cluster's operation webpage.

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## 2. Operational updates

### COVID-19:

- Since the beginning of the COVID-19 outbreak in Sudan, 13,600 cases have been reported and 836 deaths. The virus continues to circulate in the country. On 27 September, 27 new COVID-19 cases were reported mainly in Khartoum and Red Sea States.
- Personal Protection Equipment is still a priority, especially for the protection of health workers against COVID-19 who will carry out the upcoming polio vaccination campaign to take place in several states.

### Flood response

- Over 830,000 people are now affected by floods and the worst-hit States are North Darfur, West Darfur, Sennar and Khartoum. This emergency is impacting around 125,000 refugees and internally displaced people (IDPs) according to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.
- The emergency response centre (EOC) led by the Government has been activated and is structured around the four following cells:
  - Information planning cell (access and needs assessment);
  - Operations cell (decision making and operational procedures);
  - Logistics cell (transportation and storage of relief supplies);
  - Media relations.

Partners are encouraged to support the Logistics cell and EOC's efforts, especially with regard to the identification and prioritisation of gaps and needs at State level. The Logistics Cluster can facilitate the contact between partners and the focal point of the EOC's Logistics cell.

- To date, about forty airlifts have delivered flood response-related cargo to Sudan. However, the inventory and tracking of delivered supplies is facing difficulties at the moment.

### Partner updates

- Samaritan's Purse has provided non-food item (NFI) kits to 240 households in Sharg An Neel and Alalafoon localities (Khartoum State) and plans to reach another 520 families with NFI kits.
- Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) Spain is planning a needs-based assessment in Northern State in response to the floods affecting this area. MSF Belgium will carry out similar assessments in Blue Nile and Sennar States.

### Access maps for States most affected by the floods

- The Logistics Cluster has developed maps for [Khartoum](#), [Sennar and Blue Nile](#) States that combine geographical information on physical access and flooded areas. Partners are kindly requested to review the maps and provide feedback to the Logistics Cluster, including on additional States to be considered for this product. Based on comments received, the Logistics Cluster will decide whether or not to carry on the regular production of such maps.

### 3. WFP Fuel Access Service

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- Procuring fuel in a timely manner and adequate quantities remains a challenge for WFP. The organisation is dependent upon its suppliers and transporters who themselves face difficulties to bring fuel in Sudan and transport it within the country. In this adverse context, WFP is working hard to replenish fuel stocks at its different locations and accommodate users' orders. In the meantime, WFP is initiating a tender to increase its pool of suppliers with the goal to provide enhanced and responsive fuel service to its users in Sudan.
- WFP has managed to receive fuel at its Khartoum and Geneina depots. Partial delivery to WFP fuel service users has started in Geneina.
- The International Committee of the Red Cross asked WFP to timely and proactively update fuel service users whenever bottlenecks and challenges are causing delays in the provision of this service.

**The next Sudan Logistics Cluster coordination meeting  
is scheduled on Thursday, 15 October 2020, at 10:00.**

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