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<b>LOCATION</b>	Khartoum, Sudan – Online
<b>DATE</b>	3 December 2020
<b>CHAIR</b>	Logistics Cluster
<b>PARTICIPANTS</b>	American Refugee Committee (ARC), CAFOD, Care International Swiss (CIS), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Global Logistics Cluster, International Committee of the Red Cross and Red Crescent (ICRC), International Organization for Migration (IOM), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF- OCA), Norwegian Church Aid (NCA), Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), Office of the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Plan International, Première Urgence Internationale (PUI), Shelter Box, Solidarités International, United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Welthungerhilfe (WHH), World Food Programme (WFP).
<b>ACTION POINTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WFP to share templates for accessing service provision.</li><li>• Agencies responding to the crisis to ensure participation in the inter-sector coordination, in the different areas of WASH, Health, Nutrition and Shelter to avoid duplication.</li></ul>
<b>AGENDA</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Logistics Needs and Gaps</li><li>2. Refugee Crisis in Kassala: Updates from UNHCR and agencies</li><li>3. AOB</li></ol>

## 1. Logistics Needs and Gaps

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- Following requests from partners, the Logistics Cluster is exploring the available solutions to increase the storage capacity in Khartoum.
- 10 trucks were positioned in both Kassala and Gedarif to support with transportation to the camps.
- Partners requested WFP to share templates/forms for requesting WFP services (storage. Transportation).

## 2. Refugee Crisis in Kassala: Updates from UNHCR and agencies

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### United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR)

- UNHCR is anticipating the reception of various consignments through emergency airlifts.

- Three airlifts helped to dispatch 600mt of assorted core relief items including more than 3000 tents.
- An additional flight is expected on the 15 December.
- UNHCR currently faces logistics challenges in terms of vehicles. An additional 24 vehicles will be brought to Sudan; including two ambulances to support the operations. These vehicles will be sent from Thailand by the end of December.
- UNHCR Continue to ferry refugees from Hamdayet to Um Rakuba camp.
- UNHCR continues to provide Shelter in the camps. A first batch of 500 shelter kits is due to arrive in the coming days. 2500 additional kits are expected afterwards.
- Water tracking continues in the camp. UNHCR provided water tanks in the camp and in Hamdayet.
- UNHCR continues to provide High Energy Biscuits (HEB) to refugees upon arrival at Hamdayet.
- A guest house has been secured in Gedarif for accommodating the staff deployed to support operations at the camp.

## **United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)**

- Activities are ongoing in the areas of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), Health, Nutrition and Child protection in the camp.
- In Hamdayet, four bladders were installed, 30 latrines completed and 1350 jerricans distributed. 25 hand washing stations are being installed.
- In Um Rakuba, seven water bladders were installed and 1128 Jerry cans distributed.
- In Village 8/Lugdi, three bladders were installed, 70 latrines completed (55 newly constructed) and 15 rehabilitated.
- Regarding health and nutrition, UNICEF supported Hamdayet Family Health Centre with health supplies.
- Health supplies were sent to the state to cover the needs for both refugees and the host community: Oral rehydration salts (ORS), Anti-Malaria drugs, Bed nets and Personal protective Equipment (PPEs)
- In Um Rakuba, UNICEF is supporting the Evaluation of Immunisation (EPI) Programme. This evaluation is currently ongoing for the children under 5 years old.
- Treatment is being provided in three temporary and two pre-existing Community-based management of severe acute malnutrition (CMAM) sites.
- Counselling services are also provided to mothers at the breast-feeding corner in Um Rakuba camp.
- Challenges include the delayed processes in camp planning which is affecting the delivery of services (such as delays in the construction of latrines).

## **International Organization for Migration (IOM)**

- IOM stressed the importance of logistical support in order to purchase and deliver on the ground to ensure a timely response.
- Provided chlorine for water purification at the crossing point in Hamdayet.
- Plans to provide shelter items for 3000 households in coordination with UNHCR, shelter kits have been identified.
- Provided female hygiene kits, water purification tablets, soap and jerrycans to refugees in Um Rakuba.
- Will establish two mobile clinics for primary health care in the camp.

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## United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

- Currently no structures on the ground, all the activities are carried out through cooperating partner.
- Moved more dignity kits to Kassala and Gedarif.
- UNFPA is currently experiencing challenges in storage, as they were utilizing storage facilities belonging to National Medical Supply Fund, already touched based with WFP on this regard.
- Expecting 150mt of dignity kits to arrive in the country.
- Customs clearances takes time, items are directly consigned to the Ministry of Health. UNFPA is considering the available options to have UNFPA as the consignee.

## International Committee of the Red Cross and Red Crescent (ICRC)

- Assessment teams are now returning to Khartoum, the last team is expected next week (7 – 13 December).
- A health assessment was done in Kassala, the health team is consolidating a list of items to be moved from Khartoum to Hamdayet and Hashmagirba hospital
- Emergency response specialist will arrive in Jan and will be based at Kassala teaching hospital for two to three months. The specialist will work together with Kassala hospital staff.

## PLAN International

- Plans to distribute handwashing facilities.
- For child protection, a child safe space has been established and toys supplied.

## 3. AOB

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- WFP Field Security Officer provided a brief on access.
- Humanitarian Country Team (HCT) meeting will take place in Kassala and will be chaired by OCHA on 6 December. The refugee response will be among the agenda.

**Next meeting will be held on 10 December 2020 at 10:00 a.m.**

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