LOCATION: WFP - Aden Office  
DATE: 28 November 2017  
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster  

AGENDA:  
1. Situation update  
2. Air Transport  
3. Sea Transport  
4. Road Transport  
5. Storage  
6. Fuel  
7. AOB

ACTION POINTS: NA

1. Situation Update

- The Logistics Cluster is extending operations until the end of 2018, the same common logistics services will be maintained depending on needs and funding.

- The closure on all air, sea and land entry points to Yemen imposed on 6 November affected the movement of humanitarian staff and cargo, including any transport facilitated by the Logistics Cluster. After ten days, some sea ports and airports were re-opened in southern Yemen, allowing humanitarian flights to land in Aden and the VOS Apollo voyages to resume; the north of the country remained inaccessible until 25 November, when UNHAS flights resumed from both Djibouti and Amman. Hodeidah and Saleef ports also reopened at the end of November.

2. Air Transport

- An airlift from Djibouti to Sana’a, carrying 18 mt of relief items of WHO and IOM, originally scheduled for 13 November, had to be postponed to 27 November due to the blockade.

- Service Users are invited to share their pipelines or interest, for the Logistics Cluster to have all necessary information to set-up adequate air transport services in a timely manner.

- Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) on how to access Air Transport service, as well as a recap snapshot, are available on the Logistics Cluster website.

- All documents have to be submitted to yemen.clustercargo@wfp.org

3. Sea Transport

Passenger Transport

- Due to the closure of all entry points to southern Yemen that took place from 5 to 15 November, VOS Apollo voyage #79 (departure from Djibouti to Aden on 5 November, and return leg on 8 November) had to be cancelled. Voyage #80 took place on 15 and 16 November, while starting from Voyage #81 on 19 November, the service resumed as normal.

- From 1 October 2017, organisations using the passenger service have to comply with financial conditions for payment of booking fees and no-show penalties to use the service. Only the user organisations
complying with these conditions by signing a dedicated agreement with WFP will be able to make bookings from 1 October onward. Passengers are invited to contact their organisation’s focal point and co_yem_passenger@wfp.org to ensure the agreement has been signed, thus allowing bookings to be processed and accepted.

- Updated SOPs, specifying booking and cancellation procedures, are available on the Logistics Cluster website at: www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-passengers-sea-transport-september-2017

- All booking requests, cancellations and inquiries have to be submitted to co_yem_passenger@wfp.org

**Cargo Transport**

- During the blockade, approximately 145 mt of humanitarian cargo for the cholera response of WHO, WFP, IMC and MSF remained on hold at the port of Djibouti. As the VOS Apollo resumed its regular voyages, the Logistics Cluster will ensure they are transported to Aden starting from 26 November.

- In November, 4.3 mt/10 m$^3$ of relief items were transported on board the VOS Apollo from Djibouti to Aden on behalf of IMC and MSF.

- A WFP-chartered vessel containing 1,313 mt of cargo on behalf of UNICEF and WHO was not originally cleared from the Evacuation and Humanitarian Operations Committee (EHOC) to sail to Hodeidah, therefore, in agreement with both organisations, the Logistics Clusters redirected the shipment to Aden. However, as Hodeidah port is now expected to reopen soon, another clearance request has been submitted for the ship to sail from Aden to Hodeidah, therefore cargo unloading is temporarily on hold.

- Detailed SOPs on how to access the service are available on the cluster website at the following link: www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-djibouti-sea-transport-august-2017

- SOPs recap snapshot is available at: www.logcluster.org/document/snapshot-sea-transport-services-sops-august-2017

- All requests and documents have to be submitted to yemen.clustercargo@wfp.org

**4. Road Transport**

- The Logistics Cluster can facilitate transportation of cargo requiring cold chain. This service is available in Sana’a and Aden upon request.

- The Logistics Cluster can obtain security clearances on behalf of humanitarian organisations, but only for those using the overland transport service facilitated by the cluster.

**5. Storage**

- Storage capacity is currently as follows: 5,740 m$^2$ in Aden, 3,640 m$^2$ in Hodeidah and 320 m$^2$ in Sana’a.

- The WFP Logistics Hub in PK20, Djibouti, can offer storage space to humanitarian organisations on a cost-recovery basis, should they have the need.

**6. Fuel**

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• The Logistics Cluster facilitates access to fuel (petrol and diesel) at distribution points managed by WFP around Sana’a, Aden and Hodeidah; fuel is available to humanitarian organisations on a cost recovery basis.

• Following to the blockade, the Logistics Cluster conducted an assessment among forty-two organisations (INGOs, NGOs and UN agencies). Results show that the overall needs to ensure uninterrupted operations amount to over one million litres of fuel per month.

• SOPs to access the service are available at the on the Logistics Cluster website.

7. AOB

• One INGO asked how to obtain an HF or a VHF frequency for use within the organisation. They were advised to seek the assistance of the Ministry of Communications.

• Several organisations are requesting generic logistics training, installation of MSUs, warehouse management training, etc.

Date and time of next meeting will be shared via the mailing list.