

LOCATION: Aden, Yemen

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CHAIR: Logistics Cluster

PARTICIPANTS: Intersos, Islamic Relief Yemen, Humanitarian Response Team, Nahda Makers Organisation, UNCHR and WHO

- AGENDA**
1. Situation update:
 - a) HRP 2019
 - b) User Survey
 - c) New Hub at Mukalla
 2. VOS Vessel/Air and sea transport
 3. New Warehouse / temperature controlled storage
 4. Fuel
 5. LRT and other trainings
 6. AOB

1. Current situation, Aden/Hodeidah/ Mukalla

- An updated access map will be shared tentatively before the end of the week. Organisations are invited to provide feedback and inputs, and to include roads and road access status which may not appear within the map currently.
- The survey launched in December to receive a feedback on the Logistics Cluster performance in 2018, as well as to improve and tailor activities in 2019, has only received 25 answers; therefore, all participants were invited to complete the survey available at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/yemen_user_survey_2018 .
- UN activities are planned to start in Mukallah in February.

2. VOS Vessels /Air and sea transport

- For sea transport, the Logistics Cluster aims to maintain the two VOS vessels, Apollo and Theia. One of them always has to be on standby outside Hodeidah to provide emergency passenger transport if needed. The other will serve the Djibouti – Aden – Djibouti route regularly for passengers and cargo.
- Airlifts are scheduled twice a month to Sana'a, and once a month to Aden if enough cargo for this destination can be consolidated (minimum 15 to 20 mt).

3. New warehouse/temperature-controlled storage

- The contract to rent a plot of land to near the Free Zone warehouse is being finalised; 20 Mobile Storage Units of 10x24 (total of 4,800 sqm) will be set up for common storage space.

- An additional 10 MSUs are being procured in Djibouti to be made available for loaning to organisations in Aden, in response to the recent difficulties with land transport from north to south.

4. Fuel

- The Logistics Cluster stressed the difficulties in maintaining fuel stocks if partners do not withdraw their requested quantities. As mentioned in the pro-forma invoice, partners have one week to withdraw requested quantities.
- In 2019, service users will only be able to request 2,500 litres of diesel and 2,500 litres of petrol at the time to ensure opening stocks are accurate and replenished regularly.
- However, if requesting organisations have storage capacity available and are able to withdraw the requested quantity at one time, the fuel limit may be exceeded on a case-by-case basis.
- SOPs will be updated accordingly in the coming days and shared with service users.
- To access the Logistics Cluster fuel, Service Level Agreements have to be renewed for 2019.

5. LRT and other trainings

- The Logistics Cluster informed participants that the possibility of organising and LRT training for Yemen is being developed with HQ, and that there are good chances that it will take place. Any additional information will be shared timely via the meetings and the mailing list.

6. AOB

- WFP is in the process of procuring an X-Ray machine for the port to expedite container clearance.
- WHO has 26 containers blocked in the Aden Container Terminal due to the port congestion.

The next Logistics Cluster coordination meeting is scheduled for 12th February 2019.

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