

- DATE:** 10 August 2015
- LOCATION:** Sana'a, Yemen
- CHAIR:** Logistics Cluster
- PARTICIPANTS:** Islamic Relief, IMC, Oxfam, Mercy Corps, ZOA International, International Relief and Development, Global Communities, UNDP, IOM, Relief International, Save The Children, UNICEF, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), UNFPA
- ACTION POINTS:**
- Organisations to send services requests to the Logistics Cluster for cargo to be transported to Abs with the UN mission;
 - The Logistics Cluster to keep organisations updated on the accessibility status of Hodeidah Port for humanitarian vessels;
 - The Logistics Cluster to keep organisations updated on the accessibility of Aden Airport for UNHAS flights;
 - The Logistics Cluster to continue sharing the list of destinations accessible by overland transport;
 - Organisations to share updates on current road status and access constraints.
- AGENDA:**
1. Situation Update
 2. Procedures
 3. Operational Updates
 4. Aviation
 5. AoB

1. Situation Update

General and Security

- Organisations were updated regarding the arrival of the Emergency Relief Coordinator in Yemen on 9 August 2015.
- A third UN assessment mission to Aden is being organised using the MV Mainport Cedar. The UN mission to Abs, Hajja governorate, has been postponed until 12-13 August, organisations that require cargo to be transported to this region, can send a service request to yemen.clustercargo@wfp.org.

Access Constraints

The Logistics Cluster informed organisations on the following access constraints in the country:

- Hodeidah Port continues to be congested, discussions are ongoing regarding port accessibility for humanitarian vessels. The MV Mona is loaded and at berth ready for departure, but awaiting clearance and the MV Drive Mahone will be loaded soon and clearance for Hodeidah will be requested.
- Djibouti and Al-Salif Seaports are reported to be congested with delays for berthing and offloading.
- Aden Oil Refinery Port is reported to be currently accessible, with several vessels having successfully berthed and offloaded humanitarian cargo.
- Organisations were informed that Kharaz is only accessible from Aden and not from Hodeidah via the coastal route.

- The Logistics Cluster informed organisations that it is regularly updating a Yemen road status and access constraints map: <http://www.logcluster.org/map/access-constraints-map-07-august-2015>. The Logistics Cluster reminded organisations to share information on access and road status to ensure the map can continue to be updated.
- The following airports were reported to be open and functioning: Sana'a Airport and Seyun Airport; both airports are operating international flights. It was reported Aden Airport is open, but with restricted accessibility. UNHAS has not yet been granted security clearance to operate flights to and from Aden Airport. The Logistics Cluster will share updates via the mailing list.

2. Procedures

- Organisations were reminded that the Logistics Cluster is facilitating the transport of inter-agency cargo by air, sea and road. This service is offered free of charge to humanitarian organisations responding to the Yemen crisis and includes storage, handling and movement of cargo from Djibouti to Yemen as well as inside Yemen, security permitting.
- Currently, the warehouse in the Djibouti 'free zone' is estimated to be at 75 percent of its capacity, additional capacity will become available as humanitarian cargo from the warehouse is due to be loaded on the MV Drive Mahone.
- Organisations were reminded the current Logistics Cluster temporary storage capacity in Yemen is 640 m² in Aden, 640 m² in Sana'a and 640 m² in Hodeidah. The Logistics Cluster informed organisations that 20 additional Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) are being transported to Yemen to augment storage capacity in strategic locations in the country.
- For transport and storage requests and to access Logistics Cluster services, Service Request Forms (SRF) should be sent to yemen.clustercargo@wfp.org.
- For cost-recovery and free to user fuel requests, enquiries should be sent to co_yem_fuel@wfp.org.
- All other queries should be sent to the Logistics Cluster Information Management Officers thomas.debandt@wfp.org and silvia.pontillo@wfp.org.

Convoys

- Depending on needs, the Logistics Cluster can facilitate overland transport for humanitarian cargo to be sent by individual trucks or added to existing, dedicated convoys. All requests can be made by sending an SRF to: yemen.clustercargo@wfp.org.
- The Logistics Cluster is sharing an indicative list of destinations that can be reached in Yemen, for a specific time window via email. The Logistics Cluster is also managing the required security clearances prior to the movement of any truck carrying interagency cargo to ensure the trucks moving in the country are operating in accordance with necessary security criteria.

3. Operational Updates

Sea transport

- The MV Drive Mahone is currently awaiting berth at Djibouti Port where it will load humanitarian relief cargo on behalf of UNICEF, ACF, UNFPA and YRC destined for Hodeidah. The vessel is scheduled to call at Aden Port prior to sailing to Hodeidah.
- The MV Mainport Cedar is currently at anchor awaiting to berth in Djibouti. It will transport personnel for a third UN mission to Aden, tentatively set to depart on 11 August.
- The Logistics Cluster has facilitated space availability on the MV Mona which has finished loading and is at berth awaiting clearance prior to departure for Hodeidah.
- The MV Amsterdam will transport Logistics Cluster MSUs to augment storage capacity in Yemen.

Fuel

- The Logistics Cluster will calculate and share the remaining free fuel in balance Aden, Hodeidah and Sana'a with organisations. The balance will be reallocated to meet the fuel needs of organisations carrying out lifesaving projects.
- An update was given regarding the existing balance of cost recovery fuel and the latest purchase order for Yemen.

Cargo Tracking

- The Logistics Cluster presented a brief summary of services currently ongoing and recently received:
 - Over 24 mt or 81 m³ of cargo is currently on board the MV Mona destined for Hodeidah and is being transported on behalf of UNHCR, UNFPA and IMC.
 - Over 315 mt or 1250 m³ of MSF Spain, UNICEF and UNFPA cargo is currently being stored in the Djibouti 'free zone' and airport warehouses. Cargo includes WASH kits, medicines, pharmaceuticals and medical equipment.

4. Aviation**Air cargo transport**

- Cargo flights to and from Aden remain on hold, pending the accessibility and capacity of Aden Airport.

UNHAS

- Organisations were reminded to obtain the necessary clearances prior to booking UNHAS flights to Sana'a.

5. AoB

- A request from MSF France for shelter and hygiene items for 500 families in Huth, Amran governorate was shared and organisations invited to contact the Logistics Cluster or MSF directly should they be able to support the request.
- Organisations requesting assistance with shipping, airlifts, storage and land transport services can access the SRF on the Logistics Cluster Yemen Operation page: <http://www.logcluster.org/document/service-request-srf>. Detailed guidelines on how to access services, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and SRF User Instructions are also available on the Logistics Cluster Yemen Operation page at: www.logcluster.org/ops/yem10a.

- The Logistics Cluster encouraged the humanitarian community to continue sharing information on planning, pipeline and supply chain plans to ensure maximise effectiveness and efficiency of logistics resources.

The next Logistics Cluster Meeting will take place on Monday 17 August at 11:00 at the WFP Office in Sana'a.

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