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1. Situation Update

Hodeidah

- All UN agencies have moved out their storage space from the city, while some NGOs still have warehouses. The Logistics Cluster recommended to NGOs to plan with the Cluster in case transport is needed to move cargo out of the city towards common warehouses.
- Dhows can be arranged to Hodeidah, as the seaport is still accessible as well as the road between the port and the city. Transport from Sana'a to Hodeida may also be arranged.

Djibouti hub

- Due to the current pipeline information received from humanitarian organisations, the Logistics Cluster foresees operations to continue from Djibouti for the next six months at least (April 2019). Should organisations require a full package of services in Djibouti (customs clearance, shunting, storage, ad hoc transport), WFP Bilateral Service Provision can tailor such services on a cost-recovery basis.

Scale up plan

- Via a revised ConOps map, the Logistics Cluster illustrated the proposed augmentation plan for 2019, in line with the expected increased activities of humanitarian organisations across Yemen. The Logistics Cluster now aims to extend its scope of work to respond to the additional logistics needs of humanitarian organisations, maintaining the purpose of maximizing the available resources in country, and avoid duplication of efforts.

Storage

- Due to the current security situation in Hodeidah, there might be constraints in increasing the current storage capacity in Bajil (one Mobile Storage Unit of 320 m²). However, two additional MSUs, for a total of 1075 m², are available for common storage as a contingency measure. The Logistics Cluster will monitor the situation to increase the storage capacity if and when possible: increasing storage space within the city will not be feasible, however the Logistics Cluster could access some 7,000 m² at the seaport through WFP.
- In Aden, storage capacity will be increased to 10,540 m² by installing 20 Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) of 10*24 on a land plot next to the current warehouse in the Free Zone. As cold and temperature-controlled storage have been identified as major gaps in Aden, the Logistics

Cluster aims to build between 500 and 1,000 m² of cold/temperature controlled storage space within the Free Zone warehouse in Aden.

- In Sana'a, the Logistics Cluster aims to increase storage space to some 6,000 m², depending on the facilities and land available. The increased space may include temperature-controlled storage rooms as well.
- Storage capacity augmentation in Aden and Sana'a is likely to be implemented by the end of the year.

Fuel

- The Logistics Cluster aims to establish a mobile fuel station in Bajil by renting two fuel trucks of 30,000 litres capacity each (one for petrol and for diesel) and two smaller trucks of 10,000 litres capacity each (one for petrol and for diesel), for a total of 80,000 litres capacity.
- The Logistics Cluster will increase the fuel tank capacity in Aden to reach overall 376,000 litres (282,000 litres diesel and 94,000 litres petrol).

Cargo transport

- The Logistics Cluster aims to open the Djibouti – Aden route for cargo airlifts to avoid the congestion at the seaport, as well as the Aden – Socotra route in case of natural disasters (such as cyclones and typhoons, to which the island is prone). The Logistics Cluster will engage with authorities in Aden to open these routes.
- The Logistics Cluster aims to purchase key equipment for the Aden airport and Aden seaport to increase offloading capacity. Specifically, for Aden seaport, the Logistics Cluster aims to purchase a container scanner to double the current capacity (one scanner) and thus ease the congestion at the port.
- The Logistics Cluster aims to maintain the two VOS vessels, Apollo and Theia, as one of them always has to be on standby outside Hodeidah to provide emergency passenger transport if needed. The other VOS is to serve the Djibouti – Aden – Djibouti route regularly, carrying all kinds of cargo.
- The use of Mukalla seaport to ease congestion on Aden port does not seem to be feasible due to the long distance to cover between Mukalla and Aden by land (15 hrs between Mukalla and Aden).

One Stop Shop

- In 2019, the Logistics Cluster aims to set up a One Stop Shop (OSS) for customs clearance in key locations (Sana'a, Aden, Dhamar or Ibb) to facilitate customs procedures, movement, and access of relief goods.

2. Common Logistics Services

Sea Transport

- VOS Apollo is currently outside Hodeidah, while VOS Theia is serving the Djibouti – Aden – Djibouti

sea route until the end of the month. The next voyage (130) will carry two passengers and 47.3 m3 on behalf of OXFAM and OSESGY.

- Due to the situation in Hodeidah, VOS Theia and VOS Apollo will continue to take turns to be on standby outside Hodeidah. Therefore, there might be occasional disruptions in the Djibouti – Aden – Djibouti route when the two vessels have to swap positions.
- Any update on the sea cargo and passenger services will be shared immediately via the mailing list and the cluster webpage: <https://logcluster.org/ops/yem10a>

Air transport

- The next airlifts consist of one rotation scheduled for 19 November, with 21 mt on behalf of UNICEF, PFSCM, ACF, and MSF.
- Two tentative airlift dates remain scheduled until the end of 2018, one on 03 December and one on 17 December; interested organisations are reminded to share their pipeline and submit their SRFs as early as possible for the Logistics Cluster to plan accordingly.

Storage

- Ten of 15 MSUs are still available for organisations needing storage in additional locations and willing to manage the space on behalf of the cluster. Interested organisations must send an official request and sign a loan agreement with WFP.
- SOPs are available at: <https://logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-road-transport-temporary-storage-march-2018>

Fuel

- As part of the Hodeidah response plan, the Logistics Cluster is ready to provide organisations working in Hodeidah with diesel and petrol on a cost-recovery basis; in October, it provided fuel to last 4 weeks. Therefore, the Logistics Cluster is collecting Weekly Fuel Requirements and fuel storage capacity of all organizations working in Hodeidah and interested in using this service.
- Organisations were reminded that fuel made available through the Logistics Cluster is to be considered as emergency stock, therefore this fuel should only be procured in quantities that can be collected within a week and stored at the organisations' own facilities. It is critical that these conditions are respected, because if committed fuel is occupying the stations tanks, the Logistics Cluster cannot replenish the quantities and ensure fuel supply to organisations in needs.

3. AOB

- The recent NAMCHA directive on the tendering process for NGOs was discussed with the MOPIC representative. The issue has already been raised at OCHA level. The Logistics Cluster agreed to invite both OCHA and the NAMCHA representative at the next meeting to discuss further at the presence of NGOs. In addition, the Logistics Cluster will propose it as an agenda item at the next HCT meeting.
- The Logistics Cluster discussed the training programme for 2019, which will include trainings on warehouse management and shipping operations.

- The Logistics Cluster presented the latest access constraints map, available at <https://logcluster.org/map/yemen-access-constraints-map-14-november-2018>, and invited organisations attending the meeting to provide feedback and to bring forward roads and statuses that might not appear now.
- For the cargo currently blocked at the Sana'a airport for customs reasons, the MOPIC representative invited organisations to send individual letters by each management to MOPIC.

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

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