1. Augmentation Plan 2019

In November, the Logistics Cluster worked with its partners on an augmentation plan for 2019, in line with the expected increase of humanitarian activities across Yemen. The Logistics Cluster 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. Here below the main points of the augmentation plan.

Storage

- The Logistics Cluster plans to increase its storage capacity in both Aden and Sana’a.
- 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 Hodeidah, the Logistics Cluster will monitor the situation to increase the storage capacity if and when possible: while increasing storage space within the city is not be feasible because of security, the Logistics Cluster could access the WFP space at the seaport (7,000 m²), and could increase the storage capacity in Bajil.

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 aims to purchase key equipment for the Aden airport, Aden sea port and Hodeidah seaport to increase offloading capacity.
- 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 cargo.

Fuel

- The Logistics Cluster aims to establish a mobile fuel station in Bajil (Hodeidah) 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 process is already ongoing, and the trucks could be prepositioned within the next two weeks.
- The Logistics Cluster will also increase the fuel tank capacity in Aden to reach overall 376,000 litres (282,000 litres diesel and 94,000 litres petrol).
- A fuel station in Ibb will also be set up, with a capacity of 100,000 litres.

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. Air Transport

- In November, the Logistics Cluster facilitated the transport of 13.2 mt /64 m³ of relief items on behalf of ACF, UNICEF and MSF.
- The tentative airlift schedule for 2019 to Aden and Sana’a has been published on the Logistics Cluster website at: https://logcluster.org/document/yemen-airlifts-tentative-schedule-2019
- Revised Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) have been published at: https://logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-air-transport-services-november-2018
- UNHAS schedule for December is published on the Logistics Cluster website at: https://logcluster.org/document/unhas-flight-schedule-december-2018

3. Sea Transport

- In November, voyage 128 between Djibouti and Aden was carried out by VOS Apollo, while VOS Theia remained outside Hodeidah on standby for passenger transport. Voyage 129 was cancelled as the two vessels swapped positions; voyage 130 and 131 between Djibouti and Aden were then carried out by VOS Theia.
- In November 40.4 mt/153 m³ were transported from Djibouti to Aden, on behalf of IOM, OXFAM and OSESGY.
- VOS Theia is in the holding area outside of Hodeidah. For any urgent sea cargo transportation needs to Hodeidah, the Logistics Cluster can arrange dhows from Djibouti on behalf of requesting organisations upon receipt of duly completed Service Request Forms.
- One 40’ reefer container was delivered and will be installed on board of VOS Theia upon return from Hodeidah.

3. Overland Transport

- In November, the Logistics Cluster facilitated the overland transport of 937 mt/ 4,989 m³ of relief items on behalf of ACF, ACTED, CARE, IOM, Relief International, UNHCR, UNICEF, WFP and WHO.
- The Logistics Cluster can obtain security clearances on behalf of humanitarian organisations using the overland transport service facilitated by the cluster however, organisations not using cluster-facilitated transport services need to request clearances directly from the Ministry of Interior.
- SOPs on overland transport are available on the cluster website: https://logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-road-transport-temporary-storage-march-2018

4. Storage

- Current storage capacity is: 5,740 m² in Aden, 3,640 m² in Hodeidah, 320 m² in Bajil and 1,960 m² in Sana’a.
- Figures of cargo accepted into storage in November are being finalised.
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- Ten MSUs are available for loan 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 for storage services are available at: www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-road-transport-temporary-storage-march-2018

5. Fuel

- The Logistics Cluster facilitates access to fuel (petrol and diesel) at WFP-managed distribution points around Sana’a, Aden and Hodeidah. Fuel is available to humanitarian organisations on a cost-recovery basis.
- Due to a change in fuel supplier, replenishment of Logistics Cluster fuel stations took longer than usual in November; in December, replenishments are expected to resume at the usual rate.
- SOPs for fuel access are available on the Logistics Cluster website at the following link: https://logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-fuel-provision-october-2018

6. Coordination

- Cluster coordination meetings were held in Sana’a on 15 November, and in Aden on 13 November. Minutes of these meetings are available on the Logistics Cluster website at the following link, both in English and Arabic.
- Dates and times of the next coordination meetings will be communicated via the mailing list and the webpage.

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