Meeting Minutes, 2 November 2020
Bangladesh, Cox’s Bazar

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Cox’s Bazar - Online

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CHAIR
Logistics Sector

PARTICIPANTS
ACTED, DanChurchAid (DCA), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Food for the Hungry/Medical Teams International (FH), Handicap International-Atlas Logistique (HI), International Federation of Red Cross (IFRC), International Organization for Migration (IOM), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Save the Children, Terre des Hommes (TDH), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), World Food Programme (WFP), Emergency Telecommunications Sector (ETS).

ACTION POINTS
- The Logistics Sector to share the Existing Road Map of the camp in Teknaf with the partners.
- The Logistics Sector to share the shapefile (dataset) with the partners.
- Partners interested in participating in the Logistics Sector Joint Response Plan (JRP) peer review, please contact the Logistics Sector.

AGENDA
1. Logistics Sector Updates
   o Handicap International – Atlas Logistique Extension
2. Joint Response Plan (JRP) 2021 Review
3. AOB

1. Logistics Sector Updates

- Two World health Organization (WHO) certified solar direct drive vaccine refrigerators for cold storage of vaccines and medicines requiring cold storage have been allocated to IOM. Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) has been in contact for one of the fridges that will be placed in their camp hospital.
- Logistics Sector extend the HI-Atlas services in different stages. Both transport and storage services in Cox’s Bazar hub will be extended until 28 February 2021. Storage Services in Teknaf and Uchiprang will be extended until 30 April 2021.
- The shapefile (dataset) of the entire camp including all the roads along with their width and complimentary attributes has been published on the HDX platform that can be accessed by all humanitarian organisations to make their own products/maps. The shapefile (dataset) is the product of the road assessment conducted by the Logistics Sector.
- Existing Road Map of the camp in Teknaf has been published visualizing the roads categorising them by their width across the camps in Teknaf.

https://logcluster.org/sector/bangl17
• The Logistics Sector in partnership with HI-Atlas transported 4219 m$^3$ (1631 mt) of relief items for 18 organisations including UN agencies, INGOs and NGOs, where 477 trucks were used. Please contact s.ul-karin@hi.org, s.rahman@hi.org and Bangladesh.clustercargo@wfp.org for transportation and storage services.

2. Joint Response Plan (JRP) 2021 Review

• The Logistics sector has completed a planning process over the last months involving partner consultations, needs and gaps analysis, forum discussions, analysis of service usage, meeting attendance data and partner feedback survey July 2020.

• Relevant Logistics Sector activities have been planned that are aimed at assisting partners in addressing common logistics constraints and bottlenecks. They should not substitute what is readily available in the local market, should be reasonably cost effective and avoid stepping over to other sector responsibilities.

• The following needs and gaps have been agreed with Logistics Sector partners:
  o The need for continued coordination, centralisation and sharing of logistics-related information to identify, resolve constraints and avoid duplication through a collaborative effort with increased involvement of national partners.
  o Capacities and expertise of field and management level national and international logistics staff to manage an accountable and efficient response.
  o Preparedness and response capacity to scale up coordination and required logistics services when required, through communication and information sharing, strategically located common storage space, access to rapid deployment logistics assets, and mapping services.

• The 2021 strategy will consist of a gradual reduction in common service provision in the first half of the year, and increased focus on capacity strengthening, Information Management and Geographic Information Systems (IM/GIS) and preparedness, with greater inclusion of the government where possible, national/local level NGOs and civil society organisations. This will be achieved in the following ways:
  o A dedicated coordination cell to strengthen horizontal cooperation among agencies and synchronize logistics efforts.
  o A forum for discussing Sector-specific logistics operations and requirements targeting increased involvement of national partners.
  o Continued full IM and information sharing platform: Web-based platforms for sharing information among humanitarian organisations in order to minimise overlaps, reduce duplication of effort and enhance resource utilisation.
  o Fully managed Storage and GIS mapping services availed to all humanitarian partners.
  o Supporting humanitarian agencies to build their operational capacity through trainings (one field and management level training per month), simulation exercises and advisory services.
  o Supporting and providing advice to other Sectors, the Inter Sector Coordination Group (ISCG) and the Government of Bangladesh on the logistics-related implications of cross-cutting issues and advocating for streamlined policies and processes that improve logistics performance.
  o Preparedness: Measures to reinforce operational resilience by prepositioning standby operational capacity and augmenting agency preparedness activities with technical support to mitigate logistics disruption.

• A peer review meeting will take place later this week to review and approve activity details. As such the Logistics Sector is seeking a forum of 5 partners including UN agencies/National and International NGOs. Partners are requested to express interest in sitting on the review board.

• The Peer Review process will assess the feasibility, budgetary allocations, strategic harmony and overall impact of individual projects proposed by appealing partners for the JRP 2021. Appealing partners are organizations

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that will be seeking donor funding. These organizations are part of a sector within the humanitarian response. Individual projects must be submitted in accordance with the Project Proposal Template created by ISCG.

- Following the peer review, the Logistics sector will submit the final draft to the ISCG to be included in the JRP.

### 3. AOB

- The Mentimeter tool was used for the first time in the meeting to collect feedback from partners on questions related to the relevance of 2021 activities planned in the JRP to support partners.

The next Logistics Sector Coordination meeting will be held online on Monday 23 November 2020 at 11:00 through Microsoft Teams invite.

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