Highlights

- In April, **185 m³ of relief items** were received into common storage on behalf of **two organisations** making it a total of **3399 m³ of relief items** stored on behalf of **18 organisations** in Madhu Chara, Balukhali, and Teknaf logistics hubs in Cox’s Bazar district.

- The Logistics Sector, in collaboration with WFP, launched the **Humanitarian Access Project** to support the Government authorities, including military and police, to facilitate access to the camps for the humanitarian agencies. It is a fully digitized system which minimizes delays and bottlenecks due to multiple vehicle checkpoints on the way to the camps. Currently, approximately 3,411 humanitarian vehicles from 126 organizations have QR codes for quick tracking/scanning.

- A total of **320 litres of hand sanitiser** was distributed to **twelve organisations** including national NGOs, INGOs, and UN agencies to facilitate office hygiene and staff wellbeing in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

- In response to COVID-19 outbreak, the Logistics Sector entered into a partnership with HI/ATLAS Logistique through WFP MoU, to provide common storage in Cox’s Bazar and local transport of medical materials to Isolation and Treatment Centres. The new common services in Cox’s Bazar are intended to start by mid-May.

- The Logistics Sector provided technical support to the military to set up Mobile Storage Units and Prefabs.

Background

In 2020, the Logistics Sector continues to work with partners to address common logistics gaps and challenges in Cox’s Bazar and ensure an efficient humanitarian response. The Rohingya Response Strategy maintains focus on strengthening collaboration amongst international and national partners, synchronising logistics decisions, producing and sharing key information, and facilitating access to common logistics services to support partners’ logistics operations.

In the lead-up to the monsoon and ensuing cyclone seasons, the Logistics Sector is focusing efforts on planning and reinforcing partner capacities and preparedness. In addition, since mid-March, the Logistics Sector focused on planning, preparedness and on obtaining health materials in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Previous sector activities that do not support WASH, Health or food distribution have been reduced to a bare minimum in line with current humanitarian priorities. To support effective decision making, the Logistics Sector provides technical logistics advice and access to facilities for organisations facing supply chain challenges.
Coordination & information management

- The Logistics Sector conducted four Logistics Sector Coordination Meetings in April attended by 31 organisations including national NGOs, INGOs, and UN agencies.
- Six information management products were published on the Logistics Sector website in April.
- The Logistics Sector has shared contacts of five oxygen suppliers and 80 COVID-19 related items suppliers with their partners. The contacts have been compiled using inputs from partner humanitarian organizations.

Logistics Services

- In April, 185m³ (163 mt) of relief items were received into common storage on behalf of two organisations making it a total of 3399 m³ stored on behalf of 18 organisations in Madhu Chara, Balukhali, and Teknaf logistics hubs in the Cox’s Bazar district. Items stored included metal footing, dignity kits, soap, solar lamp and hygiene kits.
- Between October 2017 and April 2020, the Logistics Sector received a total of 40,988 m³ (13,060 mt) of relief items for storage on behalf of 36 organisations.

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