Highlights

- In September, 1,460 m³ (583 mt) of relief items were received into common storage on behalf of seven organisations making it a total of 5,150 m³ of relief items stored on behalf of 16 organisations in Madhu Chara, Balukhali, Unchiprang, Teknaf and COVID-19 Special Hub in Cox’s Bazar district.
- The Logistics Sector in partnership with Humanity & Inclusion - Atlas Logistique (HI-Atlas) transported 3,577 m³ (1253 mt) of relief items for 16 organisations including UN agencies, INGOs and NGOs, where 434 trucks were used.
- A pharmacist has been hired through HI-Atlas for the temperature-controlled storage in Cox’s Bazar COVID-19 Special Hub to attend to specialized logistics medical warehousing requirements.
- The Logistics Sector received six solar direct drive vaccine refrigerators from UNICEF, Copenhagen for cold storage of vaccines and medicine requiring cold storage. The refrigerators will be placed in the Logistics Sector hubs in Madhu Chara and Cox’s Bazar for common storage services and can be loaned out to the SARI ICTs upon request.
- The Existing Road Map of Ukhiya Mega Camp has been published visualizing the roads based on the categories of their width across the camps in Ukhiya Mega camp. It is a product of the road assessment conducted by the Logistics Sector. Various other maps and a shapefile of all the roads across the camps will be published soon to be accessed by the humanitarian organisations. Partners can request the Logistics Sector for printed version of the map.
- The Logistics Sector conducted the warehouse capacity assessment 2020, the assessment revealed that there is higher utilisation of smaller storages by partners in the Rohingya humanitarian response, which means that those storages have little flexibility in case of higher demand. Warehouse capacity ranged from 25 m² to 6,683 m². Moreover, total storage space capacity has increased by approximately 12% since 2019 and 98% since 2018; and temperature-controlled storage has increased since the beginning of the COVID-19 response, accounting for 4% of the total reported storage spaces.

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 its efforts on planning and reinforcing partner capacities and preparedness. Also, since mid-March, the Logistics Sector focused on planning, preparedness and obtaining health materials in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Previous sector activities that do not support WASH, Health or food

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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 one Logistics Sector Coordination Meeting in September attended by 16 organisations including national NGOs, INGOs, and UN agencies.
- Two information management products were published on the Logistics Sector website in September.

Logistics services

- In September, 1460 m³ (584 mt) of relief items were received into common storage on behalf of seven organisations making it a total of 5150 m³ of relief items stored on behalf of 16 organisations in Madhu Chara, Balukhali, Unchiprang, Teknaf and COVID-19 Special Hub in Cox’s Bazar district. Items stored include oxygen, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) items (gowns and surgical masks). HI-Atlas transported 3577 m³ of relief items for 16 organisations.
- Between October 2017 and September 2020, the Logistics Sector received a total of 45,615 m³ (15,394 mt) of relief items for storage on behalf of 38 organisations.

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