

**LOCATION:** PUI- Sector Warehouse, Maiduguri

**DATE:** 4 October 2018

**CHAIR:** Logistics Sector Coordinator

**PARTICIPANTS:** Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), FHI 360, ICRC, International Rescue Committee (IRC), INTERSOS, Malteser International, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), OCHA, Premiere Urgence Internationale (PUI), Solidarites International (SI), WFP (Emergency Telecommunications Sector), WHO

**ACTION POINTS:**

- Logistics Sector to establish a WhatsApp group to communicate in-transit security incidents.
- Logistics Sector to organise an ad-hoc meeting to discuss existing limitations on the transport of fuel.
- Organisations with items stored in the Banki facility are to provide a focal point to oversee the movement of their goods to the new site.
- Any organisation with knowledge of any weighbridge/truck scales in Maiduguri are requested to contact the Logistics Sector.

**AGENDA:**

1. Introduction & Previous Action Points
2. Civil-Military Access
3. Storage Services Updates
4. Update from ETS
5. AOB

#### Introduction & Previous Action Points

- No organisations have expressed a need for a temperature-controlled space in Monguno.
- The Logistics Sector is set to relocate the common storage facility in Banki at the end of October (more details below).
- No organisations have contacted the Logistics Sector in regards to future use of the common storage facility in Damasak.

#### Civil-Military Access

- There have been a number of security incidents over the last two months on the Dikwa-Ngala Road and the Maiduguri-Banki Road. It is important for organisations to remain in close contact with transporters/drivers particularly when travelling these eastern and south/western routes.
- The Logistics Sector currently maintains a WhatsApp group with humanitarians and the Transport Union for communicating information on dispatch plans and convoy facilitation. Unless further feedback is received from partners, a second group will be established with only humanitarian participants to provide in-transit security incident updates.
- There are continuing access issues between Logomani and Ngala due to the poor condition of the road, but some heavy trucks have made it through over the last few weeks. The rains are subsiding and the roads are expected to improve over the next month, but organisations are still advised not to overburden their trucks on this route. At this stage, the road from Ngala to Rann remains impassable.
- There have been no set updates regarding a release of water from the Cameroonian dam upstream from Rann, but this is being monitored and any pertinent information will be shared with partners.

- Some organisations have raised concerns regarding the fuel movement limitation that was imposed at the beginning of the year. At present, each organisation may move up to 1,000 litres of fuel to each location, each day. To mitigate this restriction, some organisations are also having vehicle rental companies transport their own fuel. The Logistics Sector would like to hold an ad-hoc meeting with interested partners to look into these issues.
- There has been an increase in reports of delays and/or incidents at some checkpoints. Organisations facing any issues are asked to share them with the Logistics Sector; all information received will remain confidential.
- **Partners are reminded that:**
  - The deadline for submission of the hard and soft copies of CMN forms is Thursday before 12:00 noon.
  - Soft copies can be submitted for review/advice prior to Thursday.
  - Staff delivering and collecting hard copies should be familiar with the basic details of the movements.

### Storage Service Updates

- **Monguno**, operated by Solidarites: No update.
- **Banki**, operated by INTERSOS: As planned, the common storage facility in Banki will be relocated from inside the military base to the prepared site adjacent to the humanitarian hub. The Logistics Sector, IOM and INTERSOS are planning to begin this move at the end of October, and it will take approximately two weeks to complete. Access to the storage service is not expected to be suspended during this transition, but partners will be kept informed of any changes. Organisations that have cargo stored in the Banki facility are encouraged to assign a focal point to oversee their cargo during this exercise.
- **Bama**, operated by INTERSOS: An additional MSU will be installed in the coming weeks.
- **Ngala**, operated by eHealth: No update.
- **Rann**, to be operated by eHealth: This facility is still only operating on an emergency basis.
- **Damasak**, operated by ACTED: This facility is not currently available. Any changes will be communicated.
- **Dikwa**, operated by ACTED: No update.
- **Maiduguri**, operated by PUI: As already communicated to the mailing list, the Logistics Sector is slowly phasing out its funding support to the Maiduguri common storage facility operated by Première Urgence Internationale (PUI).
  - The expected end date of WFP full funding is scheduled for 31 December 2018.
  - The expected end date of WFP partial funding is scheduled for 31 March 2019.
- The common storage space available in field locations will be equal to that of the Maiduguri facility by the end of the year, across seven locations. WFP, as the lead agency of the Logistics Sector, is responsible as a provider of last resort. The Logistics Sector has conducted a market assessment to identify if there is still a need for the provision of centralised common storage in Maiduguri; it was found that there are a number of warehouses available for rent of varying sizes, prices and states of repair. The Logistics Sector can provide feedback and broker contacts to interested partners.
- Partner organisations with cargo currently in the Sector-PUI facility will have several options next year:
  - Partners are highly encouraged to begin moving as much cargo as possible to the seven field hubs.
  - Partners are encouraged to find their own storage solutions where available.

- Partners are welcome to work out their own common storage/cost-sharing solutions amongst themselves. (For example, rent one warehouse and share the use and cost between a number of organisations.)
- The Logistics Sector also has MSUs in stock that are available for loan to partners. More details on this process can be found [here](#).
- PUI is exploring options to continue running the warehouse on a cost-recovery basis; PUI operate a facility using a similar model in Bangui, Central African Republic. The Logistics Sector is working with PUI to make this as smooth a transition as possible. Partners will have a place to store their cargo until at least March 2019, and any updates or decisions will be communicated to partners with as much forewarning as possible. PUI will be circulating a survey to the organisations currently holding an MOU for the common storage in Maiduguri to measure interest, demand and willingness for a cost-recovery model.
- In order for the Logistics Sector to best tailor its support for partner organisations moving into 2019, a short online survey has been circulated to gather feedback about existing and anticipated logistics gaps and needs. The survey will be open until Friday, 12 October and all organisations are strongly encourage to provide feedback. The results of this survey will shape the Logistics Sector's planning and budgeting over the coming months and into next year. The survey can be accessed [here](#).

#### Update from Emergency Telecommunications Sector (ETS)

- The Emergency Telecommunications Sector (ETS) is a global network of humanitarian, government and private sector organisations working together to provide shared communications services in humanitarian emergencies. ETS was activated in northeast Nigeria in November 2016 and they provide support for humanitarians, rather than direct assistance to beneficiaries, at no cost to the user.
- ETS is currently providing telecommunication services in nine field locations, mostly within the humanitarian hubs. Based on requests from Logistics Sector partners, ETS is extending their internet services to some MSU/common storage sites.
- ETS can provide the following services:
  - Security telecommunications – call sign and radio ID allocation.
  - Data connectivity – shared basic internet connectivity accessible from a central location.
  - Voice services – access to Push-To-Talk (PTT) satellite-based voice network.
  - Coordination and technical advice – identify operational common needs and coordinate a coherent response; detailed information and guidance on security telecommunications, data connectivity and voice services queries.
- Moving into 2019, ETS is working on its Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) submissions:
  - The ETS will maintain Internet and security telecommunications services in the nine areas currently covered with ETS services in Borno and Yobe states. The ETS will deploy services in new operational areas in line with the Humanitarian Country Team (HCT) recommendations.
  - The ETS will implement a hybrid power supply solution in the hubs to ensure ETS services are available 24/7.
  - The ETS will continue delivering training on security telecommunications procedures for the entire humanitarian community. Technical radio training and capacity building activities for government counterparts and humanitarian partners will be conducted.
  - Following the assessment mission to be carried out in Oct/Nov 2018 to map the communications needs of the affected population in North-East Nigeria, the ETS will evaluate the possibility of implementing a project to address the needs.

- ETS will be requesting feedback from partner organisations regarding their operations and presence in the field in 2019, and what services may be requested to support these areas. Any feedback or inquiries can be addressed to [Erika.iglesias@wfp.org](mailto:Erika.iglesias@wfp.org).

**AOB**

- Solidarites International raised concern over the continuation of the air cargo consolidation service in 2019, which is currently provided as part of the Sector-PUI warehouse project in Maiduguri. Discussions are already underway between the Logistics Sector, UNHAS and PUI, and updates will be shared as necessary. Any feedback from organisations is encouraged.
- Any organisation with knowledge of any weighbridge/truck scales in Maiduguri are requested to contact the Logistics Sector.

***The next Logistics Sector coordination meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 23 October 2018 at 10:00 at the PUI-Sector Warehouse in Bolori II on Baga Road, opposite to the WFP warehouse complex in Maiduguri.***

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