LOCATION  Maiduguri, Nigeria - Teleconference

DATE  2 June 2020

CHAIR  Logistics Sector


ACTION POINTS  Partners are encouraged to preposition their items as rainy season is approaching.

AGENDA
1. Introduction and Previous Action Points
2. Road Access
3. Rainy Season Planning
4. Common Storage
5. Humanitarian Cargo Movement Notification Forms
6. AOB

1. Introduction and Previous Action Points

- Humanitarian Cargo Movement Notifications Forms (HCMNF) for the month of June have been returned by the Nigerian Armed Forces (NAF) and distributed to partners.
- The Logistics Sector is currently working on a short survey to better understand the logistical needs and gaps during COVID-19.
- Partners to continue to share detailed information on incidents experienced while moving humanitarian cargo to field locations. Incidents shared will be recorded in the Incident Database.

2. Road Access

There have been multiple incidents linked to vehicle checkpoints raised by non-state armed groups in the past couple of weeks. Roads to Damboa, Biu, Damasak and Gajiram are reported to have been affected. Partners are therefore encouraged to move vehicles in a group and take extra precautions to avoid travelling early in the morning and late in the evening.

Routes and Escorts

- The north route is accessible for humanitarian cargo movement without escort until Monguno.
- The north-west route is accessible for cargo movement without escort until Damasak.
- The western route is accessible for cargo movement without escort but is subject to intermittent closure due to military operations.
- The south-west route to Damboa is open for humanitarian cargo movement.

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- The southern route is accessible for humanitarian cargo movement without escort until the Banki junction; from the junction to Banki, the route is only accessible for cargo movement with escort.
- The eastern route is accessible for cargo movement without escort until Mafa; from Mafa to Ngala the route is reported to be accessible for cargo movement with escort; from Ngala to Rann the route is reported to be open for vehicles (up to 30 MT) with escorts. Partners are encouraged to preposition items in Rann keeping in mind the rainy season ahead.

3. Rainy Season Planning

- During the rainy season access is reduced in some of the locations, such as Rann, Ngala and Banki. Partners are therefore requested to preposition their relief items in various common storage facilities.
- Diseases like malaria, cholera and typhoid are common during the rainy season. Partners are encouraged to factor this into their planning.
- Partners are reminded to prepare for possible flooding in their premises and warehouses.
- The Logistics Sector is preparing some of the storage sites to safeguard against possible water logging and augment storage of items during the rainy season.

4. Common Storage

Facilities Update

All the Common Storage facilities across Borno State remain operational for partners’ use. Strict handwashing and sanitation measures have been put in place in all locations. The storage facilities in Dikwa, Ngala and Monguno have relatively high usage compared to other locations.

- Monguno, operated by Solidarités International: On average the warehouse team is processing four trucks per day. Some of the items in the storage facility have been there for over three months, therefore partners are reminded to release those items. The temperature-controlled facility is still operational but one of the generators needs to be repaired.
- Banki, operated by INTERSOS: No update
- Bama, operated by INTERSOS: No update
- Ngala, operated by INTERSOS: The Logistics Sector is planning to increase the storage capacity in Ngala. A timber storage shed, 10 x 6 m, is also being constructed.
- Damasak, operated by ACTED: Some of the partners have requested to install the temperature-controlled facility. The Logistics sector is currently exploring the possibility.
- Dikwa, operated by ACTED: No update

Air Cargo Consolidation Service

The air cargo consolidation service is fully operational, and partners are encouraged to make full use of it.
5. Humanitarian Cargo Movement Notification Forms

- The NAF had previously requested the Logistics Sector to submit HCMNFs once a month to cover the movements for the following month. This procedure is under further discussion with the NAF and the Logistics Sector will provide updates on the progress made.
- Partners are requested to contact the Logistics Sector in case they have any emergency movement for which the HCMNFs have not been received back from the NAF. The Logistics Sector will consolidate the emergency movements and forward the forms to the NAF for processing.

6. AOB

The next Logistics Sector coordination meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 16 June 2020, time and location to be confirmed.

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