LOCATION       Lilongwe, Malawi (online meeting)

DATE           25 August 2020

CHAIR          Patrick Mills Lamptey (Logistics Sector Coordinator / Co-Lead), on behalf of Herbert Chingati (Under Secretary - Ministry of Transport and Public Works - MoTPW)


ACTION POINTS
• National Logistics Cluster to disseminate commercial flight entry guidelines as soon as they are available
• Finalized COVID-19 Response Plan to be shared

AGENDA
1. General COVID-19 Logistics Updates
2. Aviation Updates (WFP & Government)
3. National Response Plan and Updates
4. AOB

1. General COVID-19 Logistics Updates

• A highlight of the WFP Aviation Global Flights statistics was shared:
  o 1,122 passenger flights
  o 19,915 passengers to 60 destinations
  o 48,676 m² of cargo transported to 165 countries
  o 306 organizations supported through WFP Common Services
• WFP Global funding situation under the COVID-19 Global Humanitarian Response Plan:
  o US$757.4 million Funding gap
  o US$207.6 million currently confirmed
• An overview of the COVID-19 Supply Chain System structure including the roles of WFP/Logistics Cluster and WHO was presented.

2. Aviation Updates (WFP & Government)

• Government is tentatively planning to re-open the airports to commercial traffic on 01 September, a shift from the initially proposed date of 15 August.
Update on the preparedness steps undertaken for the re-opening of the airport (more detailed guidelines will be shared once available):

- Glass cubicles installed for the immigration officers;
- Social distancing measures (including floor stickers) in place at the waiting area;
- Mandatory of wearing masks for all staff and passengers;
- Health guidelines printed and posters placed on the walls;
- Passengers that present COVID-19 negative certification issued within seven days of arrival may be tested upon arrival;
- Passengers that present a certificate of negative test done within 48 hours before arrival are not expected to be tested but will proceed to their residence for 14-day self-quarantine;
- The Ministry of Tourism has assessed and designated hotels for passengers that are tested; Expected duration of stay while results are pending should not exceed 48 hours.
- Commercial airlines have been asked to include guidelines on their websites and passengers must go through these guidelines before travelling;
- All officers to have adequate PPEs in stock;
- Awaiting guidance from MoH on how to manage disposal of PPEs.

WFP is customizing the tents with concrete paver flooring and improved ventilation:

- Work is expected to be completed by 01 September

Next WFP Aviation flight scheduled for 01 and 03 September

- The booking deadline of a flight is three business days before travel day

As a reminder, WFP Aviation flights will cease to operate as soon as the commercial flights resume.

### 3. National Response Plan and Updates

- The Revised National COVID-19 plan has been finalized by all clusters and is currently with DODMA for final screening before being published and printed.
- The MoH is being supported with four mobile logistics bases that will be used as labs at border posts.
- About 220 m³ of PPE warehousing requested by Last Mile Health and MoH.
- The Supply Chain M&E group is proposing a joint district level assessment mission.
- Eight percent of National Logistics Cluster activities have been funded leaving a gap of $1.4 million for critical response interventions that will address gaps in:
  - Tents for isolation and treatment
  - Storage and transport capacities
  - Stock management and reporting
  - Disjointed logistics coordination
  - Limited information sharing

[https://logcluster.org/countries/MWI](https://logcluster.org/countries/MWI)
4. AOB

- Global Logistics Cluster Teleconference on Humanitarian Supply Chain during/in support of the COVID-19 Response to be held on 26 August at 14:30 CEST.
- WFP Aviation focal point in Malawi Levi Chiwoni can be reached at levi.chiwoni@wfp.org or mobile: 0999972218.
- Contact Malawi.covid19@wfp.org for further assistance.
- Contact Phyllis Ocran Mattila pocran@unicef.org for queries on the WHO Supply Portal.
- A request to partners to be part of the joint district assessment for M&E group.

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