Malawi National Logistics Cluster Meeting
Minutes, 28th July 2020
Zoom online meeting

LOCATION
Lilongwe, Malawi (online meeting)

DATE
28 July 2020

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

PARTICIPANTS
Concern Worldwide, MSF, Danish Red Cross, FAO, CRS Malawi, Last Mile Health, Save the Children, COOPI, USAID, World Food Programme

ACTION POINTS
• To share a link to the Map of deployed Updated Mobile Storage Units across the country in response to COVID-10
• To share a link to the Global Logistics Cluster Teleconference on Humanitarian Supply Chain minutes of the meeting held on 22 July 2020

AGENDA
1. WFP Aviation Updates
2. National response updates
3. Logistics information management
4. AOB

1. WFP Aviation Updates

• Ethiopia Updates
  o Passengers entering or with long transit thought Addis Ababa now required to make personal accommodation arrangements and arrive to Addis Ababa with printed hotel booking reservation.
• Commercial Airlines (Global Status)
  o A reminder of an increased market activity of commercial flights
    ▪ However, little demand makes it insufficient to operate the flights
    ▪ WFP Passenger Air Service remains steady
  o Announcements closely monitored by WFP Aviation in preparation for exit strategy
  o WFP Passenger Services have been terminated in location where commercial flights have resumed
• National Airport Opening Status
  o Kamuzu International Airport tentatively expected to open in August, exact date to be determined
  o Equipment needed for testing on site
  o Passengers expected to undergo 14-day self-quarantine

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2. National Response Updates

- Next flight schedule on 28 July with 4 outbound passengers and on 30 July with 5 inbound and 1 outbound
- The National Logistics Cluster obtained a list of DHO MSU requirements from UNFPA
  - Priority districts: Lilongwe, Blantyre, Mangochi, Mzimba.
  - Setting up of Emergency Treatment Units (ETUs) scheduled for the next 2 weeks
- The National Logistics Cluster currently working with RBJ to transport 15 tents from Durban, South Africa to Lilongwe, Malawi
- There should be no charge to passenger of $35 tax charge at the airport. This is covered in the contract between SAA and WFP Passenger service

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- Remember to participate in the national consultations on the Draft Harmonized Guidelines and Standard Procedures (SOPs) for Implementation of the Transport, Trade Facilitation Measures within the Tripartite Region during COVID-19
- Member stated urged to follow infection prevention guidelines from WHO and International Air Transport Association (IATA) when engaging in the process of resuming air travel
- The EOC has engaged with Truck drivers and Ministry of Transport and different stakeholders to uphold these guidelines
- There may be delays in other countries that are implementing these measures when clearing cargo

3. Logistics information management

- Partners were reintroduced to Logistics Information Exchange (Log:ie) platform
- There was a demonstration on Log:ie on how to:
  - Make report using the platform
  - Search for features on the map
  - Change base layers
  - Filter feature layers
  - Print a selected section of the map
- Partners were requested to volunteer for testing of the platform
  - Several partners volunteered to testing

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
- COVID-19 flight SOPs & FAQs are available in the shared drive

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- 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 pocran@unicef.org for the WHO Supply Portal
- Global Logistics Cluster induction training
  o No scheduled trainings currently
  o Any questions related to trainings can be addressed to: hq.glc.training@wfp.org
- Free to user trainings are available on the Global Logistics Cluster Learning Channel

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