



Nepal National Logistics Cluster Meeting Minutes



LOCATION: Kathmandu, Nepal

DATE: 05 September 2017, 14:00

CHAIR: WFP (as co-chair of the national logistics cluster, chaired by Ministry of Home Affairs)

PARTICIPANTS: Care Nepal, Mission Aviation Fellowship, Plan International, Samaritan's Purse, Shelter Box, UNICEF, WFP, WHO
(8 organisations)

ACTION POINTS

- Organisation were advised to speed up the distribution of relief items as local level elections are scheduled to take place on 18th September 2017.
- Organisations were requested to share updates on road accessibility if they receive from staff in the flood affected districts.

AGENDA

1. Logistics Operational Update
2. Gaps and Constraints
3. AOB

1. Logistics Operational Update

Road Access Constraints

- All major highways have re-opened, but there are several sections where only one-way traffic is possible. Please consult the latest road access constraints map.
- At Ratu Bridge in Mahotarri district only light vehicles and passenger buses may use the bridge, trucks must cross the river through a diversion. This may cause hours to days delays in case the river water is high.
- Only four Village Development Committees (VDC) as of 3 September are still inaccessible via rural roads for all vehicle types, due to damage to roads and bridges. Rural roads of Saptari (one VDC), Banke (three VDCs) are affected.
- An updated road access constraints map is available on the Logistics Cluster Nepal Country page: <http://www.logcluster.org/map/nepal-access-constraints-5-september-2017>.

Surface Transport

- Overall sufficient commercial transport capacity is available in the affected districts in the East, Central and West.
- Local transporters can be reached through the Nepal Transporters association. For contact information see the logistics cluster minutes of 18 August: <http://www.logcluster.org/document/nepal-meeting-minutes-18-august-2017>

Air Transportation

- All domestic airports in the floods affected districts are reported to be functional.

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Storage

- Sufficient commercial warehouse space is available in the flood affected areas. For warehouse contact information and available capacity in Jhapa, Saptari, Hetauda and Nepalgunj see the logistics cluster minutes of 18 August:
<http://www.logcluster.org/document/nepal-meeting-minutes-18-august-2017>

Fuel

- Regular fuel supply by Nepal Oil Corporation has resumed in the flood affected area.

Customs

- The Customs Department confirmed there are no special exemptions for import of relief items. Regular customs clearance procedures are being applied.

2. Gaps and Constraints

- There are no gaps in transport, storage and fuel supply.

3. AOB

- Organisations were advised to speed up on their distribution of relief items to flood victims in Province No. 2 as local level election is scheduled on 18 September 2017. The distribution is expected to be kept on halt a week before and after the election once the election code of conduct is executed.
- Organisations were advised to share the information on road accessibility if they have any updates from their sub-offices and partners in the flood affected districts.
- The next National Logistics Coordination meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 19 September 2017 at 14:00 at the HSA, Tribhuvan Airport.

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