

**Date: 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020, 11:00 – 12:00**

## **Participants**

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| 1. Action Against Hunger (ACF)                     | 14. UKAid  |
| 2. Care Nepal                                      | 15. United Mission to Nepal (UMN)                              |
| 3. Humanity and Inclusion Nepal                    | 16. United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)                    |
| 4. International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) | 17. United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)                     |
| 5. International Organization for Migration (IOM)  | 18. United States Agency for International Development (USAID) |
| 6. IPAS Nepal                                      | 19. WeltHungerHilfe (WHH)                                      |
| 7. Ministry of Home Affairs (MoHA)                 | 20. World Food Programme (WFP)                                 |
| 8. Mountain Child                                  | 21. World Health Organization (WHO)                            |
| 9. Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS)                  |  |
| 10. Oxfam Nepal                                    |  |
| 11. People in Need (PIN)                           |  |
| 12. Plan International Nepal                       |  |
| 13. Save the Children                              |  |

## **Agendas:**

1. Monsoon Preparedness and response
2. Nepal National Logistics Cluster services
3. Health logistics update
4. Presentation on Gaps and Needs Analysis exercise
5. Gaps or issues and AOB

## **General Highlight:**

The minutes of the last meeting was reviewed and endorsed.

## **Action Points:**

- WFP to check with concerned authority and share the current procedures for staff of humanitarian organizations to enter Nepal.

### **1. Monsoon preparedness and response**

MoHA shared the update below on monsoon preparedness:

- 353 people have died, 104 people are missing, and 165 people have been injured due to floods and landslides incidents in various districts across the country. Most of the injured people have recovered.

### **2. Nepal National Logistics Cluster services**

The following updates were shared regarding the National Logistics Cluster services:

- The National Logistics Cluster has transported approx. 4,375 CBM medical items and NFIs for COVID-19 and monsoon response till 30<sup>th</sup> September. Similarly, 978 CBM medical items and NFIs for COVID-19 and monsoon response at the Humanitarian Staging Areas in Kathmandu, Nepalgunj and Dhangadi.

### 3. Health Logistics Update

USAID on behalf of the External Development Partners, Supply Chain Management (EDP-SCM) group shared the update below on health logistics:

- The EDP-SC working group meeting has been rescheduled from bi-weekly to monthly. From now onwards, USAID will provide health logistics update monthly.

Update from health cluster meeting of 1<sup>st</sup> October:

- It is anticipated that the stock of PCR consumables will be sufficient for a month.
- 200,000 pcs of automated RNA extraction test kits and 200,000 pcs Viral Transport Media (VTM) kits are in the pipeline.
- An Intensive Care Unit (ICU) equipment, medicines and oxygen cylinders are at different stages of procurement.
- 1 million tubes of CXS Chlorhexidine gel have been procured.
- A contract has been awarded to a vendor for procurement of 100,000 units of Oxytocin and 300,000 units of Misoprostol.

### 4. Presentation on Gaps and Needs Analysis exercise

WFP presented on the Gaps and Needs Analysis (GNA) exercise. A GNA exercise is planned remotely, from mid-October to mid-November, to know the relevance of continuing the National Logistics Cluster common services for COVID-19 response.

### 5. Gaps or issues and AOB

- UNICEF inquired if there is any plan to further extend the National Logistics Cluster services after 31<sup>st</sup> October. WFP informed that there is a plan to further extend the services considering rise in the number of COVID-19 cases. All members will be informed once the decision is made.
- United Mission to Nepal inquired if the restrictions to enter Nepal, especially for those who are in a foreign country but have a visa to Nepal, still exists or has the restrictions been uplifted. WFP informed that there are no restrictions now to enter Nepal but WFP is not aware if the procedures have changed recently. WFP suggested to consult with Social Welfare Council and line ministry to know the procedures to enter the country. In addition, Mountain Child informed that it is a long and complicated process to enter Nepal to those organizations who are not listed on the Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal (CAAN) website. Organizations who have been listed in the website can enter Nepal without needing special permission from Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA).



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In case of other gaps, questions or issues, please do not hesitate to contact the National Logistics Cluster:

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