Pacific Logistics Cluster
Project Overview
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Project Highlights

Coordination & Information Management

- Jenna Lusaka commenced as National Logistics Cluster Development officer in October. She will liaise with the Pacific Islands Countries (PIC) to support the development of ConOPS/ SOPs and tools and the establishment or strengthening of national Logistics Clusters and Committees.
- The Regional Pacific Logistics Cluster has been requested to present a session on UBDs at this year’s Pacific Humanitarian Partnerships (PHP) meeting from 2 to 3 October. Plans are being made to ensure Logistics Cluster visibility in the presentation.

Unsolicited Bilateral Donations (UBDs)

- A regional communications strategy on UBDs was put together and approved by the technical working group. It comprises an overall strategy with key messages, FAQs from the public, FAQs and talking points for the media, Public Service Announcement templates, example content – including pre-written articles and content ideas - a case study and a UBD media library.
- UBD communications packages are now available for Pacific Partners to increase public awareness until the beginning of the cyclone season in November. Please contact jemma.pietrus@wfp.org for more information.
- A Concept Note on the second pillar of the UBD project (matching platform) has been developed and a meeting with private sector partners is scheduled for October to discuss its development.

Stockpile Mapping and Information Sharing

- Two pilot projects were initiated in the last quarter for proceeding with the stockpile mapping project demonstrated during the June annual workshop. The projects are ongoing and will end in December.
- WFP partnerships focal point, Joseph Choi, is engaged in discussion with a private sector company to develop the contractual arrangements for the platform development.

Training and Simulations

- The tender to identify the Registered Training Organisation (RTO) to support the accreditation of the Pacific Emergency and Response Logistics (PEARL) project was finalised and interviews were conducted. The final processes are being undertaken to secure the RTO and engage in the next phase of the PEARL project.
- Three Trainings Needs Assessments (TNA) in Republic of Marshall Islands (RMI), the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) and Palau and two subsequent Logistics Trainings (RMI and FSM) were conducted during this quarter as part of the geographical expansion of WFP and the Logistics Cluster. An additional TNA in Kiribati is planned for October as well as Logistics trainings if required.
Logistics Capacity Assessments (LCAs)
- A new LCA was initiated and is currently ongoing in RMI. It will be done on the basis of the provincial LCA pilot project partially conducted in Vanuatu earlier this year. The same will be done in FSM after the RMI LCA is completed.
- The Pacific LCA will be worked on by the national Logistics Cluster to ensure constant updating of the data.
- The Vanuatu Logistics Cluster is also completing the Pacific LCA in provinces where the pilot project was not conducted earlier this year as preparation for the cyclone season.

Fig: Examples of Public Service Announcement Templates from the UBD Communications Strategy

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