
Meeting Minutes, 13 September 2022

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia



LOCATION	Addis Ababa, online
DATE	13 September 2022
CHAIR	Ato Tadesse Bekele, Senior Ethiopia Disaster Risk Management Commission (EDRMC) Adviser Andrea Rosales, Logistics Cluster Coordinator
PARTICIPANTS	ACAPS, Action Against Hunger (AAH), Care International, Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Concern Worldwide (CWW), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Danish Red Cross, Dorcas Aid Ethiopia, Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), International Committee for the Development of People (CISP), Handicap International (HI), International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), International Medical Corps (IMC), International Rescue Committee (IRC), International Organizations for Migration (IOM), Islamic Relief, Médecins du Monde, Medical Teams International (MTI), MSF Brussels, Samaritan Purse, SOS Children Village Ethiopia, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), United States Agency for International Development (USAID), World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organisation (WHO), World Vision Ethiopia, ZOA
ACTION POINTS	The Logistics Cluster to reach out to partners bilaterally for their participation in interviews for the Gaps and Needs Analysis (GNA)
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Situation Updates2. Gaps and Needs Analysis - Information3. Logistics Cluster Concept of Operations (ConOps)4. Last week's polls result: Training5. Any Other Business (AOB)

1. Situation Updates

OCHA access working group Updates

- **Tigray:** OCHA informed partners that the border areas of Humera in the west, and Shiraro in the north-western area including Adiyao, Rama, Adigrat, and Dihao are all hard-to-reach areas.
- Partners were also informed that OCHA is working with the United Nations Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS) and continuing to evaluate access feasibility.
- OCHA mentioned that it continues to seek clearance for staff movement in and out of Mekelle request through the Semera- Mekelle route, and approval from the relevant authorities is pending.
- **Afar:** OCHA informed partners the route along Abaala to Semera remains accessible. However, partners were advised to move with caution along these areas.
- OCHA flagged security concerns along Zone 2, Megale, and Zone 4, Yallo, and Gulina, and highly recommended partners to contact UNDSS or OCHA before conducting missions along these areas.
- **Amhara:** OCHA mentioned that the areas along North Wollo, and the Whagemra zone including Ziquala, Abergele, and Tsegabaji are hard to reach areas due to the current security situations. Except for these areas, most of the region is accessible according to OCHA.
- Additionally, OCHA reported Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) movements from the Kobo area to North Gondar in the past week. Access to where the IDPs are located is possible through Kombolcha and Dessie to Mersa.
- Additionally, OCHA mentioned access to Woldia town is also possible up to the Jara IDP center.
- **Somali:** Over the past week, there were security challenges in the Afder and Shabelle zones. OCHA is working with UNDSS, different partners, and regional authorities on access feasibility in the region.
- OCHA informed partners some parts of the region are also experiencing flood which has created access constraints and affected the nearby community.
- **Oromia:** OCHA shared that security concerns were reported in the past week in the western Wollega including Horo Guduru, Kelam, and Wuji Wollega areas.
- OCHA also informed partners that there is limited access to the main and zonal towns in the region, and some partners have suspended humanitarian activities in these areas.
- For further information on access partners can reach out to christopher.orina@un.org

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WFP Bilateral Service Provision (BSP) Updates

- WFP-BSP shared with partners that since April 2022 approximately 2,528,380 litres have been received in Tigray, out of which 1,756,461 Liters of fuel have been released to partners and 570,282 Liters remain in Tigray.
- WFP BSP informed partners that 209,960 liters were allocated to 38 BSP partners (UN and International NGO) from the remaining fuel stock and 5,000 liters were allocated for FAO for seed distributions, in light of the ongoing fertilizer season.
- WFP BSP also informed partners the remaining fuel utilization plan.
- Additionally, WFP BSP highlighted that except for exceptional situations partners must receive the fuel that has been allocated within 1 week.
- For further information on regarding fuel updates, partners were encouraged to reach out to addisababa.serviceprovision@wfp.org

2. Gaps and Needs Analysis-Information

- The Logistics Cluster informed partners that the Gaps and Needs Analysis (GNA) exercise will take place this month, September 2022. The GNA aims to evaluate the extension of the activation of the Logistics Cluster in Ethiopia, as well as to redefine, if required, the strategy of the Logistics Cluster for the activation period to come.
- Partners were informed that GNA interview with partners will take place between September 19 and September 30, 2022. The Logistics Cluster aims to interview approx. 25 partners to acquire a thorough understanding of partners' experienced logistics gaps in Ethiopia, as well as their logistics capacity.
- Partners were also informed the current Logistics Cluster activation period will end in November 2022.
- For more information on the GNA partners can go through the following link: [The Gaps and Needs Analysis Exercise - YouTube](#)

3. Logistics Cluster Concept of Operations (ConOps)

Coordination

- In Mekelle, the next coordination meeting is scheduled for 20 September at 15:00 EAT, in-person and online. To receive the link for this meeting, contact abriha.assefa@wfp.org.
- In Bahir Dar, the next coordination meeting is scheduled for 21 September at 10:30 EAT, in-person and online. To receive the link for this meeting, contact eyerusalem.amha@wfp.org.
- To subscribe to the Logistics Cluster mailing list, partners should contact hannah.bamberger@wfp.org
- Partners can check the Logistics Cluster Ethiopia operation webpage [here](#) for information about upcoming meetings, meeting minutes, and other relevant documentation.

3. Results from last week's poll

- The Logistics Cluster shared that 18 respondents filled out the poll to share their training topics preferences. According to their responses, partners would like the Logistics Cluster to facilitate (in order of preference):
 - Warehouse and Inventory Management
 - How to Conduct a Capacity Assessment
 - Mobile Storage Unit (MSU) Installation
 - and Service Request Form (SRF) Training

4. Partner Discussion and Any Other Business (AOB)

Fuel Provision

- One partner asked if the Logistics Cluster could offer updates and assistance with relation to the distribution and use of fuel for the Amhara region for humanitarian activities. For fuel-related matters, the partner was advised to contact WFP Bilateral Service Provision (BSP) by writing to helen.somes@wfp.org

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*The next Coordination Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 20 September at 11:00 EAT** online*

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