
LOCATION	Mogadishu, Online
DATE	23 May 2023
CHAIR	Logistics Cluster
PARTICIPANTS	Action Against Hunger (AAH), Concern Worldwide, Danish Red Cross (DRC), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), FENPS, GREDO, Islamic Relief Somalia, Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF), Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), Oxfam, Save the Children, Trocaire, United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO) and World Vision.
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Logistics Cluster to share a training plan for 2023.• The Logistics Cluster to conduct an assessment to evaluate the average price for storing food and other commodities in different regions across Somalia.• The Logistics Cluster to conduct an analysis on fuel prices and availability in Beletweyne.• The Logistics Cluster to develop a list of suppliers in Beletweyne and their available commodities.
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Action Points Review2. Situation Update3. Coordination4. Common Logistics Services5. Information Management6. AOB

1. Action Points Review

The action points from the Coordination Meeting on 09 May were reviewed:

- The Logistics Cluster to conduct an assessment to evaluate the average price for storing food and other commodities in different regions across Somalia. **[Ongoing]**
- The Logistics Cluster to share a training plan for 2023. **[Ongoing]**

2. Situation Update

Physical Transport Network Updates:

- Physical access across Somalia remains unchanged. The following roads remain closed or inaccessible: (1) Kismayo- Doble (2) Kismayo-Jilip (3) Jilip – Saakow – Bardera – Afmadow - Baidoa (4) Jilip - Barawa (5) Wanlaweyn – Buurhakaba – Baidoa – Luuq - Dollow (6) Balcad – Jalalaqsi (7) Hobyo – Adado – Bacadweyne and (8) Burao –Las Anod.
- While the road from Luuq to Dollow is accessible, humanitarian partners are advised to use the road with caution due to security concerns.

Air Transport Updates:

- The airstrip in Afmadow is temporarily inaccessible due to the rain. The airstrip is currently being rehabilitated.
- The airstrip in Qansaxdhere is now open; however, currently, only for 2 MT cargo loads at a time.
- Partners can reach out to the Logistics Cluster via somalia.clustercargo@wfp.org to share their transportation needs, particularly in areas that are hard to reach, including Buurhakaba, Jalalaqsi, Mahas and Qansaxdhere.

Sea Transport Updates:

- All seaports remain operational: Mogadishu, Berbera, Bosasso, Kismayo and Garacad.
- WFP time-chartered vessel is currently in Bosasso. The upcoming voyage vessel schedule, with arrival and departure dates along with the deadlines for submitting documentation will be shared with all partners via email and published on the Logistics Cluster [website](#).
- Partners are encouraged to take advantage of the vessel service facilitated by the Logistics Cluster, especially to move cargo from the North to the South, as it is more cost-efficient than moving cargo by air.

Relief Materials Pipeline and Sourcing:

For further reference and information, below is a summary of WFP’s weekly analysis:

- **Commodity Prices:** Prices of most food and non-food items remained relatively stable in Jubaland, Galmudug, Mogadishu, and Southwest states compared to the previous week. Mild (1- 3%) to high ($\geq 10\%$) scales of price changes were exhibited in other states.
- **Availability:** Currently, there are sufficient supplies of essential food items in all the monitored markets to meet demand. Most of the businesses had plenty of the products needed for sustenance.
- **Supply Resilience:** The majority of Somalia's regions have high supply chain resilience, with the exception of the floodaffected districts (i.e. Beletweyne, Xudur and Jalalaqsi towns) where the roads were impassable. Most traders are promptly restocking in order to meet demand and prevent supply chain inefficiencies.
- **Trade Logistics:** Trade and the movement of products into Somalia were active due to the majority of the roads being passable and the efficient operation of the transportation infrastructure. However, the

clashes in Laascaanood have started again and the impact to the supply corridor is high. All movements of vehicles from Somaliland to Sool region was reported as restricted and the supply corridor that connects Southern Somalia to Somaliland through Buuhoodle was still closed.

- **Food Items Assortment:** A broad range of food items was available for the consumers to choose from. Milk, meat and fish products as well as fresh fruits and vegetables were readily available.
- The Logistics Cluster is sharing weekly Market Alerts and Supply Chain Updates via the Logistics Cluster mailing list and publishing the documents on the [Logistics Cluster Website](#). Partners wishing to be added to the Logistics Cluster mailing list can send a request to somalia.clustercargo@wfp.org.

3. Coordination

Import and Customs Clearance Technical Working Group Update

- The Logistics Cluster, in cooperation with the IMPACCT, continues to facilitate the Import and Customs Clearance Technical Working group. The next meeting will be held on 31 May at 11:00. The online link will be shared with all partners via e-mail.

4. Common Logistics Services

- Since 2020, the Logistics Cluster has facilitated the transport of over 5,765 MT of cargo (excluding shunting) for 28 organizations on a free-to-user basis.
- In 2023, 1,720 MIT of supplies (excluding shunting) were transported on behalf of 18 organizations to 26 locations.
- The Logistics Cluster continues to support the humanitarian community in reaching hard-to-reach locations. 116mt have been facilitated with the helicopter between September 2022 and April 2023 to 4 hard-to-reach locations: Buurhakaba, Jalalaqsi, Mahas and Qansaxdhere. Currently, the majority of requests for airlifts are for transport to the southern regions.
- The Logistics Cluster continues to participate in crucial decision-making forums on behalf of the humanitarian community. The Logistics Cluster continues to attend the weekly Drought Operations and Coordination Centre (DOCC) and Inter-Cluster Coordination Group (ICCG) meetings.
- Access remains a concern due to insecurity, especially in areas under the control of non-state armed actors. This is creating a high dependency on airlifts, increasing the cost of transportation.

5. Information Management

Flash Floods

- Floods caused by the ongoing Gu rains have left a trail of destruction especially in Belet Weyne district, Hirshabelle State, and Baardheere in Jubaland State.

- A total of 531 new cases of cholera were reported in week 19 from Bay (31 cases), Gedo (231 cases), Lower Juba (42 cases), Lower Shabelle (70 cases), Middle Shabelle (34 cases) and Banadir (123 cases) regions

Flash Floods – Beletweyne

Beletweyn Town is the regional capital of Hiiran, located on the Shabelle river. The town floods occasionally. The recent rains led the river to overflow; thousands of people abandoned their homes in low-lying areas and moved to higher grounds.

- Currently, around 79 percent of Beletweyne is flooded.
- 90 percent of the local population has been displaced.
- The Logistics Cluster is currently consolidating requests for the facilitation of cargo movements from Mogadishu to Beletweyne for the flood response.

Current gaps and needs in Somalia due to ongoing rains and floods:

- Funding constraints.
- Insufficient flood mitigation tools.
- The magnitude of infrastructure damage including roads or pathways and community structures in affected sites has increased, limiting access to facilities and basic services.
- Buale, Jilib, Jamame and Sakow districts in Jubaland lack nutrition services and are at risk of flooding. It is anticipated that people in these areas will seek nutrition services in neighboring districts, which may exceed current capacity.
- There is a need to scale up emergency health services since the ongoing interventions have been overstretched.
- Shelter support to newly displaced families is limited despite increasing numbers and overcrowding in displacement sites.
- Limited WASH interventions exist in affected areas due to insufficient funding.

Warehouse Benchmarking Analysis:

- The assessment was closed on 30 April.
- Only two organizations responded to the assessment. Therefore, the assessment will be shared again with partners.
- If less than 5 partners respond to the assessment, the assessment will be re-scheduled to a later day in the year.

6. AOB

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- All requests (including IM requests) to be directed to somalia.clustercargo@wfp.org

The next Logistics Cluster coordination meeting will take place on 06 June at 11:00 am EAT, online

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