Türkiye/Syria Earthquake Response Operation

Logistics Sector Meeting - Gaziantep, Türkiye

9 May 2023

LOCATION	Online/Gaziantep, Türkiye
DATE	9 May 2023
CHAIR	Logistics Sector Coordinator
PARTICIPANTS	Global Communities, Global Logistics Cluster (GLC), Humedica International Aid, International Federation of the Red Cross/Red Crescent (IFRC), International Organisation for Migration (IOM), United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations Monitoring Mechanism (UNMM), US Agency for International Development (USAID), World Food Programme (WFP), World Vision International (WVI)
ACTION POINTS	• Partners are requested to submit their mobile storage unit (MSU) donation requests by close of business on Thursday, 11 May 2023 • Partners interested in forming a Logistics Working Group after the closing of the sector on 24 May are requested to reach out to the Logistics Sector by next week to discuss • Partners using free-to-user storage to dispatch cargo from the common storage warehouses by the scheduled closure on 19 May • Partners with supplier/service provider contact information are requested to share the details with the Logistics Sector at syrtur.logcoordination@wfp.org to compile a contact list • Agencies with updates for the Logistics Sector partner contact list are requested to share the changes with the Logistics Sector at syrtur.logcoordination@wfp.org
AGENDA	1. Phase-out of Logistics Sector a. Logistics Working Group b. MSU Requests 2. Current Common Services Available 3. Logistics Update 4. Any Other Business

1. Phase-out of Logistics Sector

- Common storage services will be phased out in Hatay, Malatya, and Adiyaman.
    - Storage requests are no longer being accepted via the online system. Any organisations needing temporary common storage services, cargo to be dispatched by the closure of the service, should reach out bilaterally to discuss.
    - The last date to dispatch cargo from storage will be Friday, 19 May 2023.
    - Partners can reach out to the Logistics Officer, Jesus Gutierrez, at jesus.gutierrezolivos@wfp.org or +90 539 632 3628.

- A discussion between the current common storage provider and partners took place two weeks ago, partners interested in joining the conversation on ongoing storage solutions with the service provider can reach out to the Logistics Sector bilaterally for contacts.

- The Logistics Sector will be phased out on 24 May. It was clarified this closure only applies to the Türkiye Logistics Sector; the North-West Syria Logistics Cluster will continue as long as the border crossings are open.
  - Storage in hubs:
    - In Malatya and Adiyamanthe warehouses have had low usage by partners. In Malatya one partner has storage in the area and is willing to share with other agencies if space available.
    - In Hatay,storage space is, 820m^2 total including the warehouse and mobile storage unit (MSU).
      - Partners using this warehouse space will either dispatch by 19 May or are in communication with the service provider for ongoing storage services if required
      - One partner has storage in the area and is willing to share with other agencies; it should be noted that food items cannot be stored in the partner's warehouse.
    - If any agencies are interested in the storage spaces used for common storage after 19 May or want to get in contact with one of the partners willing to share storage, please reach out to the Logistics Sector bilaterally.
  - The Logistics Sector webpage for Türkiye will remain online for at least a month following the closure so partners can continue to have access to information and documents shared on the page including customs information. Depending on usage this can be extended.
  - The coordination meetings will continue until 23 May 2023.
  - The Logistics Sector is updating the partner contact list and WhatsApp group. Any partners with changes for the contact lists should forward the updates to SyrTur.LogCoordination@wfp.org
  - The Logistics Sector is updating the suppliers/service provider list to be shared with partners during the phase out. Partners are requested to send any names to SyrTur.LogCoordination@wfp.org to be added to the list.
  - If partners need information or have questions, please reach out to the Logistics Sector bilaterally.

Logistics Working Group:

- Partners did not indicate an interest in forming a Logistics Working Group in any of the hubs during the meeting.
- Partners interested in forming a Logistics Working Group are requested to reach out to the Logistics Sector by next week to discuss.

MSU Requests:

- Two MSUs have been donated and three remain available for donation to partners.
- Partners are requested to submit their MSU donation requests by close of business on Thursday, 11 May 2023.
- Priority will be given to requests for affected areas, areas with less availability of commercial services and agencies willing to share storage space. Partners should note that they must have sufficient space for the MSUs to be set up.

- Following a question from a partner, it was clarified that the MSUs available for donation are new.

2. Current Common Services Available

- Common storage services being phased out on 19 May 2023.
  - Free-to-user common storage space in Hatay: 820 m²
  - Free-to-user common storage space in Malatya: 1,800 m²
  - Free-to-user common storage space in Adiyaman: 1,800 m²
- WFP can provide warehouse space to partners in Mersin until 15 May 2023.
- UPS can provide free-to-user last-mile transport in small sprinter vans if requested on a case-by-case basis
  - The UPS team returned requested market assessment on sprinter vans. The assessment found that the cost of sprinter vans has increased due to increased inflation and fuel costs
- Maersk can provide shipping containers and transport on a case-by-case basis (free-to-user loans for 90 days)
- Maersk Reefers which are GDP compliant can also be made available on request through the Logistics Sector

2. Logistics Update

North-West Syria (NWS):

- Cross border operations: 168 trucks crossed from Türkiye to NWS in the period between 1 and 8 May
  - Bab al-Hawa: 142 trucks
  - Bab al-Salam: 20 trucks
  - Al Ra'ee: 6 trucks
- Netherland Ambassador and UNFPA regional director visited the UN Hub in Reyhanli on 3 May to observe the operation.
- FCDO delegation and World Vision team visited the UN Hub in Reyhanli today.
- The monthly meetings of the NWS Logistics Cluster will start the first week of June 2023, after the closure of the Türkiye Logistics Sector.
  - The meetings will take place online and in-person at the Tuğcan Hotel.
  - The date has not yet been confirmed.
  - Invitations to the meeting will be sent out through the mailing list.
- The daily rate for the UN Accommodation in Reyhanli has been approved at USD $20 per day.
  - The rate was intended to start at the beginning of May but there was a delay, the Logistics Sector team will confirm effective date of charge.
- UNMM will only monitor transhipments on weekends in the case of emergencies when the shipment is critical and cannot wait. Partners should plan to only have transhipments take place Monday to Friday each week. This is for duty of care to the staff.

- There are no updates at this time on the possibility of a 15 May extension for the border crossing points of Bab al-Salam and Al Ra'ee. News of the extension should be available this week.
    - If there is no news of an extension, trucks will not cross the border at these locations starting 15 May.

3. Any Other Business

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The next Coordination Meeting takes place on 16 May 2023 at 16:00 local time.

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