Meeting Minutes,5 July 2023

Bahir Dar, Ethiopia

LOCATION	Bahir Dar
DATE	05 July 2023
CHAIR	Logistics Cluster
PARTICIPANTS	Christian-aid, International Medical Corps (IMC), Medical teams, MSF-H, Plan International, World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO)
ACTION POINTS	• Partners to submit the Service Request Form (SRF) through ethiopia.logisticsclustercargo@wfp.org to access storage and transport services.

AGENDA

1. Logistics Cluster updates
2. Sudan – Ethiopia updates

1. Logistics Cluster operation update

- The Logistics Cluster shared that it received 56 mt of shelter items to store in its warehouse on behalf of one partner. The items were transported within the region by partner trucks.
- One partner collected 2.5 mt of shelter items from the Gondar warehouse to be transported with in the region.
- Current stock at the Gondar warehouse is 1176 m3 of Food security, Shelter, WASH, and General operations items on behalf of two partners.

2. Sudan- Ethiopia update

- The Logistics Cluster informed the two ICRC trucks crossed Metema have returned from Sudan on 28 June 2023.
- Partners were informed that approval of the Ministry of Intelligence and Emergency Committee was required to cross the border from the Sudan side. The process to secure the documents was long and changed frequently.
- The Logistics Cluster informed Health items importation is not allowed to cross Sudan via Metema.
- The Logistics Cluster also informed it was reported the road condition from Metema to Kassala is in a bad condition.
- Partners were informed that the IMPACCT (Importation and Customs Clearance Together) is currently active in Sudan to address challenges faced by the importation of relief items.

IMPACCT shared the documentation on importation and Customs Procedures on the Logistics Cluster Sudan website., including:

- Guidance on the importation of Goods bought in Ethiopia and exported to Sudan
- Guidance on Goods transiting through Ethiopia: The Customs Declaration Point for Cargo Import through Ethiopia (Metema) is Kality Customs Commission.
- Experiences with cargo movement reported by partners
- The Sudanese government does not allow the Importation of Medical items through Metema.

Storage Capacity Updates

- As of 5 July, the storage capacity availability space in the Amhara region is 50% available in Gondar and 70% in Kombolcha.

The next Bahir Dar Coordination Meeting is scheduled for 19 July at 10:30 EAT online and in-person

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