
**GLOBAL LOGISTICS CLUSTER
OPERATIONS WEEKLY UPDATE
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DRC - www.logcluster.org/drc

- A draft of the Logical Framework for the Humanitarian Action Plan (HAP) 2010 has been shared with provincial Clusters for their revision.
- The Logistics Cluster in North Kivu, negotiated **the termination of the newly imposed taxes for goods entering from Uganda** (escorts and documents processing). The exemption has been granted for all humanitarian goods and the previous system will be re-instated (grouping of trucks).

PAKISTAN - www.logcluster.org/pak09a

- Latest Govt figures show that more than 225,393 families returned to their homes in southern Swat, Buner and Dir districts since the return process officially started on 13 July. Repatriation of IDPs to Swat (85 %), Buner (97%) Shangla (94 %) and Dir (91 %) have been achieved. Only 3,000 to 4,000 families are left in the districts from those areas (SSG reports)
- Currently there are 3 hubs in Buner and 4 in Swat operational. The number of hubs in NWFP has reached 41. Potential sites have been identified for 5 more hubs in Buner and Swat. The number of camps operational remains as 5.
- Distribution in DI Khan hubs continued during the week by distributing 933 mtn of food commodities reaching 4,665 families in 3 hubs. No distribution in Tank due to security concerns. UNHCR and UNICEF have arranged transportation through their implementing partners in Waziristan.

SRI LANKA - www.logcluster.org/lk08a

- Heavy rains were experienced last week in the Vavuniya area. At the main IDP site, Menik Farm, the main concern for the following months is to maintain access to the camp. Road access is expected to deteriorate and already heavy vehicles, have limited access. The contingency planning includes establishing facilities for distribution from the main road and the construction of raised platforms for gravity water distribution into Menik Farm.
- Should any coordinated resettlement programme begin, the logistics contingency plan envisages setting up Extended Delivery Points (EDPs) for forward storage of humanitarian assistance, which would be re-supplied from the Vavuniya hub, and would then utilize lighter vehicles to make deliveries to the Final Distribution Points (FDPs).
- The Logistics Cluster has almost completed its field-level Contingency Plan and is endeavouring to strengthen cooperation amongst agencies on the use of assets and the sharing of information on suppliers, transporters and cost.