Location: WFP Conference Room, Kassala
Date: 01 October 2019
Chair: WFP Sudan Supply Chain/Logistics
Participants: UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN’S FUND (UNICEF), UNIDO, UNFPA, MUSLIM AID, ALESHERAQ ORGANIZATION, COOPI, BUILDING RESILIENCE DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (BRDO), FOREST NATIONAL CORPORATION (FNC), RIRA DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION, CHILD DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, HUMANITARIAN AID COMMISSION (HAC), PLAN INTERNATIONAL, WAAD ORGANIZATION FOR DEVELOPMENT (WOD), STATE MINISTRY OF HEALTH (SMOH), SUDAN VISION, BEATY ORGANIZATION, LABENA ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN DEVELOPMENT & CAPACITY BUILDING, SUDAN OPEN LEARNING ORG, SUDANESE RED CRESENT.

Action Points:

- Coordination meetings to be conducted regularly.

Agenda:

1. Introduction - Logistics Sector
2. Open discussion
3. WFP fuel access for humanitarian agencies
4. AOB

1. Introduction - Logistics sector

- The purpose of this meeting was to establish regular Logistics Sector coordination meetings.
- Participants were taken through the sector coordination concept which aims to strengthen inter-agency coordination to enhance, timeliness and efficiency of the logistics response.
- Efficient and timely logistics and telecommunications are key in enabling humanitarian assistance programmes.
- When responding to emergency and protracted needs, the humanitarian community often requires the support of tailored and coordinated logistics solutions. These areas include the facilitation of common logistics services, logistics-related information management and mapping.
- A coordinated logistics approach identifies and addresses logistics gaps and bottlenecks and seeks to avoid the duplication of humanitarian efforts.
- The outcomes of the meetings will be feeding into the ISCG meeting in Khartoum.
- Within the scope of the sector, UNHAS provides air services to the humanitarian community and security/medical evacuations.
- The Humanitarian Aid commission (HAC) has the lead role in coordinating humanitarian assistance and has made a huge contribution to logistics capacity by providing land transport and warehouses.
• Inter-agency communications infrastructure is part of sector activities.

2. Open discussion
• Participants expressed their gratitude for this initiative and fully supported the creation of a Logistics Sector coordination meeting; and proposed regular monthly meetings and if need be, meetings can be called twice a month.
• Participants were in agreement that coordination will strengthen the response.
• In addition, the coordination meetings will build friendship and trust amongst the agencies as well as create an atmosphere for information exchange.

3. WFP Fuel access for humanitarian agencies
• Participants were taken through the process of the WFP fuel access to humanitarian agencies.
• Participants were informed that all process is completed in Khartoum.
• Some agencies represented in the meeting already completed SLAs with WFP.

4. AOB
• Agencies were also encouraged to utilize the services of UNHAS.

The next meeting will be held on 05 November 2019, in the WFP conference room at 10:00.

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