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**Highlights**

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- The Logistics Cluster will facilitate the transportation of 1.5 million medical gloves from Liberia to WHO Guinea on behalf of the Liberian government.
- A new helicopter connection to Kamsar was introduced to enable humanitarian staff to reach Boke Prefecture, a hotspot close to Guinea-Bissau.
- WFP and the ET Cluster continue to support the implementation of the WFP – WHO Joint collaboration in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone.

**Numbers**

- **17,028** passengers and **133 mt** of light cargo transported by UNHAS
- **2,194 mt** dispatched by UNHRD

ET Cluster is currently providing internet connectivity to over **2,700** humanitarian responders.

Logistics Cluster facilitated across Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia as of 24 May 2015 (since 4 September 2014):

- the transportation of over **86,300 m³** of cargo on behalf of **106** organisations
- the storage of over **116,300 m³** of cargo on behalf of over **78** organisations

*The Logistics Cluster aims to report the most accurate data possible, based on the information available at the time of reporting.*
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WFP, due to its expertise and vast field capacity, was mandated to be the global lead of the Logistics Cluster.

The Logistics Cluster is responsible for coordination, information management, and, where necessary, the facilitation of logistics service provision to ensure an effective and efficient logistics response takes place in each and every operation, through the lead agency, WFP.

GUINEA

- Since 4 September, the Logistics Cluster has facilitated the transportation of 20,900 m$^3$ of cargo on behalf of 28 organisations, and the storage of 38,650 m$^3$ of cargo on behalf of 25 organisations.
- In support of the government-led Ebola sensitization campaign currently ongoing in Dubreka and targeting about 2,500 people in 21 days, the Logistics Cluster has supported the set-up of a new logistics base in Tanene district, through the provision of electricity and toilets for humanitarian workers at the base. Meanwhile, following the end of the campaign in Forécariah, the base camp located at the WFP Sub-Office was closed.

Liberia

- Since 4 September, the Logistics Cluster has facilitated the transportation of 48,870 m$^3$ of cargo on behalf of 46 organisations, and the storage of 62,500 m$^3$ of cargo on behalf of 32 organisations.
- The Logistics Cluster will facilitate the transportation of 1.5 million examination gloves from Liberia to WHO in Guinea on behalf of the Government, following the urgent need in Guinea. Once all documents are finalized, three WFP DAF trucks will be used to transport the goods from the SKD main hub in Monrovia to Conakry.

SIERRA LEONE

- Since 4 September, the Logistics Cluster has facilitated the transportation of 16,510 m$^3$ of cargo on behalf of 32 organisations and the storage of 15,000 m$^3$ of cargo on behalf of 21 organisations.
- The Logistics Cluster is assessing the needs for potential trainings aimed at national logisticians, similar to the trainings offered in Guinea.
- As part of the strategy to centralize the storage space at Port Loko Main Logistics Hub, the Logistics Cluster is facilitating the movement of all supplies stored in Makeni Forward Logistics Base (FLB) to the Port Loko hub, where the rainy season enhancements are the most advanced.

Focus on: Second training on ‘Logistics Good Practices’

The WFP-led logistics pillar is organizing the second training on ‘Logistics Good Practices’, aimed at enhancing the effectiveness and preparedness of national logistics officers. It started on 8 June, and includes staff from approximately 35 NGOs and of the Pharmacie Centrale de Guinée. The training is divided in three one-week long sessions, which will take place until the beginning of July.

Various updated maps and information products are available on www.logcluster.org/ops/ebola14

“In the next few months, working closely with partners will be essential in order to adjust services and plans to the constantly evolving Ebola outbreak”.

Alberto Zerboni, Logistics Cluster Coordinator, Sierra Leone.
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**GUINEA**

- WFP finalized the works at the Nongo Ebola Treatment Unit (ETU), which is expected to be operational in two weeks: it has around 70 beds and will be managed by MSF, before being handed over to the Government.
- WFP is repairing some minor damages caused by heavy rains at the ETU in Coyah, which is still operational. In addition, following the damage caused by a tornado in Kissidougou, WFP is also repairing two Mobile Storage Units at the Forward Logistics Base and the airport roof.

**LIBERIA**

- WFP continues to make preparations for the rainy season by strengthening existing infrastructure at all logistics premises and storage facilities, including the nine Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) erected for the Ministry of Health. Works should be completed by the end of June, as weather complications are requiring additional works.
- WFP is supporting WHO for the installation of two Mobile Storage Units (MSUs), recently donated by MSF, which will be used by the Liberia Medical Health, Product and Regulatory Authority (LMHRA) to store expired drugs before destruction.
- On 6 June, WFP organized a training for staff of WFP, WHO and Ministry of Health officials on warehouse management. This training constitutes a follow up to the one that took place in March and is part of the capacity development of government and partners. The training also focuses on addressing challenges that may be faced on a day-to-day basis.

**SIERRA LEONE**

- Following a request from the Ministry of Education, WFP is exploring the possibility of building 15 semi-permanent steel structures for the school feeding programme implemented by the government.

**Focus on:**

**WFP – WHO Joint Collaboration in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone**

In Guinea, nine prefabricated structures for office space are operational: two in Kindia, one in Dubreka, one in Kaloum, two in Matam, one in Fria, one in Boffa and one in Kamsar.

In Liberia, the first shipment of prefabricated structures for office and accommodation space, and the ablution units, are expected in Monrovia on 10 June. In addition, vehicle assessments are underway to prepare the fleet for radio installation and deployment to the field sites. Three out of 15 WHO vehicles have thus far been equipped with VHF and HF radio communications.

In Sierra Leone, following the new cases in Kaffu Bollom, WFP and WHO conducted a joint visit to the site to assess the potential set-up of a temporary WHO field office; in support to WHO, a WFP construction team is visiting WHO facilities in Kambia to check on reported leakages in prefabs, identify connectivity solutions and work on fencing.

**Focus on:**

**The transition strategy in Liberia**

Following the formal request from the Liberian government, WFP has developed the implementation plan for the transition strategy, through which knowledge, responsibilities and assets will be transferred from the WFP Common Services onto Liberian institutions. After August 2015, the WFP-led Logistics Cluster will no longer provide the facilitation of transportation services. Partners were thus requested to accelerate their stock clearance from storage facilities currently managed by WFP. The only exception are Personal Protective Equipment kits handled as per pre-agreed plans with the Ministry of Health and WHO.
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**WFP COMMON SERVICES**

**UNHRD**

UNHRD is a network of depots around the world that procures, stores, manages and transports emergency supplies for the humanitarian community.

- Since March, UNHRD has dispatched a total of 2,194 mt of relief items and support equipment valued at almost USD 27 million to the region on behalf of WFP, WHO, UNHCR, UNDP, JICA, Irish Aid, UNICEF and the Swiss Red Cross.
- On behalf of WFP, UNHRD dispatched 4 mt of truck tykes to Sierra Leone in support of the Ebola response.

Focus on: Enabling air access to Coyah, Kindia, and other affected areas

Following the results of a series of assessment missions, WFP will build a helipad in Coyah to grant air access to this area to humanitarian responders, while necessary works will be carried out to enable the access to a designated landing area in Kindia. In light of the increased number of Ebola cases in the Kamsar area, a new helicopter connection to Kamsar has been introduced in order to facilitate the move of humanitarian staff to Boke Prefecture.

The Emergency Telecommunications (ET) Cluster provides timely Information, Communications and Technology services to support humanitarian community in carrying out their work efficiently, effectively and safely.

- The Emergency Telecommunications (ET) Cluster is providing internet services to 91 humanitarian facilities across Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. The ET Cluster is currently providing internet connectivity to over 2,700 humanitarian responders.
- The ET Cluster is working towards reviewing its operations, especially in locations declared Ebola free where internet connectivity equipment will be retrieved; in areas where cases continue to be registered, services continue to be provided.
- In Sierra Leone, the equipment of the ET Cluster has been decommissioned in the Ebola-free districts in Bo, Bonte, Kenema and Koido as part of the phasing out strategy.

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