Nepal LTC - Logistics

Nepal – Coordination Meeting Minutes

29 September 2026

LOGISTICS & TELECOMMUNICATIONS CLUSTER (LTC)

LOCATION Kathmandu, Nepal & online

DATE 29 September 2026

CHAIR Nepal Logistics & Telecommunications Cluster (LTC)

PARTICIPANTS Americares, Airlink, Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO), International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), People In Need (PIN), Save the Children, ShelterBox, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Welthungerhilfe (WHH), World Food Programme (WFP).

AGENDA

1. Situation Update
2. Logistics Update
3. Partners Update
4. AOB

ACTION POINTS

- Partners planning winterization activities are encouraged to coordinate with local authorities and Shelter Cluster Co-Leads to verify needs before dispatching assistance.
- Partners are encouraged to complete the survey on common service requirements in Dhunche, including storage, transport, office space and accommodation, to support operational planning.
- Service Request Forms (SRFs) should continue to be submitted through the online platform at least 72 hours before services are required.
- Partners remain responsible for coordinating onward cargo movement and obtaining necessary government authorizations for final delivery.
- Partners should communicate any changes to cargo loads, destinations, timings, weights or dimensions as early as possible to facilitate operational planning.

1. Situation updates

- As per the latest NDRRMA update of 26 September, 1,453 fatalities are confirmed, 5,285 people remain out of contact and 13,795 people are rescued.

- A total of 1,109 displaced people remain in 21 displacement sites, including 183 people in Nuwakot, 805 people in Rasuwa and 121 people in Dhading
- Discussions continue regarding a gradual transition towards cash-based assistance, supported by ongoing market functionality assessments.
- Government-led verification of sites for land allocation to flood-affected households is ongoing while winterization requirements continue to increase.
- Partners planning winterization distributions are encouraged to validate needs with local authorities and Shelter Cluster Co-Leads.

2. LTC Logistics updates

SOPs and Service Request Process

- LTC SOPs are updated to formally include common road transport services.
- Partners remain responsible for coordinating onward cargo movement and securing any required authorizations for final delivery.
- All SRFs should be submitted through the official online platform.
- Cargo-related correspondence and supporting documentation should be directed through established LTC cargo channels.

Storage

- A total of 312 mt of partner cargo is received and handled through Kathmandu and Bidur storage facilities.
- The Bidur hub remains operational with 460 m² available for transit storage.
- Additional storage capacity of 1,115 m² is expected to become available in Kathmandu during the coming week.
- Assessment of storage options in Dhunche continues, with operations planned to commence once arrangements are finalized.

Air transport

- Air operations continue from Kathmandu and Bidur to affected locations in Rasuwa. Six delivery locations are reached, with additional locations under planning and assessment.
- 41 air deliveries transporting 82.1 mt of humanitarian cargo have been completed.
- Food and shelter items represent the largest categories of transported cargo.

- Weather disruptions during the previous weekend result in a backlog of cargo movements. Approximately 30 additional air rotations are planned during the current week.
- Assessment continues for the introduction of a smaller helicopter to provide access to locations unsuitable for larger aircraft.
- Airbus Foundation-supported airlift capacity is under processing and expected to support future operations.
- Additional air capacity is expected to become available through a smaller helicopter platform capable of accessing locations unsuitable for larger aircraft.

Landing Zones

- An online landing-zone map remains available through the LogIE platform.
- The map reflects landing zones currently accessible to LTC aviation assets and is updated regularly.
- Additional landing zones and delivery locations continue to be assessed and validated.

Road Operations

- Common trucking services for cargo movements to Dhunche and nearby locations have recently been launched.
- A total of 145.3 MT of humanitarian cargo is delivered through LTC road transport services, including 17.8 MT delivered to Dhunche.
- More than 30 MT of additional cargo is planned for delivery during the coming week.
- The Bailey Bridge at Devighat remains operational and available for movements, although no service requests are currently received for this route.

Road Access updates

- Kathmandu–Tokha–Chhahara–Bidur road remains operational with an estimated travel time of approximately 2.5 hours.
- Devighat–Galchhi road and the Tadi Khola Bridge remain operational.
- Access routes through Dhikure, Lachyang, Dhunche and Syabrubesi remain open.
- One access route through Chokade remains blocked, with alternative routing available via Dhikure, Bahunbesi and Lachyang.
- Alternative road access into Rasuwa remains available through a single-lane gravel road. The route is muddy, affected by rainfall damage, subject to congestion and requires approximately 9–10 hours travel time. Landslide risks remain present.

3. Partners updates

- No major operational constraints or additional logistics requirements are raised by partners during the meeting.
- A query is raised regarding the possibility of transporting humanitarian personnel to remote operational locations using LTC-supported aviation assets.
- Passenger transport remains under review due to aviation safety, liability and operational requirements. LTC aviation services remain restricted to cargo transport.

4. AoB

- Partners are encouraged to subscribe to LTC communication channels, including the mailing list and WhatsApp group, to ensure receipt of operational updates, meeting information and information products.

The next LTC Coordination Meeting is planned for Friday, 2 October 2026 at 15:00 local time.

Contacts

	General enquiries	npl.logscoordination@wfp.org
	Cargo queries	Nepal.clustercargo@wfp.org
Wipawa Chuenchit	*Logistics Coordinator*	wipawa.chuenchit@wfp.org