

**Situation Update**

- The Logistics Cluster updated the Concepts of Operations (ConOps) and the relevant map; both available online at [www.logcluster.org/ops/yem10a](http://www.logcluster.org/ops/yem10a)
- All Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) relevant to Logistics Cluster facilitated services have been updated on the website and shared with the mailing list.
- The Logistics Cluster encourages organisations to read these documents to ensure all logistics gaps relevant to the Yemen humanitarian response have been captured and that the proposed services are appropriate and procedures and requirements to access these services clear.

**Air Transport**

- WFP signed an agreement with Air Djibouti for the transport of 400 mt from Djibouti to Sana'a over a period of three months. The aircraft that will be used for the airlifts is a B727 with a capacity of 20 mt. This contract will allow the Logistics Cluster to organise airlifts on behalf of the humanitarian responders, faster, and on a shorter notice, thus easing the process of delivering cargo by air.
- In March, the Logistics Cluster facilitated two airlifts from Djibouti to Sana'a.
  - The first airlift was composed of three rotations on 12, 13 and 14 March, carrying overall 56 mt/266 m<sup>3</sup> mt of cargo on behalf of IMC and WHO.
  - The second airlift was composed of three rotations on 26, 27 and 28 March, carrying overall 48 mt/269 m<sup>3</sup> of relief items on behalf of IOM, WHO, UNFPA and Partnership for Supply Chain Management.
- Airstrikes were reported during airlift operations on 12-14 March, when the aircraft was landing in Sana'a; no staff was harmed or assets damaged and there was no repercussion on the operation.
- A tentative schedule for airlifts in 2018 is available on the Logistics Cluster website at the following link: [www.logcluster.org/document/yemen-tentative-airlifts-schedule-2018](http://www.logcluster.org/document/yemen-tentative-airlifts-schedule-2018)
- Updated Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) were published on the Logistics Cluster website at: [www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-djibouti-air-transport-services-march-2018](http://www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-djibouti-air-transport-services-march-2018)

**Sea Transport**

- During the last week of March, the UN carried out a mission to Mukalla, Hadramout. The delegation, composed by 18 passengers, travelled on board the VOS Apollo from Aden to Mukalla port on 26 March and returned on 31 March. In reason of this mission, no passengers or cargo were transported on the Djibouti - Aden - Djibouti legs.
- Due to some issues in Djibouti at the end of March, VOS Apollo's voyage #100 and VOS Theia's second voyage were suspended. The Logistics Cluster and WFP in both Yemen and Djibouti are doing their utmost to resume the services as soon as possible; service users will be kept informed through the mailing list. Meanwhile, potential passengers to and from Aden are invited to use UNHAS.

**Passengers**

- In March, the VOS Apollo carried out four voyages between, transporting 123 passengers on behalf of 20 organisations, for an average use rate of 62 percent.

- Updated SOPs are available at: [www.logcluster.org/document/yemen-passenger-sea-transport-sops-march-2018](http://www.logcluster.org/document/yemen-passenger-sea-transport-sops-march-2018)
- All booking requests, cancellations and inquiries have to be submitted to: [co\\_yem\\_passenger@wfp.org](mailto:co_yem_passenger@wfp.org)

### Cargo

- WFP chartered a second vessel, VOS Theia, to perform return trips between Djibouti and Hodeidah. The first trip took place on 15 March, with VOS Theia arriving in Hodeidah on 17 March and carrying 93 mt/344 m<sup>3</sup> of humanitarian cargo on behalf of UNICEF, WHO and PU-AMI. Passengers may also be accommodated on board.
- Updated SOPs for sea cargo transport are available on the Logistics Cluster website at the following link: [www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-djibouti-sea-transport-march-2018](http://www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-djibouti-sea-transport-march-2018)
- A tentative schedule for cargo transport on the VOS Apollo throughout 2018 has been published at: [www.logcluster.org/document/yemen-vos-apollo-cargo-transport-schedule-2018](http://www.logcluster.org/document/yemen-vos-apollo-cargo-transport-schedule-2018)
- A tentative schedule for monthly dhow transport to all accessible ports in Yemen is available at: [www.logcluster.org/document/yemen-dhows-schedule-2018](http://www.logcluster.org/document/yemen-dhows-schedule-2018)

### Overland Transport

- In March, the Logistics Cluster facilitated the overland transport of 602 mt/2,691 m<sup>3</sup> of relief items on behalf of seven organisations (ACTED, ICRC, OHCHR, UNICEF, UNDP, FAO, WFP).
- The Logistics Cluster can obtain security clearances on behalf of humanitarian organisations using the overland transport service facilitated by the cluster. Organisations not using cluster-facilitated transport services need to request clearances directly to the Ministry of Interiors.
- A newly contracted fleet of 25 trucks is available for humanitarian organisations as follows: 10 trucks in Sana'a, 10 trucks in Aden and 5 trucks in Hodeidah. The Logistics Cluster can make available refrigerated trucks upon request.
- For overland cargo transport from southern to northern, specifically passing through Dhamar, service users are requested to submit the copies of exemption documents/customs clearance alongside the SRF, otherwise the transport request will not be accepted. If the cargo has been procured locally in the south, rather than imported internationally, the SRF shall be accompanied by either the commercial invoice, or by documents proving the purchase/payment of taxes.
- Updated SOPs on overland transport are available on the cluster website: [www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-road-transport-temporary-storage-march-2018](http://www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-road-transport-temporary-storage-march-2018)

### Warehousing

- In March, the Logistics Cluster facilitated storage for 1,511 mt/2,412 m<sup>3</sup> of relief items on behalf of ICRC, WHO, FAO and WFO in Sana'a and Aden.
- Storage capacity is as follows: 5,740 m<sup>2</sup> in Aden, 4,640 m<sup>2</sup> in Hodeidah and 1,820 m<sup>2</sup> in Sana'a.
- Common storage capacity has been increased by 1,500 m<sup>2</sup> in Sana'a. An additional capacity increase of 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> is being finalised in Hodeidah, half of which includes temperature-controlled space.

- For cold chain storage in Aden, the Logistics Cluster can coordinate with WHO on behalf of other organisations to assess whether space is available in their warehouse.
- Updated SOPs for storage services are available at: [www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-road-transport-temporary-storage-march-2018](http://www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-road-transport-temporary-storage-march-2018)

### Fuel Distribution

- The Logistics Cluster facilitates access to fuel (petrol and diesel) at distribution points managed by WFP around Sana'a, Aden and Hodeidah; fuel is available to humanitarian organisations on a cost recovery basis.
- In March, the Logistics Cluster facilitated the distribution of 74,486 liters of diesel and 35,209 liters of petrol to twenty organisations as follows:

March 2018 – Fuel disbursed			
Location	Petrol (l) distributed	Diesel (l) distributed	Total fuel (l) distributed
Aden	11,450	12,798	24,248
Hodeidah	7,359	24,865	32,224
Sana'a	16,400	36,823	53,223
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35,209</b>	<b>74,486</b>	<b>109,695</b>

- Updated SOPs for fuel access are available on the Logistics Cluster website at the following link: [www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-fuel-provision-march-2018](http://www.logcluster.org/document/standard-operating-procedures-sops-yemen-fuel-provision-march-2018)

### Coordination and staffing

- Coordination meetings were held in Sana'a on 18 and 29 March 2018. Meeting minutes are available on the Logistics Cluster website at the following [link](#). Dates and times of meetings are communicated via the mailing list and the webpage.

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