
LOCATION	Khartoum, Sudan – Online
DATE	28 January 2021
CHAIR	Logistics Cluster
PARTICIPANTS	Danish Refugee Council (DRC), International Aid Services, International Crescent for the Red Cross (ICRC) International Medical Corps, International Refugee Committee. Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF-CH), Mercy Corps, Near East Foundation, Norwegian Church Aid (NCA), Solidarités International, United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization.
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Organizations experiencing challenges with customs and clearances to contact OCHA.
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Logistics Needs and Gaps2. Refugee Crisis in Eastern Sudan and Geneina Crisis: updates from agencies3. AOB

1. Logistics Needs and Gaps

- Lengthy customs clearance procedures continue to be a challenge to humanitarian agencies, resulting into delays.
- Road into Geneina remained blocked by protesters for the second week.
- All trucks destined to Geneina are still in Zallengei and cannot proceed.
- The curfew is still on in Geneina from 18:00 to 7:00.

2. Refugee Crisis in Eastern Sudan: updates from agencies

United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR)

- UNHCR continues to experience custom delays in customs clearance.
- The approval of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) has been obtained for the airlift of tents which is planned for 1 February 2021, however approval from the Ministry of Finance is still pending.
- There is a requirement of heavy equipment to be utilized for work in the refugee camps. World Food Programme (WFP) to share the details .
- Voluntary relocation of refugees from Village 8 to Tunaydba is ongoing and expected to be completed by Saturday 30 January 2021.
- A Topography Survey will take place next week prior to launching a tender for the site planning as part of the flood prevention measures.

- Tender is launched for the construction of multipurpose communal shelters for Tunaydba and Um Rakuba, which could also be utilized as evacuation area.
- Re-location of refugee tents which are in flood stream in Um Rakuba is also ongoing.

Geneina crisis

- UNHCR is consolidating items to support crisis in Geneina and will arrange to transport these items.

United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

Geneina crisis

- School supplies which include teacher kits, sitting mats, student kits and uniforms were dispatched to Geneina to support affected schools.
- UNICEF dispatched midwifery kits and reusable suction bulbs to the State Ministry of Health (SMoH) to support reproductive health services at Internally Displaced People (IDPs) gathering points.
- With the support of UNICEF, SMoH started solid waste management in IDPs gathering points, namely, AL Zahra, Al Mahalia, and Al Farouk. In addition, cleaning tools including wheelbarrows, shovels, racks were distributed.
- The water truck has continued to supply gathering points with portable drinking water.

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

- The process of exemption and customs clearance is challenging due to delays and complexity. It will impact UNFPA regular activities and emergency response, causing delays and demurrage costs.

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- UNFPA is supplying Dignity Kits and other hygiene supplies. In addition, UNFPA is also providing medical kits, medical equipment, and hospital furniture to health partners.

Geneina

- UNFPA is supplying Dignity Kits, antiretroviral drugs (ARV) and hub tents to the affected people.

United Nations Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)

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Norwegian Church Aid (NCA)

- NCA is planning to import Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) items. There are, however, challenges to obtain the necessary approvals.

Danish Refugee Council (DRC)

- In Um Rakuba camp, DRC is distributing Non-Food Items (NFIs) consisting of Shelter kits, Hygiene kits and Dignity kits plus clothes.

PLAN International:

- Has constructed child friendly space in Um Rakuba camp and distributed hygiene kits.

Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF-CH)

- Continue to provide health services in both camps (Teneaydba and Um Rakuba) and support water trucking.

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Geneina crisis

- Road is currently blocked by protestors.
- All trucks destined to Geneina are still waiting in Zalingei, Central Darfur.

Next meeting will be held on 4 February 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

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