

### Background

The Logistics Sector Nigeria provides support to the Government-led coordination of the humanitarian logistics response in north-eastern Nigeria. Security risks along main supply routes and poor road infrastructure, combined with the scale of the need, have created a significant strain on the logistics capacity of humanitarian responders in the affected states Adamawa, Borno and Yobe. The Logistics Sector supports the humanitarian community by facilitating access to common logistics services, maintaining regular bilateral and collective engagement in an open forum for discussing and addressing logistics issues as they arise, as well as providing guidance on and promoting joint inter-agency logistical planning.

With the end of the rainy season, the road access to some key operational areas has improved, while some further localised security and access challenges remain. Due to localised flooding of the Jokana River as a result of upstream dam releases (for agricultural/irrigation purposes), the road to Rann, that has recently been reopened for light trucks, was subsequently closed again and is likely to remain inaccessible to vehicle movement throughout December. The access situation remains under review, in coordination with the local military commander in Ngala, and humanitarian partners on the ground in Rann.

### November Highlights

- In November, the Logistics Sector facilitated the storage of 2,900 m<sup>3</sup> (400 mt) of humanitarian relief items at the three common storage sites in Maiduguri, Monguno and Banki on behalf of 18 organisations. The **Inter-Agency Logistics Base** in Maiduguri (2,460 m<sup>2</sup>), which is managed by **Première Urgence Internationale (PUI)** on behalf of the Logistics Sector, facilitated also the consolidation of 15 m<sup>3</sup> (5 mt) of air cargo on behalf of 8 organisations to 11 locations. The **common storage site** in **Banki** (240 m<sup>2</sup>), managed by INTERSOS, has been operational since 6 November, while the site in **Monguno** (1,280 m<sup>2</sup>), managed by **Solidarites International (SI)**, has been operational since 31 August.

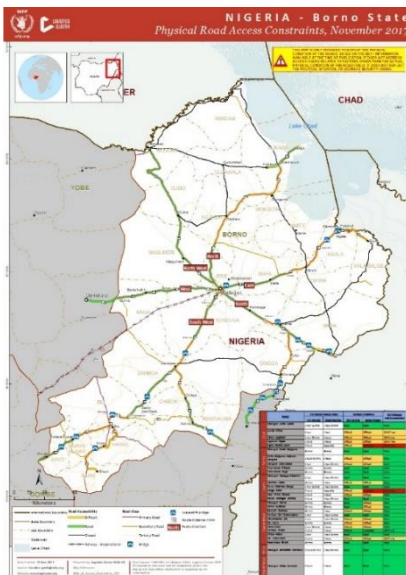


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- The preparations to establish common storage sites in **Ngala** (640 m<sup>2</sup> to be managed by eHealth Africa), **Damasak** and **Dikwa** (both sites to be managed by ACTED) are ongoing.
- In November, the Logistics Sector conducted **three assessment missions** to assess road conditions and the potential storage site (**Rann**), enhance engagement with the field-level military representatives (**Gwoza**) and meet INTERSOS who is managing the common storage site since early November (**Banki**). Furthermore, the Logistics Sector team participated in a **joint inter-agency road mission to Gubio** (together with WFP Security, OCHA and WHO) to review the requirement for military escorts along this route)
- A second Mobile Storage Unit was established in **Damaturu** and provided on loan to the **State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA)**.

- The Logistics Sector **supports the Civil/Military coordination (CMCoord) mechanisms** established by OCHA in facilitating cargo movements and coordination of military escort arrangements where required. In November, the Logistics Sector **facilitated 1591 truck movement requests** carrying relief cargo, of which **864 were with an armed military escort**, on behalf of **22 organisations**. This also requires close coordination with the Nigerian Union of Road Transport Workers which provides a shared vehicle recovery service on certain routes as mandated by the Nigerian Armed Forces.
- The Logistics Sector has provided sectoral input and CMCoord expertise to OCHA's development of a CMCoord Framework document, as well as an Access Strategy, for humanitarian operations in Northeast Nigeria.

### Coordination & Information Management



A new [Physical Access Constraints map](#) was published, presenting the road condition in the Borno state during dry versus rainy season.

- **Three coordination meetings were held, two in Maiduguri and one in Abuja**, with an average attendance of 12 different UN agencies and NGOs.
- The Logistics Sector Coordinator and Information Management Officer (IMO) attended the OCHA-led **2018 Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) workshop** in Abuja, together with the Government representatives, Heads of Agencies and other Sector Coordinators and IMOs.
- The Logistics Sector participated in several **inter-agency meetings**: RRM meeting, Access Working Group, Inter-Sector Working Group, Civil/Military Coordination Forum, Civil/Military Working Group, Rann coordination meeting and Humanitarian Hub Task Force, all chaired by OCHA; as well as to the technical Humanitarian Hub meeting, chaired by IHP/MSB and the UNHAS User Group meeting, chaired by UNHAS.
- The Logistics Sector presented a **Rainy Season Feedback Survey**, which was completed by 13 organisations. The [results](#) will guide the Logistics Sector preparedness and response activities ahead of the rainy season next year.
- The secondment period of the GIS Officer from iMMAP (stand-by partner) was extended until end of June 2018. He will continue to support **Geographic Information Systems (GIS)/mapping tools and products**, available to organisations upon request. Based on an extensive road data collection, including over 60 interviews with transporters and drivers, a [Physical Access Constraints map](#) was published in November. Since September 2016, **17 Logistics Sector maps** were produced and **696 map print-outs** have been delivered to partners.
- Through its **mailing list**, the Logistics Sector communicates with humanitarian actors involved in the emergency response and serves as a repository of inter-agency logistics information and knowledge. In November, the list had **293 subscribers** from various UN agencies, NGOs, Government representatives and donors.

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