



# WFP LOGISTICS

## Providing logistics leadership and solutions to WFP and the humanitarian community

Logistics is key to WFP delivering its humanitarian assistance in the fastest, most efficient and cost-effective way possible. WFP Logistics exists to support field operations to manage an intricate storage and transport network, working where necessary with WFP Supply Chain's Aviation and Shipping Units to make sure that food assistance gets to those who need it, even in the most hard-to-reach locations. To better enable WFP's field operations to carry out this important work, they are supported by six specialized units based in WFP headquarters in Rome, which offer specific advice and support based on operational needs.

### GLOBAL FLEET

The Global Fleet Unit owns more than 400 trucks strategically positioned across three hubs in Accra, Dubai and Kampala. Managed centrally by the Global Fleet team in WFP headquarters in Rome, who are responsible for the oversight and management of operations and assets, the WFP fleet is used to fill critical gaps in the commercial transport market, thereby enabling WFP to operate in environments that are remote, insecure or lacking in infrastructure.

The Global Fleet Unit also provides technical support and advice to country offices and strengthens the capacity of field staff through training on key elements such as the management of spare parts, fuel and hazardous waste.



**1.4M km**

covered by WFP fleet trucks  
(January-June 2019)



**5,600**

trucks on the road daily in 93  
countries (2018)



**20+**

country offices provided  
with support by FSU  
(January-September 2019)

### FIELD SUPPORT UNIT

The Field Support Unit (FSU) is a team of experienced supply chain staff, supporting field operations by offering operational and technical support to WFP country offices as needed, and providing compliance and oversight to ensure that supply chain policies and regulations are correctly implemented and followed. The team also provides supply chain coordination in the event of emergencies, along with facilitating the quick deployment of staff and supporting the development of emergency response plans, preparedness plans and Concepts of Operations, which outline how WFP will respond to meet the needs of the affected population.



## DBASE

The DBASE Unit plays a pivotal role in supporting WFP country offices to manage the vast amounts of data involved with the tracking of commodities end-to-end through the corporate tool, the Logistics Execution Support System (LESS). The DBASE Unit conducts analysis of the data captured through this system to identify ways to optimize the performance of operations so that resources are better utilized and beneficiaries more effectively assisted. They also provide budgetary and fund management assistance, and assist with the management of WFP's food stocks including expiration and best before dates, losses alerts, etc.



## UNITED NATIONS HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE DEPOT

The United Nations Humanitarian Response Depot (UNHRD) is a network established by WFP, as mandated by the Inter-Agency Standing Committee, to support the humanitarian community by buying, storing and sending emergency supplies on behalf of its partners. UNHRD's six depots are all located near disaster-prone areas and have easy access to airports, seaports and main roads for rapid response purposes. Partners include United Nations agencies, governmental and non-governmental organizations, who are able to access this 'one stop shop' 24/7 through a centralized customer service. The unit also has a field team who are available to deploy to support partners in setting up equipment, manage cargo and train local staff, etc.

## BILATERAL SERVICE PROVISION

WFP uses its experience and expertise in humanitarian logistics and its extensive field presence to offer support to the humanitarian community, where no other viable solutions exist. Through bilateral service provision, WFP Logistics makes procurement, storage and transport solutions available to humanitarian partners on a cost-recovery basis. The increased demand for WFP-led logistics services reflects the rising number of humanitarian emergencies and their increasingly protracted nature, but also the unique value proposition WFP brings to the humanitarian community. Reflective of the growing number of services requested by organizations in the health sector, WFP Logistics is also working to develop its capabilities to better support health supply chains to meet these demands.

## AUGMENTED LOGISTICS INTERVENTION TEAM FOR EMERGENCIES

The Augmented Logistics Intervention Team for Emergencies (ALITE) aims to support and enable WFP emergency interventions by enhancing logistics readiness and leveraging resources. ALITE contributes to the effectiveness of WFP's interventions in the field through the augmentation of logistics capacity during emergencies, and its agility of response and resource mobilization through in-kind support from both stand-by partners and the private sector. Besides coordinating with stand-by partners for staffing support during emergencies, the ALITE team also works to identify internal WFP staffing capacity to ensure the quick deployment of personnel as needed.



**43M litres**

of fuel delivered to 229 health facilities in Yemen by BSP (April 2018-June 2019)



**597**

warehouses in 75 countries (2018)



**35**

missions to support field offices and regional bureau by DBASE unit (2019)