

Vaccancy Announcement

Position	Country Logistics Manager	Starting date	July 2023
Location	Kabul, Afghanistan	Type of contract	Fixed term
Contract duration	12 months (renewable)	Security risk level	Very risky (4/4)

About Acted

For the past 30 years, international NGO Acted has been going the last mile to save lives. Currently, Acted supports 20 million people across 43 countries to meet their needs in hard-to-reach areas - and pursues a triple mandate as a humanitarian, environmental and development aid actor. Acted relies on an in-depth knowledge of local territories and contexts to develop and implement relevant long-term actions, with a wide range of local and international partners, building together a "3ZERO" world: Zero Exclusion, Zero Carbon, Zero Poverty.

Position's context and key challenges

In Afghanistan, Acted's strategy combines emergency aid and development programming aiming at providing holistic assistance and at addressing the various challenges faced by the country, with the overall goal of alleviating poverty and building resilience. For 23 years, Acted has remained committed to supporting Afghans through diverse programming such as good governance, building the capacity of civil society, rural development, and emergency humanitarian response. Acted continues to strengthen stock piling, contingency planning and preparedness, in order to provide timely assistance for those affected by natural or man-made disasters.

Providing emergency and recovery assistance for communities hit by conflict and natural disasters

Natural disasters affect approximately 250,000 Afghans each year. In addition, the past years have seen an influx in military operations and offensives led by armed opposition groups, resulting in the displacement of 197,000 individuals in 2015. Acted responds to emergency needs by providing conflict and natural disasters-affected populations with emergency assistance in the forms of food and non-food items, vouchers or cash distribution. Acted's interventions also aimed at supporting recovery, through participatory approaches to building back shelters and water infrastructure damaged by natural disasters, as well as disaster risk reduction through training.

Supporting the development of economic, education and livelihood opportunities for marginalised populations

To support marginalized groups such as farmers, youth, and women, Acted works with cooperatives and farmers to enhance governance, production, access to agricultural inputs and training in order to support the development of sustainable livelihood opportunities in rural areas. Vocational training, literacy classes, and support to small business development are also provided to hundreds of women and youth, and Self Help Groups every year, providing over women with safe and supportive space to develop business activities. Acted is supporting education through the construction of Youth Development Centres, and formal and informal education opportunities to approximately 14,000 girls.

Investing in governance and local civil society to improve service delivery and inclusive development

Acted vision for development is of an inclusive, vibrant civil society, and accountable government. Focus in Afghanistan is placed on empowering youth and women, through providing training on human rights, promoting volunteerism, facilitating sports and cultural events and the creation of grass-root organisations such as youth councils, aligned with government strategies and development plans. Acted is a major facilitating partner of the National Solidarity Program, the flagship program of Afghanistan, that supports governance at the village level, and has established and empowered close to 3,000 Community Development Councils across the country. Acted also works closely with local civil society organisations, building their capacity and developing joint projects to reach vulnerable communities.

In 2019, Acted Afghanistan developed further its programming to respond to both emergency and development needs across the country.

In particular, across the north and east of Afghanistan, Acted continued to build on its access and presence at the closest of communities, built over decades, to implement a wide range of programmes to address the acute emergency needs of vulnerable conflict and disaster-affected and displaced households: food security, livelihoods, shelter and non-food items, water and sanitation infrastructure, hygiene promotion, education, and multi-purpose cash assistance have been provided to over 4.5 million beneficiaries. Acted also continued to support communities with longer-term recovery and development efforts, through strengthening local governance, the construction of local infrastructure, vocational training, and agricultural, livelihoods and market support, including through its flagship AGORA programme.

Key roles and responsibilities

The Country Logistics Manager (CLM) is a key member of the Management Team at country level. Under the authority of the Country Director/Representative, the CLM is responsible for supply chain management intended to program implementation, as well as for logistical transversal management such as fleet, fuel, premises, assets & communication management. S/He should ensure compliance of all logistics operations in country with Acted logistics & donors' procedures, best practices & national regulations, with an emphasis given to the value for money principle. He/She will also lead, provide technical support and capacity building to the country logistics staff.

1. Supply chain management

a) Procurement: Ensure that any need should be delivered according to the defined chronogram, requested quality standards, and proper procurement scenario.

- For any procurement, guarantee the compliance of the supplier selection & related documentation as per Acted & donor's procurement guidelines.
- Build the sourcing capacity in the country and in the region, and maintain a supplier database accordingly.
- Coordinate the procurement cycle across the country with all stakeholders (program, finance, coordination, suppliers, etc.) from the planning stage, to contract signature until delivery completion; the Senior CLM is in particular arranging Procurement Committee sessions.
- Ensure constant availability of running supplies/services/works such as fuel, stationery, transportation means, etc. through framework contracts in particular.
- Manage traceability & reconciliation between orders, contracts & deliveries, and liaise with finance for problem solving.

b) Stocks & deliveries: Ensure appropriate storage network & stock management standards across the country

- Identify & settle warehouses/storage space based on needs.
- Ensure goods transportation means are secured as per needs.
- Coordinate & follow-up deliveries & liaise efficiently with suppliers for problem solving.
- Maintain a regular information across teams about stock levels & expected lead-times.
- Manage periodic inventories, stock clearance and investigations over discrepancies.

2. Transversal logistical management

a) Fleet & transportation: Deploy efficient transportation means across the country

- Anticipate vehicles needs and liaise with (Deputy) Country Director & Country Finance Manager to anticipate budgets accordingly.
- Maintain efficient monthly, weekly & daily planning & movements follow-up tools.
- Identify reliable external transportation companies.
- Control & optimize fleet costs.
- Coordinate an efficient maintenance framework across the country (in terms of operations as well as in terms of costs).

- Ensure administrative requirements are met toward customs and any other local authority when transporting goods/staff.
 - Organize regular drivers training and refreshers.

 - b) Fuel:** Manage fuel supply across the country; anticipate & mitigate fuel supply risks, including quality requirements.

 - c) Asset:** Deploy an efficient asset allocation & maintenance plan across the country
 - Anticipate needs for assets and liaise with (Deputy) Country Director & Country Finance Manager to anticipate budgets accordingly;
 - Maintain an up-to-date asset inventory, including proper asset labelling; investigate and document any loss or damage.
 - Manage random asset inventories to check the monthly asset follow-up reliability and take the needed corrective actions.
 - Manage asset maintenance plans, control & optimize related costs.
 - Organize regular staff trainings and refreshers (right use of computers & radios, installation & use of generators, etc);
 - Manage assets donations, obsolescence & replacements over the time in compliance with internal & external regulations.

 - d) Premises:** Ensure proper working & living conditions for all staff in each premise, always, by maintaining an efficient general services approach

 - Identify & settle premises (offices, guesthouses & warehouses) based on geographical, operational, security, and financial criteria, in close liaison with Country Director and Country Finance Manager.
 - Coordinate monthly inventories of other goods.
 - Ensure that security & safety guidelines are applied in premises.

 - e) Communications & IT management:** Deploy an efficient IT plan across the country based on Acted global standards.

 - Anticipate communication & IT needs and liaise with (Deputy) Country Director & Country Finance Manager to anticipate budgets accordingly.
 - Control & optimize communication & IT costs.
 - Ensure administrative requirements are met toward local authorities for communication means in use.
 - Ensure monthly data back-up (server, computers local data, emails, etc.).
 - Guarantee that IT security standards are applied, and lead crisis management in country in close liaison with HQ if required.
 - Organize IT staff regular training & refreshers.
- 3. Compliance & transparency**
- Ensure Acted logistics manual is applied across the country and donors' specific requirements for logistics & procurement are met.
 - Enforce a zero-tolerance policy regarding corruption and ensure adherence to Acted Code of Conduct and Anti-Fraud policy.
 - Coordinate logistics TITANIC reporting on a monthly basis, and ensure checking the reliability & relevance of data reported.
 - Organize a 6-month planning for field visits with clear ToRs, including ad hoc checks and written report following each visit.
 - Organize regular logistics staff training & refreshers internally about Acted procedures, lessons learnt, FAQ, etc. across workshops or field visits.
 - Capitalize on lessons learnt through memos, training module, etc. for continuous improvements of logistics compliance in country.
 - Follow-up & update internal & external audit report for logistics.
 - Ensure a timely and accurate logistics document flow in liaison with other FLAT departments.

4. Leadership

- Update the organigram of the logistics department according to the mission development;
- Plan & conduct logistics staff recruitments & appraisals; train & build capacities of logistics staff in country; identify staff with potential, and contribute to internal mobility strategy;
- Always actively promote strong & structured articulations with all teams for all logistics operations (program & finance in particular).
- Manage Implementing Partners relationship on logistics aspects such as procurement, stock & asset management, logistics reporting. Ensure the timely & exhaustive review of IPs logistics documentation.
- Represent Acted with relevant logistics and communication networks, actively building relevant relationships (logistics cluster, etc.)
- Actively participate in country level coordination meetings by reporting on progress, and risks.
- Contribute to donor proposals, budgets and reports.
- Contribute to Emergency Response planning and Contingency Planning efforts for logistics and procurement needs and execution.

Required qualifications and technical competencies

- At least 2-3 years of working experience in logistics, supply chain management and/or security management and procedures;
- Ability to train, mobilize, and manage both international and national staff;
- Flexibility and ability to multi-task under pressure;
- Ability to work well in unstable and frequently changing security environments;
- Advanced proficiency in written and spoken English;
- Previous experience abroad is an asset.

Conditions

- Salary between 3700 and 3900€ monthly (before income tax), depending on the level of education, security level, etc as well as a monthly living allowance of \$300
- Accommodation and food provided in Acted guesthouse
- Pension, health insurance, life insurance and repatriation assistance (& unemployment insurance for EU citizens)
- Flight tickets every 6 months & visa fees covered
- Contribution to the luggage transportation: up to 100 kgs, depending on the length of the contract
- Rest & Recuperation (R&R) every 2 months, flight tickets covered up to \$500 and allowance of \$200
- Annual leave of 25 to 43 days per year
- One week pre-departure training in Acted HQ, including a 4-days in situ security training
- Tax advice (free 30-minute call with a tax consultant)
- Psychological assistance

How to Apply

Please send your application (cover letter + resume) to jobs@acted.org under **Ref: CLM/AFG**