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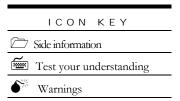
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Chapter

Preface

nvoice tracking system is designed to maintain a history of customers, invoices, and invoice details so you can store multiple invoices without creating multiple files. You can also use the Invoice Tracker to analyze your previously invoiced data.



Icon keys will be appearing throughout this text book to draw your attention to important details about the software

Who should read this book

This invoice tracking system will only be useful to you if you are working for WFP COMPAS department, issuing LTIs or an LTSH or billing staff.



Setup and installation

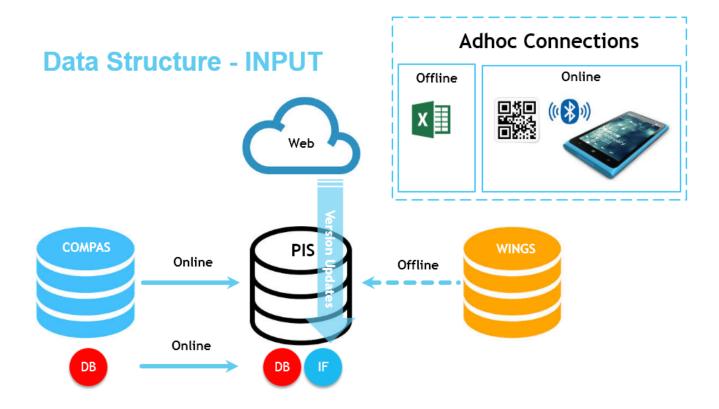
This manual does not contain installation instructions; individual installation guide for windows operating system can be found on the website at http://wfp-logistics-its.volasite.com/

Advantages of using the system

A typical process involving paying a supplier invoice begins at the arrival of invoice at the door of the organization regardless of the methods of arrival such as via email, postal mail, facsimile, etc. Once the invoice arrives, the billing/accounts payable clerk must ensure that the document is indeed due by means of matching it against the relative waybill/service report. Then the clerk classifies and sorts the invoice into the various logistics categories. Once its

category is defined, the invoice is forwarded to the responsible person to be logged in the system. Below are some of the advantages of the system:

- Log and track invoices you received from transporters/service providers.
- Determine what you owe creditors, and when it's due.
- Track billable time for yourself and your staff.
- Keep track of project expenditure to stay on budget.
- Notify your creditors of invoices status.
- Create interesting reports and analyze payment history
- Save time & keep service providers happy ©



Authentication and privileges

Different users of the system are granted different roles allowing/blocking them to access the various parts of the system accordingly. Creating new users and granting privileges can be accomplished by system administrators.

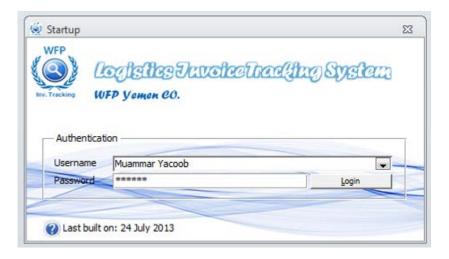


FIGURE 1.1 illustrates the startup screen in which users has to provide their assigned credentials. The last built date is shown at the bottom of the screen and is associated with the application version.

Main board

Upon successful authentication, the various screens of the application can be accessed from the main board screen.

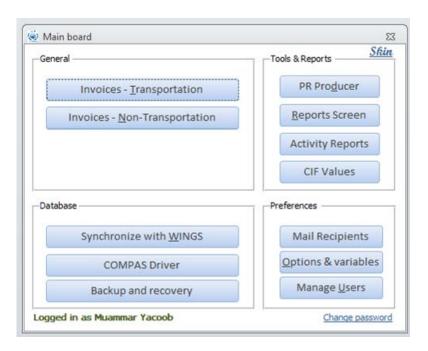


FIGURE 1.2 Notice the "logged in as" wording logging the user name for later interactions such as entries/data modifications made and reports' signatures.



Creating your own user's skin

To change your current skin picture, click on the skin link on the top right corner of the main board screen and browse for a suitable "preferably light colored" picture file

Note

Custom users' skins can be removed by simply cancelling the browse image dialogue box.

Invoices - Transportation

Transporters' invoices are to be entered in the invoices – transportation screen which are indexed by the mandatory LTI ID field marked in red. Along with the LTI ID, Invoice ID and invoice amount are the first fields to fill, other information may be filled along the individual stages of the invoice processing routine.

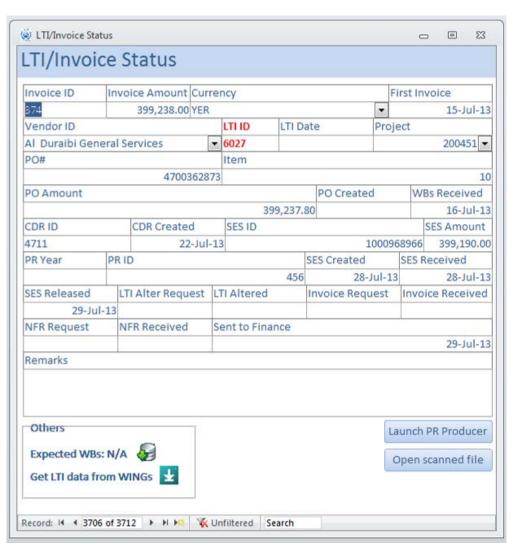


FIGURE 2.1 Data in the invoices - transportation screen can be filtered using native MS Access filter tools.

WINGS data

An updatable offline WINGS data copy is stored separately in the system. Relative LTI data such as purchase order number, item line sequence, purchase order amount, purchase order creation date, LTI dispatch date, service entry sheet reference number and service entry sheet value and service entry sheet release date can be drawn from WINGS by clicking on the button.



For accuracy, drop down menus' values are extracted automatically from wings to list values such as vendors' IDs and names

Note

Most of the entries in this screen are dates data type. Current day's date is used as a default value in most of them, however, when not applicable, make sure to modify the date accordingly.



Try filtering data using an old LTI ID stored in the system and click on the Get LTI data from wings and notice the gaps filled/replaced data from WINGs entries.

COMPAS data

Real time COMPAS data are available in the system as a live connection is maintained with COMPAS server and is present at all times in the system. Data such as CDR ID will be automatically brought when a consolidated delivery report is created against the current LTI record.



Matching waybill overall count

Use the little "expected WBs" button 🗗 to double check the overall count of the relative waybills for the LTI in question



Warning

Calculating expected waybills count for an LTI may take some time as data will be fetched from COMPAS on a real time basis; it also depends on how fast the server response is.

Electronic archiving

Scanned copies must be made in PDF format and the naming convention L# must be used at all times (e.g. for an LTI coded 1234, a fully qualified file name including the file type extension is L1234.pdf

Note

Network or local path to the scanner has to be set first using the options and variable screen discussed later.

Invoices - Non -Transportation

Unlike the transportation invoices entry screen, the non-transportation screen does not contain and LTI ID field and can be used to log other service activities and fines such as port operations both custom clearances and demurrage/detention charges, fumigation, warehousing... etc.

Payment Requests

Payment request are the overall collective data put together in an excel sheet mainly requesting logistics officer to release the created service entry sheet. A helpful tool in the system is the "PR Creator" in which a purchase order reference is specified and all relative LTIs are displayed along with the service entry sheet details if available.



FIGURE 3.1 The 452 reference shown in the screen refers to an associated previously created PR file stored in the system



Practice generating a random PR file by following these steps:

- 1. Go to invoices-transportation screen
- 2. Move or filter the records to a random PO with multiple LTIs
- 3. Click on the "Lanch PR Producer"
- 4. On the PR Generator screen, click on "Generate PR"

Payment request sheet

Data from the system will include:

- Project ID
- Document serial
- Vendor ID and name
- Today's date
- Purchase order reference
- Purchase order amounts broken down by line items
- Previously created service entry sheet references and values
- LTI IDs for each purchase order line item
- Invoices' references and values
- Username as logged in the system
- Loss details if any.

A general payment request sheet will look like the following

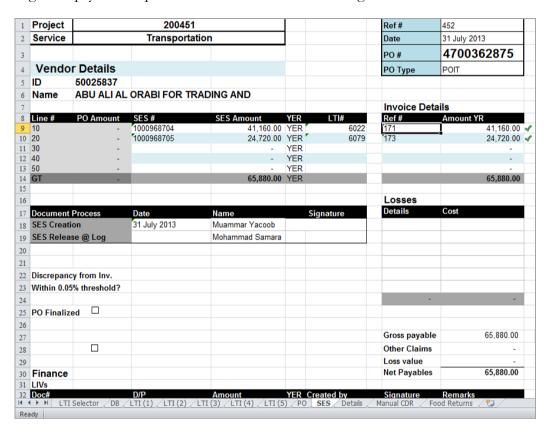


FIGURE 3.2 Random payment request sheet produced from the invoice tracking system. Net payables are 65,880 for purchase order 4700362875 shown at the bottom right corner

Note

- Payment requests template is a standard formatted excel sheet bundled with the invoice tracking system.
- Each purchase order is associated with one payment request reference
- Each LTI ID is associated with an electronically archived document (i.e. scanned copies of LTI relative documents such as: contract awarding letter and rate/waiver, waybills and approved consolidated delivery report and a signed copy of the signed payment request
- Unlike archived scanned payment requests, old soft copies of payment requests are automatically replaced by new ones once generated to account for the new data entries.



System generated payment requests are automatically stored on a predefined path set by system administrator from the "Options & Variables" screen. If a network path is used, make sure you are granted drive-write permission for the remote drive by your ICT department.

Reports

Several reports may be generated from the system and are numbered sequentially for ease of reference and further development of the system. Different reports will be passed different parameters as required and specified by the user.

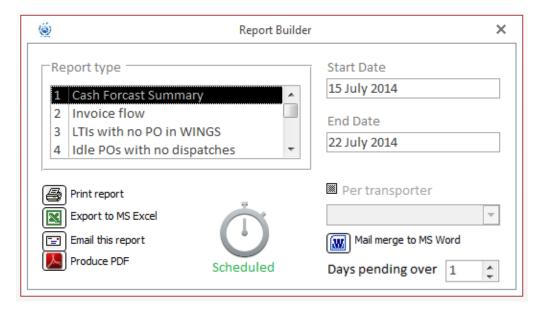


FIGURE 4.1 Reports screen with the "Food in transit" report selected

Report types

For a specified timeframe, currently available reports are:

Report Name	Description	Intended recipient
Cash Forecast Summary	Grouped by project, total of PO values that are released in WINGS at CD level and have incurred movement "dispatches" of relative LTIs in COMPAS database but for which no SES is recorded in	LTSH & Finance unit

	MINIOO	
	WINGS	
Invoice flow	Average periods in working days between each two stages in the overall process of an invoice, i.e. PO-WBs is Period in working days between PO creation and waybills received in the billing unit, WBs-CDR, CDR-SES are periods between waybills receives and CDR creation and CDR creation and SES creation respectively	Logistics middle management
LTIs with no PO in WINGS	List of LTIs that are present in COMPAS but has no match in WINGS yet	LTSH, Billing and Operations
Idle POs with no dispatches	List of POs in WINGS with no matching LTI record in COMPAS	LTSH, Operations and COMPAS
Food in transit	LTI details for dispatches recorded in COMPAS with no receipts yet	Operations & COMPAS
Overall turnover	Grouped by month, total number of invoices fully processed and sent to finance and the average number of days taken from invoices first received until date sent to finance or of LIV creation	Billing Operations and Logistics middle management
Detailed Invoice Flow Report	Grouped by vendor, dates register for each stage of the process for each LTI individually and the exact creditor turn over in working days for both items sent to finance and under process	Billing, Operations and Logistics middle management
Items sent to finance unit	A checklist of individual LTIs and creditor turn over in working days for items sent to finance	Billing and Finance unit
LTIs received with no SES	List of LTIs that has been dispatch in COMPAS records but no SES/LIV	Operation & Billing unit, mainly for IPSAS compliance purposes at

	value in WINGS is recorded	year end
Allocation Plans	List of transporter names and allocated MTs for a tariff system contract	Operations unit
Bottlenecks report	A chart of average days spent by each unit throughout the payment process for a period starting with first invoice date to finance LIV release date	Admin, COMPAS, Billing & Finance



Reports data can be output in different formats by using the icon buttons found at the bottom of the screen.





Try picking a week-time period anytime in the past and generate an excel report for items sent to finance LTI Dispatch Start Date

24 July 2013

LTI Dispatch End Date

31 July 2013

Note

- Start date and end date are dynamic and hence, captions are changing for each selected report to match required query parameters
- Default time periods are set to cover last week and can be changed as required



Scheduled reports

Once a new report is added to the existing reports list, it automatically inherits all the filter and output features available on the reports screen including the "Scheduled reports feature that sets:

- Report email recipients
- Delivery day and time
- An option to preview emails before sending them



FIGURE 4.2 Reports screen – Scheduled Reports feature

MS Access reports

Standard formatted reports are mainly for quick view of certain information which doesn't have to be stored on the drive; however, if need arised after generating the report, you can use the native toolbar output options from the data section from the print preview menu



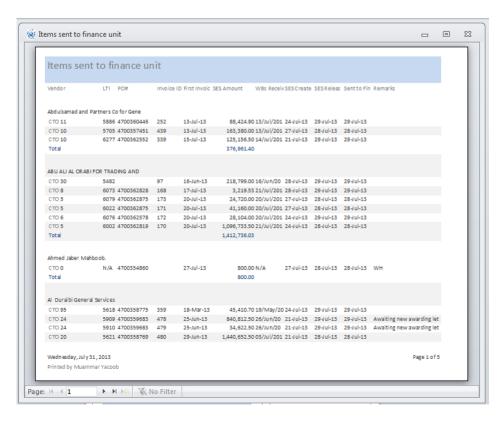


FIGURE 4.2 Standard formatted MS Access report

MS Excel reports

MS Excel reports are more useful especially when further editing and analyzing is required. In addition to the grouping feature, the system applies a simple format for readability.



FIGURE 4.3 formatted MS Excel report

Note

Use the collapse 1/2 buttons on the left of the Excel panel for summary

MS Outlook reports

This feature in the invoice tracking system was updated to match WFP new mail client system i.e. MS Outlook. Reports may be generated the same way as in the case with other types of report outputs, the only difference is that you are restricted with only system formatted MS Excel sheet attached as an object in the email.

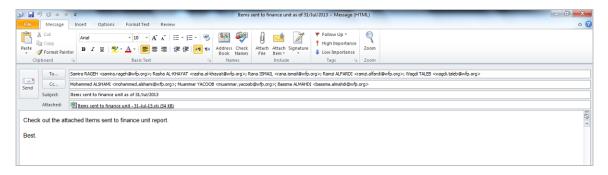


FIGURE 4.4 formatted MS Outlook report



Default mail recipients, both To list and Cc are set by system administrator from the "Mail recipients" screen. Make sure they are properly formatted, e.g. "Full Name" < user@domain.org >. Multiple emails must be semi-colon separated ";" without double quotes.



FIGURE 4.5 Report mail recipients

BottleNecks Chart

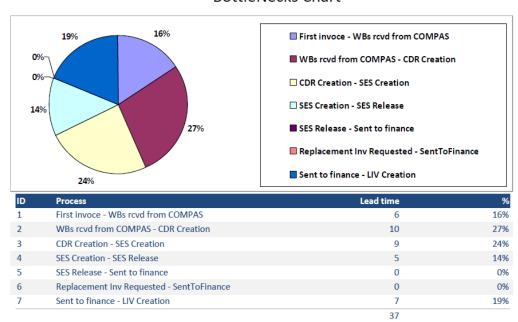


FIGURE 4.6 Bottle necks report for a specific period

PDF Reports

PDF reports can be used to lock report data so no modification can be made and are produced the same way other reports are.

Note

- Chart embedded reports are better produced as PDF documents

Mail Merge

Certain reports are required to be sent in hard copies and this's where this feature becomes handy. As in the case of other reports, after specifying date parameters and when available for the selected report, the mail merge to MS Word button will appear at the bottom right corner of the reports screen along with further options. Currently, only "Food in transit" report supports this feature in which a list of LTIs dispatched but not received over a certain days period threshold is issued and grouped vendor wise



FIGURE 4.5 Mail merged report to MS Word

Activity Reports

To some extent, staff activity levels can be related to entries in the different database systems used by WFP including WINGS, COMPAS and ITS

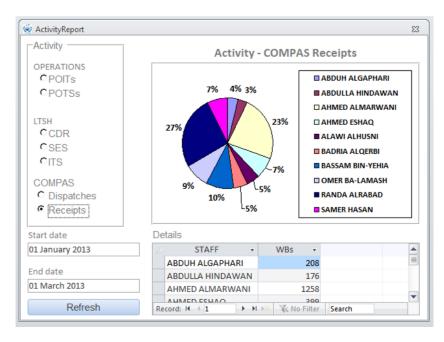


FIGURE 5.1 Activity report – starring: COMPAS Receipts

Activity Categories

Grouped by username, figures are shown under the below categories

Division	Activity name	Measurement
Operations	POITs	POs created under POIT
	POTSs	POs created under POTS
LTSH & Billing	CDR	CDR Invoices created/modified

	SES	SES created, released/unreleased
ITS ITS sent		ITS sent to finance data entries/modifications
COMPAS	Dispatches	WB dispatch entries in COMPAS
	Receipts	WB receipt entries in COMPAS



When changing different report timing from the start date/end date period, make sure you click on the refresh button to update the data.

Note

You need to have an administrator or full reports privilege granted to your user to view the activity reports screen

Chapter

Options & Variables

System environment and operating system specific data storage and registry data can be customized from this screen. Each option entry has an "OptionTitle" property name and "OptionValue" property value. For your safety, only the latter is enabled for editing.

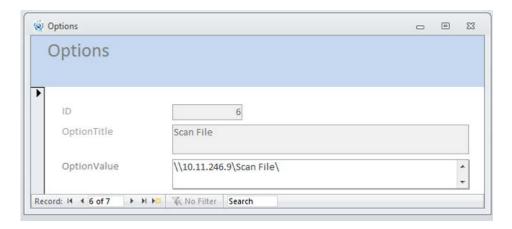


FIGURE 6.1 Options screen - OptionTitle: Scan file location used in electronic archiving feature

Option variables

Below are current option variables used by the system along with an example OptionValue for each

OptionTitle	Description	OptionValue Example
USD Exchange	Exchange rate used in	214.86
rate	reports as a multiplier	
	for converting USD	
	values to local currency	
PR Template	Path to excel Template	\\10.11.246.9\Logistic\LTSH &
file	file used as basis in	Billing\ITSH
	generating Payment	2013\Transportation\eDoc.xlsm
Requests		
PR Output Dir	Path to where generated	\\10.11.246.9\Logistic\LTSH &
	payment requests are to	Billing\ITSH 2013\Transportation\

	be stored	
Wings Extract	Path of the file	\\10.11.246.9\Logistic\LTSH &
Sheet	containing the various	Billing\WINGS
	WINGS raw data	Extract\WingsExtracts.xlsm
	reports used in system	
	data updates screen	
Reports	Path to where excel	\\10.11.246.9\Logistic\LTSH &
Output Dir	reports are to be stored	Billing\ITS Reports\
Scan File	Path to public scanner	\\10.11.246.9\Scan File\
	directory where scanned	
	documents are stored	
	by default	
Food in transit	Path of the MS Word	\\10.11.246.9\Logistic\LTSH &
merge file	template mailing letter	Billing\Invoice Tracking
	used in mail merge	System\Etc\Food in transit
	reports	template.docx



In path to directories path file, make sure you have the path

- Ends with \
- Reachable -- in case of network pathsWrite permission granted by network administrator

User Management

Users can be added and granted suitable privileges according to their role using the user management screen.

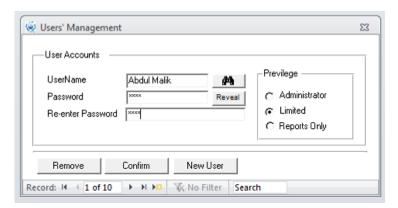


FIGURE 7.1 User management screen – creating new limited user

Privileges

The current version of this system supports three broad privileges categories as follows

Category	Granted privileges
Administrator	Full access to all areas of the system
Limited	Restricted access to administrative areas of the system
Reports Only	Users are only allowed to generate reports



Regardless of their granted privileges, all users are allowed to change their password by clicking on "Change password" from the Main Board screen after system startup

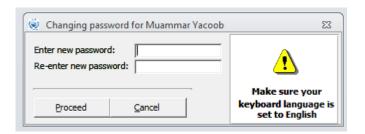


FIGURE 7.2 Changing current user's password



From the Main Board screen, click on the "change password" link located at the bottom right corner of the screen. Notice that for confirmation, the changing password dialogue window is titled after your current user's name as logged by the system.



Warning

DO NOT use common passwords used elsewhere as system administrators have the ability to reveal your password and might use it to gain access to your other important or personal accounts.

Note

System administrators are empowered to modify or delete user names in the system. They can also change your password or reveal it



CIF Values

When losses are incurred during transportation, CIF values has to be calculated for lost commodities and applied to each SI item in each waybill incurring the loss



FIGURE 8.1 For a given waybill, lost commodity CIF Value calculated

Loss value formulae

Transportation loss value = Loss in MTGs x LTI Rate

Commodity Full CIF Value = (Commodity Purchase Order value per 1 MT+ Relative Freight rate per 1 MT + Project LTSH Rate) x Loss in MTNs x Local currency exchange rate

Loss = Transportation loss value + Commodity full CIF Value

Note

You may need to prorate the LTSH rate as it is used fully in the current version of the system

WINGS Synchronization

As live connections could not be maintained with WINGS, users have to periodically generate certain reports from WINGS and then import it into the system to keep its data up to date



FIGURE 8.1 Synchronizing data from WINGS

WINGS Data

Currently, the system makes use of the following reports generated from WINGS:

- T-code for PM-R082 CHECK PO STATUS ZSCR082
- Operational contracts Lead-time Report ZSCOTR120
- Food PO Report ZSCR035
- Consignment Overview ZSCOTR121



Warning

Before synchronizing with WINGS, make sure all other users are:

- 1. Logged off the system and
- 2. WINGS Extract excel sheet is closed

Otherwise, you will receive an error message notifying synchronization process failure.

Allocation Planner

In tariff system contracts, the allocation planner module lists awarded transporters within the specified contract.



Specify the planned MTs to move, point of origin and target destination

Hold down the Ctrl key and select the transporter names from the list that did not exceed their movement limit for the past cycle set in the "Settings" tab. Once set, hit the "Allocate" button

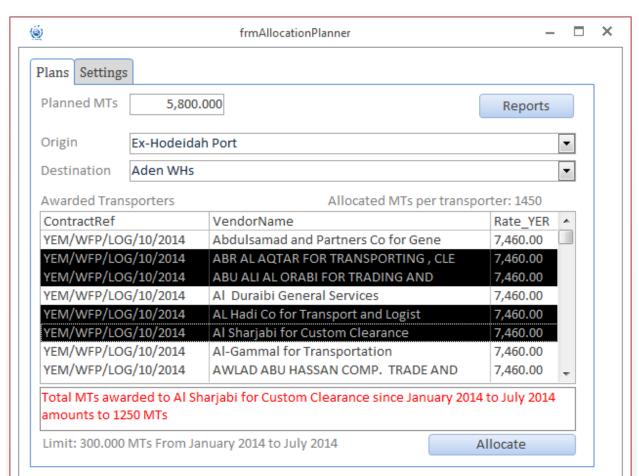
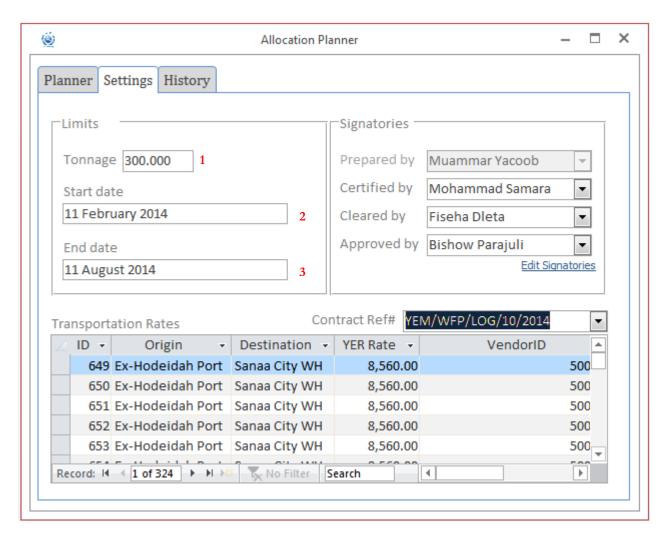


FIGURE 10.1 Allocation Planner module - Main tab

The settings tab sets the limit not to be exceeded per one transporter for a specified period, the limit is fed in MTs in the "Tonnage" field for a cycle starting with date set in the "Start date" field and ending with "End date"



 $FIGURE\ 10.2\ Allocation\ Planner\ module-Settings\ tab$

• Contract for the allocation is selected from the "Contract Ref#" drop down list and the details of the awarded transporters will be listed.

Note

Report signatories are set in the Signatories box and the "prepared by" field is filled automatically with your login name and cannot be amended

Allocation Plans Summary 01 July 2014 - 22 July 2014

Plan Date 10 July 2014 Origin Ex-Aden Silos Destination Aden WHs Rate 1980

AP#	Vendor Name	MTs
0	ABU ALI AL ORABI FOR TRADING AND	74.000
0	AL Hadi Co for Transport and Logist	74.000
0	AWLAD ABU HASSAN COMP. TRADE AND	74.000
		222.000

Plan Date 11 July 2014 Origin Ex-Aden Silos Destination Aden WHs Rate 1980

AP#	Vendor Name	MTs
1	Abdulsamad and Partners Co for Gene	111.000
1	ABR AL AQTAR FOR TRANSPORTING , CLE	111.000
		222.000

Plan Date 12 July 2014 Origin Ex-Aden Silos Destination Aden WHs Rate 1980

AP#	Vendor Name	MTs
2	Abdulsamad and Partners Co for Gene	222.000
		222.000

FIGURE 10.3 Allocation Planner module – Allocation Plan report

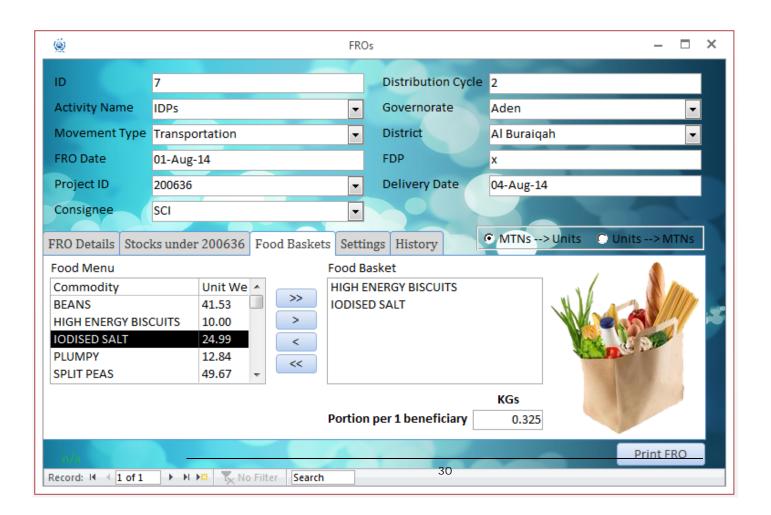
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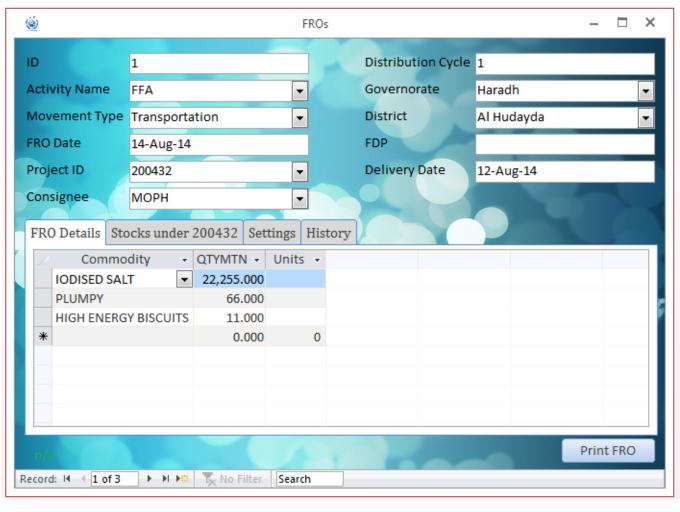
Food allocations and FROs

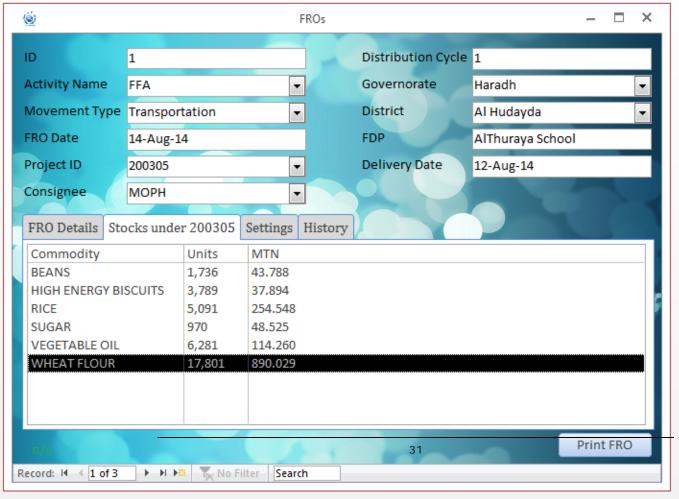
Food Allocation Plans: Allocation to EDP storage, input required from PU for area to be served

- Issuing FROs: PU releasing food based on availability and input required from Logistics department
- Issue LTIs Transport allocation based on transport contracts and performance of transporters, Commodity SIs from COMPAS determining the dispatching WH

Reports: generating various summary/comparative reports from the system









Food Release Order

FRO ID: 1
Governorate Taiz
District Al Haymah Al Kharijiyah
FDP AlThuraya School
Movement Type Transportation

FRO Date 14-Aug-14
Project ID 200305
Consignee IRY
Distribution Cycle 1
Activity ESN

Commodity	QTY MTN
HIGH ENERGY BISCUITS	110.000
IODISED SALT	222,550.000
PLUMPY	660.000
	223,320.000

Comments

Some nonesense goes here...

Delivery Date 12-Aug-14

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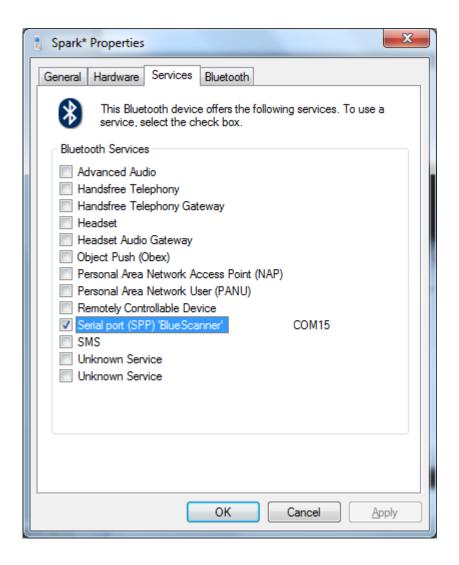
FRO-LTI generation

Feeding FRO information using android phone camera and built-in Bluetooth as a barcode scanner terminal



Setup

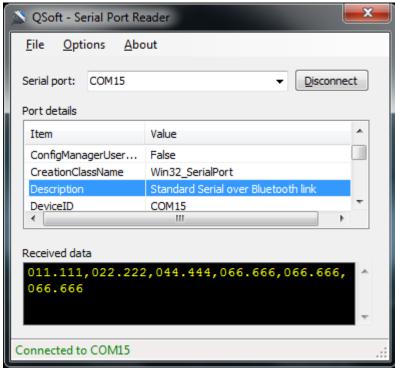
Android app: Wireless barcode scanner



a background port listener designed specifically for FRO purposes to capture received data via Bluetooth into an excel sheet



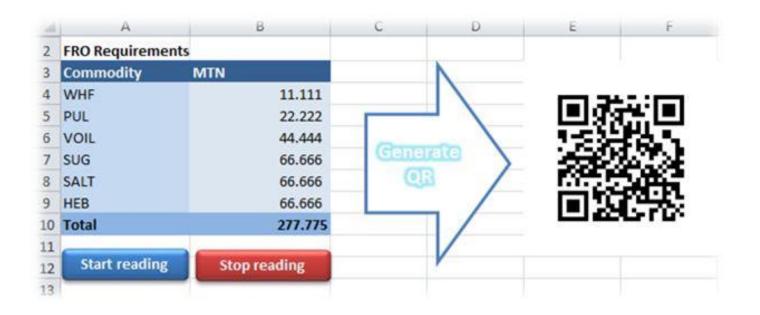




Once the message in green in both mobile phone and this windows service turn green, the connection is valid. Options such as update intervals and output redirection can be set from the application Options

The little black screen with yellow numbers illustrate food commodities read in the QR barcode in a specific order, the example above shows wheat grain of 11.111 MTs, pulses of 22.222, vegetable oil of 44.444 MTs.. etc..

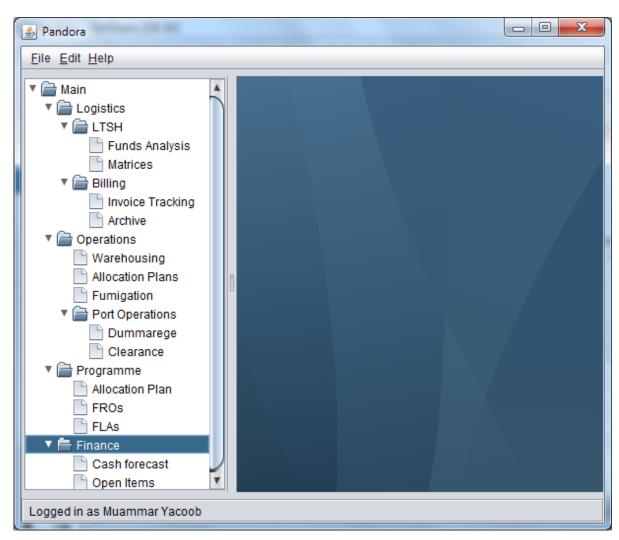
The below excel sheet has a live connection to COMPAS using only a compact oracle service which retrieves the relevant data from COMPAS and suggest commodity SI to use and other information.



Figue: Sample FRO test Excel sheet



The system will soon be replaced by a more powerful solution with extended functionality and is called Pandora. It is intended to cover broader areas of WFP internal routine chores not included in WINGS or COMPAS



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