

# Mozambique

June 2022

Mozambique hosts more than **28,000 refugees and asylum-seekers**. Violence by non-state armed groups (NSAGs) combined with natural disasters, triggered more than **one million internally displaced persons (IDPs)** in northern and central Mozambique. Recent attacks in northern districts

caused the additional displacement of **more than 36,000 persons**. On 31 March 2022, UNHCR declared the third **Level-2 Emergency** for Mozambique, after tropical Cyclone Gombe caused significant damage and affected over **700,000 people**. UNHCR continues to **raise the alarm** over the **desperate situation**

in Mozambique, one of the world's **“invisible emergencies”**. UNHCR and partners work closely with local authorities to ensure **assistance** for the displaced persons. UNHCR is advocating for the **social inclusion** of IDPs and refugees and stressing on **informed, safe, voluntary, and dignified** returns.

## POPULATION OF CONCERN (As of June 2022)

**946,508** IDPs in northern Mozambique caused by conflict<sup>1</sup>

Over **36,000** IDPs in northern Mozambique caused by recent attacks<sup>2</sup>

Over **736,015** people affected in Nampula and Zambezia provinces caused by Tropical Cyclone Gombe<sup>3</sup>

**28,692** refugees and asylum-seekers

<sup>1</sup> <https://displacement.iom.int/reports/northern-mozambique-crisis-dtm-baseline-assessment-bridged-report-round-16-june-2022?close=true>

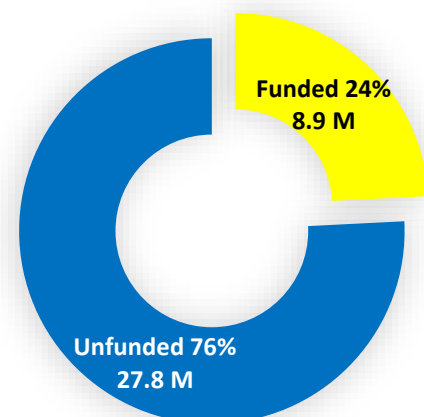
<sup>2</sup> <https://displacement.iom.int/reports/mozambique-movement-alert-report-53-22-june-2022?close=true>

<sup>3</sup> <https://reliefweb.int/report/mozambique/mozambique-tropical-cyclone-gombe-flash-update-no6-25-march-2022>

## USD 36.7 M

Requested for the Mozambique operation in 2022

### FUNDING (AS OF 28 JUNE 2022)



## UNHCR PRESENCE

### Staff:

65 National Staff

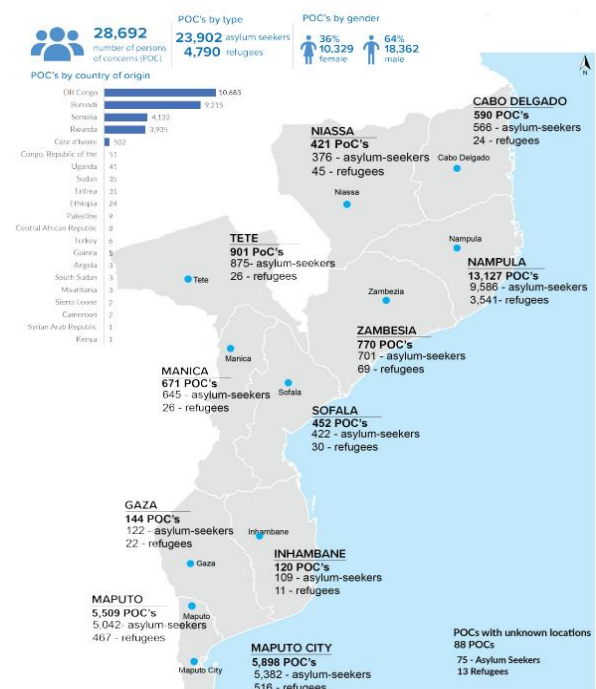
44 International Staff

### Offices:

1 Country Office in Maputo - 37 staff

1 Sub-office in Pemba - 40 staff

1 Field Office in Nampula - 32 staff



## MAIN ACTIVITIES

### Recent security events in Cabo Delgado

- A new wave of violence in northern Mozambique's Cabo Delgado province forced more than 36,000 persons<sup>1</sup> to flee, the majority being women and children. The fear of additional attacks is causing more displacements.
- The southern districts of Cabo Delgado were previously considered a safe area where many families displaced from other districts were being hosted. Residents who fled the area described beheadings, rapes, house burnings and abductions.
- UNHCR is working closely with the Humanitarian Country Team (HCT), Clusters, and partners to ensure a coordinated response to assist newly displaced families. Also, with provincial authorities to provide additional support in the areas of Protection, Shelter and CCCM.

### Protection

- UNHCR and its partner the Catholic University of Mozambique (UCM) conducted a civil documentation exercise targeting IDPs from Cabo Delgado hosted in the Anchilo Administrative post, Nampula district where 404 birth registrations and 413 requests for IDs were processed.
- In Cabo Delgado, UNHCR with partners Association of Volunteers in International Service (AVSI), Doctors with Africa (CUAMM), and HelpCode, Protection Focal Points (PFPs), and youth groups, engaged more than 1,500 persons, from displaced and host communities, in activities and trainings on child protection, human rights, Gender-based violence (GBV) prevention and response, and prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) in the districts of Ancuabe, Chiure, Metuge, Mecufi, Mueda, Montepuez, and Pemba.
- Since January 2022, UNHCR has delivered GBV and PSEA community engagement toolkits to 148 Protection Focal Points (PFPs) who reached 4,256 people in northern Mozambique.
- Ten refugees from Mozambique were accepted in the second stage (interviews) of the University Corridors for Refugees' (UNICORE) programme application process, launched by Italian Universities, offering 69 scholarships for refugees to study their master's degree in Italian universities.
- UNHCR continues to assist refugees who wish to return to their country of origin in safety and dignity. In June, 42 refugees living in Maratane settlement returned to Burundi. So far in 2022, UNHCR has assisted 93 refugees to return to Burundi, Rwanda, and DRC.
- In June, a return intentions survey conducted by UNHCR, targeting asylum seekers residing in Manica, Sofala, and Tete, brought the number of asylum seekers interviewed to 308. Results indicated that only nine (9) persons chose to return to their countries of origin while 299 chose to locally integrate in Mozambique.

### Shelter and NFIs

- In May 2022, UNHCR and partners AVSI and Solidarités International (SI) completed the construction of 149 shelters in Montepuez and Mueda Districts.
- In Mueda, UNHCR distributed NFI kits to 2,591 households in Nandimba and Chilindi IDP sites, including blankets, kitchen sets, buckets, sleeping mats, and plastic sheeting. In Maratane, UNHCR distributed soap to refugees and sanitary napkins to women and girls.
- On 15 June, UNHCR, INGD, Caritas, CEDES, and community leaders from Corrane IDP site and surrounding host communities met and defined the vulnerability criteria for the 2022 shelter construction project.

### Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM)

- In Montepuez, UNHCR and partner AVSI are managing Massingire, Nicuapa, and Ntele relocation sites, and Campona and Marcuni temporary sites, hosting 50,595 IDPs. In Mueda, UNHCR and partner SI amplified CCCM activities in Eduardo Mondlane, Lyanda, and Nandimba relocation sites, hosting 29,730 IDPs.

<sup>1</sup> IOM DTM 22 June 2022 available at <https://dtm.iom.int/reports/mozambique-%E2%80%94-movement-alert-report-%E2%80%94-53-22-june-2022>

## Health

- In Maratane, UNHCR provided counselling, psychosocial support, medical advice, health education, and domicile visits to 56 POCs, from refugees and host communities. Also, in coordination with Community Health Volunteers (CHV), UNHCR referred 35 patients from Maratane Health Centre to other hospitals.
- 400 POCs received COVID-19 boosters and 332 adolescents received Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccines in the UNHCR supported Maratane health Centre.
- Community Health Volunteers (CHVs) with UNHCR's support reached 624 households and held 13 mass community health sensitization meetings reaching 2,894 participants on various health topics as well as promoting polio vaccination coverage among refugees' children.

## Livelihoods and Economic Inclusion

- During the first week of June, the Artisan Cooperative from Maratane, composed of refugees, asylum seekers, and host community members, sent the first sample order of Refugee-made banana pouches to UNIQLO in Japan for approval and commercialization. The pouches, alongside other MADE51 products, have gone live in the UNIQLO stores and online shops. MADE51 is a market-based model that promotes the economic inclusion of refugees in global value chains.
- In partnership with the UN Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), UNHCR established a working group to support Forcibly Displaced Persons' (FDPs) financial inclusion and access to services in Mozambique, by providing market intelligence for financial institutions, serving the FDPs and immediate host communities.

## Education

- In Cabo Delgado, UNHCR in collaboration with IFPELAC, launched the second Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Cohort for 100 students from displaced and host communities, to receive nationally accredited skills in a wide range of technical fields such as electrical installation, air conditioning and refrigeration.
- Following the expansion of the Instant Network School (INS) project, the refurbishment of twelve new classrooms in ten identified schools in Nampula province has been completed. The entire electrical installation and solar panel system was reviewed in collaboration with Vodafone Foundation engineers. In addition, on 24 June, the ten school principals received a briefing on the new INS project and plans for engaging and training the teachers, as part of the official opening of these new INS classrooms.

## Development Cooperation

- The UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) 2022-2026 was signed in June. It describes the collective vision and response of the UN system to the Government of Mozambique's development priorities. UNHCR in its efforts to include Persons of Concern in national development programmes, supports all four Strategic Priorities (SPs, that are SP1 human development; SP2 economic diversification and sustainable livelihoods; SP3 climate resilience and sustainable use of natural resources; and SP4 peacebuilding, human rights, and inclusive governance. On 30 June, to progress the UNSDCF 2022-2026, a meeting co-organized by the JOINT-Liga de ONGs em Mozambique, the UN Resident Coordinator's office, and the offices of UNHCR, WFP, UNFPA, and UNICEF with representatives of Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) took place to inform civil society about UN engagement and priorities in Mozambique for 2022-2026, strengthen dialogue and engagement between the UN and CSOs within the UNSDCF as well as explore ways to increase the quality and effectiveness of UN collaboration with CSOs.

## Partnerships and Coordination

- UNHCR is working with 21 partners, including seven governmental partners, seven international non-governmental organizations (INGOs), and seven national non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to which UNHCR is providing support to increase their capacity in 2022 and beyond, as per the Grand Bargain agreement ratified by UNHCR.

## World Refugee Day (WRD) 2022



*WRD Celebrations in Maratane Settlement, Nampula Province. @UNHCR/ Damien Mc Sweeney*

- On 17 June, UNHCR in Maputo organized a press conference to kick off the World Refugee Day 2022 celebrations and launch the UNHCR Global Trends Report 2021. The event was addressed by the UNHCR Representative, the Director General of INAR (the Government Entity for Refugees Assistance) and refugee leaders. On 20 June, UNHCR Mozambique commemorated WRD in Maputo, Nampula and Pemba. In Maputo, a joint UNHCR - INAR visit to some Refugee agricultural projects in Boane witnessed the positive contribution that refugees make to both the local community and the economy. In Nampula, WRD celebrations were marked by a massive party in the main square within Maratane Refugee Settlement with all the different refugee communities showing off their cultures and skills and a presentation of INS project to different actors. Finally, in Pemba, UNHCR hosted a lecture at the Catholic University of Mozambique (UCM) in partnership with a government representative, UNHCR staff and Law students of the institution. In addition, beach clean ups, 10 km fun runs and football matches between the host and displaced communities also took place during the day.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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