

Cabo Delgado


Internal Displacement Response - December 2022

Around **946,500¹ people are internally displaced** in northern Mozambique due to violence perpetrated by non-state armed groups. UNHCR reiterates **concern with the increasing displacement trends** in Northern Mozambique, as well as the **protection and humanitarian needs** of displaced and host communities.


UNHCR and partners continue working closely with local authorities to ensure that the needs of displaced and host communities are addressed in Northern Mozambique. **It is critical to improve the security situation** in districts affected by violence to enable the assistance of families in hard-to-reach areas.


Despite some spontaneous returns within Cabo Delgado, UNHCR reiterates the importance of ensuring that **returns are safe, voluntary, conducted with dignity**, based on an informed decision, and that **basic services are restored** in areas of origin. Until these conditions are met, it will be premature to promote returns in Cabo Delgado.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS: JANUARY – DECEMBER 2022


 **140,000** people can access GBV services established by UNHCR and partners

 **81,423** people provided with CCCM interventions


 **26,341** families interviewed for protection monitoring activities


 **104,927** people reached by GBV prevention and response awareness campaigns


 **24,258** people/ **4,751** families received Core-Relief Items (CRIs)

 **8,619** people from displaced and host communities received support in accessing documentation

 **1,243** partner, government staff, and community volunteers trained on GBV

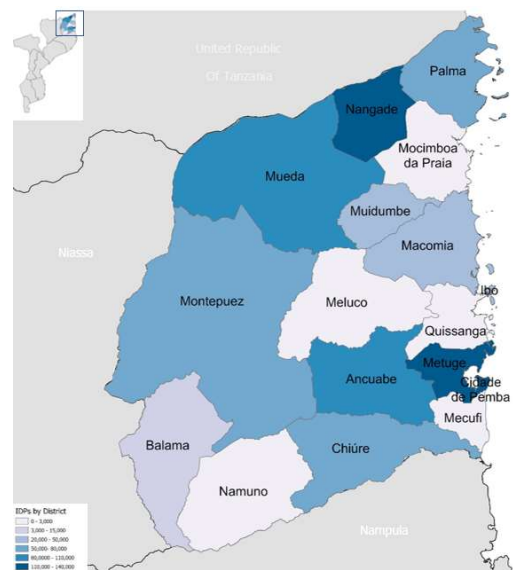
 **441** people from displaced and host communities supported with livelihoods initiatives and trainings

 **294** trained community volunteers providing awareness and referrals to GBV services

 **148** Protection Focal Points working with displaced and host communities, disseminating protection messages and referring vulnerable cases for services and assistance



Meeting with legal actors and community leaderships to discuss GBV and SEA survivors' access to legal services. Montepuez District, Cabo Delgado, December 2022. Credits: UNHCR/Adriana Conrado



Cabo Delgado map with displacement trends as of June 2022¹

¹ IOM/DTM Mozambique - Cabo Delgado, Nampula, Niassa, Sofala, Zambezia and Inhambane Provinces - IDP Baseline Assessment Round 16 - June 2022



Protection

- **Protection Monitoring (PM) Activities:** UNHCR partner HelpCode conducted PM activities to identify protection risks, needs, and trends, and to refer individuals with heightened protection needs to services in the districts of Pemba, Metuge, and Mocimboa da Praia. With around **54** enumerators, HelpCode interviewed **867** displaced families, who reported **370** past or recent protection incidents, including killings, destruction of property, and forced recruitment. Based on feedback collected from key protection stakeholders, the PM questionnaire has been significantly improved. The new version of the document will be launched during the following reporting period. Since January 2022, UNHCR former PM partner Association for Volunteers in International Service (AVSI) and current PM partner HelpCode interviewed **27,208** IDP and returnee households (representing around **136,040** individuals) across **11** districts of displacement and return and registered **10,009** past or recent protection incidents.
- **Statelessness workshop on 5 – 7 December:** UNHCR, together with *Universidade Católica de Moçambique* (UCM), organized and co-facilitated a workshop on statelessness with key officials from **seven** governmental entities. The workshop sought to raise awareness about the international and national legal frameworks relevant to statelessness and nationality, examine the risks of statelessness in the Mozambican context, and advance recommendations to reduce statelessness by improving access to civil documentation and enhance the Mozambican legal framework related to the topic.
- **Community Outreach Activities for Young People:** UNHCR partner AVSI, together with PFPs, conducted community-based awareness-raising sessions and delivered messages on Human Rights, Child Marriage, and Violence Prevention, reaching **264** young people (**140** men and **124** women) in affected communities in Montepuez district. UNHCR also conducted a training on Peacebuilding and Human Rights for **36** young people (**16** women and **20** men) from displaced and host communities, together with AVSI. The training sought to promote peace, identify and address the root causes of the conflict, prevent the radicalization of young people, and foster community resilience to violence and extremism.
- **Complaints and Feedback Mechanisms (CFM):** UNHCR partner AVSI received **17** complaints and requests for information through CFM in IDP sites in the district of Montepuez. Most complaints and requests for information are related to children and woman at risk due to serious health conditions. **Four** cases are being followed up and **four** case are still open.
- **Protection of People with Disabilities (PwD):** UNHCR, together with partner Humanity and Inclusion (HI), identified **73** PwDs from Chiure and Metuge districts and made referrals to Physiotherapy and Speech Therapy services with the support of community-based Protection Focal Points (PFPs).
- **Psychosocial support:** UNHCR partner AVSI, together with PFPs, provided psychosocial support through home visits to **45** PwDs and elderly people (**25** women and **20** men) in Pemba and Metuge districts. Psychotherapy, Occupational Therapy, and informational sessions were delivered.
- **Disability Working Group:** On 15 December, UNHCR co-chaired the Disability Working Group meeting, during which a Rapid Disability Assessment carried out in the City of Pemba was presented and discussed. Through the discussions, the Working Group sought to define the scope of action at the provincial and district levels to include PwDs in the programmes carried out by the organizations.
- **Community Engagement and Accountability to Affected Populations (CE/AAP) Communication and Information Needs Assessment:** A data collection exercise for the Communication and Information Needs Assessment led by UNHCR as Chair of the CE/AAP Working Group was completed, successfully engaging **15** voluntary organizations, reaching 100 per cent of its targets in Pemba, Montepuez and Mueda districts. **62%** of respondents were women and **38%** were men. Almost **60%** of respondents cannot read or write, while less

than **20%** of the respondents own or listen to the radio. **29%** of respondents indicated that the source of information least trusted is community leaders. Data collection was also completed in Metuge, Chiure and Ancuabe districts with the support of FAMOD, AVSI, Plan International and PATHFINDER. The purpose of the assessment is to understand information and communication needs of the most vulnerable individuals identified throughout humanitarian interventions. The results will guide humanitarian organizations in recognizing gaps in the provision of safe and accessible communication channels and to identifying life-saving information needed by people with specific needs. The final report will be published in January 2023.

■ **Mission to Mocimboa da Praia District:** On 21 and 22 December, UNHCR participated in a mission to the Mocimboa da Praia district together with the Protection Cluster. UNHCR conducted dialogues on the local situation with **30** women returnees and held dialogues with community leaders and the District Education Director. Overall, UNHCR identified urgent needs for a wide range of protection services in the recently liberated district. Mission findings include: asymmetry in the availability of income generation activities among returnees from different districts, which could become a trigger of conflict; undiscerning enlistment of young men and boys by “Local Force” (*Força Local*), fuelled by the complete lack of livelihood opportunities in the district; women and girls are afraid of the Mozambican Armed Forces, as they are concerned about their behaviour the potential gender-based violence; lack of education facilities, especially secondary schools, GBV, MHPSS services. During the mission, **five** cases of grave violations against children were reported, and **one** referral for family tracing.



Gender Based Violence (GBV)

■ **Meeting with Legal Actors to Support GBV and EAS Survivors:** UNHCR, together with partners Doctors with Africa (CUAMM) and Muleide, organized a series of consultation events in the districts of Pemba, Chiure, Montepuez, and Metuge to discuss legal access to GBV and EAS survivors. The events included participants from approximately **20** legal institutions, humanitarian organizations, and civil society. The debates focused on identifying the main GBV incidents, discussing the gaps and challenges to the materialization of survivors’ rights, and brainstorming ideas of action to improve prevention and response to GBV.

■ **Awareness Raising on GBV and PSEA / 16 Days of Activism Against GBV:** UNHCR’s partners HelpCode, CUAMM and Muleide conducted awareness raising activities on GBV and PSEA in different IDP sites in the districts of Metuge, Pemba, Chiure, Montepuez, Mueda, and Palma. More than **10,000** individuals were directly impacted by these activities. Moreover, on 10 December 2022, the campaign “*16 Days of Activism Against GBV*” reached its end. Together with its partners, UNHCR conducted **55** activities in multiple IDP sites across five districts in Cabo Delgado to prevent gender-based violence against women and girls.



Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM)

■ **Site Development Projects in Montepuez and Mueda:** Several site development activities took place in the districts of Montepuez and Mueda. **(i)** In Montepuez, the contract for the construction of a road linking the Ntele IDP site to the main road leading to Montepuez was signed and implementation has started. The road is expected to be finalized by the end of January 2023. A total of **30** solar lights are planned to be installed alongside the road. Moreover, the construction of a waiting area for the Montepuez General Hospital was started and is expected to be completed by the end of January 2023. At the Massingiri IDP site, the construction of latrines at the community centre is completed. UNHCR partner AVSI also completed the construction of two other latrines in Ntele and Nicuapa IDP sites. Finally, all fencing work in the community centres in the Ntele, Nicuapa and Massingiri IDP sites was completed, while the fence at the Nicuapa’s Protection Hub was repaired. **(ii)** In Mueda, UNHCR partner Solidarités International (SI) has finalised the construction of two community centres at the Lianda and Mpeme IDP sites and two community centres at the Nandimba and Eduardo Mondlane IDP sites. In Lianda, the construction of the market facility is finalised, as well as the digging and fencing of the garbage pits. Finally, the sport area in Lianda IDP site is completed, including a football field.



Livelihoods and Economic Inclusion

- **Graduation Ceremony of IFPELAC Technical, Vocational, and Educational (TVET) Students:** A ceremony was held to mark the graduation of the September 2022 cohort of TVET students at UNHCR's partner *Instituto de Formação Profissional e Estudos Laborais Alberto Cassimo* (IFPELAC). **48** women and **32** men participated. Around **25** recently graduated students have been enrolled in paid internships, while another **55** students will be enrolled in the TVET courses in early 2023.
- **Post Distribution Monitoring:** UNHCR, alongside partner AVSI, conducted a post-distribution monitoring activity after the provision of cash-based interventions (CBI) to displaced and host communities in Montepuez district. The exercise involved interviewing a total of **78** out of **126** (**71** women and **54** men) displaced individuals that benefited from the full installment of the CBI. The interviews showed promising results, as most of the displaced individuals reported positive changes in terms of increased income and capacity to afford necessities such as food, water, hygiene items, and school materials for their children.
- **Fisheries Assessment for African Development Bank Group (AfDB) Project:** The baseline and impact evaluation exercises for one of the components of the project "*Enhancing Private Sector Engagement and Capacity Building for Refugees and IDPs in Fragile Context in Mozambique*" were conducted between November and December 2022 by UNHCR's partner Livaningo. The initiative is part a project between the AfDB, the government of Mozambique, and UNHCR. A total of **10** entities were consulted, including government counterparts, national and international NGOs, and civil society organizations.



Shelter and Core Relief Items (CRIs)

- **Construction of Shelters in Montepuez and Mueda:** (i) Montepuez, UNHCR and partner AVSI completed the construction of **99** shelters in Chimoio IDP site out of **108** that were planned. In Ntele site, **85** shelters are in the final construction state out of the **150** planned. (ii) Mueda, UNHCR and partner SI finalised the construction of **390** shelters in Lianda IDP site out of **480** that were planned. Finalised shelters are pending minor mud plastering/daubing ("*matope*") works by forcibly displaced individuals with the support of SI.
- **CRI Distribution:** UNHCR, together with partner AVSI, distributed a total of **2,885** CRI kits in the districts of Montepuez (1,826), Metuge (229) and Balama (830), reaching approximately **14,425** IDPs. Moreover, UNHCR and partner SI distributed **677** CRI kits with plastic tarpaulins, kitchen sets, blankets, buckets, solar lamps and mosquito nets to approximately **3,385** newly displaced individuals in Lianda IDP site, Mueda district. A total of **5,394** CRI kits have been distributed in Ntamba (1,926), Chilindi (1,726), Nandimba (1,065) and Lianda (677) IDP sites, benefiting approximately **26,970** IDPs throughout 2022.

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