

Cabo Delgado

Internal Displacement Response – July 2023

Violence perpetrated by non-state armed groups has plunged northern Mozambique into a humanitarian and protection crisis, with **834,304*** people living in a situation of **protracted displacement**. UNHCR reiterates concern over the multiple protection risks and needs that affect displaced and host communities.

For more significant impact and to ensure the protection and solutions response across northern Mozambique is complementary and sustainable, UNHCR provides holistic and **multi-sectorial support** by working closely with communities, local authorities, and humanitarian and development stakeholders.

Although most displaced people continue to live in sites or host communities, **420,200*** people **have returned to their area of origin**. UNHCR’s protection and solutions response extends to returnees while stressing the importance that returns should happen in an informed, voluntary, and safe manner.

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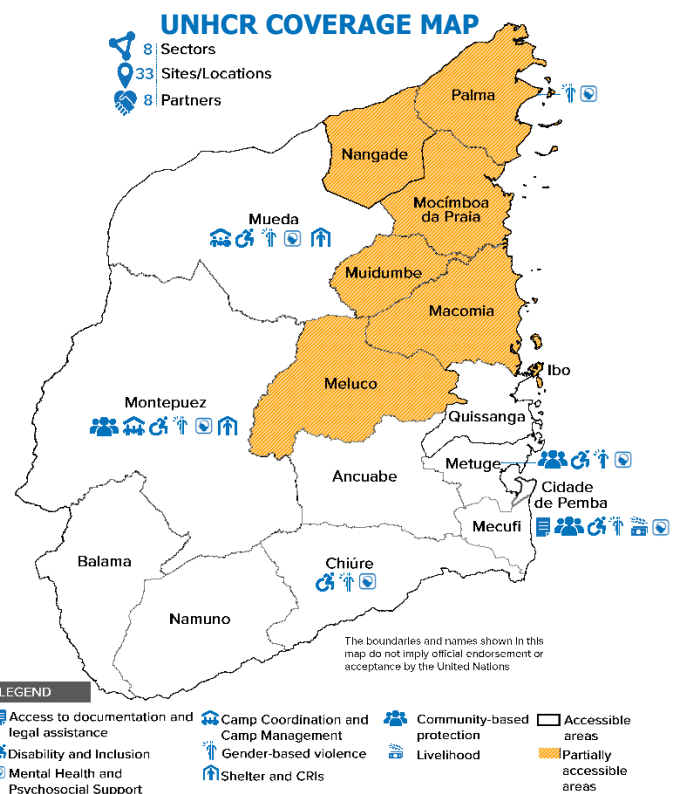
-  **5,192** people from displaced and host communities received civil documentation and legal assistance
-  **16,939** families interviewed for protection monitoring
-  **74,031** people reached by protection awareness campaigns
-  **2,604** community mobilizers trained on awareness raising
-  **312** people supported with livelihood activities
-  **4,459** people accessed community spaces in sites
-  **64,758** people provided with site management and support services
-  **1,199** families supported with shelter interventions
-  **4,173** people supported with core relief items
-  **265** people with disabilities received specialized support, including assistive devices and rehabilitation
-  **2,961** people received mental health and psychosocial support
-  **2,630** complaints and feedbacks collected and referred to service providers
-  **602** women and girls at risk supported with case management
-  **372** partner and government staff trained on multi-sectorial response

Note: Some figures in key achievements have changed due to reconciliation of data with partners.

***Source:** IOM/DTM Northern Mozambique Mobility Tracking Assessment Round 18 (April 2023)



UNHCR supported a protection capacity-building workshop held on 26-27 July, in Pemba, to UNHCR’s Government counterpart in protection, the provincial department of gender, children, and social welfare (DPGCAS). © UNHCR/J. Moreira



Protection and solutions

Protection monitoring: UNHCR partner Helpcode conducted protection monitoring activities in Pemba and Mocímboa da Praia districts, to identify protection risks, needs, and trends and to refer individuals with heightened protection needs to specialized services. During the reporting period, 1,087 displaced families in host communities and returnees in areas of origin were interviewed. So far, in 2023, UNHCR and partner Helpcode, have interviewed 16,939 families.

Civil documentation and legal assistance: In July, UNHCR, through its partner Catholic University of Mozambique (UCM) and in collaboration with Government authorities, supported a total of 674 people from displaced and host communities in Pemba to reacquire their lost or destroyed civil documentation (birth certificates and national IDs). 20 legal awareness-raising sessions were held in the Alto Gingone neighborhood reaching 674 people, of which 18 received individual legal counseling. In 2023, UNHCR and UCM supported 5,192 people to reacquire their civil documentation and individual legal counseling was provided to 75 people.

Support to people with disabilities: In July, UNHCR, through partner Humanity and Inclusion (HI), delivered support to eight people with disabilities (wheelchairs, crutches, and rehabilitation). Additionally, targeted assistance and support were provided to 189 IDPs with specific needs, including to elderly people at risk and people with disabilities in the Chiúre district.

Gender-Based Violence (GBV)

GBV training to Government authorities: In the context of the UNHCR-UNDP strategic partnership in Cabo Delgado, UNHCR facilitated a training module in Pemba on GBV to 20 police officers from Quissanga and Macomia districts. The training covered topics such as ethics and code of conduct, as well as a separate module on human rights facilitated by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR).

GBV Case management: To overcome community taboo regarding GBV, a psychologist and local guide were hired in Palma district to answer specific questions raised by the community on GBV during sessions with community volunteers.



In Cabo Delgado UNHCR together with its partner AVSI organized a girl's football match in celebration of World Humanitarian Day © UNHCR/Josefina Cheia

Livelihood and Economic Inclusion

Technical, Vocational, and Educational Training (TVET): A cohort of 100 youth from internally displaced and host communities were enrolled at UNHCR partner Alberto Cassimo Institute for Professional Training and Labour Studies (IFPELAC) in Pemba. The youth will do training on painting, electrical installation, refrigeration and cooling, masonry, and cooking.

Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM)

Population movements: During the reporting period, 250 families were recorded to have left Montepuez to Mocímboa de Praia district.

CCCM household survey: The household survey aims to provide a baseline study to the humanitarian and protection needs of the forcibly displaced population and address their needs through the different sectoral interventions. In July, a second round of household surveys was conducted in Mueda and Montepuez districts by UNHCR partners Solidarités International (SI) and Association for Volunteers in International Service (AVSI), respectively. Significant gaps in the areas of water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) and access to health facilities were identified.

Site development: UNHCR, in collaboration with partner SI, completed the construction of a market space in the Ntele site.

Site-level coordination and community participation: In Montepuez district, UNHCR, through its partner AVSI, provided training on site management and providing proper complaint and feedback mechanisms to 27 individuals in the Ntele site and 24 individuals in the Massingiri site. Furthermore, three door-to-door awareness campaigns on collecting and disposing of waste in homes and common areas were conducted, reaching 771 people in the Ntele site.

Shelter and Core Relief Items (CRIs)

Shelter: In July, UNHCR and partner SI completed the construction of 70 shelters in Lianda site in the Mueda district. In the Montepuez district, UNHCR, through its partner AVSI repaired 117 transitional shelters in the Massingiri site and upgraded 17 shelters through the partner District Service Department of Planning and Infrastructure (SDPI).

Core Relief Items (CRIs): In the Mueda district, UNHCR and partner SI distributed 1,549 CRI kits across four displacement sites (Nandimba, Eduardo Mondlane, Mpeme and Lianda) to targeted families in transit centers and protracted cases.

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