

Northern Mozambique Situation

November 2021

More than **745,000 people fled their homes in Cabo Delgado, northern Mozambique** due to violence perpetrated by non-state armed groups. **UNHCR reiterates concern for the protection and humanitarian needs** of displaced and host communities in Cabo Delgado and neighboring provinces.

UNHCR and partners inaugurated **two multipurpose centres** in Metuge District for the **provision of protection services to displaced and host communities**. Five additional multipurpose centres are being constructed in the districts of Chiure, Montepuez and Mueda in Cabo Delgado.

UNHCR and partners **distributed Core Relief Items to 400 families** in Chiure and **provided Identity Documents to over 1,200 people** from displaced and host communities in Metuge. **Additional funding is urgently required** to continue scaling up humanitarian activities in Northern Mozambique.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS JAN – NOV 2021

  **15,127** people from displaced and host communities received legal assistance and **7,426** received IDs and birth certificates

 **53,000** people/**10,600** families received Core Relief Items

 **34,789** people reached by GBV prevention and response awareness campaigns or more given the 16 days and activities held in November

 **600** partner and government staff and community volunteers trained on GBV

 **435** youths from displaced and host communities receiving technical and vocational training

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

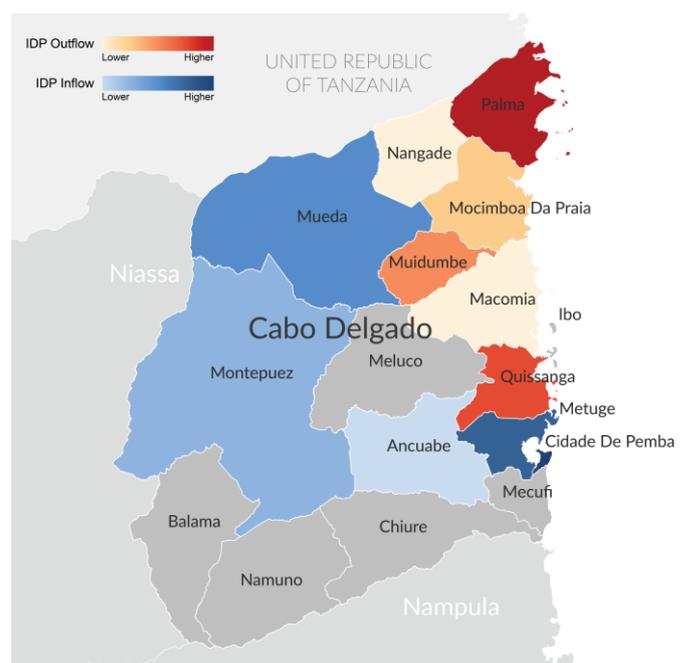
 **153** Protection Focal Persons trained

 **84** persons with disabilities received assistance devices

 **6** mobile safe spaces providing integrated GBV, Mental Health and Psychosocial Support services



16 days of Activism Against GBV march organized in Pemba, Cabo Delgado, to raise awareness on GBV and services available to GBV survivors ©UNHCR/ Martim Pereira



Monthly Highlights

- **New Multipurpose Centres, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR inaugurated two Multipurpose Centres in Ntokota and Ngalane IDP sites, Metuge District. The Multipurpose Centres are community facilities where UNHCR, partners, Protection Focal Points (PFPs) and community activists provide services and assistance to displaced and host communities, particularly vulnerable individuals such as GBV survivors, the elderly, and people with disabilities. UNHCR partner Doctors with Africa – CUAMM, uses the spaces to provide mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) and conducts awareness raising activities to prevent and respond to GBV incidents, particularly intimate partner violence and early marriage. The Multipurpose Centres include one large room for group activities, two rooms for individual support sessions, one room for staff, and latrines for women and men. Five additional centers are being constructed in the districts of Chiure, Montepuez and Mueda.
- **Core Relief Items (CRIs) distribution, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR and partner Caritas distributed CRIs to 400 families at 3 de Fevereiro and Natuco IDP sites in Chiure District. The distribution included sleeping mats, blankets, buckets, mosquito nets and jerry cans and was conducted in line with COVID-19 preventing measures.
- **Legal assistance and access to documentation, Cabo Delgado:** On 26 November local authorities, UNHCR and partner Catholic University of Mozambique (UCM) participated on a symbolic ceremony to distribute 100 ID cards out of 1,200 distributed in November 2021 in Pemba. UNHCR also donated two printers to UCM to support the mobile legal clinic.
- **16 Days of Activism Against GBV, Cabo Delgado:** Together with local authorities, partners and GBV service providers, UNHCR supported in the 16 Days of Activism Against GBV launching ceremony under the theme “End Violence Against Women and Girls” in Pemba. UNHCR organized recreational activities in several districts and a march in the city of Pemba involving over 50 women from local and displaced communities to raise awareness on services available to GBV survivors and referral pathways. UNHCR and CUAMM conducted an information session on Inter-Agency Standing Committee GBV Mainstreaming Guidelines to all clusters focusing on (i) core concepts; (ii) results of Safety Audits; (iii) guidance on support to referrals and mainstreaming risk reduction; (iv) and aimed at the inclusion of GBV components on all clusters 2022 planning.



Protection

- **Protection Monitoring, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR and partners Helpline and Caritas conducted protection monitoring exercises in Mueda and Montepuez districts. A total of 32 data collectors interviewed 3,589 displaced families who reported 585 protection incidents, which UNHCR is following up. Since mid-September 2021, UNHCR and partners interviewed 7,124 households and recorded 690 protection incidents in Ancuabe, Balama, Chiure, Mecufi, Metuge, Montepuez, Mueda, Namuno and Pemba districts.
- **PFPs, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR and partners Association of International Voluntary Service (AVSI), Caritas, CUAMM and Humanity Inclusion (HI) provided seven trainings to newly recruited and existing PFPs from displaced and host communities on general protection, GBV, sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA), referral mechanisms, identification and assistance to people with disabilities. Currently UNHCR has 153 operational PFPs (79 women and 74 men) in Ancuabe, Chiure, Mecufi, Metuge, Montepuez and Pemba districts.
- **Assistance to persons with disabilities (PWD), Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR partner HI, together with local authorities, identified five community activists (two women and three men) to detect and assist PWD in Pemba. This month, activists listed 57 people with physical disabilities (26 women and 31 men) and 32 people with visual disabilities (16 women and 16 men) who will receive assistance services and/or devices.
- **Human Rights training for youth in Metuge and Pemba districts, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR and partners AVSI and Caritas trained 144 youths (75 girls and 69 boys) on human rights; international protection mechanisms and legal instruments; interpersonal communication and relationship building; peaceful coexistence; conflict resolution; citizenship and democracy; youth leadership; advocacy; and civic engagement.



Gender-Based Violence (GBV)

- **Case Trends and Data Analysis, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR and partner CUAMM conducted a presentation on the first GBV case trends data analysis for the Cabo Delgado response. Risks of sexual violence for adolescent girls, denial of resources linked to unsafe assistance provision, high levels of intimate partner violence, and significant risks of GBV during flight were the main concerns observed, as well as lack of access to legal support and limited referrals from humanitarian actors. The establishment of the GBV Information Management System (GBVIMS) is urgently required to ensure the safe and ethical sharing of GBV data to guide the ongoing response.
- **Early Marriage Prevention Sessions, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR and CUAMM conducted the first early marriage prevention sessions, attended by 80 IDPs and community leaders in Montepuez and Chiure districts. The messages were developed together by UNHCR, CUAMM, and members of displaced and host communities, and are being disseminated through group sessions and activists from multiple organizations.
- **GBV and Sexual and Reproductive Health (SHR) training, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR, CUAMM and UNFPA held a GBV and SHR training in Montepuez district and facilitated exchange of knowledge sessions for 22 GBV first line responders/midwives and nurses from multiple sites in Montepuez.
- **PSEA Workshop to Public Prosecutors, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR co-chair of the PSEA Network Cabo Delgado, and the national PSEA Coordinator, hosted a workshop on PSEA for 15 public prosecutors (nine men and six women). The workshop introduced the UN PSEA policy and PSEA risks in the province; discussed the legal framework for the prosecution of SEA cases perpetrated by government staff/community leaders; and debated referral pathways between the PSEA Network and the public prosecutor for SEA cases. The workshop is a key step to address SEA cases and to clarify government reporting and response mechanisms.



Livelihoods

- **Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR partner *Instituto de Formação Profissional e Estudos Laborais Alberto Cassimo* (IFPELAC) is providing TVET to 225 youth from displaced and host communities in Pemba district. The project provides life skills, start-up kits and apprenticeship opportunities to promote diversified livelihoods skills and enhance employment opportunities, as well as stimulating social cohesion, and promote women empowerment.
- **Entrepreneurship training, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR partner AVSI is providing entrepreneurship training to 210 people from displaced and host communities in Pemba, to include technical, financial, basic business, entrepreneurial and life skills, and aims at enhancing entrepreneurial competences. Graduates will benefit from coaching, in-kind, and seed capital to enhance their engagement in the local market.
- **Inauguration of IFPELAC's new facilities, Nampula:** UNHCR participated in the inauguration of IFPELAC's facilities funded by Japan/JICA in Nacala, Nampula, which will benefit displaced and host communities.



Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM)

- **Scoping Mission, Cabo Delgado:** UNHCR conducted a scoping mission to assess the possibility of scaling up CCCM activities in the district of Mueda, which included meetings with partners, local authorities and community representatives, as well as assessments in Eduardo Mondlane, Nadimba, Mpeme, and Lianda IDP sites. Shelter, site clearance and development, access to water and livelihoods opportunities were the main needs observed and reported.
- **CCCM induction training to partners:** UNHCR provided a CCCM induction training to newly recruited staff members of partner AVSI part of the site management team in Montepuez, where UNHCR leads site management activities in Ntele and Nicuapa relocation sites that host 34,556 IDPs. AVSI continues mapping and

supporting existing community structures in the two settlements, where four community groups have been established, and three community led initiatives are requiring support - the establishment of community meeting spaces, football pitches, and implementation of COVID-19 preventive measures through hand washing stations. UNHCR and AVSI will support these initiatives to strengthen peaceful co-existence between the different IDP groups. UNHCR and AVSI also activated the Community Feedback Mechanisms (CFM) in both sites and deployed a site management team to conduct outreach activities.



Shelter

Construction of Transitional Shelters, Cabo Delgado: In Montepuez, the construction of 137 shelters in Mararange and Mirate IDP sites is underway with UNHCR partner AVSI. Similarly, in Mueda, UNHCR partner Solidarites International finalized the list for the construction of 115 transitional shelters.



Coordination

- **HRP Workshop, Cabo Delgado:** The Protection Cluster (PC) facilitated a workshop with 21 protection partners linked to the cluster's response plan in 2022 to discuss the challenges and priorities.
- **Mission to High-Risk and Hard-to-Reach Quissanga district, Cabo Delgado:** The PC and UNHCR joined an interagency mission to Tandanyague village, Quissanga, and verified the distribution lists for provision of Survival Kits under the rapid response mechanism. UNHCR conducted protection monitoring with 60 families and identified high risks of GBV and SEA, as well as a significant number of persons with heightened vulnerabilities in need of assistance such as elderly people, people with disabilities, mental, and chronic health conditions, and pregnant women without access to basic services. UNHCR conducted PSEA awareness sessions reaching 300 people (100 men, 100 women, 50 girls, 50 boys); raised the importance of inclusive distributions with community leaders; identified three community focal points to prioritize vulnerable cases and refer them to services; and provided training to two community focal points to support GBV survivors accessing services.

Financial information

UNHCR's financial requirements for the [refugee and IDP activities in Mozambique](#) in 2021 total **US\$ 25.7 million of which 68 percent has been covered as of end of November**. UNHCR is grateful to donors including CERF (USD 924,000), Denmark (USD 766,800), ECHO (USD 1.6 million), Sweden (USD 840,000), and the United States of America (USD 7.2 million).

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