

COSACA

Humanitarian Consortium

Strengthening the resilience of conflict-affected communities in Cabo Delgado for a secure and inclusive future



The prolonged, escalating and multidimensional crises that have been affecting Cabo Delgado since 2017 have resulted in:

- 946,508 internally displaced people (IDPs) in north Mozambique, of which 52% are children¹;
- nearly 1.15 million people facing crisis or emergency levels of food insecurity² across the province;
- an estimated 40% of the population in Cabo Delgado not covered by appropriate water supply facilities³;
- increased protection risks due to the overlapping of insecurity, climate shocks and pre-existing vulnerabilities such as poverty, harmful gender norms and gender-based violence (GBV).

Project's locations per district:

Figure 1. Map of Cabo Delgado



Duration of the project: 3 years
(April 2021 – March 2024)

Partners: CARE; Save the Children;
Fundação SEPPA; CEPCB

Sectors of intervention:

- Disaster Preparedness;
- Food Security and Nutrition;
- Protection;
- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene.

Across Chiure and Montepuez – where a high percentage of IDPs (+90%) have indicated their interest in resettling into their new communities⁴ – the COSACA consortium and its local partners are supporting IDPs and host communities building resilient structures for a peaceful and secure future together. More specifically, the consortium will work to improve IDPs and host communities' access to food, clean water, education infrastructure and protection services, as well as enhance communities' preparedness to external shocks.

With a special focus given to vulnerable children and women and girls at risk of GBV, this project will be reaching a total of 43,190 direct beneficiaries and 135,000 indirect beneficiaries.

The project's main objectives are:

- To increase food security, by diversifying livelihoods and improving access to food;
- To improve IDPs and host communities' access to clean water, education infrastructures and services;



- To strengthen the protection and participation in decision-making processes of the most vulnerable women, youth and children;
- To enhance communities' preparedness to sudden onset weather shocks.



Total Award Amount: € 5,000,000

Contribution from: BMZ (German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development)

Under this BMZ-funded project, the COSACA consortium and its partners are:

- Increasing food consumption and production through the **provision of agricultural tools and trainings to improve agricultural practices**;
- Providing **cash support, vocational training and coaching** in cases where communities are not able to access land;
- Ensuring safe and easy access to safe water through the **construction and rehabilitation of water points** and to education infrastructures through the **construction of schools** with separated blocks of latrines for girls and boys;

- Preventing the spread of diseases amongst IDPs and host communities by **promoting hygiene practices and distributing hygiene kits**;
- Protecting communities from disasters by providing **trainings on First Aid; distributing emergency kits and strengthening local Disaster Risk Management Committees**;
- Protecting women and girls from gender-based violence through supporting **GBV case management, strengthening referral pathways and providing dignity kits**;
- Contributing to a peaceful and safe environment and deconstructing harmful social and gender norms by **facilitating community dialogues and promoting women and children's participation in decision-making processes**.