



Mozambique

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SITUATION

In the afternoon of Tuesday the 5 October 2017, the province of Cabo Delgado in Mozambique, recorded the first armed attack carried out by the fundamentalist terrorists, leading to the outbreak of armed conflict that persists to this day. Over the past three years, monitoring groups say more than 1,500 people have been killed and it is feared that this could be the start of a new wave of violence. This situation has caused the displacement of more than 10,000 families infiltrating several neighborhoods leaving Cabo Delgado province for the surrounding districts of Nampula province. Due to the armed conflict, extensive violence, kidnapping and loss of life, populations living in war-affected districts have been uprooted, and forced to flee from their original homes in search of security and shelter in surrounding provinces of Nampula and Niassa respectively. Government forces in Mozambique are fighting to regain control of a remote area in the north causing alarm that fighting in Mozambique could destabilize the region. Insurgents have also captured a strategic port in the restive province of Cabo Delgado in northern Mozambique. Reliable casualty reports have not yet come through, but they are expected to be significant and it is unknown how many civilians have died, although some reports say at least 900 civilians have died (The Guardian, ReliefWeb Aug 2020)

NEEDS

The conflict has put the province in a state of crisis. The conflict affected persons find themselves in a desperate situation, with many unmet vital humanitarian needs such as access to:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	sufficient food
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	safe shelter and basic non-food items
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	basic health services and facilities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	safe drinking water, as well as sanitation and hygiene infrastructure
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	livelihood activities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	protection services
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	adequate nutrition

The dire situation is further compounded for the conflict affected people with vulnerabilities. More specifically displaced communities in affected village especially woman and girls. There is a pressing necessity to provide immediate assistance to minimize loss of life and to ensure that the needs of the most vulnerable are covered first.

STAKEHOLDERS

The following national and international entities are present and doing their best to respond to the crisis:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	National government	Food and protection
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	UN Agencies	Food
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INGOs	Food and psychosocial support
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Red Cross Red Crescent Movement	First aid
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Military presence	Protection
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	National NGOs	Food, cloths, blankets, and masks
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Civil society groups	Food
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Faith based groups	Food and psychosocial support
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Philanthropy groups	Food
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Host communities	Shelter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Affected communities	Shelter

The emergency response is currently being coordinated by The government of Mozambique through the National Institute of Disaster Management Mozambique (INGC). To ensure that the humanitarian response is well coordinated and complementary, the ACT Mozambique forum will take part in meetings with all relevant sector stakeholders (Public and private) and establish an open line of communication with crisis affected persons and communities to ensure a humanitarian response based on participation and feedback.

ACT Alliance	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Mozambique Forum has been working in Mozambique since 2000, now helping/planning to help people affected by the conflict
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Mozambique Forum works in areas affected by the conflict, and is assessing the impact of the disaster to better understand the needs and vulnerabilities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Mozambique Forum is currently monitoring the situation and is preparing a rapid needs assessment to have an in-depth context analysis and better understanding of existing vulnerabilities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Mozambique forum is monitoring the situation and emergency teams are ready/preparing to respond according to the results of a contextual analysis and rapid needs assessment.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	In collaboration with relevant stakeholders, the ACT Mozambique forum has identified a gap to support Internally Displaced families with food and non-food items and has resolved that if funded, it will have the capacity to contribute to the identified gap.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The ACT Mozambique Forum is planning on submitting a funding proposal to provide a humanitarian assistance to ensure that the conflict affected persons' basic needs are met with regards to food security/assistance, WASH and NFI.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CEDES, a member of ACT Mozambique forum is ready to respond, to provide food assistance to 5,000 affected households in the coming months.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Furthermore, ACT Mozambique forum will engage in advocacy on the national and international level to ensure that the voices of those affected by the conflict are amplified.

Any funding indication or pledge should be communicated to the Head of Finance and Administration, Line Hempel (Line.Hempel@actalliance.org)

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