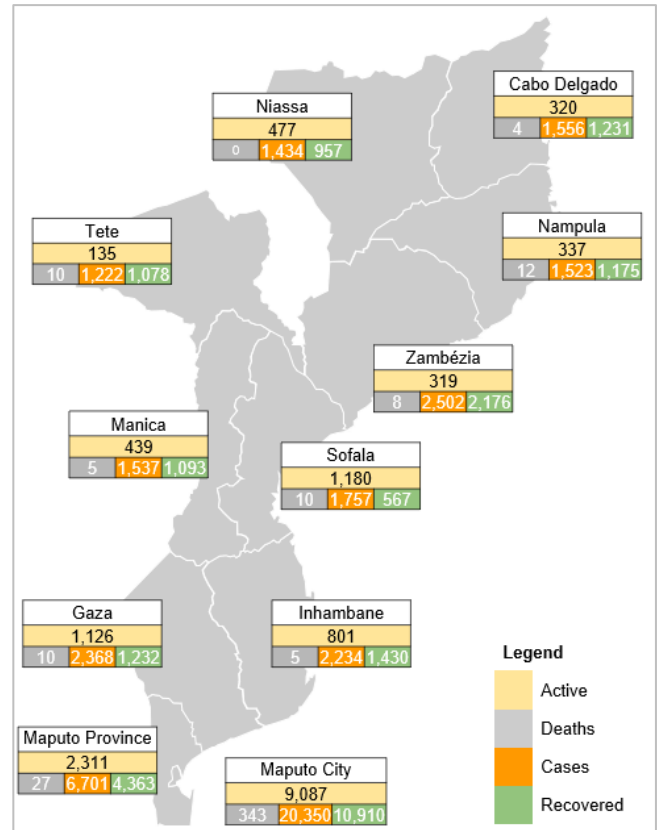




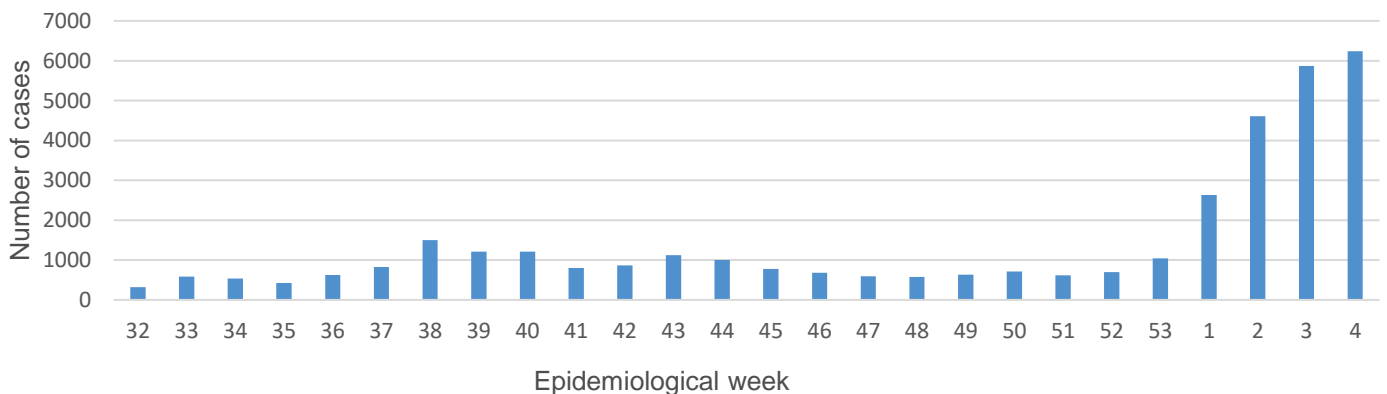
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## MOZAMBIQUE'S HIGHLIGHTS

- As of 05 February, there were 43,184 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Mozambique and 16,532 active cases;
- According to the Ministry of Health (MISAU) **between 25 – 31 January** there were:
  - 14,328 active COVID-19 cases
  - 6,236 positive test results (31% positivity test rate)
  - 3,397 recoveries and 62 deaths from COVID-19
- The majority of active cases are located in Maputo City, accounting for 55% of the total number in Mozambique;
- On 13 January, H.E. President Nyusi addressed the nation, announcing a new decree reviewing the measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 under the State of Calamity entering force on 15 January for 21 days:
  - Closure of bars, *barracas*, nightclubs, theatres, museums and galleries.
  - Reduction in the number of people permitted to attend private events, funerals and religious services.
  - Reduced opening hours for supermarkets and bottle stores, restaurants and other eateries.
- On 04 February, the president addressed the nation again, introducing further measures to combat the spread of COVID-19 in Mozambique, entering force on 05 February for 30 days. In addition to the restrictions above, new restrictions include:
  - Mandatory curfew in Maputo Metropolitan area and districts of Boane, Marracuene and Matola from 21:00 – 04:00.
  - Postponement of the resumption of face-to-face classes at all levels of education.



Total reported COVID-19 cases by week, (weeks 32/2020-04/2021)



### MOZAMBIQUE SUMMARY

- 43,184 confirmed cases
- 16,532 active cases
- 26,212 recovered
- 436 confirmed deaths
- 42,868 local transmission, 316 imported

### GLOBAL SUMMARY






- 105,436,036 confirmed cases
- 25,865,326 active cases
- 77,131,243 recovered
- 2,294,862 confirmed deaths

### AFRICAN REGION SUMMARY





- 3,629,960 confirmed cases
- 407,779 active cases
- 3,128,534 recovered
- 93,647 deaths



## UN COVID-19 RESPONSE IN MOZAMBIQUE

 <p><b>HEALTH</b></p> <p><b>1,200 COVID-19 PCR detection tests</b> provided to the National Health Institute to reinforce test capacity</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reinforce the National Health Institute (INS) test capacity with the provision of an additional 1,200 COVID-19 PCR detection tests (WHO);</li> <li>• Provision of 35,375 protective coveralls, 10,752 masks, 192 infrared thermometers to the government (UNICEF);</li> <li>• Support INS to conduct an External Quality Assessment of COVID-19 testing in Cabo Delgado, Nampula, Sofala and Maputo City (WHO);</li> <li>• In coordination with the District Health Services in Montepuez, Cabo Delgado, the rehabilitation of an Emergency Inpatient Public Health Centre was completed and is fully operational with 24 hospital bed capacity for COVID-19 patients (IOM);</li> <li>• Support MISAU, in collaboration with CDC, UNFPA, USAID, CUAMM and INS in the preparation and updating of scripts and flowcharts of clinical, therapeutic and IPC case management according to current WHO guidelines (WHO);</li> <li>• Support MISAU in COVID-19 Intra Action Review final report elaboration in collaboration with Village Reach, CDC and other partners (WHO); and</li> <li>• Support MISAU and INS on the elaboration of the “use of Ag RDT for COVID 19 diagnostics guideline manual” in collaboration with CDC (WHO).</li> </ul>
 <p><b>WASH</b></p> <p><b>233 kits of PPE items</b> distributed reaching 5,824 individuals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provision of 5,385 hygiene and 2,775 dignity kits to persons with disabilities, as well as livelihood support to 45 households to promote income generation (UNICEF); and</li> <li>• 233 kits of Personal Protection Equipment items (buckets, chlorine and soap) distributed, reaching 5,824 (46% women) farmer members to improve hygiene conditions and reduce the risk of the spread of COVID-19 (FAO).</li> </ul>
 <p><b>MASKS</b></p> <p><b>3,000 face masks</b> produced and distributed in Women-Friendly Spaces</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3,000 face masks produced and distributed to mentors and participants of the Women-Friendly Spaces in Spotlight provinces - Manica, Gaza, and Nampula. Staff from Integrated Service Centers for Victims of Violence (CAI) will be covered during this first stage and in the second phase when 10,000 additional masks will be produced and distributed (UNFPA).</li> </ul>
 <p><b>COMMUNICATIONS</b></p> <p><b>24,624 individuals reached with community theatre sessions</b> on health centers in Zambézia and Nampula</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24,624 people reached with community theater sessions on health centers in Zambézia and Nampula (UNICEF);</li> <li>• Four video and radio spots with messaging by young influencers and the Ministry of Justice on GBV with appeals to utilize GBV referral services and adhere to COVID-19 prevention measures were produced in three languages and broadcast across 21 community radios in Manica, Nampula, and Gaza (UNFPA);</li> <li>• TV spots on COVID19 prevention, risk mitigation at water points, demand health services, breastfeeding and signs and symptoms of COVID-19 broadcasted during prime time on TV channels with highest coverage in Mozambique (UNICEF);</li> <li>• Approximately one million people, including IDPs, reached by multimedia mobile unit activities sharing COVID-19 key preventive measures and secondary messages in Sofala, Zambézia, Nampula and Cabo Delgado (UNICEF); and</li> <li>• Adaptation of multi-media IEC materials for accessibility, broadcasting of radio-spots and organized radio debates around COVID-19 and disability and training for mobile journalists with disabilities, reaching around 100,000 people (UNICEF).</li> </ul>
 <p><b>EDUCATION</b></p> <p><b>23,832 children</b> receive direct support in distance learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide direct support to 23,832 children (11,837 girls) in distance learning, of which 1360 children (680 girls) were supported with distance learning materials for home studies in Cabo Delgado, Nampula, and Sofala (UNICEF);</li> <li>• Commencement of Comprehensive Sexuality Education distance learning programmes for teachers and students and provision of school health kits for students in the context of schools reopening in Nampula and Zambézia (UNESCO); and</li> <li>• Provision of user-friendly, self-learning material for 8,000 children without access to distance learning programmes (UNESCO).</li> </ul>



 <p><b>MONITORING</b></p> <p><b>92% of resettlement sites</b> in central Mozambique have COVID-19 protective equipment available</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• According to <a href="#">Round 15</a> of the COVID-19 Preparedness Assessment in Resettlement Sites, 92% of resettlement sites have COVID-19 protective equipment (compared to 95% in previous assessment). Sensitisation on COVID-19 and actions on COVID-19 prevention and control have taken place, however, all sites continuously reported a lack of isolation space (IOM);</li> <li>• Support the implementation of sero-epidemiological surveys in Inhambane, Gaza and Manica (WHO);</li> <li>• In partnership with Maputo Province Health Directorate, Population Mobility Mapping Exercise of the Maputo migration corridor was conducted, with the participation of 25 key stakeholders from Customs, Border Police, Immigration, cross-border trade, Transport and Health authorities. Mobility patterns and migration flows along the corridor were mapped, and priority locations were identified for enhanced COVID-19 surveillance and interventions (IOM); and</li> <li>• Two multi-sector coordination and planning meetings were held, with participation from members of the COVID-19 response clusters, Provincial Government, NGOs, and UN Agencies, with the aim of preparing the 2021 response plan for COVID-19 in Nampula province (UNFPA).</li> </ul>
 <p><b>INFRASTRUCTURE</b></p> <p><b>Pave 15,250 m<sup>2</sup> in two commercial areas</b> to improve circulation and social distancing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation Agreement with Beira's City Council to pave a total of 15,250 m<sup>2</sup> in two commercial areas to improve circulation and promote social distancing for more than 5,500 user a day. 175 short term jobs will be created through this intervention in order to strengthen Covid-19 mitigation measures and provision of financial relief amongst informal workers in the city of Beira whilst delivering crucial infrastructure (ILO).</li> </ul>
 <p><b>POLICY</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement immediate response measures in order to alleviate the labour market from the negative impacts of unemployment induced by the COVID-19 pandemic and create more and better jobs for young Mozambican in three areas (i) Policy and regulations; (ii) Enterprise support; and (iii) Public works applying labour intensive techniques (ILO).</li> </ul>
 <p><b>TRAINING</b></p> <p><b>183 clinicians</b> trained in COVID-19 case management for severe and critical cases in Manica, Sofala and Maputo City</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support MISAU in COVID-19 case management training for severe and critical cases of 183 clinicians in Manica (50), Sofala (53) and Maputo City (80) (WHO);</li> <li>• Support trainings of 7,437 health care providers among health care facility staff, community health workers and volunteers in IPC in detecting, referral, and appropriate management of COVID-19 cases among children, pregnant and breastfeeding women (UNICEF);</li> <li>• Support MISAU and Provincial Health Directorates to cascade training on infection prevention and control in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic of 57 Point of Entry staff from customs, border police, immigration, transport and port health authorities in Manica (26) and Nampula (31) (IOM);</li> <li>• MISAU trained 119 participants in all provinces in health surveillance according to the International Health Regulation in strict collaboration with Ministry of Internal Affairs and Ministry of Transport and Communication (WHO and IOM); and</li> <li>• Support, in partnership with the Ministry of Justice, the organization of a National Consultation Workshop with the participation of UNHCR, on the Universal Periodic Review. The impact of COVID-19 was underlined by young people and will be part of the framework of recommendations for the third cycle of the review (UNFPA);</li> <li>• In three districts in Cabo Delgado, including Pemba, Montepuez and Ibo and Momba district, Nampula, lectures and demonstration on individual and collective COVID-19 prevention measures were provided to an average of 2,000 members of host communities and IDPs each week (IOM);</li> <li>• 2,555 people participated in COVID-19 awareness sessions throughout the districts of Pemba, Metuge, Chiure, Ancuabe, and Montepuez in the province of Cabo Delgado (UNFPA); and</li> <li>• In collaboration with the National Directorate for Assistance of Family Farming, 7,975 direct beneficiaries were sensitised to comply with health and hygiene COVID-19 prevention measures and Government restrictions (FAO).</li> </ul>



## UN GLOBAL THINK PIECES ON COVID-19 IMPACT AND RESPONSE

- **Health:** WHO chief warns against ‘catastrophic moral failure’ in COVID-19 vaccine access; Statement by UNICEF Executive Director on the prioritisation of teachers for vaccinations against covid-19; UN health agency chief says there needs to be a “collective commitment” to get vaccinations underway worldwide for health workers and others who are at high risk of catching COVID-19, within the next 100 days; and UNFPA says Groups already vulnerable to HIV face increased risks during COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Social protection:** Report on the COVID-19 and the world of work; and report on Working from home: From invisibility to decent work.
- **Gender:** Joint Statement by UNICEF Executive Director and UNFPA Executive Director on International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation.
- **Food and nutrition:** WFP highlights that food for Mozambicans struggling amidst violence and COVID-19 ‘will be compromised’ without more funding; and report on COVID-19 Missing More Than a Classroom The Impact of school closures on children’s nutrition.
- **Children and Youth:** Statement by UNICEF Executive Director on how Children cannot afford another year of school disruption; UN warns that Child labour gains since 2020 ‘could be wiped out by COVID’; new brief from the ILO and UNICEF indicates COVID-19 may push millions more children into child labour.
- **Displaced persons:** UNICEF press release on how COVID-19 has led to dramatic reduction in essential services and protection for migrant and displaced children in countries around the world.

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