

Mozambique

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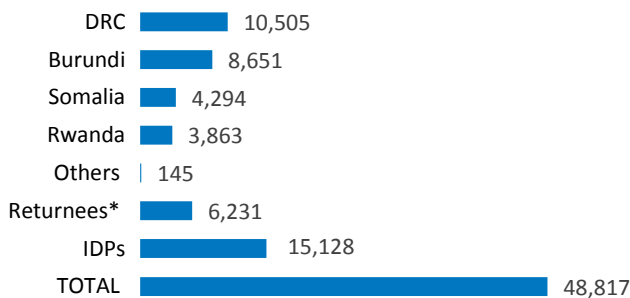
Approximately **12,000** asylum-claims are pending refugee status determination decisions since 2011.

There are currently over **2,700** Mozambican asylum-seekers in Malawi, some **8,000** have spontaneously returned since 2016.

A **biometric verification exercise** of refugees and asylum-seekers will begin in Mozambique during the last quarter of the year.

POPULATION OF CONCERN (AS OF 31 AUGUST)

Country of Origin

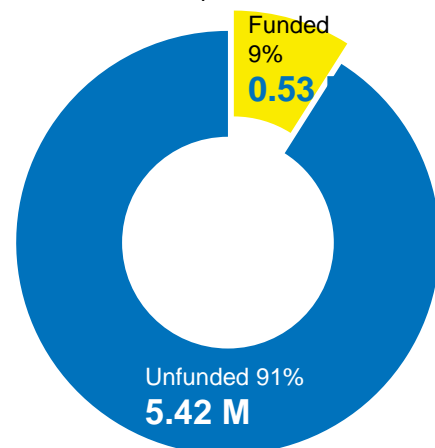


*Mozambicans who have returned spontaneously from Malawi

FUNDING (AS OF 31 AUGUST)

USD 5.95 M

requested for the Mozambique situation



UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff:

14 National Staff

4 International Staff

Offices:

1 Branch Office in Maputo

1 Field Office in Nampula



Working with Partners

- In Mozambique, UNHCR coordinates closely with following partners: the National Institute for Refugee Assistance (INAR) | Ministry of Health (MoH) | Ministry of Education (MoE) | Institute for Vocational Training (INEFP) | Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Affairs (DPGCAS) | Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) | Ministry of Interior | Episcopal Commission for Migrants, Refugees and IDPs (CEMIRDE) | Scalabrini Brothers | Organismo para o Desenvolvimento Socio-Economico Integrado (KULIMA) | Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) | International Organization for Migration (IOM) | UNICEF | UN Women | UN-Habitat | WFP.

Main Activities

Protection

- UNHCR provides technical assistance to the Government of Mozambique to ensure that registration and refugee status determination (RSD) procedures are performed in accordance with international standards.
- There are 12,000 asylum claims, recommended for refugee status by the National Eligibility Commission, that have been pending signature by the Minister of Interior since 2011. Lack of documentation due to pending asylum claims was cited as a major concern by the asylum-seekers during 2018 participatory assessment. UNHCR continues to advocate with the Minister of Interior for the final endorsement of these cases.
- UNHCR will be undertaking a biometric verification exercise in Nampula (including the Maratane Camp) and Maputo. The exercise aims to verify personal information of asylum-seekers and refugees as well as to identify cases of double registration.
- UNHCR, through its partner CEMIRDE, provides free legal assistance to refugees and asylum-seekers as well as supports refugees who meet the criteria for the naturalization. The government of Mozambique has expressed willingness to support local integration and naturalization programme for refugee who stayed in Mozambique for more than 15 years and have children born in Mozambique.
- Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for the prevention of and response to Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) are being developed jointly with the government to be integrated into national procedures. SOPs for Child Protection are also being developed in partnership with the Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Affairs (DPGCAS).
- Counselling and occupational therapy are provided to survivors of SGBV and awareness raising campaigns are carried out jointly with government partners.
- UNHCR distributes sanitary napkins and soap to an average of 2,400 women and girls per month.

Education

- Refugees and asylum-seekers have access to public primary and secondary education. UNHCR supports the Ministry of Education in provision of education services in Maratane, primarily through incentives to teachers. Currently, 2,507 refugees and asylum-seekers are enrolled in primary schools and 453 are enrolled in secondary schools in Maratane.
- Through funding from the Albert Einstein German Academic Refugee Programme (DAFI), UNHCR sponsors 16 refugee students enrolled in higher education in Mozambique. The number of scholarships is expected to increase in 2019.

Health

- UNHCR provides support to the health clinic in the Maratane camp through Ministry of Health. The clinic provides primary health services and basic medicine. INAR supports referrals to secondary and tertiary health care facilities.
- Persons of concern have free access to national HIV/AIDS programs and antiretroviral therapy (ART). Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission (PMTCT) services are fully functional and condoms are made available in Maratane camp. The Adolescent Friendly Health Services at Maratane Health Centre are strengthening the family planning as well as preventing sexually transmitted infections.
- UNHCR has provided medical equipment to the health centre in Maratane camp with the technical and financial support from UNHCR Regional Representation for Southern Africa.

Food Security and Nutrition

- UNHCR partners with WFP and the Government of Mozambique to provide monthly food assistance to refugees and asylum-seekers in Maratane camp.
- Through government and NGO partnerships, UNHCR supports complementary feeding and provides meals to children under five-year-old in the kindergarten to prevent malnutrition.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

- Through the US State Department's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration funded 'Livelihood for Durable Solutions' project (2016-2019), refugees will be supported to attain self-reliance, thereby reducing dependency on aid and enhancing peaceful coexistence among refugees and host community. The project is jointly implemented by the government, UNHCR, FAO, WFP and UN-Habitat. Within the framework of this project, UNHCR will apply the Graduation Approach, which supports participants through cash-based incentives, coaching and livelihood opportunities with

the technical support from Trickle Up and UNHCR Regional Representation for Southern Africa.

Durable Solutions

- UNHCR is liaising with the Governments of Mozambique and Malawi regarding the return procedures for an estimated 2,700 Mozambican asylum-seekers in Malawi.
- UNHCR support the local integration of refugees in Maratane camp and urban refugees in Nampula through projects.

External / Donors Relations

EARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS | USD

United States of America 56.2 million | **Private donors**

Australia 8.6 million | **Canada** 3.3 million

Norway | Sweden | Private donors

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UNEARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS | USD

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