



# Cyclone Kenneth - Mozambique

Situation Report #5 (as of 4 May 2019)

## Key figures (to date)



- 213,462 affected people in Cabo Delgado and 29,837 people affected in Nampula (preliminary estimates from INGC)



- 34,674 houses partially or completely destroyed in Cabo Delgado and 2,634 in Nampula



- 9 districts identified in Cabo Delgado and 4 in Nampula as the most impacted



- 36,437 affected people assisted



WFP UN Humanitarian Air Service offloading in Ibo Islands

## Highlights

- The World Food Programme is ramping up support to communities in northern Mozambique impacted by Cyclone Kenneth, the second major tropical storm to hit the country in six weeks – and the strongest on record.
- The cyclone and the torrential rains that followed have affected **243,300 people in the Provinces of Nampula and Cabo Delgado** (current estimation), devastating their crops of maize and cassava, major sources of food and income in the region.
- Cases of cholera have emerged in Pemba city and the district of Mecufi. Shortages of potable water in many locations have been reported by the World Health Organization. There are also concerns about the situation at health centres.
- Where access was possible, Multi-Sectoral Rapid Assessments (MRA) took place in the districts of Quissanga, Ibo, Mecufi and Macomia, with results informing the operational response of involved humanitarian actors.
- The drone operations team, led by INCG and WFP, is supporting the assessments efforts with the objective to accelerate data collection and mapping critical to the response deployment.
- WFP assistance to communities impacted by the cyclone is underway with **36,437 affected** people receiving assistance in the districts of Macomia, Quissanga, Mecujo and Ibo.
- Training sessions on protection and protection against sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) was held with partners in March. New sessions are planned as WFP responds to escalated needs of the affected people. This will also include staff and volunteers.

## Situation Update

- According to government assessments, the districts most heavily affected by the cyclone in Cabo Delgado are Ibo, Macomia, Quissanga, Mueda, Muidumbe and Chiure.
- Coastal areas in districts such as Metuge, Quissanga, Mucojo, Mecufi Pangane and Mahate remain unreachable due to flooding and damages to transport infrastructure (see access map). Communities in these areas are stranded and in need of urgent assistance.
- MRAs have been carried out in Ibo, Mucojo, Matemo, Quissanga and Macomia confirming critical conditions of impacted populations.
- Power and communication lines are dysfunctional in many of these affected areas, including in Ibo Islands.
- The link to the northern districts is being reestablished thanks to the road rehabilitation work underway carried out by the government, however, this is limited to light vehicles at this time.
- Levels of waters are decreasing in the river basins of Messalo and Megaruma in Cabo Delgado. Populations are still being advised by the government to avoid any activity at rivers banks. Alerts remain for the basins of Mecuburi, Meluli and Larde rivers in Nampula province.
- Heavy rains in Nampula province, have impacted a total of 30,112 people (current estimation) in mainly Erati and Mamba districts.

## WFP Response

- Improved weather conditions are permitting air operations, currently vital for the humanitarian response. Assessments to many isolated locations also depend on air assets.
- WFP has installed mobile warehouses at the National Institute for Disaster Management (INGC) operational centre and is contracting an additional warehouse facility to be used by WFP and Logistics Cluster members.
- In Ibo island, WFP partner SEPPA, with volunteers from the Red Cross, are offloading the helicopter, transporting the food and carrying out distributions.
- Posters of Protection against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) were distributed to Red Cross volunteers and training sessions are planned in the coming days.
- South African rescue teams have deployed to Ibo, Matemo and Quirimba islands and are currently supporting WFP food distributions.



WFP partner storage facility receiving high energy biscuits in

## Humanitarian Coordination

- The Food Security, Logistics and Emergency Telecommunications clusters are now operational in Cabo Delgado. The Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), Shelter and Protection Clusters are coordinating the response in their respective sectors.

### Emergency Telecommunication Cluster (ETC):

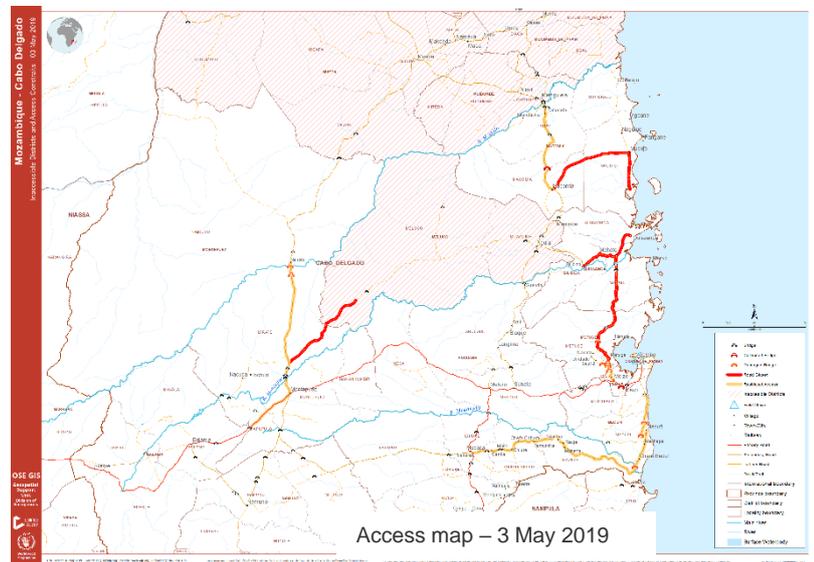
- Assessment missions to Ibo, Quissanga and Macomia took place to identify the feasibility of installing communication services to the humanitarian organizations involved in the response, including to local partners.

### Logistics Cluster:

- Two WFP-chartered MI-8 helicopters are based at Pemba airport to airlift life-saving cargo to affected areas such as Quissanga, Ibo, Muco and Metuge.
- Handling services are available for partners at Pemba airport, including offloading of aircraft.
- Arriving on 4 May, offloading equipment provided by DFID will significantly improve airport operations.
- Road transport services will be provided depending on partners needs and final destinations/locations.
- The cluster is exploring sea transportation from Pemba to affected islands and other locations along the coast.
- Non-food items, WASH material, IT equipment and food for UNICEF, WHO, WFP and the ETC arrived on 4 May from Beira.



South African rescue team camp in Matemo



Access map – 3 May 2019

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