



Mozambique

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SITUATION		
<p>In the afternoon of Monday the 23 January 2021, the province of Sofala in Mozambique, was hit by a tropic storm and was forecast to be heading towards Zimbabwe and northern South Africa, which have already experienced heavy rainfall. Parts of central Mozambique have been flooded after Cyclone Eloise struck near the port city of Beira with wind speeds of up to 160km/h (100mph). Water levels were already high, even before the cyclone made landfall on Saturday. Several rivers in the region have burst their banks.</p> <p>More than 1,000 houses have been destroyed and another 3,000 badly damaged, according to Antonio Beleza, from Mozambique's National Institute for Disaster Management and Reduction. He said more than 160,000 people had been directly affected.</p> <p>Preliminary reports indicate that nearly 7,000 people have been displaced and more than 5,000 houses have been destroyed, damaged, or flooded, mainly in Buzi, Dondo, Nhamatanda and Beira City, according to the preliminary data from the Government. These numbers could rise in the days ahead as the full extent of the damage becomes known.</p>		
NEEDS		
<p>The cyclone has put the province in a state of crisis. The cyclone affected persons find themselves in a desperate situation, with many unmet vital humanitarian needs such as access to:</p>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	sufficient food	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	safe shelter and basic non-food items	
<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	
<p>The dire situation is further compounded for the cyclone affected people with vulnerabilities. Women headed households are more affected as they are likely to be living in flood prone lower areas. 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.</p>		
STAKEHOLDERS		
<p>The following national and international entities are present and doing their best to respond to the crisis:</p>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	National government	The government of Madagascar is doing its best to rescue people but due to the emergency the demand is high
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INGOs	Few agencies are responding although there is difficulty in accessing affected households due to massive flooding and violent wind.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	National NGOs	CEDES, among other National NGO are planning to respond.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Faith based groups	Faith based actors are providing psychosocial support to those affected by the disaster.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Host communities	Host communities are receiving displaced households.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Affected communities	Many are displaced and Residents of Beira, Mozambique's second city with a population of about 500,000, are trying to clean up as best they can.
<p>The emergency response is currently being coordinated by CEDES. To ensure that the humanitarian response is well coordinated and complementary, the ACT forum will take part in meetings with all relevant sector stakeholders (of INGC) and establish an open line of communication with crisis affected persons and communities to ensure a humanitarian response based on participation and feedback.</p>		

ACT Alliance	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CEDES, a member of ACT Alliance has been working in Mozambique since 2000, now helping/planning to help people affected by the cyclone
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CEDES works in areas affected by the cyclone, and is assessing the impact of the disaster to better understand the needs and vulnerabilities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CEDES 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"/>	CEDES staff are 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 in WASH, provision of temporary shelter, livelihood among others and has resolved that if funded, it will have the capacity to properly bridge the identified gap.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The ACT Mozambique forum is planning on submitting a funding proposal to provide Shelter, wash and livelihood to ensure that the cyclone affected persons' basic needs are met with regards to access for shelter, WASH, health and not food items.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Mozambique Forum is ready to respond, providing shelter, kit of hygiene livelihood to 3500 affected households in the coming days.
<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 cyclone are amplified.

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