

SMALL WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS, HYGIENE AND SANITATION PROMOTION IN PERI-URBAN AREAS OF CABO DELGADO AND NAMPULA

= ORATTA PROJECT =



CONTEXT

Despite considerable progress over the years, only half of Mozambicans have access to an improved water supply and less than a quarter (one in five) use improved sanitation. There is less practice of good and recommended hygiene habits. Hence, the practice of open defecation is very common (36%) and diarrheal diseases remain a major cause of child mortality. Overall, blatant inequalities in water supply and sanitation services persist between rural and urban areas. While rural areas are more affected by the lack of basic Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) services, even the moderately positive urban indicators for WASH hide serious gaps in services to the poor in the rapidly growing small towns and cities, where lack of systematic maintenance, poor investment, and unclear institutional mandates have undermined service delivery. There are also geographical disparities. In the northern provinces, the services are generally more inadequate and the Cyclone Kenneth has worsened the situation. ORATTA (phase III) is a WASH project for small urban and peri-urban areas implemented in partnership with the Mozambican Government, Private Sector, and the communities from Eráti, Mecubúri, Momba, and Nacarôa districts (Nampula), and Chiúre (Cabo Delgado).

OBJECTIVE AND APPROACH

Improving the living conditions of women and men in peri-urban areas by implementing activities to promote Water Supply, Sanitation, and Hygiene, promotion of private sector operation, engagement and management of small water supply system, through artisans association, BLUE-School approach and Community-Led Urban Environmental Sanitation Planning to contribute to the reduction of water-borne diseases and leveraging access to sustainable water and sanitation services.

GEOGRAPHICAL FOCUS



PARTNERS

- **Public institutions:** National Water Directorate (DNA); Water and Sanitation Infrastructure Administration (AIAS), Provincial Directorate of Public Works, Housing and Water Resources (DPOH), District Services for Planning and Infrastructure (SDPI); District Governments.
- Service providers (Sanitation & Hygiene promotion)



BENEFICIARIES

Direct beneficiaries: 10.000 customers of the new/rehabilitated water points, 10 private operators, 4 artisan associations, 6 district planning and infrastructure services, and 10 schools.

Beneficiaries: 50.000 water consumers (men and women) in peri-urban and small urban areas, 25.000 (men and women) with access to a well-maintained toilet, 10.000 students, and 50 teachers.



DURATION AND FUNDING

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