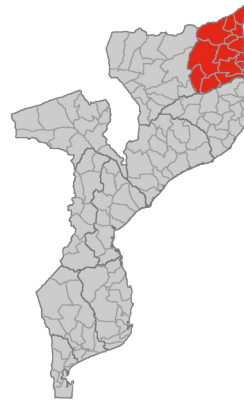




Health

Supporting the Cabo Delgado Health Plan



Geographical focus:
Cabo Delgado Province

Target group: Staff of the Provincial Health Directorate

Time-frame:
January 2010 - September 2016

Phase: 1

Mozambique covers a large territorial surface, with eleven provinces characterized by social inter and intra-regional inequalities.

The Cabo Delgado province in the North of the country is one of the poorest provinces and the burden of diseases is high. Many children suffer and die from preventable and treatable diseases such as malaria and diarrhea, while deaths among adults are mainly due to pregnancy related complications and AIDS. Reasons include the low accessibility and utilization of the health system due to poor infrastructure coverage and quality, and a health seeking behaviour still strongly guided by traditional beliefs.

There is a need for the formal health system to develop additional strategies to reach communities, such as community-based approaches and health communication approaches. In this regard, Cabo Delgado is the first province to develop a Provincial Health Promotion Plan out of the National Strategy - both received substantial support from Swiss Cooperation.

Budget:

CHF 3.800.000 - USD 4.300.000 - MZM 138.000.000

Implementing partners:

Cabo Delgado Health Provincial Directorate (Ministry of Health)

Partners:

NGO's, private and research institutions operating in the province with expertise in community based approaches.

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Goal

Contribute to improve health status of the population in the Cabo Delgado province in Northern Mozambique.

Main Activities

- Build capacity of health staff in all 17 Districts in community involvement approaches.
- Build capacity in planning, monitoring and evaluation and budgeting systems of the Provincial Health Directorate staff.
- Provide means of transport to all 17 Districts for the health promotion area.
- Construction of staff houses in 10 Districts of the Province.

Impact

This project will positively impact the health status of the inhabitants of the province. The provision of health promotion services in the province will improve and health seeking behaviour of citizens will increase dialogue between the communities and the formal health system.

Results expected

- Increase knowledge of the population in Cabo Delgado province on healthy lifestyle and prevention of major diseases.
- Health promotion workers and other Health Provincial Directorate personnel will be able to approach and involve communities in a participatory manner.
- A conducive working environment for health promotion workers will be created.

Beneficiaries

Provincial Department of Health of Cabo Delgado, 17 District Health Services, Ministry of Women and Social Action of the Province of Cabo Delgado as direct beneficiaries.

The whole population of the Province, 1,6 million people, with a particular focus to the poor and rural population are indirect beneficiaries.

Transversal themes

Gender and HIV/AIDS.