

B.14 Mozambique - 2007 - Cyclone

Case study: Materials distribution and training

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Project type:

Distribution of shelter construction material packages. Training on improved building techniques.

Emergency:

Cyclone Favio in northern Inhambane, Mozambique, February 2007

Number of houses damaged:

6,500 houses were damaged by the cyclone.

Number of people displaced:

160,000 were displaced by flooding and around

Project target population:

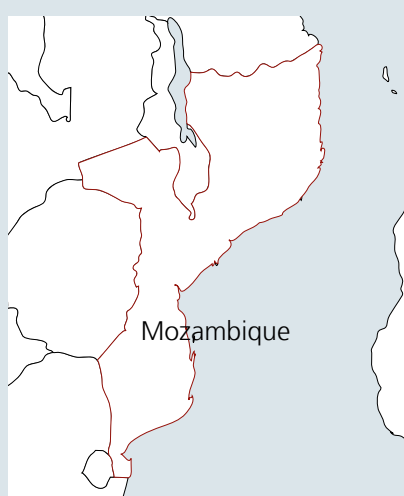
2,219 vulnerable households (11,095 people) who had remained on their own land.

Occupancy rate on handover:

15% of households had been unable to use the distributed materials to rebuild three months later. Of those who did, it was estimated that 95% of the people living in the rebuilt houses were the original beneficiaries.

Shelter size:

12m². This varied between designs and whether the structure was rebuilt or repaired.



Project timeline



Summary

Despite no previous shelter programming experience in the country, no emergency shelter stockpile and a delay in funding, the agency distributed shelter materials with technical advice to the most vulnerable people (child-headed households, widows, chronically ill, handicapped, etc) affected by the cyclone in two districts.



Left: a damaged house. Right: self-built reconstructed house using items distributed.
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