



# **DELPAZ - Sofala Sub-programme**

Decision: FED/2023/445-071 and

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## Mozambique, Sofala province

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## **ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT 03**

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### **PROJECT SYNOPSIS**

Project Title	Local Development for the consolidation of Peace in Mozambique – DELPAZ: Sofala Sub-programme
ADA Contract Number	6547-00/2020 & 6547-01/2020
EU Identification Number	FED/2023/445-071 (FED/MZ/2023/041-945) and FED/2020/419-613 (FED/MZ/2018/041-899)
Implementers	Austrian Development Agency (ADA), Provincial Executive Council of Sofala (CEPS), ADRA-Livaningo Consortium and Young Africa Mozambique
Target country (ies) and region(s)	Mozambique, Sofala province, 6 districts (Chibabava, Machanga, Maringue, Gorongosa, Chemba, Cheringoma)
Type of contract	Contribution Agreement (CA)
Start of implementation period	1 <sup>st</sup> of November 2020
End of implementation period	31 <sup>st</sup> of December 2024
Implementation period in months	50 months
Reporting period	1 <sup>st</sup> of January 2023 to 31 <sup>st</sup> of December 2023
Total incurred expenditures as of 31 Dec 2023	EUR 6,560,481
Committed costs as of 31 Dec 2023	EUR 2,195,716 (advance payments plus committed costs)
Total amount of EU contribution	EUR 11,000,000
ADC/ADA co-financing contribution	EUR 1,000,000
Reported to	Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Mozambique, for the attention of the Head of Finance, Contract & Audit, Avenida Julius Nyerere 2820, C.P. 1306, Mozambique, email: <a href="mailto:delegation-mozambique-fcs@eeas.europa.eu">delegation-mozambique-fcs@eeas.europa.eu</a>
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### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Executive Summary provides an overview of the DELPAZ Sofala Sub-programme implementation progress status for the reporting period of 1 January to 31 December 2023. The specific objective (SO2) of the Sub-programme, "to improve the livelihoods of rural communities in conflict-affected districts, with a special focus on women, youth and disadvantaged groups", implemented by Austrian Development Agency (ADA) in Sofala province, is part of the contribution to the implementation of the fourth pillar of the EU programme: "Support to the consolidation of peace in Mozambique: local governance and early economic recovery" (referred to as "DELPAZ").

Overall, in the reporting period, a relatively peaceful environment persisted in all six districts and no incidences of violence or conflicts were reported. The Sub-programme made significant progress towards the consolidation of peace in Sofala province by enhancing livelihoods in many of the most conflict-affected districts communities and localities in Sofala.

The main achievements for the year 2023 are summarised by outputs and cumulative results are also as shown below (cumulative results since beginning of the programme are explained where appropriate):

In relation to output 2.1. "Enhanced public investment and service provision":

- ADA participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> National Supervision Committee (NSC) Meeting in Chimoio on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2023, and in partnership with UNCDF convened the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) meetings (on 28<sup>th</sup> of March 2023 in Beira and 28 November 2023 in Maringue, respectively) to review progress and endorse investments and activities plans for the DELPAZ Sofala Sub-programme.
- ADA provided 18 motor bikes to all the six districts (three per district, one for SDPI, two for SDAE) to improve capacity in planning and implementation of programme activities.
- > ADA in partnership with Gorongosa district government and Bassela Consultores conducted a Technical and Financial Feasibility Study for the Establishment of a Unit for the Multiplication, Conservation, Processing and Marketing of Irish Potato Seeds in Gorongosa district.
- ADA facilitated the participation of 48 women from the six target districts in the International Women's Solidarity Camp in Cheringoma and the participation of 10 women in the follow-up workshop held in Beira.
- ➤ A total of 74 projects were approved and implemented by the Sub-programme after eligibility verification, technical feasibility assessment.
- > Four multi-purpose solar-powered water supply systems (Nhacassena in Cheringoma, Piro in Gorongosa, Phango in Maringue and Chiramba in Chemba) were completed in the year. Nhacassena and Phango water supply systems were inaugurated by the Governor of Sofala province.
- > Ten water supply boreholes equipped with handpumps were installed in Cheringoma and Maringue, and 12 water supply boreholes were rehabilitated in Chemba and Gorongosa districts.
- ➤ A total of six wet crossings in Chemba (2), Chibabava (1) and Cheringoma (3), one small bridge in Gorongosa, three reinforced concrete type-C aqueducts in Cheringoma (2) and Chemba (1) and five kilometers of unpaved road in Maringue were constructed benefitting about 51,280 people.
- A cumulative total of 125,841 people (58.3% women) benefitted from effective services and improved infrastructure since the beginning of the Sub-programme.
- Four farmers' associations in Chibabava (2) and Cheringoma (2) district were supported with four irrigation systems.
- About MZN 248,948,240 (approx. EUR 3.6 million) were invested in infrastructure which helps communities adapt to the effects of climate change since the beginning of implementation.



## Under output 2.2. "Increased adoption of climate smart and productivity enhancing agriculture technologies and practices":

- ➤ In total 216 agriculture trainers (36 extension agents and 180 smallholder farmers) received training to provide further training to smallholder farmers as part of the capacity building of District Services for Economic Activities (SDAE).
- ➤ A total of 3,426 farmers, among them: 69.7% women, 19.7% youth, 3.8% DDR members and 2.8% other disadvantaged people received field technical support to apply climate smart agriculture (CSA) practices (e.g. soil and water conservation practices, tree planting and annual crop rotation, use of organic manure and organic pesticides) in the first half of the year and a total of 3,683 farmers received training on CSA, (55.9% women, one quarter were youth, 8% other disadvantaged groups and 3.5% DDR members) in the second half of the year.
- ADA in partnership with SDAE and farmers' associations established 18 results demonstration plots in all the six districts.
- ➤ A total of 3,160 farmers (among them 1,058 women) were equipped with knowledge on post-harvest conservation, post-harvest losses and maintaining quality for consumption and marketing by ADRA-Livaningo in collaboration with SDAE technicians.

### For output 2.3. "Enhanced market integration and off-farm activities":

- A cumulative total of 180 savings groups were created (30 for each district) since October 2022, with a total of 4,672 members (63.8% female, 47 DDR members). A total of 85 groups; with 2,325 members, (60.3% female) saved a total of MZN 1,033,544 in the first half of the year. In the second half of the year, the number of savings groups increased to 151 groups (with a total of 4,596 members; 62.6% women) and saved about MZN 1,372,257 with a social fund of MZN 69,905, and 1,428 beneficiaries (58.1% women) obtained loans to the sum of MZN 1,266,425 and 378 people invested in micro enterprises (e.g. trading in second hand clothes and basic commodities).
- A total of 570 young people; among them, 166 (29.1%) DDR members and their family members and 171 (30%) women successfully completed vocational training courses provided by Young Africa.
- Ninety honey producers (39 women; 76 of them DDR members or their family members) were trained on bee keeping and marketing of honey and received coaching. Each honey producer received Start-up Kits (comprised of 10 beehives, bee-keeper starter tools and a complete set of protective clothing).
- A total of 160 households (3 headed by women, 105 DDR members and 9 DDR family members) received a total of 2,085 kg of maize seed in Gorongosa and Chibabava districts.
- ➤ Market linkages were established for 1,277 farmers mostly with buyers of agricultural products through participation at FACIM, agricultural fairs organized by ADA jointly with SDAE, DPIC and ICM and facilitation of collective marketing organized and coordinated by ADRA-Livaningo in collaboration with other development partners.
- A total of 61 kits were provided by Young Africa to 280 young people to facilitate off-farm start-ups and about 1,363 micro enterprises in trading of e.g. food products and second-hand clothes were established through support provided by ADRA-Livaningo.
- A cumulative total of 3,987 beneficiaries were trained in productive skills since the beginning of the programme. Among these, 3,417 beneficiaries, among them 2,206 (64.6%) women received training on financial literacy, business planning and management carried out by ADRA-Livaningo, while 570 (30% women) benefitted from vocational courses training provided by Young Africa.









