

# Situational Report #01

## February 2022

Tropical Storm Ana  
Mozambique

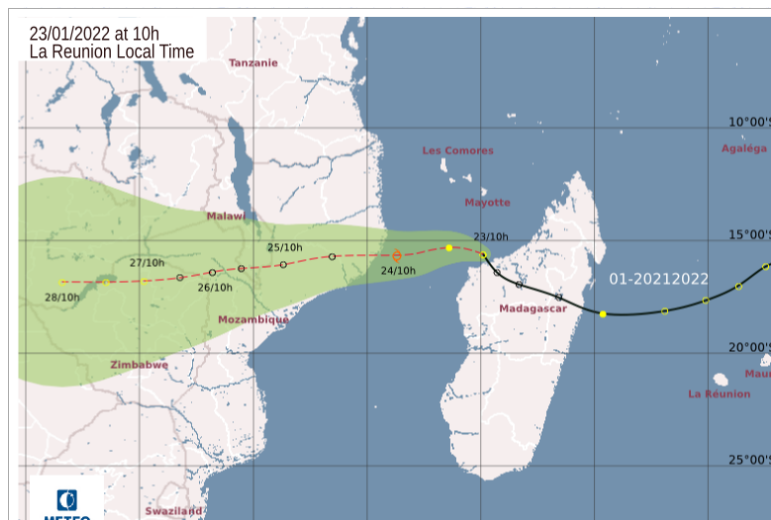


Humanitarian  
Situation Resulting  
from January 24<sup>th</sup>  
2022 Tropical Storm

## 01. Situation Overview

**Tropical storm Ana has struck communities still reeling from the devastating consequences of previous cyclones in the past two years.**

Tropical storm Ana struck the coast of East Africa last month, on 24th January. Heavy rains and strong winds have caused flooding, mudslides and destruction in several countries including Mozambique, where the storm has impacted the same regions still struggling to recover from the cyclones Idai and Kenneth in 2019, and Eloise and Chalane in 2020-2021.



Source: UN OCHA. Mozambique – Tropical Storm Ana, Flash Update No.1.

Soon after the storm hit, Mozambique had reported on the scale of the damage caused by the tropical storm, as its National Institute for Management and Disaster Risk Reduction said the following day that 54 people had been injured and 895 evacuated in the previous 24 hours. The wind and rain have caused power outages and infrastructure such as schools, health centres, and a bridge in Mozambique's Northern and Central provinces have collapsed due to floods. As of the 9<sup>th</sup> of February, **the storm has affected 180,869 people, injuring 207 people, and killed at least 38 people.**<sup>1</sup>

The storm has destroyed more than 12,000 houses and has damaged 26 health centres, as well as **affecting 765 schools and destroying 2,457 classrooms.** Technical teams on the ground continue to assess conditions of bridges and other infrastructure affected.

<sup>1</sup> UN OCHA, Mozambique – Tropical Storm Ana, Flash Update No.8. February 2022.

## 02. ChildFund/WeWorld Response

### **WeWorld is responding to the ongoing education crisis in the worst afflicted areas.**

WeWorld has been operating in Mozambique since 2000 in several regions of the country (Maputo, Gaza, Inhambane, Manica, Cabo Delgado and Zambezia) and is currently taking permanent action in the provinces of Maputo, Cabo Delgado and Manica in the food security, agro-ecology, Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and education (including Education in Emergency) sectors.

In Education, WeWorld actions have focused on literacy and vocational training, targeting mainly children and women, through the promotion of a community-based approach, highlighting local knowledge, while reinforcing the relationship between communities and schools in fighting school dropouts and social exclusion. Aiming at responding to the urgent need of the population, WeWorld capitalized its Education in Emergency (EiE) experience developed at a global level, to tailor EiE interventions to the local context in Cabo Delgado and Manica.

WeWorld is active in Manica and Cabo Delgado provinces with humanitarian aid and Disaster Risk Reduction projects in response to Tropical Cyclones Idai, Kenneth, Eloise and Chalane Covid as well as to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

After a first assessment conducted with local authorities in the province of Manica, 102 classrooms were destroyed in 53 schools, affecting a total of 11,392 students (5,853 girls) and 287 teachers (121 F). In the province of Cabo Delgado 79 classrooms were destroyed in 36 schools for a total of 8,268 (3,278 girls) students and 171 teachers (33 F).

**In the zones of intervention where ChildFund Alliance member WeWorld is present, a total number of around 20,000 children (9,000 of which are girls) are at risk of not being able to go back to school in the coming weeks if we do not take urgent action to provide alternative learning spaces.**