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WFP News Video:

New WFP Video from Mozambique Conflict Shows Role of Hunger in one of the World's Fastest Growing Displacement Crises

Shot: 12-16June21

Various Cabo Delgado, Mozambique

TRT: 4:57

SHOTLIST:

:00-:57

Exhausted and traumatized, displaced families arrive on Pemba's main beach by boat.

People escaping attacks travel for days and weeks by foot or by boat to several relatively safe areas including Pemba, the capitol of Cabo Delgado .

The progressively frequent attacks in northern Cabo Delgado have displaced more than 730,000 people ...7 times higher than the same period last year.

Paquitequete Beach, Pemba

Shot: 14June21

:57-1:15

Momade Abudala, a fisherman, receives a phone call from his family back in Palma asking for money to help them escape. Momade has just arrived off a boat in Pemba with a few belongings to sell to raise funds so his family can join him.

Paquitequete Beach, Pemba

Shot: 14June21

1:15-1:30

GV's Metuge Camp

Metuge Camp home to more than 125,000 displaced people.

Shot:13June21

Metuge

1:30-2:13

Viaze Nassir simultaneously chops woods, cooks foraged beans leaves for her family's meal while scrubbing the laundry.



Viaze Nassir, 41 yrs old, was forced to leave her village in Quissanga District after an attack by insurgents in September 2020.

The insurgents invaded her village in the early morning. After hearing gunshots and seeing them burning her neighbors' houses, she grabbed her children and fled to the bush. During the escape, one of the insurgents looked at her and screamed that if she ran he would kill her but she managed to escape with 5 of her children and 4 grandchildren.

They stayed a few days in the bush near her village without water and food. When trying to go back home to gather some supplies, her oldest son was captured by the insurgents. She has not heard from him since.

The family walked south for 9 days without food. While crossing a river, her oldest daughter drowned leaving behind her four children. Her husband was also injured during the escape. Viaze now lives Metuge camp home to more than 125,000 displaced people near Pembe with her injured husband, three surviving children and four grandchildren.

Shot:13June21

Metuge

2:13-2:36

SOT Viaze Nassir(Macua)

"They started shooting and attacking the village.

At that moment, this baby was sleeping in the house.

I went inside the house to take the baby, and they came in...

When I picked up the baby, they shouted, "Hey stop, we will kill you! Stop we will kill you!"

I begged, I said "no, please don't kill us. I was already carrying the baby. He was naked, no clothes, nothing at all."

Shot:13June21

Metuge

2:36-2:41

Cutaway Viaze Nassir

Shot:13June21



Metuge

2:41-2:56

SOT Viaze Nassir(Macua)

"I would like my children to grow up and study, to help me and help each other because I am without alternatives. In our land, we produced and sold food to support our children's school costs and here that no longer happens, we just stay. These are my children and they have no other family members, so they just depend on me. I feel even more sorry at other times for knowing that these children had a family and help, but today they no longer have help."

Shot:13June21

Metuge

2:56-3:18

Viaze's children and orphaned grandchildren have undergone a traumatic experience.

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Metuge

3:18-3:27

Viaze's grandchild being tested for malnutrition.

Recent data shows almost 75,000 children under the age of 5 in Cabo Delgado are acutely malnourished.

Shot:13June21

Metuge

3:27-4:01

Viaze Nassir receives food from WFP distribution.

WFP feeds 715,000 people in Cabo Delgado. 64% receive food rations including rice, oil, salt and special fortified nutritional foods to malnourished children and pregnant and breast feeding mothers. The rest receive vouchers that enable them to buy food and support the economy of host communities that are under strain from the massive influx of displaced people.

Shot:13June21

Metuge



4:01-4:16

WFP Executive Director David Beasley talking to Viaze Nassir(Macua/English)

Translator: "She says she saw allot of blood and allot of dead people"

Beasley: "And they burned homes?"

Translator: "All were burned flat"

Translator" They cut people's necks off"

Pembe

Shot: 16June21

4:16-4:39

SOT WFP Executive Director David Beasley(English)

"This was a tourism area, fishing, good economy, people had a good way of life but guess what? Insurgents, terrorists come in rip families apart, burning their homes, killing people, raping women, just exploiting a good way of life and so the World Food Programme is now in here trying to bring hope to people...715,000 people that we are now supporting."

Pembe

Shot: 16June21

4:39-4:57

Viaze Nassir feeding her family

Shot:13June21

Metuge

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WFP News Release

6 July 2021

DISPLACEMENT CRISIS DRIVING UP HUNGER RATES IN NORTHERN MOZAMBIQUE AS FAMILIES FLEE VIOLENCE

PEMBA, CABO DELGADO – The UN World Food Programme (WFP) warns that without urgent funding, one of the world's fastest-growing displacement crises in northern Mozambique risks becoming a hunger emergency as families continue to flee insurgent violence.



"The conflict has destroyed people's jobs, lives and hopes for the future. Insurgents have ripped families apart, burning their homes, traumatizing children and killing people," said WFP's Executive Director David Beasley who recently visited Cabo Delgado and met affected families.

"These innocent communities are now completely reliant on WFP and our partners to provide them with lifesaving food and help them get back on their feet. We must not fail them," he said.

The displacement has left at least 730,000 people in Cabo Delgado with no access to their lands and no means of earning a living. According to the latest food security data¹ captured before the attacks in Palma town in late March 2021, nearly 228,000 people are highly food insecure. This number is projected to increase to 363,000 during the lean season beginning in October.

Many of those who fled the insurgency in Palma to neighbouring districts are being hosted by locals who themselves are living hand to mouth. The added pressure on already scarce resources is impacting host communities struggling with rising food prices and loss of income due to COVID 19. According to the latest IPC data, in some districts the host communities are as food insecure as those displaced.

Children are worst affected. Recent IPC data shows 75,000 children under the age of five are suffering from acute malnutrition. The situation is projected to continue deteriorating, with more districts likely to move into the 'Critical' levels of malnutrition.

The oil and gas-rich province of Cabo Delgado has been experiencing an increasing number of attacks by non-state armed groups since 2017. Conflict has intensified over the past year with seven times more people displaced in 2021, compared to the previous year.

WFP is urgently appealing for US\$121 million until the end of 2021 to support 750,000 people in the northern districts of Cabo Delgado. WFP warns of the risk of having to reduce rations or even halt its food assistance to displaced people next month if no additional funds are received. With families completely reliant on humanitarian support, a break in food assistance has the potential to set the crisis spiraling out of control.

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¹ The latest Integrated Food Security Classification (IPC) data covers 5 districts and the city of Pemba, out of a total of 15 districts.



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