

# Support for Women and Girls Affected by Tropical Cyclone Idai in Mozambique

## BACKGROUND

**Cyclone Idai** destroyed almost everything in its path, causing devastating floods, damaging or destroying more than 90 health facilities, and affecting an estimated **1.85 million people across central Mozambique**.

In the aftermath of such a large

disaster, and during the recovery phase, the urgent needs of Cyclone-affected women and girls remained a priority. Thousands of women and girls were in need of continued access to life-saving emergency obstetric and newborn care and other critical sexual and reproductive health services.

**“** *With this material, our hospital will be better equipped to assist complicated cases locally (instead of referring patients elsewhere)* **”**

**Manuela**, Maternal and Child Health Nurse  
in Sofala Province



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“*As a health professional, after Cyclone Idai...it was difficult. As a health professional focused on the lives of women and girls, on the first day we thought, ‘how is this day going to turn out?’ and wondering if we would make it to the next day.*”

Faustina, Maternal Child Health Nurse  
in Sofala Province

Led by the Government of Mozambique, the project **‘Support for Women and Girls Affected by Tropical Cyclone Idai in Mozambique’**, financed by the China International Development

Cooperation Agency (**CIDCA**), aims to strengthen obstetric and newborn care for **more than 460,000 Cyclone-affected women and girls** in Sofala province, Mozambique.

## Project activities include:

- Procuring essential and life-saving medical supplies and equipping health facilities;
- Training health care workers on the use of the items;
- Increasing community awareness through key messaging on women’s health and the continuation of life-saving health services that are **COVID-19** safe and compliant.

**THIS PROJECT WOULD HAVE SIGNIFICANT BENEFICIAL EFFECTS OF SPECIAL GROUPS:**

- **MATERNAL, CHILD AND NEWBORN HEALTH**
- **SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH**
- **REDUCE MATERNAL MORTALITY AND MORBIDITY**
- **REDUCE PREVENTABLE CHILDBIRTH INJURIES, INCLUDING OBSTETRIC FISTULA**
- **INVESTING IN THE HEALTH WORKFORCE**
- **QUALITY AND AVAILABILITY OF LIFE-SAVING SERVICES**

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