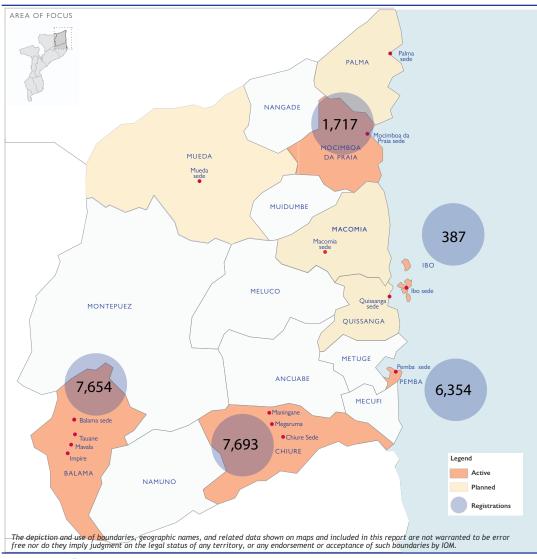
PROMOTING ACCESS TO LEGAL IDENTITY IN NORTHERN MOZAMBIQUE

With over 834,304 Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) and 420,200 returnees in the country, IOM Mozambique supports the Ministry of Justice, Constitutional and Religious affairs and the Ministry of Interior to deliver Birth Certificates and Identity Cards to undocumented migrants, including IDPs and host communities. In parallel, IOM conducts capacity building of Government officials, and supports Government-led coordination platforms on Legal Identity in Cabo Delgado. IOM Legal Identity operations are conducted in coordination with the United Nations Legal Identity Agenda (UNLIA) actors in Mozambique, and in accordance with the IOM Legal Identity Strategy, the IOM Mozambique Country strategy 2021-2023 and IOM Roadmap for Northern Mozambique 2023.



KEY FIGURES

23,805
PEOPLE REACHED

22,268

BIRTH CERTIFICATES
ISSUED

1,537

IDENTITY CARDS ISSUED

109

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TRAINED

5
DISTRICTS
9

LOCALITIES

COVERED

STORY

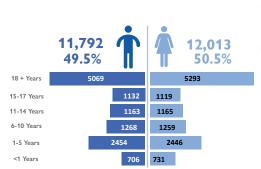


Celestino, a 36-year-old father of five, was forced to flee his home in the district of Muidumbe in July 2021 due to the ongoing conflict in northern Mozambique. He relocated approximately 300 km south to the district of Balama. During the displacement Celestino's house was burned, resulting in the loss of his documents. This loss had significant implications as it prevented him from accessing essential services and put him and his family in constant fear of encountering difficulties with the police.

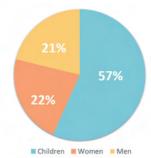
However, thanks to the assistance of IOM, Celestino's situation improved. The IOM provided him with new identity documents for himself and his family, allowing them to regain their legal status. Additionally, Celestino was able to enroll his children in school, providing them with a pathway to education and a sense of normalcy amidst the challenges they faced.

In displacement contexts, Legal Identity is a central element to support displaced people in their path to achieve durable solutions. Read more here.

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