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Nutrition challenges in Mozambique and Multi-sectoral program (MENU) in Niassa province

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Nutrition challenges in Mozambique in relation to SDG Goal 2 "Zero Hunger"



Mozambique is **one of the 22 African countries** with the highest rates of child malnutrition.

Over the past 10 years, the chronic malnutrition rate remained around 43% in children under 5 years of age, and currently 38% (2020)

Malnutrition in Mozambique spends every year about 11% of GDP.

Nutrition situation in Niassa province

	Stunting: Height-for-age			Underweight: Weight-for-age			Wasting Weight-for-height		
	n	(%)	95% CI	n	(%)	95% CI	n	(%)	95% CI
Majune and Muembe district as of 2019	692	46.2	[43.6 – 48.8%]	300	20.0	[18.0 - 22.1%]	107	7.1	[5.9 – 8.6%]
Niassa province as of 2011 ^a	(n.a.)	46.8	(n.a.)	(n.a.)	18.2	(n.a.)	(n.a.)	3.7	(n.a.)
Mozambique as of 2011 ^a	(n.a.)	42.6	(n.a.)	(n.a.)	14.9	(n.a.)	(n.a.)	5.9	(n.a.)

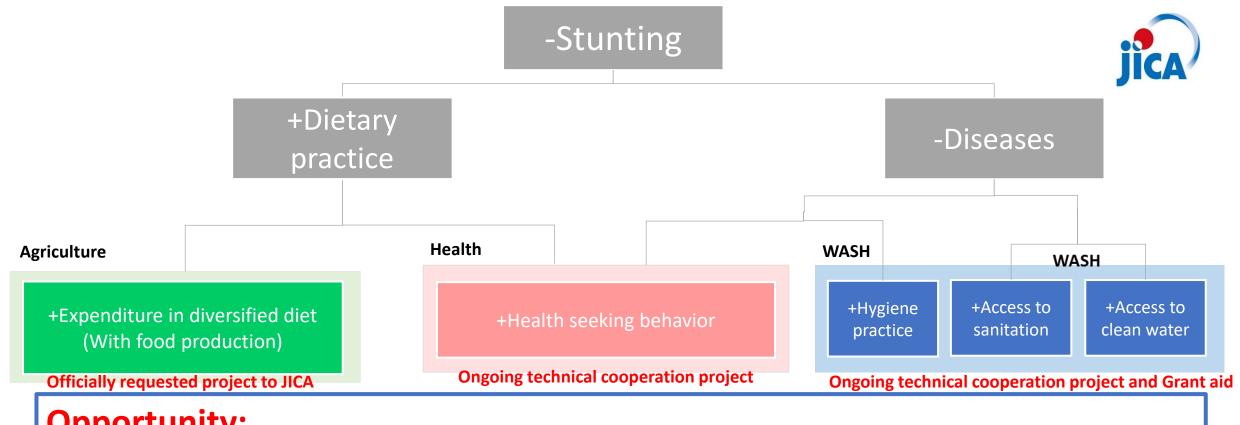
^a Mozambique Demographic and Health Survey (NIS 2011)

- "Multisectoral Nutrition Household Survey in Niassa Province" (data collection in 2019)
- Nutrition situation: not the worst but worse than average
- Scarcity of nutrition stakeholders and the nutrition interventions



Google: Guia Geográfico Moçambique - Mapa de Moçambique.

Multi-sectoral Enhancement for Nutrition Upgrading ("MENU") Program



Opportunity:

CONSAN as a multi-sector coordination body at national level already established

Challenge:

To establish COPSAN as a multi-sector coordination at provincial level

ICSA Pilot project in Niassa Province

Narrative Summary

Overall Goal	Improvement of nutritional status of pregnant women and children under 5 years.
Project Purpose	To contribute to the availability and consumption of diverse foods by pregnant women and children aged 0-5 years in Niassa Province.
Output 1	To promote the production of nutrient dense vegetables, fish and chicken
Output 2	To improve feeding patterns of target groups through nutrition education

Project Period and Target populations

Project period:

From June 2021 to January 2022

Target populations:

289 households, from the specific target groups:

- Pregnant and lactating women;
- Children from 0 to 5 years old;
- Fish farmers and/or producers associations
- Individual producers;

Pilot communities:

11 communities selected from 2 districts in Niassa Province (Ngauma and Mecanhelas).