

Impacts of extreme weather on water and sanitation services

Cyclone Idai in Beira, Mozambique

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Climate changes impact on clean water and safe sanitation

Immediate impacts

- Water system out of action for at least a week, compounded by loss of power. Parts of system seriously damaged.
- Drainage and sewer system overwhelmed raw sewage mixed with floodwater caused public health risk

Longer term response

- Lack of disaster response strategy from institutions responsible for water and sanitation
- Highlighted vulnerability of water network, and lack of safely managed sanitation for 90% of population
- Drainage a critical issue importance of improved solid waste management

What have we been doing?

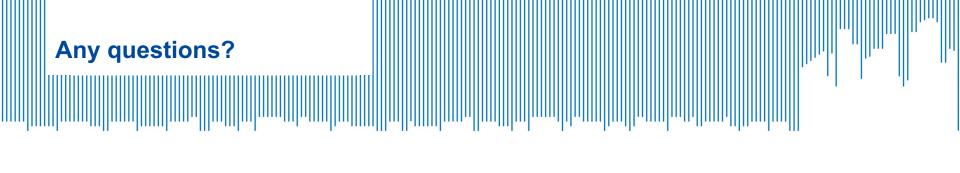
Immediate actions

- Financial and technical assistance to water and sanitation local authorities and stakeholders on recovering from the storm.
- Technical assistance to both water and sanitation authorities on improving the construction features of their assets on expansion projects.
- Financial support to the public services on being technically better prepared for project planning considering climate change.
- Support on creating a strong partnership in between stakeholders.

How to improve?

- 1. Beira sanitation authority now looking beyond the sewer network need on investments over awareness and infrastructures improvements.
- toilets, septic tanks etc that can withstand flooding risk.
- 2. Need for improved citywide sanitation waste collection services to reduce public health risk when areas do flood.
- 3. Not just about WASH importance of solid waste management.
- 4. Better constructions standards for all public services.
- 5. Definition of strategic responses for natural disasters.





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