

U.S. Strategy to Prevent Conflict and Promote Stability

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The Strategy to Prevent Conflict and Promote Stability (SPCPS) is a joint effort by the U.S. government and partners to **address root causes of instability and build durable, inclusive peace**. It realizes the vision of the bipartisan Global Fragility Act of 2019. Together with partners, we're advancing SPCPS through 10-year whole-of-U.S. government plans that were created through extensive consultations and will be continually updated. Mozambique is one of five partner countries/regions identified in the SPCPS.

Mozambique



10-Year Plan Objectives in Mozambique

The 10-year plan for Mozambique was developed after consultations with government officials, civil society, interfaith leaders, the private sector, and donor partners. This resulted in a plan that aligns with Mozambique's own vision for stabilization, including in the country's northern provinces where the ISIS-Mozambique (ISIS-M) insurgency has committed heinous acts of violence and displaced nearly a million people. Our efforts aim to:

1. Support communities, individuals, and civil society organizations as active participants in political, economic, and social processes.
2. Strengthen and professionalize government institutions through more transparent, accountable, and effective systems.
3. Foster inclusive and sustainable development, to include increased private sector investment that creates local employment for previously marginalized communities.
4. Support institutions to be responsive to local needs and reliably provide basic services.



Left: U.S. Ambassador to Mozambique Vrooman with participants in a sports for peace program. Right: Farmers and community members in Mocuba District.

What Makes Our Work under SPCPS Different?

SPCPS is a transformative effort to change how the U.S. government works to prevent and respond to conflict. It calls for the U.S. government to prioritize local partnerships and integrate its diplomacy, development, and defense efforts to be more strategic, proactive, and efficient. First released in 2020, the SPCPS outlines four goals to promote peaceful, resilient nations. The full strategy and 10-year plans for each of the five partner countries/regions can be found at: state.gov/stability-strategy.

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SPCPS Activities in Mozambique



Left: A broadcaster for Manhica Community Radio Station. Right: U.S. and Mozambican leaders lay the first bricks for construction of a new secondary school in Pemba.

To advance the SPCPS in Mozambique, the United States, led by State, USAID, Defense, and Treasury, is leveraging resources from across the U.S. government. This includes both activities supported by the Prevention and Stabilization Fund, which was authorized by U.S. Congress for SPCPS, and other U.S. government efforts aligned to the 10-year plan, such as:

- **Connectivity and Coastal Resilience Compact (Millennium Challenge Corporation):** A \$500 million compact promoting inclusive economic growth, strengthening climate and coastal resilience, and improving investments in agricultural value-chains and transportation infrastructure.
- **Counterterrorism Capacity Building (State Department and Defense Department):** Working with the Mozambique Defense Forces to improve strategic doctrine, operational training capacity, and civil military operations to counter ISIS-M.
- **Development Assistance (USAID):** USAID implementing a broad spectrum of activities, from peace building and the promotion of alternative livelihoods to the strengthening of health, civic engagement, education, and judicial services, with the collective aim of bringing peace, stability and economic opportunity. Examples of these include the Justice Sector Technical Support Activity and the Resilient Coastal Communities Program.
- **Maritime Maintenance and Logistics Advisor (Defense Department):** Working with the Mozambique Defense Forces, particularly the Mozambican Navy, to professionalize and improve their ability to conduct operations in support of maritime operations, thus improving their maritime security capacity.
- **Peace Clubs (State Department):** Promoting social cohesion and reconciliation through activities led by interreligious councils such as peace marches, sports for peace, and community radio stations.



“These investments in peace and prosperity will not only deliver returns for our priority partner nations in the decades ahead—they will foster greater stability, success, and security for nations everywhere and help advance progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals.”

— President Joseph R. Biden Jr., March 24, 2023

