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Message from the Chairman

Reflecting on another year of RAF Global's work in Mozambique, I am pleased to share our progress. In 2025, RAF Global continued its work across Gaza and Maputo provinces through an integrated and convergence-based approach that supported children, women, and families in strengthening livelihoods, improving health and nutrition, accessing education, and building resilience for the future.

During the year, we expanded our reach to over 50 communities, strengthening local systems and capacities to respond to the needs of the most vulnerable. Community Leadership Councils, the smallest units of local self-governance, played a critical role in identifying vulnerable families, out-of-school children, and women-headed households and ensuring that support reached those who needed it most.

Among the notable initiatives introduced during the review year was the nutrition garden at the organisation's ECD centre in Maputo. In addition to fostering healthier eating habits and inspiring parents to embrace home-grown food, the initiative gave children the chance to learn by engaging directly with nature and gardening. Our Early Childhood Development initiative also achieved positive educational results, with 129 of 131 children advancing successfully to primary school.

Alongside these efforts, RAF Global continued to strengthen rural livelihoods through climate-smart agriculture initiatives. Across 14 communities, 1,050 smallholder farmers adopted improved farming practices, contributing to enhanced food security, improved nutrition, and greater resilience to climate variability.



The review year was also marked by recognition and encouragement from government stakeholders. RAF Global was honoured by both the Provincial Executive Council of Gaza Province and the District Government of Chongoene for its contributions to improving education, strengthening student retention, promoting youth entrepreneurship, and expanding vocational training opportunities for young people. These recognitions reflect the dedication of our teams, communities, and partners, whose collective efforts continue to create pathways for empowerment and inclusive growth.

Behind every number in this report is a story of determination: a child returning to school, a mother cultivating food for her family, a young person gaining the confidence to earn an income, and a community taking greater ownership of its future.

It is a privilege to be part of this journey. I offer my heartfelt thanks to the communities we serve, government partners, donors, volunteers, and devoted team members who make this work a reality. Your continued support and shared commitment are helping turn possibility into lasting progress for thousands of families across Mozambique.

Rizwan Adatia

Rizwan Adatia
Founder & Chairman
RAF Global



An ECD student celebrates the harvest in the nutrition garden at the Centro de Recursos de Competências e Sustento (CRCS), where hands-on learning introduces children to food cultivation and healthy eating. Located in Maputo, CRCS is RAF Global's integrated learning and resource centre, serving as a hub for programmes that support children, families, and underserved communities.

About RAF Global

RAF Global is a private, non-denominational, not-for-profit international organisation committed to improving the quality of life primarily in selected countries across Africa and Asia. RAF Global has branches and affiliates in six countries. It works with the most marginalised individuals, families, and communities in the poorest areas of Asia and Africa to improve their quality of life by acting as a catalyst that brings together resources, technology, systems, and effective grassroots strategies, giving better choices and control to people for lasting change. In pursuit of its mission, RAF Global endeavours to make long-term, strategic and systemic investment around the key sectors of health, nutrition, education, and sustainable livelihoods along with advancing good governance at the subnational level. Operational in Mozambique since 2015, RAF Global is legally incorporated under Clause 2 of Article 158 of the Civil Code of Mozambique.

Vision

A resilient society that is free from poverty and where every woman, man and child leads a fulfilling life with dignity, peace and security of rights.

Mission

RAF Global works with the most marginalised individuals, families and communities in the poorest areas of Asia and Africa to improve the quality of life by acting as a catalyst that brings together resources, technology, systems, and effective grassroots strategies, giving better choices and control to people for a lasting change.

Global Programme Framework

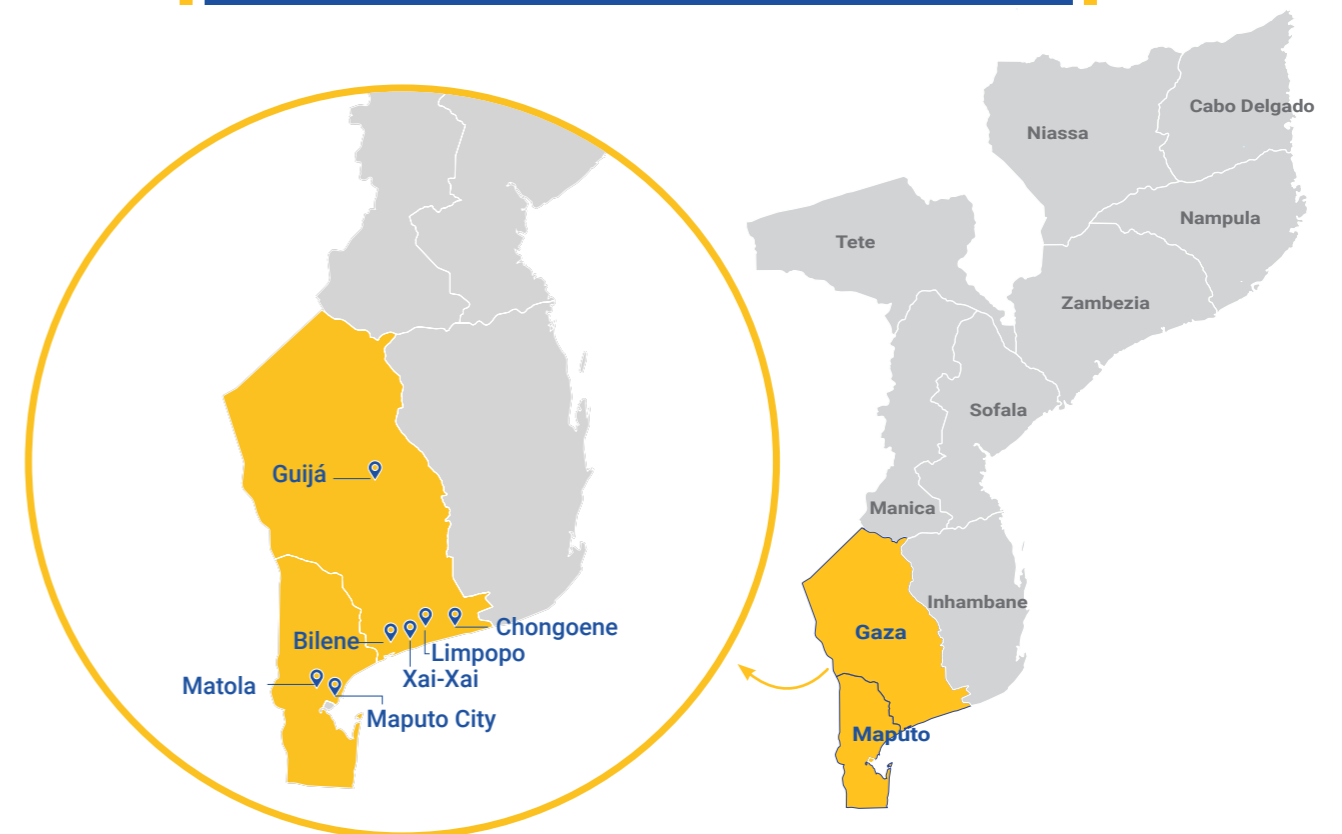


Where We Work

Global Presence



Mozambique



RAF Global in Mozambique

Overview 2025

RAF Global employs a multi-sectoral intervention strategy centred on convergence, recognising that lasting improvements in quality of life require addressing the interconnected factors shaping individual and community well-being. By integrating interventions across health, nutrition, education, and sustainable livelihoods, RAF Global provides coordinated support tailored to the diverse and evolving needs of vulnerable households and communities. The main areas of intervention in Mozambique include Matola in Maputo and five districts in Gaza – Bilene, Chongoene, Limpopo, Xai-Xai, and Guijá, with Guijá newly added during the review year.

During the review period, RAF Global in Mozambique implemented integrated interventions in over 50 communities across Chongoene, Bilene, Limpopo, Guijá, and Xai-Xai, thereby strengthening community resilience and local systems. These efforts not only addressed immediate needs but also generated valuable insights that continue to guide RAF Global's strategies for sustainable, community-led development.

Key learnings

1. Community Leadership Councils (CLCs) as local change agents

RAF Global's strategic engagement with Community Leadership Councils (CLCs), the

smallest units of local self-governance, proved pivotal in reaching the most vulnerable households. With support from CLCs, 134 out-of-school children were identified and facilitated in re-enrolling at Matangine Primary School in the Limpopo district. Additionally, over 117 children, including orphans and those from women-headed households, obtained birth certificates through organisation-led public service camps in partnership with government departments. Across eight rural communities, 63 vulnerable households received essential supplies such as rice and soap, especially during lean seasons, underscoring the CLCs' role in connecting communities to essential support and services.

2. Nutrition gardens as a convergence model

RAF Global supported 126 smallholder farmers, primarily women, across six communities in the upland areas of coastal Gaza, strengthening nutrition gardening through simple climate-smart practices such as mulching and raised seedbeds. These techniques improved soil moisture, reduced weed growth, and helped gardens thrive in areas with poor soil conditions. Cooking classes complemented the nutrition garden initiative by encouraging families to incorporate home-grown vegetables into more diverse and nutritious meals, helping translate increased production into improved household diets.

Building on this learning, RAF Global plans to expand the initiative with a particular focus on caregivers of young children enrolled in early childhood programme. This targeted approach aims to further strengthen household nutrition and support healthy growth and cognitive development for young children during their formative years.

3. Integrated services for sustainable livelihoods

During the review year, women accounted for 64 per cent of trainees in the skill-building programme, with 34 per cent enrolled in non-traditional trades such as plumbing, welding, electrical work, and basic electronics, sectors with stronger income potential. However, women's transition from training to sustainable livelihoods remains shaped by household dynamics and social norms that can limit their mobility and decision-making. Recognising caregiving responsibilities as a barrier to participation, RAF Global continues to integrate childcare support through the Early Childhood Development (ECD) centre at CRCS in Machava, which provides early learning and nutritional support for children alongside vocational training opportunities for youth and women. This integrated approach enabled 26 caregivers to participate in






training sessions during the review year. The organisation aims to expand this integrated initiative across its programme locations while strengthening post-training support through tool-sharing, collective purchasing, market linkages, and women-led collective enterprises. These efforts are intended to help graduates translate newly acquired skills into sustainable livelihood opportunities.

4. Practical solutions and supportive school environments are essential for girls' attendance

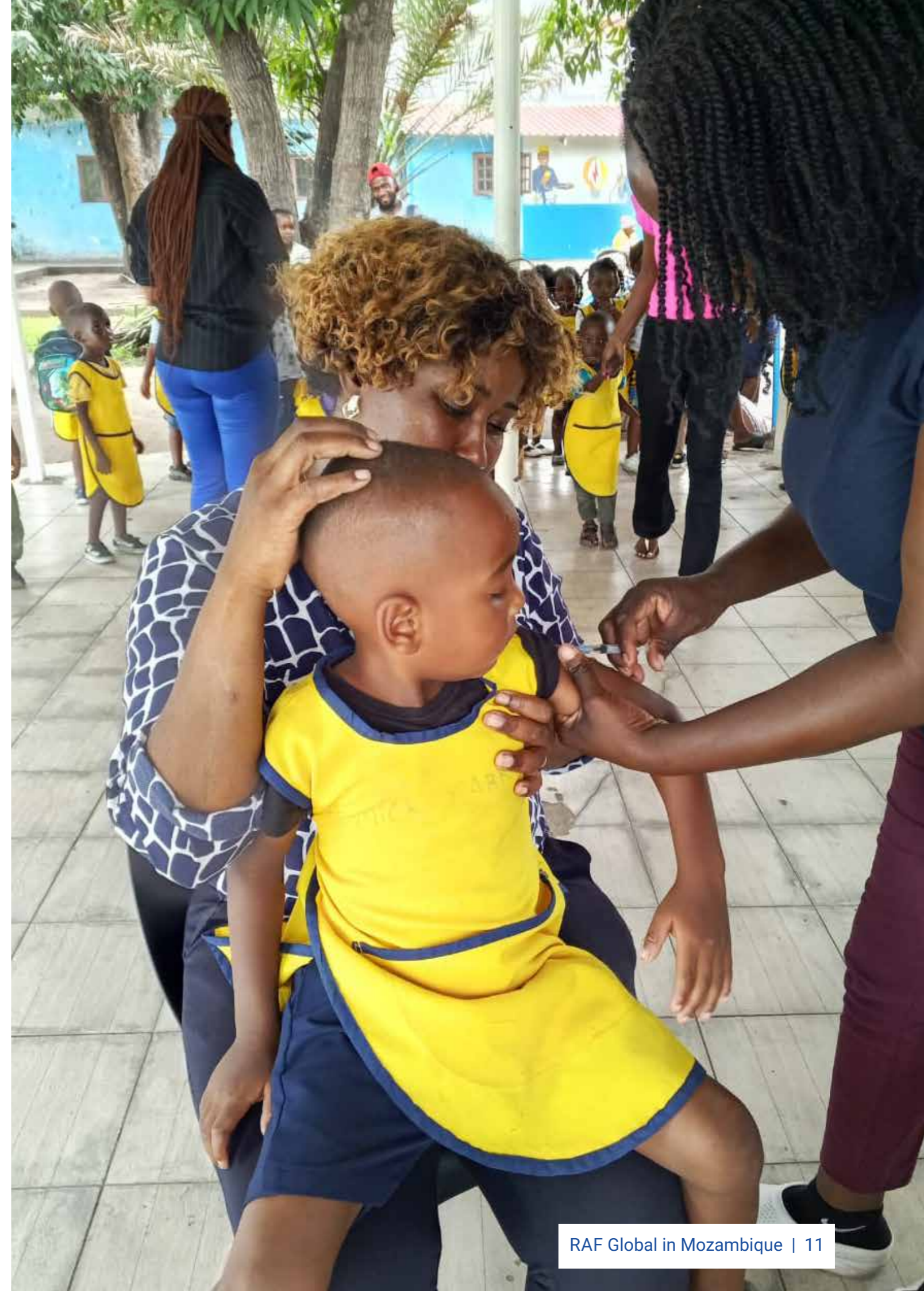
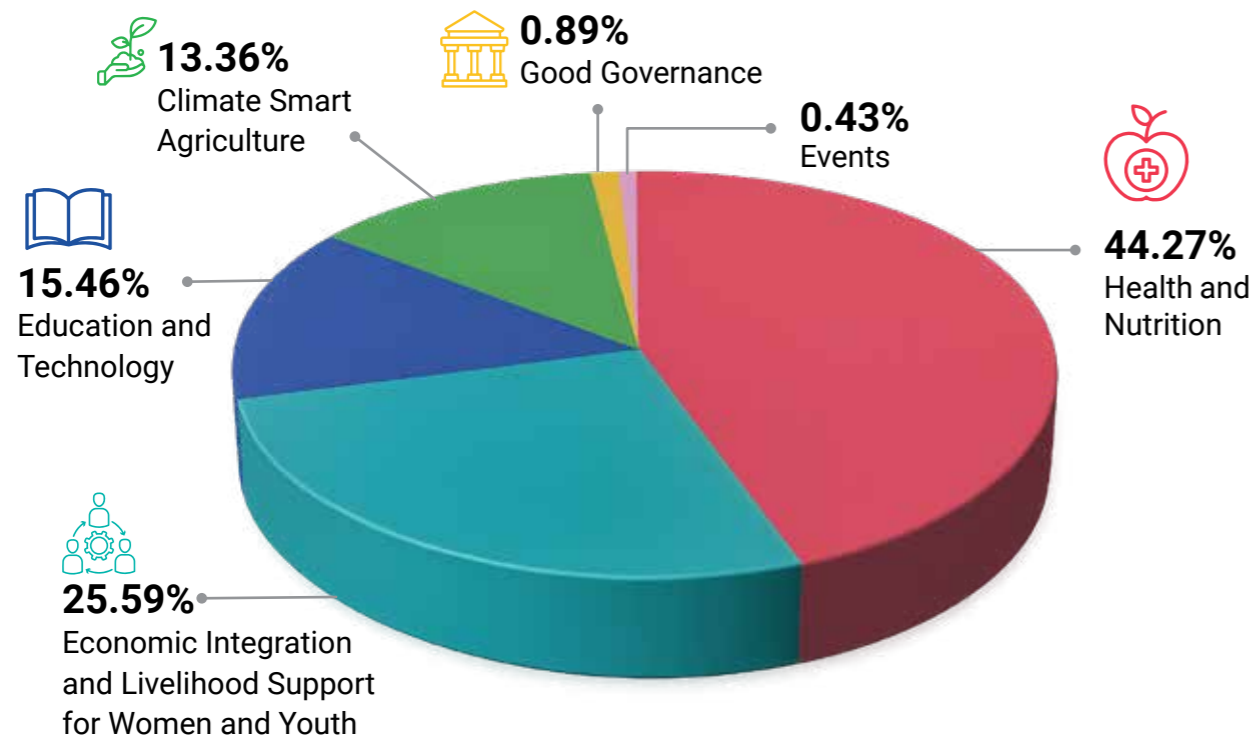
RAF Global reached 3,729 students in 15 schools across Gaza Province with health and menstrual hygiene education. During the year, 300 girls were trained to make reusable sanitary pads from locally available materials, and schools with newly constructed toilet facilities committed to maintaining at least one clean, lockable toilet with water for girls. The initiative underscored that menstrual hygiene education is most effective when paired with practical, low-cost product options and safe, private sanitation facilities. This integrated approach helps address the underlying barriers that contribute to girls' absenteeism and supports their continued participation in school.

The year in review

During the period under review, a total of 49,943 individuals benefitted from the organisation's initiatives, 52 per cent of whom were women. The following table shows the spread of its impact on the community through a range of programmes.

Programmes	No. of persons reached	Proportion of women (among total persons reached)
 Health and Nutrition	17,000	52%
 Economic Integration and Livelihood Support for Women and Youth	1,425	43%
 Climate Smart Agriculture	1,050	51%
 Education and Technology	30,000	53%
 Good Governance	468	48%

Funds investments across programmes





Health and Nutrition

RAF Global employs a holistic, impact-driven strategy to work towards improved healthcare, nutrition, and community well-being in underserved regions of Mozambique. By integrating direct service provision, capacity building, preventive healthcare, and community empowerment, the organisation aims to ensure both immediate relief and long-term resilience. The organisation works through diverse initiatives in areas of nutrition and food security, healthcare infrastructure, water and sanitation, health awareness and education, medical outreach and health camps.



Community-led water solutions in Messano

In Messano, limited access to safe water once forced families—especially women and children—to walk long distances and spend hours queuing at unreliable sources. In 2024, RAF Global rehabilitated a community borehole, benefitting over 300 people and providing a reliable source of clean and safe drinking water.

Two years later, the borehole remains fully functional, ensuring continued access to potable water. This has reduced waterborne diseases, improved community health, and enhanced overall well-being. Women and children, in particular, now save time previously spent fetching water, allowing them to focus on education and productive activities.

The sustainability of this intervention is supported by regular monitoring, active engagement with the local water committee, and the community's commitment to proper maintenance. The Messano borehole demonstrates how access to safe water can create lasting improvements in health, dignity, and daily life, especially for women and children.

In the reporting period, RAF Global positively impacted **17,000 lives** through its healthcare initiatives.

Women represented **52 per cent** of the total individuals who benefitted from health and nutrition initiatives.

17,000

Total programme outreach

22

boreholes repaired

169

cataract surgeries conducted

15

schools supported through preventive healthcare initiatives

Strengthening the healthcare system

Nutrition care

During the review year, RAF Global reached 273 children and elderly individuals with regular nutritional meals through its Bhojan project, which has been in operation since 2018 at the Centro de Recursos de Competências e Sustento (formerly known as Centre of Aspiration for Youths in Mozambique) in Maputo. The initiative benefitted children from Dom Orione (a home for children with cerebral palsy) and AACOSIDA orphanages, as well as the organisation's ECD centre.



Further, nutrition interventions focused on improving household-level practices through community engagement. Nutrition garden initiatives were established across six communities, reaching 126 participants, the majority of whom were women. Training focused on the use of organic inputs and sustainable cultivation practices, enabling households to diversify diets and improve access to nutritious foods. Cooking and nutrition classes led by the organisation further reinforced these efforts by introducing new recipes and promoting the practical application of locally available foods.



Cataract treatment

A five-day cataract campaign supported by RAF Global during the review year delivered 169 surgeries across Gaza province, restoring sight for individuals, including 100 women. The initiative builds on continued engagement since 2022 with the Provincial Hospital of Xai-Xai, which has strengthened coordination and referral systems over time. Together, these efforts have expanded access to specialised and rehabilitative healthcare.



Water and sanitation

Reliable access to safe water remains essential for health and well-being. In the review year, the organisation restored 22 boreholes (11 major rehabilitations and 11 minor repairs) across Bilene and Limpopo, benefitting around 14,000 people. To ensure long-term functionality, 21 water committees were revitalised and trained in maintenance and basic repairs, enhancing community-led management and equitable water access. The initiatives were delivered in partnership with Ananda Marga Universal Relief Team (AMURT) and Lucky Trading Company.



Health camps and awareness in schools

In Gaza province, 15 schools participated in health and hygiene educational workshops that reached 3,729 students during the review year, with more than half of the participants being girls. The organisation placed strong emphasis on adolescent well-being, delivering sessions on malaria prevention, HIV awareness, and menstrual hygiene management. The initiatives were complemented by hearing screening camps conducted in schools, enabling early identification of hearing issues that might otherwise go unnoticed, especially in rural areas and can hinder students' learning and participation in class.



Outreach through Health and Nutrition

Strengthening the Healthcare System



273 children and elderly individuals received regular essential nutrition care through its Bhojan project



169 cataract surgeries were conducted, restoring vision and improving the quality of life



63 households received essential household supplies

Water and Sanitation



14,000 people benefitted from improved access to community boreholes

Preventive Healthcare



3,729 children reached through health education initiatives and hearing screenings



Economic Integration and Livelihood Support for Women and Youth

RAF Global’s interventions with women and youth aim to foster sustainable economic empowerment through skill-building, financial inclusion, entrepreneurship, and leadership development. The organisation employs a comprehensive and gender-inclusive approach to impart professional skills and access to financial resources. The long-term objective is to reduce dependency and foster resilience, while promoting local economic growth through community-led initiatives of self-help groups and micro loans.



Building sustainable livelihoods through vocational training

Herlêncio Leu Paulino Nhaule, a 23-year-old from Zongoene (Neighbourhood 2) in Limpopo district, was raised by his mother alongside four siblings after the loss of his father in 2011. Despite financial challenges, he completed Grade 12 with support from his sisters working in South Africa.

In 2022, limited financial resources prevented him from pursuing a career in the police force, as his family prioritised his brother’s education. Seeking employment opportunities, he migrated to South Africa, where he worked in low-paying construction jobs due to a lack of formal skills, before eventually returning home.

In 2025, Herlêncio enrolled in a six-month plumbing course offered by RAF Global in Ngulelene, travelling nearly 60 km each day to attend classes and gain practical training. After completing the course and receiving certification, he established himself as an independent plumber serving communities across Limpopo.

He now earns between 5,000 and 10,000 meticaïs (USD 80–160) per month, invests in his tools, supports his family, and collaborates with other tradespeople. His journey reflects resilience and the transformative impact of vocational training in enabling sustainable livelihoods.

In the year in review, **1,425 individuals** participated in Economic Integration and Livelihood Support initiatives.

Women represented **43 per cent** of all programme participants.

1,425

Total programme outreach

710

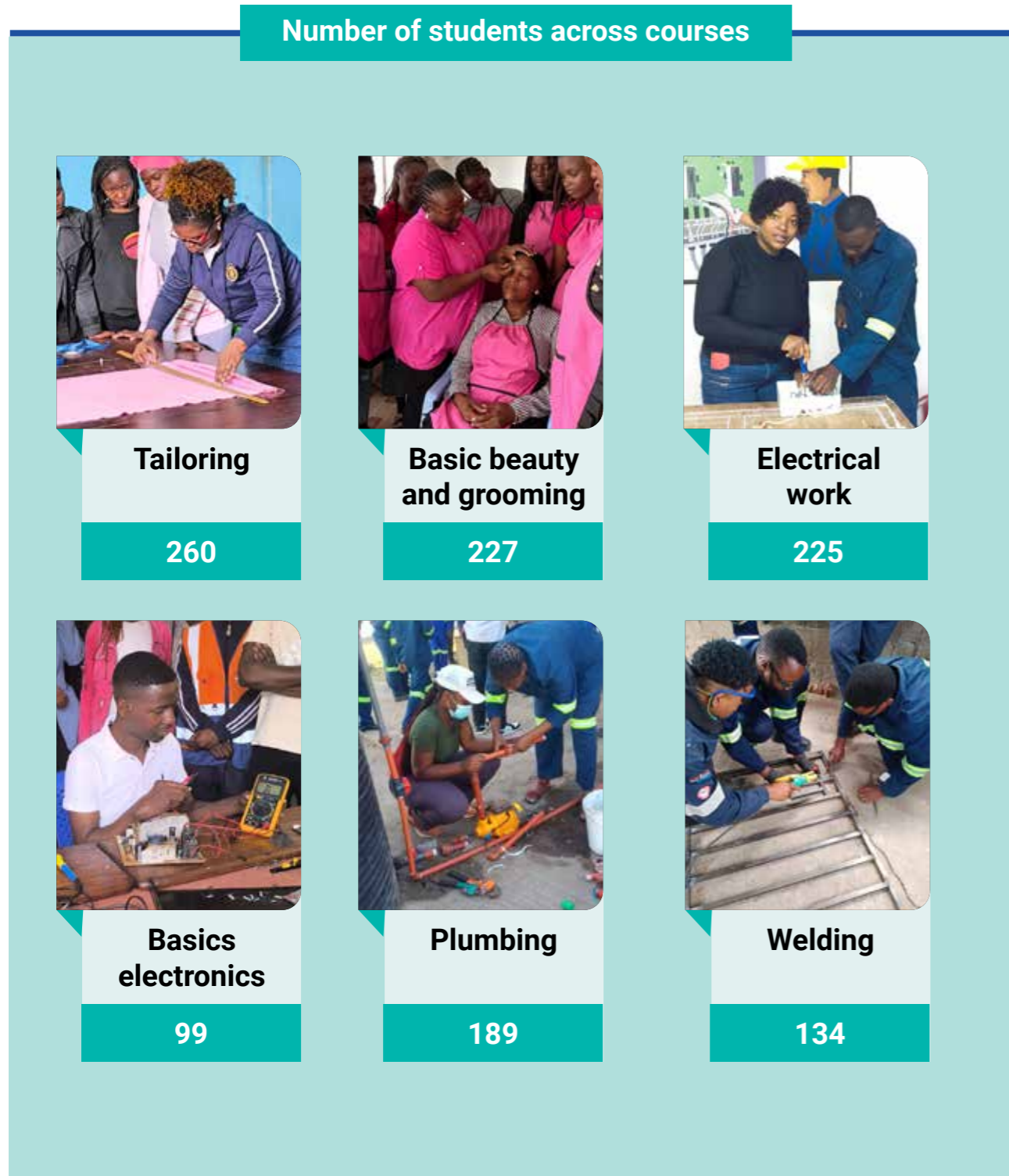
women trained in employable skills

244

women opted for learning in plumbing, welding and electronics skills

Skill building

During the review period, 1,134 women and youth were trained in livelihood skills through the organisation’s skill-building programme in Maputo and Gaza. The programme delivered training in six trades—tailoring, basic beauty and grooming, electrical training, basic electronics, welding, and plumbing. Women accounted for nearly 64 per cent of trainees, with 34 per cent choosing non-traditional trades such as plumbing, welding, electrical work, and basic electronics.



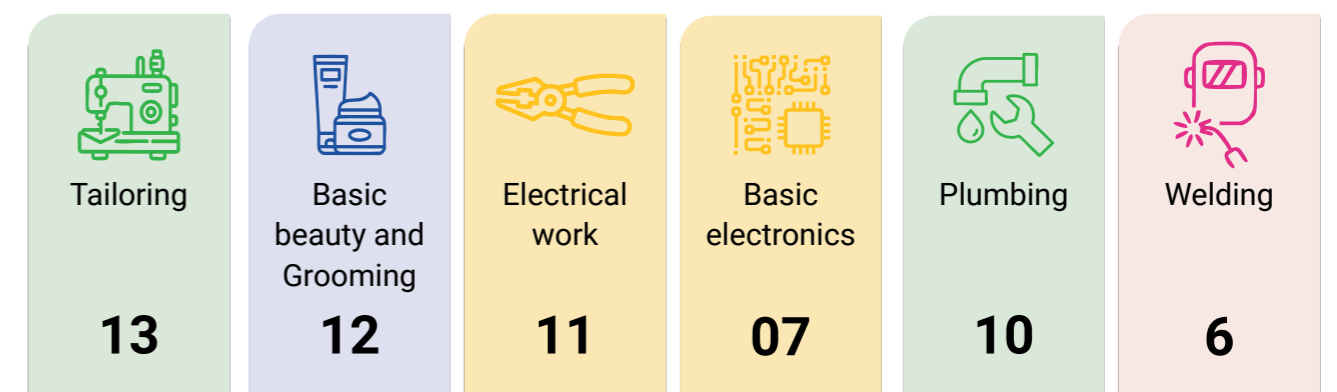
Seeding entrepreneurial futures

Social enterprise fund

To support the transition from skills development to sustainable livelihoods, RAF Global provided seed capital to 59 students by equipping them with essential business tools and practice kits, such as sewing machines, cosmetics kits, and electrical kits, enabling recipients to establish their own start-ups or income-generating activities, fostering entrepreneurship and self-reliance. Women accounted for nearly 47 per cent of recipients during the review year.



Seed Capital support across courses





Self-Help Groups

In rural agriculture-based communities, RAF Global strengthened nine self-help groups comprising 179 members, of whom 78 per cent were women. Through capacity building and facilitation, these groups supported regular savings and internal lending, enabling members to access small loans for agricultural inputs and other livelihood activities, while improving financial inclusion and strengthening women's role in household economic decision-making.



Life skills and entrepreneurship training

In Gaza province, 95 trainees across Xai-Xai, Limpopo, Chongoene, and Bilene participated in focused entrepreneurship training.

These sessions were focused on enterprise development skills, including business planning, savings, marketing, innovation, and teamwork, preparing participants to transition from skills acquisition to income-generating activities.

In Maputo, the CRCS served as a hub for integrated youth development, reaching over 350 women and youth enrolled in a skill-building programme. Training focused on technical and life skills, including entrepreneurship and digital marketing, and was complemented by HIV awareness and psychosocial support.



In partnership with Associação para Promoção de Saúde Mental em Moçambique, psychosocial support was delivered through weekly sessions addressing mental health challenges such as depression, relationship issues, social pressure, and substance use. The intervention strengthened resilience, interpersonal competencies, and readiness for employment and social integration.

Additionally, community engagement initiatives, including a livelihood and health fair, reached more than 1,600 community members. The initiative was implemented in collaboration with government health centres and civil society organisations, including Movimento Nacional de Luta contra a Pobreza (MONALPO) and UCUCHO Services, as well as practitioner Paulo Massangu.



At 24, Agostinho Esmeraldo Muchanga is a single father, a resident of Chissano Administrative Post, supporting his young son with his mother and elder sister. With his father working in South Africa and providing little financial support, the family relied primarily on his mother's modest farming income and often struggled to meet basic needs.

Due to financial constraints, Agostinho left school after Grade 10 and began working as an electrical assistant under his uncle. Lacking formal training, he earned only 500-1,000 meticaís (USD 8–16) per month, limiting his prospects for financial stability and growth.

His fortunes began to shift in early 2025. Seizing an opportunity for growth, he enrolled in a free electricity course at RAF Global's skill-building centre in Chissano Sede. Despite challenges of distance and transport, he completed the course successfully. The training not only strengthened his technical skills but also boosted his confidence and aspirations.

By the end of 2025, Agostinho was earning between 3,000 and 5,000 meticaís (USD 47–80) per month, providing his family with improved financial stability. As a trained electrician, he now works independently and collaborates with fellow graduates on larger assignments. During slower periods, he diversifies his income through motorcycle taxi services and short-term community work, demonstrating resilience and a proactive approach to sustaining his livelihood. Agostinho is not just earning a living; he is building a more secure future for his family.



Penúria Pedro Siteo from Chongoene spent years seeking work after finishing Grade 12. Her husband's earnings barely covered the household's expenses, leaving little room for stability or growth.

In 2025, Penúria enrolled at RAF Global's skill-building centre to pursue tailoring, a craft close to her heart since childhood. Beginning in July, she dedicated six months to her training and emerged as a top-performing graduate. Her outstanding performance was rewarded with an electric sewing machine, provided as seed capital to help launch her start-up.

By 2025, Penúria had established a steady income, earning between 1,000 and 1,500 meticaais (USD 16–24) per month. She contributes to her household while also supporting fellow graduates by sharing her machine. Through continued collaboration with peers and guidance from her trainer, she is strengthening her skills and building her confidence.

Looking ahead, Penúria aims to acquire a multi-function sewing machine to expand her services and grow her small enterprise into a sustainable livelihood.

Outreach through Economic Integration and Livelihood Support for Women and Youth

Vocational Training Programme



1,134 women and youth gained employable skills

445 women and youth received integrated support in life and entrepreneurial skills



Seeding Entrepreneurial Futures



59 women and youth received seed capital support to initiate income-generating activities



Climate Smart Agriculture

The Climate Smart Agriculture initiative is aligned with improving farming practices for small and marginal landholders, ensuring climate resilience, sustainable income, and food security. RAF Global emphasises gender-specific responses, involving women in strategies for enhanced food security and livelihoods by encouraging them to adopt climate-responsive agriculture.



Women transforming homegrown foods into healthy meals

In the Chongoene district, limited dietary diversity and nutrition challenges affected many rural households. Through RAF Global's nutrition garden initiative, communities gained access to a diverse range of crops, including beetroot, lettuce, cabbage and carrots.

Building on this, a women-led farmer group named Tenta Sorte—meaning “keep trying despite challenges”—participated in cooking classes conducted by the organisation to promote healthy and practical food preparation. The group led by Ms Verónica Langa received practical training in preparing simple, nutritious meals using locally available foods. The sessions helped women discover new ways to use familiar ingredients.

Following the training, families began preparing more diverse dishes, including cassava and sweet potato cakes, moringa-enriched juices, and incorporating moringa into curries and beans, reflecting increased use of nutrient-rich foods at the household level.

“We used to grow many foods, but didn't know how to use them differently. Now moringa has become part of our meals,” shared Verónica.

In the reporting period, **1,050 smallholder farmers** across **14 communities** were supported under the Climate Smart Agriculture initiative.

Of the total participants, **51 per cent** were women.

1,050

Total programme outreach

36

nutrition gardens established across six communities

14

farmers in communities brought underutilised land into first-time cultivation using conservation agriculture practices

Climate-resilient farming

Smallholder farmers in Mozambique face constraints such as limited water, inputs, and labour. However, there is significant potential to enhance productivity through improved land utilisation and low-cost, climate-resilient practices. The organisation supported farmers through structured group trainings and exposure visits, promoting the productive use of both lowland and upland areas for year-round farming.

In lowland areas, where water access enables cultivation across seasons, the organisation promoted adaptive agronomic practices, including improved drainage in flood-prone areas, staggered planting, and the use of raised beds or ridges to manage excess rainfall. Soil moisture conservation techniques were also introduced to mitigate dry spells.

In contrast, rainfed upland areas are characterised by shallow soils and limited water availability. Through conservation agriculture practices, these areas were made more productive, particularly for backyard gardening and drought-resilient cropping. The organisation introduced mulching and soil-improvement techniques and supported the establishment of nutrition gardens, thereby improving household nutrition.

Farmer groups were established in each target community, with members ranging from 14 to over 50. These groups served as local platforms for collective land use, knowledge exchange, and the expansion of cultivation into underutilised areas across both lowland and upland systems. To strengthen sustainability, a training-of-trainers (ToT) approach was adopted, with selected focal farmers receiving advanced training to facilitate peer learning and support sustainable replication.



Demonstration plots and exposure visits

Demonstration plots, ranging from 0.25 to over 6 hectares, were established across target communities as practical platforms for farmer-led experimentation. These plots enabled farmers to test and scale improved practices under real field conditions. Successful approaches were gradually adopted on individual farms, including producing organic inputs such as compost and biopesticides, reducing reliance on external inputs and strengthening self-reliance.



The initiative extended beyond direct beneficiaries through exposure visits organised by extensionists from District Service for Economic Activities (SDAE), reaching an additional 50–100 farmers per group and supporting wider adoption. In addition, ten farmers from Chongoene district visited district agricultural markets, gaining valuable insights into pricing, demand, and market dynamics.

Crop diversification

Crop diversification was promoted to improve household nutrition, reduce production risks, and strengthen market engagement. Under favourable conditions, yields were encouraging. On small lowland plots (0.01 ha), farmers harvested up to 300 kg of cabbage, 120 kg of onions, 50 kg of tomatoes, and 40 kg of beetroot, without using chemical fertilisers. These results exceeded typical backyard production in upland areas.



Training in organic farming

Structured training in organic and conservation agriculture reached over 466 farmers, 83 per cent of whom were women. The initiative emphasised practical field techniques, including mulching and strategies to increase soil fertility. Additionally, farmers learned how to produce compost and biopesticides, generating over 100 kg and 40 kg per training session, respectively. Notably, the biopesticides demonstrated strong efficacy against fall armyworm (*Spodoptera frugiperda*) during the maize vegetative stage. These practices were demonstrated on community plots, enabling farmers to test, adapt, and apply them on their own land.



Nutrition garden

In six communities, 36 nutrition gardens were established in rainfed upland areas, each measuring an average of 6 square metres. The initiative benefitted 126 farmers, the majority of whom were women, and promoted the cultivation of nutrient-dense, drought-tolerant crops.

During the review period, average garden yields ranged from 3–6 kg for lettuce, 7–10 kg for carrots, 8–12 kg for collard greens, 6–12 kg for beetroot, and 6–11 kg for spinach. Building on these results, the organisation plans to introduce basic on-site food-processing techniques to further enhance nutrition and value addition.



Outreach through Education and Technology

Organic Farming



1,050 farmers reached across 14 communities through integrated lowland–upland farming systems

466 farmers trained in organic inputs, producing over 100 kg of compost and 30–40 kg of biopesticides per targeted community



Nutrition Garden



36 nutrition gardens established across six communities, reaching 126 farmers and supporting diversified vegetable production



Education and Technology

RAF Global works on improving educational spaces in government schools through infrastructure support, resource mobilisation, digital accessibility, extracurricular engagement and teacher capacity building. It also ensures quality and timely learning for young children through its early childhood programme in Gaza and Maputo Provinces.



“First, it was Martilia who dropped out, and then I could not go to school alone, but now we are happy and ready to start our school year. I dream of becoming a teacher, while Martilia hopes to be a nurse.”



-Beni Belizardo Chambal

Restoring access to education through basic support

In rural Mozambique, getting education means overcoming more than just distance. For children in Chissano, in the Limpopo district, poverty, long walks to school, and cold winter mornings have long made regular attendance a daily struggle. At Matangine Primary School in Limpopo, which serves 624 children in Grades 1 to 6, dropout rates were high.

RAF Global, which supports Matangine Primary School through education, water, and sanitation initiatives, identified lack of warm clothing as a key barrier to school attendance during the winter months. In August 2025, with support from Threads, RAF Global provided warm clothing to all children enrolled at the school, as well as children who had dropped out. These children were identified with the support of Community Leadership Councils, the local village governance units. The initiative contributed to improved school attendance and re-enrolment. By October 2025, 134 children who had previously dropped out had returned to school, while enrolment for the 2026 academic year increased to 713 learners.

Among them were siblings Beni Belizardo Chambal and Martilia Belizardo Chambal, who had both dropped out in June 2025 when the cold made early mornings unbearable. The distribution of warm sweaters brought them back. For Beni, Martilia, and hundreds of children like them, warm clothing was not a small thing. It was essential support that enabled their access to school.

During the review period, RAF Global reached **30,000 children** across eight Early Childhood Development (ECD) classes and **31 schools**, with seven schools benefitting from a range of integrated support services.

Of all the children reached, **53 per cent** were girls.

30,000

Total programme outreach

31

schools benefitted from diverse initiatives

98%

of ECD graduates progressed to primary school

Early childhood development



RAF Global supported ECD centres in Gaza and Maputo provinces, reaching 671 children. These centres serve as key entry points for improving school readiness and supporting children's transition into formal education in underserved communities. Of 131 children who completed the ECD cycle, 129 successfully transitioned to primary school, demonstrating stronger progression into formal education pathways. Children advanced across core developmental areas, with Animadoras¹ offering tailored support to those with specific learning and health needs through close supervision and caregiver engagement, reflecting emerging inclusive approaches.

The programme adopted a holistic approach, integrating early learning with health and nutrition services. With support from the District Service for Women, Health and Social Action (SDSMAS) children received vaccinations, deworming, and Vitamin A supplementation. Hygiene was reinforced through regular handwashing and daily routines.

Parental engagement was central to the model, with meetings addressing child development, home-based stimulation, and school preparedness. Caregivers were further supported on child nutrition and organised into learning groups to establish nutrition gardens using improved agronomic practices. In Matola, parents collectively contributed seeds, saplings, and manure to develop a garden at the ECD centre.



¹Animadoras are community-based ECD facilitators responsible for children's early learning and care.

School improvement

Clothing distribution and sanitation blocks

In rural communities, barriers to sustained school participation often stem from unmet basic needs, such as clothing and sanitation. RAF Global supported 19,286 students across 31 schools in Bilene, Chongoene, and Limpopo districts through clothing assistance in partnership with Threads, improving attendance and retention. The organisation also built toilets at Poiombo and Ngulelene government primary schools, providing 1,280 students with safe sanitation and particularly enhancing participation among girls.



Mapping pedagogical gaps

During the reporting period, 122 government primary school teachers participated in workshops to assess pedagogical needs in reading and writing across Bilene, Chongoene, and Limpopo districts. The sessions identified key gaps in teaching practices, highlighting the need to strengthen the use of children's literature through reading groups, structured programmes, and targeted training.



Reading and library support

Five secondary government schools sustained active library systems and reading clubs with RAF Global's continued support, collectively reaching over 1,700 students during the review year. These efforts reinforced a culture of reading and strengthened school improvement through structured reading promotion.



Computer literacy

In four secondary government schools, 27 of the 38 desktops donated in previous years remained operational and in active use, supporting computer-based learning for 3,974 students during the review year, 56 per cent of whom were girls. Repeated breakdowns rendered some units non-functional, with partial recovery through repairs. RAF Global's engagement with school authorities reinforced basic maintenance practices while also highlighting the need for more systematic approaches to asset management and long-term sustainability.



Outreach through Education and Technology

Foundational Education Support



671 children benefitted from the Early Childhood Development (ECD) support

School Improvement



1,700 students benefitted from sustained active library facilities and reading clubs



3,974 students supported with computer-based learning



122 government school teachers participated in workshops on the mapping of pedagogical needs



19,286 students received essential clothing



1,280 students benefitted from new toilet facilities in two schools



Good Governance

RAF Global's Good Governance initiative aims to improve public service delivery through a community-centric, single-window service model. By partnering with key government agencies, the initiative simplifies access to legal identity documents, enhances administrative efficiency, and strengthens community-level systems while promoting social inclusion, particularly for women and marginalised populations.



Public service camps

During the review year, RAF Global conducted three community-based public service camps in partnership with the Mozambique Tax Authority, National Directorate of Civil Identification, and the District Service for Registration and Notary Affairs. These camps expanded access to legal identity by bringing essential documentation services closer to communities, reducing barriers related to distance, cost, and administrative complexity.

In total, 128 individuals obtained national identity cards (Bilhete de Identidade – BI), enabling formal recognition and access to public services, employment, and financial systems. Beneficiaries included both men and women, with strong participation from youth seeking entry into services and the labour market. The initiative also supported 117 children, including orphans and those from women-headed households, to obtain birth certificates required for education and social services. Further, 223 individuals were supported to obtain tax identification numbers (NUIT), with women comprising 52 per cent, reflecting strong participation in small businesses and income-generating activities.

In the reporting period, **468 people** were supported under the good governance initiative.

Of the total participants, **48 per cent** were women.

468

Total programme outreach

3

public service camps organised

117

vulnerable children were supported in obtaining birth certificates, which are essential for school enrolment.



Community Leadership Councils

The organisation strengthened the role of Community Leadership Councils (CLCs) across target communities in Bilene, Chongoene, and Limpopo. CLCs were actively engaged as key actors in identifying community needs, mobilising citizens, and facilitating access to essential services. As the smallest units of local self-governance, they function as an important interface between communities and public institutions.

During needs assessments in underserved areas, CLCs identified vulnerable households, including those with out-of-school children, women-headed households, and persons with disabilities. Through strategic engagement with CLCs in eight underserved rural communities, 63 vulnerable households received a range of support, such as rice, soap, and other basic supplies, particularly during the lean season. This collaborative approach strengthened community-level support systems and improved access to essential services for vulnerable households.



Outreach through Good Governance



468 individuals benefitted from accessing critical legal documents through public service camps

Community Leadership Councils in **40** communities were strengthened to support local self-governance





World Hearing Day

Students from OMM Basic School in Chicumbane locality, Limpopo, were sensitised on ear care by doctors from Gaza Provincial Hospital, followed by hearing screenings for 202 students, supporting early detection of hearing concerns.



World Water Day

At Bungane Secondary School, Chongoene, RAF Global facilitated sessions on water conservation and sustainable use. Students created pamphlets on the importance of water. The event, chaired by the Provincial Director of Culture and Environment, concluded with a tree-planting ceremony.



Menstrual Hygiene Day

At Chongoanine Basic School, girls participated in lectures and theatre performances regarding societal challenges related to menstruation. The event also featured a practical session on producing homemade sanitary pads.



World Youth Skills Day

A plumbing competition was organised in Ngulelene locality, Limpopo, for graduates of RAF Global's skill-building centre, in partnership with SDEJT Limpopo and IMPOSMAC. A total of 23 participants competed in teams to assemble water tank systems, demonstrating practical competencies in installation, teamwork, and time management, with the top-performing team awarded a certificate of merit.



Global Handwashing Day

An awareness event at 25 de Junho Primary School included practical handwashing sessions, during which 150 girls received soap for personal hygiene, donated by Olam. Clothing was also distributed to students and the wider community, supported by Threads.

Partnerships

Partners	Partnership Domain
AMURT (Ananda Marga Universal Relief Team)	Water and sanitation Skill-building Early Childhood Development
AJEGA (Associação dos Jovens Empreendedores de Gaza)	Skill-building
CREI (Centro de Recursos de Educacao Inclusiva)	Skill-building
Movimento Nacional de Luta contra a Pobreza (MONALPO)	Entrepreneurship training
Associação para Promoção de Saúde Mental em Moçambique	Psychosocial counselling
Provincial Directorate of Gender, Children and Social Action (DPGCAS)	Early Childhood Development
Provincial Health Directorate (DPS)	Health camps
Provincial Directorate of Education (DPE)	School improvement
Provincial Directorate of Agriculture (DPA)	Climate Smart Agriculture
Provincial Directorate of Public Works, Housing and Water Resources	Water and sanitation
Provincial Hospital of Xai-Xai	Health camps cataract treatment
District Service for Economic Activities (SDAE)	Self-Help Groups Organic farming
District Service for Planning and Infrastructure (SDPI)	Water and sanitation
District Service for Education, Youth and Technology (SDEJT)	Health camp Skill-building Early Childhood Development School improvement Public services camps

Partners	Partnership Domain
District Service for Women, Health and Social Action (SDSMAS)	Health camps Early Childhood Development
Mozambique Tax Authority	Public service camps
National Directorate of Civil Identification (DIC)	Public service camps
District Service for Registration and Notary Affairs (SDRN)	Public service camps

Key Partners



Awards and Recognition



Certificate of Honour awarded to RAF Global by the Government of Chongoene District in recognition of the organisation's commitment, dedication, and implementation of programmes aimed at improving the quality of education, student retention in schools, and youth entrepreneurship.



RAF Global receives a Diploma of Honour from the Gaza Provincial Executive Council in recognition of its contribution to providing vocational training opportunities for youth in Xai-Xai, Gaza Province.



Mozambique Country Team



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