



# **17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Southern African and Islands Hydrographic Commission**

## **National Report From the Republic of Mozambique to the 17<sup>th</sup> SAIHC Meeting**

**SAIHC Member State**

SAIHC17, VTC, 3 – 4 February 2021



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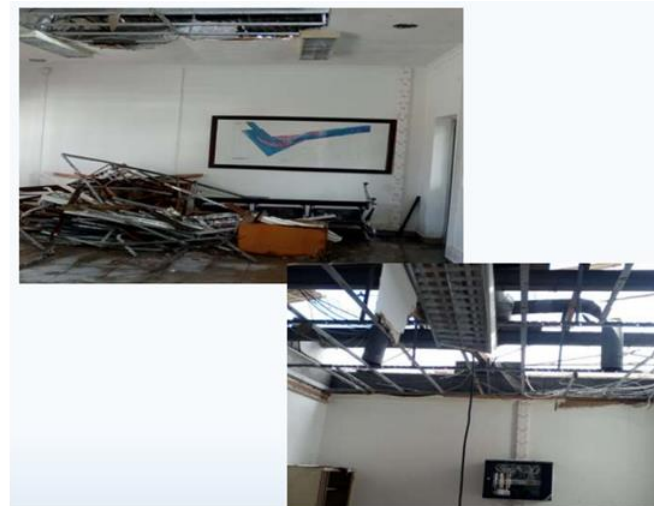
## **TOP ACHIEVEMENT DURING THE YEAR (3 MAXIMUM)**

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The Hydrographic Services of Mozambique were harshly affected by the cyclone Idai in 2019, particularly in:

- The infrastructure,
- The hydrographic survey equipment, and;
- The Tender vessel, and Aid to Navigation system (Buoys).

Hydrographic efforts were required for disaster recovery in Port of Beira, not only to serve Mozambique, but also the region, as the Port of Beira is of paramount importance to the LLC (Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and DRC)



Tender – Bazaruto





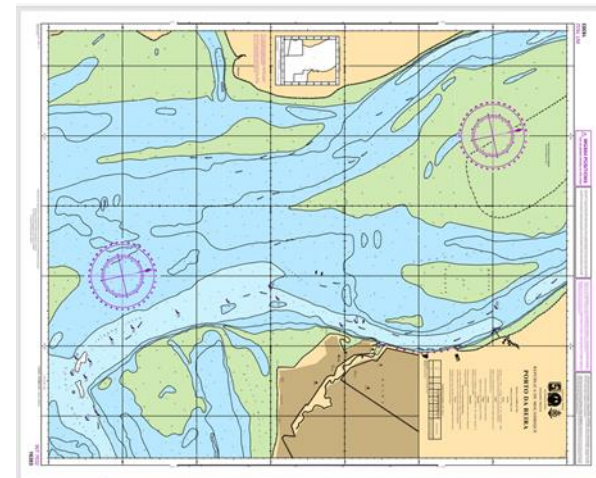
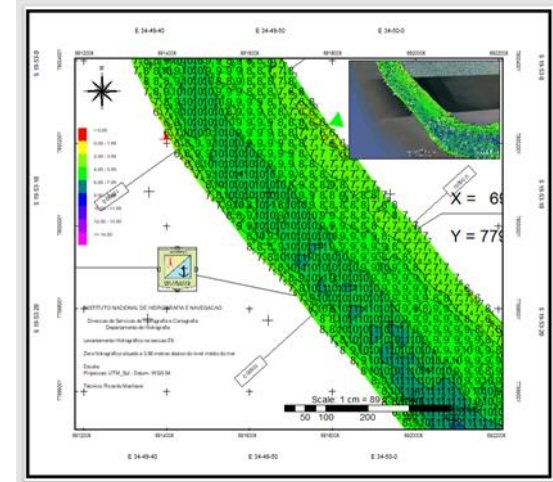
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# TOP ACHIEVEMENT DURING THE YEAR (3 MAXIMUM)

Mozambique sees as the main achievements among others:

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- ❖ Hydrographic survey at Beira Port and access channel to update the Bathymetry after the passage of Cyclone IDAI;
- ❖ Conclusion of the update of the INT7632 – Porto da Beira.
- ❖ Rehabilitation of the main infrastructures and Hydrographic Boat damaged by Cyclone Idai
- ❖ Hydrographic Survey at Inhambane Bay, which is in line with the 5yr Government Plan in maritime cabotage.





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## TOP CHALLENGES AND /OR OBSTRUCTIONS (3 MAXIMUM)

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- Enhancement of Capacity Building actions to fill the gaps of insufficient qualified personnel in the institutions
- Internal Procurement procedures that prevents the acquisition in time of the needed software and equipment to produce hydrographic products and services.
- The replacement process of human resources in the national Institutions
- The country's vulnerability to natural disasters, will continue being at odds with the country's obligation to continuously provide Marine Safety Information to the users of Sea, and the role of the Beira Port to supply the country and the region.



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## TOP PLANS THAT AFFECT THE REGION (3 MAXIMUM)

(CHARTS, SURVEYS, TRAINING, OTHER)

- Establishment of the National Hydrographic Commission, as a body to discuss issues that among others would include the allowed Crowdsourced Bathymetry activities within the Mozambican EEZ and Territorial Waters.
- Continuously update the Bathymetric Information in the main access channels to the Ports that links Mozambique to the Region





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# **ACTIONS REQUESTED FROM SAIHC17**

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1. SAIHC is requested to take note of the report if feel it as appropriate

**Obrigado – Thank you!**

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