

## ELECTRIFICATION AND PROJECTS DIRECTORATE

### MOZAMBIQUE-MALAWI REGIONAL INTERCONNECTOR PROJECT

#### LIVELIHOOD RESTORATION PLAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MOZAMBIQUE-MALAWI POWER INTERCONNECTION TRANSMISSION LINE AND EXTENSION OF THE MATAMBO SUBSTATION

##### Introduction

Electricidade de Moçambique, E.P (EDM) has been working with Electricity Supply Corporation of Malawi (ESCOM) following the Intergovernmental Agreement signed between the Governments of Mozambique and Malawi in April 2013 with the aim to establish a transmission link between the two countries to meet increasing electricity demand in Malawi and create opportunities for trading in the Southern African Power Pool through a project called Mozambique-Malawi Regional Interconnector Project (MOMA).

MOMA project is jointly financed by the World Bank administered Norwegian Trust Fund, the World Bank, the European Union, and German Financial Cooperation through KfW. Due to its impact, physical and economic Project Affected People (PAPs) have incurred major losses of land and sources of income leading to livelihood disruption. As part of mitigation measure, a Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP) has been prepared and is available for public consultation by interested or Affected People.

##### Project Description

The project is part of an ongoing regional energy integration process, with the objective to promote and enhance electricity trade with neighboring countries and improve the power security and reliability of supply on Mozambique's Electrical Network. MOMA includes construction of a 400 kV transmission power line from the existing Matambo substation (Changara District, Tete Province, Mozambique) to the existing Phombeya substation (Balaka District, Southern Region, Malawi). In Mozambique side, the project under the advanced stage of implementation required the construction of a 400 kV power

transmission line over 142 km, crossing the districts of Changara, Moatize, and Cidade de Tete, as well as construction of access and maintenance roads along the power line including an upgrade/extension of the 220/400 kV Matambo substation and a 4.5 km of Road Diversion at Marara District.

The Project components in Mozambique are:

- The Matambo substation extension area, which required to be completely cleared prior to construction;
- The Matambo - Malawian border right-of-way (ROW): a 50 m wide and 142 km long portion of the 400 kV transmission line, covering the entire Mozambican stretch of the interconnector;
- The realignment of Road 301: a 4.5 km section of Road 301, from the EN7 to the north-west of the Matambo substation. This realignment was necessary for the extension of the Matambo substation;
- Two worker camps for the Construction Contractors and various access roads along the transmission line route.

##### Impacts on PAPs Livelihoods and Mitigations

Project construction has brought to some of the PAPs loss of land as a primary means for their livelihoods, and other natural resources used for their sustain. Most of the losses are temporary and a few others are permanent. For both cases mitigation measures have been prepared to allow the restoration of the livelihood to at least the same level as described in the baseline.

To develop this LRP for MOMA, EDM has contracted

SWMOZ SVOSVE LDA. The referred LRP is intended to cover only the Mozambican side of the Project. The LRP was developed to address both physical and economic displacement impacts, including potential losses of land-based livelihoods, access restrictions, and associated vulnerabilities. The purpose of this LRP is to identify, assess and mitigate the adverse impacts of land acquisition and land use restrictions on physical and economic PAPs/ Project Affected Households (PAHs) and Communities livelihoods, particularly in rural contexts where people are reliant on land and the use of natural resources and therefore the restoration of existing livelihood strategies is crucial. The LRP has been developed aligned with the best practice, international and national legislation particularly the World Bank Group WBG Environmental & Social Framework (ESF) for Infrastructure Finance Practice Group (IPF) Operations - ESS 5 on Land Acquisition, Restrictions on Land Use and Involuntary Resettlement. The current LRP is a complementary instrument to the RAP, focusing on livelihood restoration beyond compensation, which is addressed under the RAP.

##### Availability of Reports for Consultation

EDM invites all interested parties to consult the MOMA Livelihood Restoration Plan and other related documents, e.g., MOMA Resettlement Action Implementation Plan in Maputo or Tete, by simply checking the website, requesting by email or consulting in physical format at EDM's premises listed below.

The LRP document will be available for consultation from 18 June 2026 during the normal business hours.

Locations for reading physical documents: at Electricidade de Moçambique, E.P., Electrification and Projects Directorate (DEP), located at Av. Zedequias Manganhela No. 267, JAT IV 2º Andar, in Maputo; at Electricidade de Moçambique, E.P., System Planning and Engineering Directorate (DPSE), located at Av. Filipe Samuel Magaia No. 368, 1st Floor, in Maputo and at Electricidade de Moçambique, E.P., Área de Serviço ao Cliente de Tete, Av. da Liberdade N 1801, Bairro Josina Machel, in the city of Tete.

Locations to obtain and consult reports in electronic format:

**Website:** [www.edm.co.mz](http://www.edm.co.mz) via the following Link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1q9IfWzifx9gPqhcTo1-zkxIHcCr/view?usp=sharing>

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