

ALPS RESILIENCE

PROGRESS REPORT · 2026

Borehole Rehabilitation

Restoring safe, year-round water for the communities of Namogelia, Marrere and Halaka in Chiure by rehabilitating six Afridev handpump boreholes.

PERIOD OF ACTIVITY
2026

LOCATION
**Namogelia, Marrere & Halaka · Chiure,
Cabo Delgado**

DELIVERED BY
ALPS Constructions

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
Save the Children

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ALPS Constructions technicians rehabilitating an Afridev handpump in Chiure district.

OVERVIEW

Restoring reliable water for three communities

ALPS Resilience, in partnership with Save the Children, is rehabilitating six boreholes fitted with Afridev handpumps across three communities in Chiure district: Namogelia, Marrere and Halaka. Chiure, in southern Cabo Delgado, has taken in large numbers of families displaced by the conflict further north, adding pressure to the water points communities rely on.

Rehabilitation brings back boreholes that had fallen out of service or stopped working reliably. On each one, ALPS assesses the borehole and pump, replaces worn Afridev components, repairs the concrete apron and drainage, and disinfects and tests the water before the point is returned to community use.

MAIN OBJECTIVE

To restore safe, reliable and year-round water access for the communities of Namogelia, Marrere and Halaka by returning six boreholes to full working order, cutting the risk of water-borne disease and easing the daily burden of collecting water.

THE WORK

Rehabilitating six boreholes to full working order

Each borehole is brought back to a dependable standard rather than simply patched. ALPS inspects the borehole and dismantles the Afridev pump, replaces worn parts such as rods, seals and cylinder components, then reassembles and tests it for smooth, full-yield operation.

The headworks are repaired or rebuilt, meaning the concrete apron, drainage channel and soak-away that keep dirty water away from the borehole. The water is then disinfected and checked before hand-back. Because Afridev is a village-level pump, communities can carry out routine maintenance themselves with basic tools and locally available spares.

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boreholes being rehabilitated with Afridev handpumps across three communities in Chiure.

At a glance

Afridev handpumps

Village-level pumps communities can maintain themselves.

Rebuilt headworks

Repaired aprons and drainage to keep water clean.

Water testing

Disinfection and checks before each hand-back.

Three communities

Namogelia, Marrere and Halaka.



IMPACT

What the rehabilitation changes

A working borehole close to home changes daily life. Families no longer have to walk long distances or fall back on unsafe surface water, and the risk of water-borne illness such as diarrhoea and cholera drops sharply. The time saved, most often for the women and children who usually carry water, can go back into school, work and family.

Reliable water points also support the clinics, schools and public places that depend on them, and relieve pressure on the few sources shared between returning and host families.



A rehabilitated borehole back in service beside a local health facility in Chiure.

Water the community can count on

Restoring six boreholes across three communities rebuilds a basic foundation for health and dignity. With local maintenance in place, it is one the communities can keep relying on every day.

LOCAL SKILLS

Work that stays in the community

Working alongside labourers recruited from the communities themselves. Local workers earn income on the project and gain hands-on experience in handpump repair and maintenance.

ALPS makes a point of promoting local workers: building skills where the boreholes are means the knowledge to keep them running stays in Namogelia, Marrere and Halaka. Paired with the village-level design of the Afridev pump, it leaves each community better able to look after its own water long after the project ends.

SAFEGUARDING

Protecting the communities we work in

ALPS teams work in and around homes, schools and health facilities, and take the safety of residents seriously. Everyone on site is briefed on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) and works to a clear code of conduct, treating community members, and especially women and children, with dignity and respect, and keeping accessible channels for raising any concern.

SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT

ALPS is aware of and committed to PSEA. Working in partnership with Save the Children, our teams uphold the safeguarding standards expected on community and child-focused programmes.

CHALLENGES

Working through the constraints

Rehabilitating boreholes in Chiure means working across dispersed sites in three separate communities. Reaching them, moving equipment and materials between them, and sourcing genuine Afridev spare parts all add cost and lead time that have to be managed to keep the works moving.

Each borehole also arrives in a different condition, from worn pumps through to damaged headworks, so the full scope only becomes clear once work begins. Dry-season water levels can affect testing and yield too. Coordinating community access and local labour around this, while holding to build quality and water-safety standards, is a further layer that ALPS's field supervision is set up to manage.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Keeping the water flowing

To protect the investment and keep every borehole working, ALPS recommends putting community ownership and simple maintenance in place from hand-over.

Water committee

A local committee to manage and look after each borehole.

Spares & tools

Afridev spare parts and a basic tool kit kept locally.

Maintenance fund

A small user contribution to cover repairs over time.

Water monitoring

Periodic checks of function and water quality.

Combining trained community caretakers with access to spares, and drawing on ALPS's permanent presence in the province for periodic support, gives the six boreholes the best chance of serving Chiure for years to come.

STATUS

Where the project stands

The rehabilitation is being delivered borehole by borehole across Namogelia, Marrere and Halaka, with each pump tested and returned to community use as its works are completed. Progress and any remaining points are tracked together with Save the Children.

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six boreholes across three communities being rehabilitated and returned to service.

ABOUT ALPS RESILIENCE

Built by Mozambican teams, for Mozambican communities, to last.

ALPS Resilience delivers durable, community-prioritised infrastructure for regions of northern Mozambique recovering from conflict. The organisation has operated in Cabo Delgado since 2021, delivering water systems, police posts, schools and civic infrastructure under contracts from IOM, UNICEF, UNOPS, UNDP, Save the Children and others.

This report covers the rehabilitation of six boreholes in Chiure, delivered for Save the Children.

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