



Long-Term Impact Evaluation of Rural Preschools in Mozambique

Terms of Reference for Long-Term Follow-Up Survey

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1. Background

The International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie) is a mission-driven non-profit organization dedicated to using high-quality evidence to inform decision-making and improve the lives of people living in poverty in low- and middle-income countries. We collaborate with decision-makers in governments, foundations, NGOs, development and research organizations globally to meet their evidence needs and facilitate the use of evidence in their work. 3ie has offices in New Delhi, London and Washington, DC, with staff based across the globe.

3ie's evaluation office is responsible for conducting impact evaluations and developing and implementing projects and programs across thematic areas like aquaculture, agricultural innovation, sanitation, immunization, health, education, early childhood development (ECD), peacebuilding, social protection and livelihoods.

3ie is implementing a long-term impact evaluation of rural community-based preschools in Mozambique for which we are seeking a survey firm to conduct a long-term follow-up survey (LTFUS). The program, implemented by Save the Children in the Gaza province of Mozambique starting in 2008, aimed to improve cognitive, social and emotional development of children aged three to five, and facilitate transition to primary school. The evaluation sample was drawn from eligible households in 76 communities across four districts (Bilene, Manjacaze, Limpopo and Chongoene) of the Gaza province of Mozambique. Communities were randomly assigned to receive preschool programs. A baseline study of 2,000 children and their families was conducted in 2008, with follow-up surveys in 2010 and 2014. Short-term effects included gains in several dimensions of child development and improved schooling outcomes.

2. About the study

The current study will measure the long-term impacts of the program when the study subjects are approximately 22 to 24 years old. Long-term outcomes of interest include educational attainment, abilities, labor market participation and income, consumption and expenditures, health status and behaviors. We will study the effects on marriage and fertility and inter-generational transmission of human capital to the next generation of children. As the first evaluation of its kind, this study represents a unique opportunity to shed light on the long-term returns to investment in ECD in a low-income country setting.

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The first stage of the study, completed in April 2026, assessed the feasibility of locating the original evaluation sample through a tracking survey of a random sample of 150 subjects from the original sample. The tracking survey ([click here](#) to access a redacted version of the tracking survey report) focused primarily on establishing potential re-contact and re-interview rates and collected data on a reduced set of demographic, educational and socio-economic variables. The tracking exercise successfully re-located 90% of the tracking sample and re-interviewed 86.67%. Eighty percent of subjects were interviewed directly, 4% of subjects were confirmed by next of kin to be deceased or incarcerated and completed a proxy interview, and 2.67% refused the interview. In addition, 3.33% of the sample was located but could not be interviewed due to field conditions and time constraints but is considered viable for re-interview under normal circumstances. Of the re-located subjects, approximately 60% had moved more than 10km from their original place of residence in 2008, approximately 25% had moved to within 40km of the capital city of Maputo, and 5% had moved to South Africa. Ten percent of the tracking sample was not successfully located. The tracking survey demonstrated that locating and re-interviewing a high proportion of the original study population is possible, and that credible causal inference from the original experimental design persists.

The tracking pilot developed and tested a comprehensive set of tracking protocols (see Appendix B) that proved effective in locating respondents almost 18 years after the original baseline survey. These protocols generated important operational lessons and will be further refined jointly by the selected Firm and 3ie for implementation of the full LTFUS. In the initial stage of tracking, respondents were sought within their original 76 evaluation communities, using a community-based tracking approach centered on local knowledge networks. Subjects were identified and located through consultations with community leaders, school staff, teachers, neighbors, relatives, peers, and other key informants familiar with the original participants and their families. This locally grounded approach was essential in validating identities, updating household locations, and identifying cases of migration.

Following successful identification, a first round of interviews was conducted with all respondents who were readily accessible within Gaza Province, nearby areas, and Maputo/Matola metropolitan areas. This stage resulted in the successful completion of interviews with approximately 75% of the target sample, demonstrating strong feasibility of long-term recontact in the Mozambican context.

A second stage of tracking, referred to as “Deep Search”, was then implemented for respondents who remained unlocated or unreachable after standard field efforts. Deep Search involved a more intensive and centralized tracking strategy, including repeated follow-up with extended family networks, consultations with former classmates and acquaintances, remote phone tracking, and systematic use of digital communication channels and social media platforms.

Where participants were successfully identified outside their original communities, interviews were arranged and conducted in their current place of residence, including respondents who had migrated to Maputo, other provinces, South Africa, and other destinations. Depending on feasibility and respondent preference, interviews were conducted either in person or remotely (telephone interviews). Telephone interviews were considered appropriate for the tracking exercise in specific circumstances such as international migration, but will not be a feasible alternative for the full LTFUS given the nature and duration of the survey.

The LTFUS is expected to build on and improve these tracking protocols by introducing stronger case management systems, more structured escalation pathways for difficult cases, improved respondent contact updating procedures, enhanced quality control, and a dedicated deep search deployment to maximize recontact rates and minimize attrition

Based on the results of the tracking pilot, re-contact and re-interview rates of 80% to 90% of the original study sample are considered highly feasible. For the LTFUS, the Firm will attempt to locate and interview the highest percentage of the original sample—of 2000 subjects from 76 communities—as possible within established timeframes, with the goal of re-interviewing at least 85% of the original sample. The Firm will attempt to identify updated contact information for the subjects through interviews with key-informants, who may include current or former household members, neighbors, friends and community members, community leaders, former teachers, and others. Based on this information, the Firm will engage in an iterative process of updating the subject's contact information and conducting the search until the survey is successfully completed, or the case is abandoned, based on protocols developed by 3ie and adapted to the LTFUS context in agreement with the Firm.

Extraction and Digitization of School Administrative Data

The current study will also examine the effects on educational attainment using a secondary, longitudinal dataset of school administrative records. School administrative records contain information on enrollment, attendance, grades and standardized tests, teacher information, etc, and offer an opportunity to expand the study of the preschool program impacts on primary and secondary education outcomes for the entire population of children in the 76 evaluation communities over approximately 25 years. Interviews with provincial and district authorities and a pilot school visit conducted by the 3ie research team in the original study vicinity confirmed that these data exist and are maintained in handwritten form, primarily in booklets. Contingent on the ability to match students to their community of residence, these data will allow the research team to conduct a population-based analysis of impacts on grades, attendance, exam scores, and school progression with a significantly larger sample size than the household survey alone.

The Firm will support the digitization of retrospective administrative records spanning years 2000-2026 for all students in approximately 69 primary and secondary schools serving children from the original 76 sample communities. Data capture will be done by photographing or scanning relevant school registers, which are expected to be in paper format (any existing digital records will also be extracted). Images will be processed using an AI-assisted pipeline set up by the 3ie research team, which converts handwritten records into structured tabular data, dramatically reducing the time and cost of manual data entry. However, because AI-based extraction is probabilistic, a structured validation process will be applied, and some manual extraction by the Firm to develop “ground truth” records will be required for model validation purposes. The Firm will be responsible for maintaining a detailed inventory log of records accessed at each school, manually encoding a subset of records, and flagging documents that are incomplete, illegible, or otherwise irregular. The specific activities, outputs, and data management protocols, including naming conventions, quality standards, and procedures for handling damaged or inaccessible records, will be agreed with 3ie based on protocols developed by the 3ie research team and refined in collaboration with the Firm.

3. Activities

This is an 11-month consultancy to be implemented between August 2026 and June 2027 (dates may be adjusted at the time of contracting). Fieldwork preparation by the Firm will occur between August and October 2026. Major fieldwork activities will begin in November 2026, and fieldwork is expected to be completed by April 2027. School administrative data extraction fieldwork will begin at the start of the 2027 school year (tentatively February-April 2027). The Firm will finalize deliverables and reporting between May and the first half of June 2027.

The selected service provider will be responsible for planning, managing, and implementing the LTFUS for the full original cohort of approximately 2,000 children who participated in the 2008 early childhood development impact evaluation conducted in 76 rural communities in Gaza Province, Mozambique. All individuals originally recruited in 2008 across the study communities (located in the districts of Bilene, Manjacaze, Limpopo, and Chongoene) are included in the scope of this assignment.

At the time of original recruitment, participants were between three and five years of age. They are now expected to be approximately 22 to 24 years old. The purpose of the LTFUS is to re-contact, verify status, and interview the full sample, generating robust long-term evidence on the impacts of rural preschool interventions. As described above, the Firm will also capture complete administrative school records for all students in approximately 69 primary and secondary schools linked to the 76 communities in the original study sample.

4. Scope of work

The selected firm will be expected to carry out the following activities:

4.1 Inception and Operational Planning

- Review all project materials, prior tracking survey reports, protocols, questionnaires, and historical sample databases;
- Participate in inception meetings with 3ie and research partners;
- Prepare a detailed fieldwork implementation plan, staffing structure, timeline, logistics plan, and risk mitigation strategy;
- Adapt and strengthen tracking protocols based on lessons learned from the previous Tracking Survey, in consultation with 3ie.
- Provide policies and documents required by 3ie as part of its due diligence process, and financial reports.

4.2 Sample Preparation and Case Management

- Clean, organize, and reconcile the original sample database and all updated tracking information;
- Establish a respondent case management system for monitoring contact attempts, progress, outcomes, and escalations;
- Categorize respondents by likely location (original community, migrated internally, migrated externally, unknown).

4.3 Tracking and Re-contact Activities

- Implement respondent tracking across all 76 original study communities;
- Use community-based tracking methods, including leaders, relatives, neighbors, former teachers, peers, and local informants;
- Conduct phone tracking using available historical and updated numbers to establish contact with subjects. Interviews will be conducted in-person (in exceptional cases, 3ie may approve a videoconference interview);
- Implement structured Deep Search for hard-to-locate respondents, including digital tracking, social media, and expanded network referrals;
- Trace respondents to their current place of residence following tracking protocols approved by 3ie.
- A preliminary tracking protocol developed for the tracking survey completed in April 2026 is presented in Appendix B. These protocols will be adapted and updated by 3ie and the Firm for implementation in the LTFUS.

4.4 Survey Data Collection

- Administer the approved LTFUS questionnaire using electronic data collection devices;
- Obtain informed consent in accordance with ethical approvals and approved protocols;
- Conduct interviews in person (or videoconference when approved) following fieldwork protocols established with and approved by 3ie. Surveys will be conducted in-person. In exceptional circumstances such as migrants outside of Mozambique and South Africa, remote interviews by videoconference may be permitted upon previous written agreement with 3ie (videoconference interviews will be recorded). Respondents confirmed to be deceased, incarcerated or otherwise incapacitated will be interviewed through proxy response by a key informant such as parent or close relative and verified by a supervisor. In exceptional circumstances and in agreement in writing with 3ie, proxy response interviews may be allowed by phone. Rejected interviews will be documented through a detailed report and verified by a supervisor.
- Ensure accurate capture of identifiers, GPS locations and all survey modules, including demographic information, education and socioeconomic outcomes, migration history, and others.
- Implement digitization of school administrative records following protocols established with and approved by 3ie (refer to tracking report for preliminary protocols).

4.5 Recruitment, Training, and Supervision

- Recruit qualified field staff, supervisors, quality controllers, and centralized tracking personnel;
- Deliver comprehensive training on questionnaire content, ethics, consent, respondent protection, and tracking procedures;
- Conduct field piloting and tool testing prior to launch;
- Supervise fieldwork teams continuously during implementation.

4.6 Quality Assurance and Monitoring

- Implement daily quality control checks on submissions, skip logic, completeness, and GPS/time stamps where relevant;

- Monitor interviewer productivity, refusal rates, re-contact success, and response quality; proxy interview and refusal cases will be investigated individually by supervisors and quality controllers.
- Revisit or verify suspicious, incomplete, or poor-quality interviews;
- Maintain real-time monitoring tools, including an up-to-date dashboard accessible to 3ie at all times.

4.7 Data Storage, Management, and Security

- Maintain secure handling of personally identifiable information;
- Use encrypted devices and secure servers for data collection, transmission and storage;
- Deliver validated datasets in agreed formats on an ongoing basis following a data management and sharing protocol to be agreed with 3ie.

4.8 Reporting and Coordination

- Provide weekly progress reports including sample disposition, completion rates, challenges, and mitigation actions;
- Participate in regular coordination meetings with the 3ie research team;
- Escalate operational risks to 3ie immediately;
- Produce a final fieldwork report documenting methods, outcomes, lessons learned, and recommendations.

5. Data collection

Household surveys and school-related metadata will be collected using computer-assisted personal interviews (CAPI). In order to standardize data collection in the full sample and monitor field operations, the field teams will collect data using hand-held electronic devices such as laptops or tablets and will conduct real-time data transfer using digital servers for data storage. All equipment, such as laptops, tablets and cell phones, employed for the household survey and school administrative record digitization will be approved by 3ie to ensure it meets the required technical specifications.

3ie will provide the following materials to the survey firm to support the LTFUS implementation:

- **CAPI questionnaires (4) programmed in CSPro or other program as appropriate for the module (some specialized modules may be programmed in alternative languages such as HTML).**

These tools include:

1. Register to update the subject's contacts and coordinates at the level of the 76 communities.
2. Questionnaire for in-depth interview with study subjects. All modules will be linked by a unique ID.
3. Register all interactions and search efforts executed for the tracking of all cases.
4. For school administrative data collection, a tool designed to standardize school level information, the inventory log of records accessed at each school and flag documents that are incomplete, illegible, or otherwise irregular.

- **Preliminary field manuals** for the household survey detailing the operational protocols for the tracking and interview process.
- **Preliminary protocols for the school administrative data capture**, including guidance on document handling, data protection procedures for records containing Personally Identifiable Information (PII), and procedures for handling damaged or inaccessible records. The protocol will include specifications for image capture of school records, including image quality standards and naming conventions. Image capture will be conducted using smartphones or other agreed device meeting minimum camera quality requirements to be specified by 3ie. The Firm may also be required to contract subscriptions to phone or tablet-based scanning applications such as Microsoft Lens, Adobe Scan or equivalent to support image processing and batch organization.
- **Training materials** to be used during the induction of supervisors and enumerators.
- **Data hosting.** 3ie will host a cloud-based repository for storage of data, images and other materials collected during the LTFUS. The Firm will receive the necessary credentials to regularly access and upload information from the surveys and administrative data capture. 3ie and the Firm will establish and follow data storage, management and transfer protocols including confidentiality and sensitive data protection terms applying to all data generated in the course of this research project.

Logistical and Administrative Responsibilities of the Survey Firm:

The selected firm is responsible for all logistical and administrative aspects of the survey implementation, specifically:

- **Community Meetings:** Organize and manage community meetings in each of the 76 communities for the activity of updating re-contact information. This includes coordinating with leaders/authorities and ensuring **minimum amenities** (e.g., snacks/refreshments, seating, venue space) are provided for a successful encounter with participants and informants.
- **Transportation: It is the firm's strict obligation to provide all necessary means of transportation for field personnel.** This includes vehicles, fuel, and drivers as required to ensure enumerators and supervisors can reach all 76 communities, individual study subjects in their current place of residence, and schools effectively and on schedule.
- **Field Logistics:** Managing all other aspects of implementation including the recruitment and training of enumerators and lodging for all field teams.
- **Legal Authorizations:** Obtaining all necessary approvals to begin tracking subjects, including Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval of the bioethics committee or similar in Mozambique and South Africa, and other required clearances from national and local authorities in Mozambique, South Africa and other locations with a concentration of subjects.
- **Study Authorizations:** Securing all local and national authorizations required for the implementation of the LTFUS.
- **Administrative Data:** Liaising with national and local authorities to gather administrative data on outcomes of the individuals, including school records.
- **Hardware:** Providing laptops, tablets, smartphones and any other hardware or infrastructure necessary for high-quality digital data collection.
- **Tool Validation:** Loading the provided CSPro and other required programs onto devices, conducting field tests to ensure proper functioning in the local context, and providing technical feedback to the 3ie team.

- **Staff Insurance, Safety, and Welfare:** The selected firm shall be responsible for ensuring the safety, welfare, and legal protection of all personnel engaged in the study. At a minimum, the firm must:
 - Provide appropriate insurance coverage for field staff during the period of implementation, including accidents, injuries, and medical emergencies related to fieldwork;
 - Ensure safe transport arrangements for all field movements, including that vehicles or motorbikes used are roadworthy and properly insured;
 - Put in place security and communication procedures for teams working in remote areas;
 - Ensure field staff have appropriate accommodation, subsistence support, and reasonable working conditions during travel assignments;
 - Comply with all applicable Mozambican labor laws and obligations related to contracts, payments, and worker protections;
 - Maintain clear procedures for reporting and responding to incidents affecting field staff.

The selected firm shall remain fully responsible for the management and well-being of its staff throughout the assignment.

5.1 Survey Details

The agency will ensure that the surveys are conducted as per the prescribed plan and using the approved tools.

Once the respondent is located and the interview is scheduled, the survey duration will be approximately **120-180 minutes**, on average, per subject. Survey modules may include, but are not limited to:

- Respondent identification and verification;
- Household roster and current living arrangements;
- Migration history and mobility since baseline;
- Education history, attainment, and current enrolment;
- Employment, livelihoods, and income-generating activities;
- Marital status, fertility, and family formation;
- Health status and health-seeking behavior;
- Mental health and psychosocial wellbeing;
- Cognitive and non-cognitive skills assessments;
- Social networks and community participation;
- Aspirations, expectations, and life outcomes;
- Decision making;
- Exposure to shocks and major life events;
- Access to services and infrastructure;
- Financial inclusion, savings, and economic decision-making;
- Child outcomes (where applicable);
- Retrospective experiences related to preschool participation (where relevant).

Where required by the study design, additional short modules, observational components, consent renewals, or follow-up verification questions may also be administered. The Firm shall

ensure that interviews are completed in full whenever possible, while minimizing respondent fatigue through proper pacing, breaks where appropriate, and effective interviewer training.

All attempts and interviews will be audio-recorded for quality assurance. 3ie has the right to invalidate the interviews if more than 10% of the questions in the data do not conform to the audio recordings.

The GPS location will be taken during all surveys and survey attempts, and laptops or tablets used for the survey must be properly equipped with GPS locators. In case the subject's residence is located in the field and a face-to-face interview is successful, a picture of the front of the house will be taken.

Note: 3ie is responsible for the primary design and content of the questionnaires, which will be refined jointly with the Firm.

5.2 School Administrative Data Collection and Equipment

School administrative records, including class attendance and grade records (*Pauta de Frequência, Mapa de Faltas dos Alunos*), official exam results (*Pauta de Exame, Boletim de Exames*), class grade books (*Livros de Turma*), student report cards (*Levantamento Estatístico dos estudantes*), and student enrollment registers (*Lista dos Alunos/Matrícula*), will be captured in approximately 69 schools. All records between the years 2000 and 2026 will be captured. The specific documents available may vary across schools and will be confirmed following a field visit by the research team. Field teams will be expected to complete data capture in three days, on average, in each school. The exact duration may vary depending on the volume and condition of records available at each school.

The following equipment will be required for school administrative data collection. Unless otherwise specified, equipment is to be provided by the survey firm:

- Smartphones or other approved devices meeting minimum camera and storage specifications to be confirmed by 3ie. Personal phones **must not be used**, given data protection requirements for records containing PII.
- Equipment such as book stands or document holders to stabilize bound booklets during image capture, ensuring pages are flat and fully in frame without obstruction, as well as small book light.

5.3 Ethical and secure data collection, entry, and transmission procedures and safeguards

Any PII used or recorded during the household survey and administrative data capture should be securely kept with the field team, which must inform the 3ie research team and take appropriate remedial actions in case of any loss or suspected loss of sensitive data.

Any changes or additional specifications pertaining to data collection, storage and transmission will be agreed in writing between 3ie and the Firm.

6. Firm Responsibilities

- **Develop a detailed work plan**, including timelines and deliverables, aligned with the overall project implementation schedule provided by 3ie.
- **Review and adapt the re-contact protocols**, which will be provided by 3ie. Adaptations must be proposed in writing and approved by 3ie before implementation.
- **Secure all local, national and international authorizations required** for implementation of the LTFUS, including the bioethics committee and any other local institutional review board (IRB) approval in Mozambique, South Africa and any other locations with a concentration of subjects.
- **Conduct a pretest of the Long-Term Impact Evaluation of Rural Preschools in Mozambique (LTFUS) with at least six individuals**, applying in-person recontact strategies to assess the feasibility and effectiveness of the method using the provided CSPro tools and preliminary manuals.
- **Produce a detailed report on the LTFUS pretest**, summarizing operational challenges, findings, and specific recommendations to improve the recontact protocols, interview and tool functioning.
- **Implement a pilot in one community and school**, selected by the 3ie team, where all survey protocols must be tested specifically up to the identification and tracking stage of the target youth.
- **Pre-select a pool of potential interviewers**, ensuring at least 30% more candidates than the final required number, to allow for selection based on performance. Interviewers have to be proficient in Portuguese and Changana.
- **Train all pre-selected staff**, including supervisors and enumerators, on the recontact protocols, the specific CSPro instruments provided by 3ie, and ethical considerations (e.g., informed consent), utilizing the training materials provided by 3ie. The training for the LTFUS survey will be programmed for 10 days, including field practice. Training for the school administrative data capture will be programmed for 5 days, including field practice.
- **Conduct a final staff selection process**, using a test to be agreed with 3ie. Only candidates scoring above a pre-determined threshold agreed with 3ie may be deployed to the field. 3ie reserves the right to request the replacement of any selected enumerators if they are not deemed suitable for the position.
- **Carry out the recontact field activities for the full population of 2,000 subjects**, strictly following the agreed protocols and using the provided CSPro programs, and documenting all attempts and outcomes.
- **During community visits, validate and update the available contact information** for all individuals listed in the baseline by liaising with local leaders or community informants using the dedicated CSPro community-level tool. Organize and host community meetings as described in the Data Collection section.
- **When recontact information is insufficient**, take proactive measures to obtain new or updated data that will facilitate successful contact with the individual of interest (e.g., by reaching out to community members, family, 2008 peers, or through school records) and document these efforts in the search interaction tool.
- **Capture data image from school records of approximately 69 schools** that receive students from the 76 evaluation communities. The data to be collected spans from the year 2000 up to 2026.

- **Consolidate daily recontact data** in a central, secure database that is accessible to the 3ie team.
- **Participate in regular coordination meetings** (daily or as otherwise agreed) with the 3ie team, providing updates and discussing challenges encountered in the field.
- **Submit weekly progress reports** summarizing field status, target children found vs. pending, and community meeting outcomes.
- **Conduct quality assurance back-checks** on at least 5% of the completed surveys to verify data accuracy and enumerator performance.
- **Deliver a final, fully consolidated dataset**, containing complete information on all 2,000 individuals attempted for recontact, along with a detailed codebook and technical documentation.

7. Classification of surveys

Only valid surveys will be counted towards the productivity of the Firm and included for payment purposes. Valid surveys comprise:

- **Completed face-to-face surveys with a legitimate study subject (from the original sample of 2,000 target children), including informed consent, GPS coordinates of the location and audible audio recordings:** The identity of the subject must be validated against baseline information, including name, community of origin, date of birth, parent or other relative's names. The survey must be classified by the 3ie Quality Assurance experts as complete, with full reporting of all modules, no missing values other than those permitted by the survey, and no remaining errors.
- **Proxy interviews:** When the subject is confirmed to be deceased, incarcerated or incapacitated, the firm will collect a select set of survey modules via proxy response by an informed and qualified respondent such as a parent or close relative. In exceptional cases and with written approval of 3ie, proxy interviews by phone may be allowed. All interviews must be recorded and proxy interviews must be validated by a supervisor.
- **Remote interviews:** In exceptional cases, where accessing the subject's place of residence is prohibitively costly such as locations outside of Mozambique and South Africa, remote interviews by videoconference will be allowed subject to written approval of 3ie on a case-by-case basis. Remote interviews must be recorded.
- **Refusals:** In rare and exceptional cases where the subject refuses to participate in the survey (not expected to surpass 2.5% of the total sample), cases must be verified by the supervisor and a report prepared explaining the circumstances of each refusal case. 3ie will conduct an independent verification of these cases. Validated refusals not to surpass 2.5% of the sample (up to 50 surveys under 100% recontact) will be considered completed surveys.
- **School administrative data:** Complete cases include schools with complete data capture of administrative school records and associated metadata as per a protocol to be developed and agreed with 3ie.

Note: Any cases that do not qualify as valid complete interviews, as per the cases outlined above or that are otherwise invalidated by 3ie due to deficient quality, will not qualify for payment. Incomplete interviews and attempted but unsuccessful interviews or administrative data capture will not be counted for payment purposes.

Falsification of data is strictly prohibited. Any allegations or suspicions of falsified data will be promptly investigated by the survey Firm and 3ie. Any surveys with substantiated evidence of falsification must be fully redone with costs assumed by the Firm. All previous surveys conducted by the enumerator or field team in question will be reviewed for accuracy and may also be subject to redoing if evidence of tampering is detected. Any evidence of data fabrication or fraud will lead to immediate replacement of the enumerator(s) with qualified substitutes. The enumerator(s) in question will be removed from the survey team and may be subject to loss or retention of compensation. Any other team members with knowledge of or involvement in the falsification of data may be subject to disciplinary action on behalf of the survey firm, including but not limited to dismissal.

8. Indicative Fieldwork Parameters

The following indicative fieldwork parameters are provided for consideration in preparation of proposals:

- Fieldwork duration for the household survey of approximately 6 months (November 2026-April 2027), divided in two phases. Phase 1 (approximately 2 months from November-December 2026) canvassing of subjects in Gaza and Maputo and vicinity. Phase 2 (approximately 4 months from January 2027-April 2027) “deep search” of subjects not identified in phase 1, with expanded geography to the rest of Mozambique and international locations including South Africa. For the school administrative data capture, the expected fieldwork duration is approximately three months from February to April 2027.
- Average household survey productivity of one survey per enumerator-day in phase 1 and 0.25 surveys per enumerator-day in phase 2. School administrative data capture should plan three days on average for each school. Note that multiple visits may be required to complete each household survey and school administrative data capture.
- For phase 1, 10 field teams of four enumerators and one supervisor each (40 enumerators and 10 supervisors in total). Note that multiple visits may be required to complete an interview with each subject.
- For phase 2 (Deep Search), five field teams of four enumerators and one supervisor each (20 enumerators and five supervisors in total). Note that multiple visits may be required to complete an interview with each subject.
- For administrative data capture, three field teams of two enumerators and one supervisor each (six enumerators and three supervisors in total).
- Management team comprising a Director (part-time) and full-time Field Manager, Programmer/IT specialist, Quality Assurance Manager and Assistant. Administrative, financial management and other overhead costs may be included up to 10% of the total contract value.
- One vehicle per team, with suitable alternative transportation arrangements as needed to reach subjects. Airfare, lodging and car hire may be required for subjects located in remote/international locations.
- Venue, materials and refreshments for training and field testing: 10 days for household survey and five days for administrative data capture, including at least two days of field testing in each case.
- Refreshments for community meetings and school administrators at up to \$20USD each, and incentives for subjects (in kind or cash) valued up to \$8USD per completed survey.

- All equipment and materials.
- IRB fees.

9. Personnel Profiles

The Firm will work under the direct supervision of Co-Principal Investigators Sebastian Martinez and Vitor Pereira, and in close collaboration with the project Team, including the Program Manager, Research Assistants, and Data Quality Assurance Consultants.

The firm must recruit and deploy personnel meeting the following specific requirements for each phase:

- **Management Team:** The Firm is expected to deploy a management team comprising a project Director (part-time), and full-time Field Manager, Quality Assurance Manager and Programmer/IT specialist.
- **Supervisors:** Personnel at the supervisor level need to possess thorough knowledge of the survey area, ease of interaction with the local population, and have experience with relevant survey implementation. They must be highly goal-oriented.
- **Enumerators:** Enumerators must have previous experience working in the specific survey zones and must be fluent in the relevant local languages.
- **In-depth Search Agents:** Individuals with proven experience in using social media platforms and strong investigative skills. This profile requires a high level of commitment to achieving the search objectives and finding subjects not reachable through traditional means.

10. Data ownership

3ie retains the right to the full data, with complete access to all names, addresses, georeferencing codes and survey data for individuals, households and institutions gathered through this exercise. The Firm must be available to respond to queries after submission of the datasets.

11. Characteristics of the consultancy

- **Type of consultancy:** International consultancy (survey firm)
- **Duration of the Long-Term Impact Evaluation of Rural Preschools in Mozambique (LTFUS):** The duration of the Long-Term Impact Evaluation of Rural Preschools in Mozambique (LTFUS) is eleven months between **August 1, 2026, and June 30, 2027.**
- **Work location:** Face-to-face re-contact surveys will be conducted in the Gaza Province of Mozambique, Maputo and surrounding areas, and other areas identified to have a large number of subjects, including South Africa and other locations. All interviews will be conducted in person using CAPI unless agreed in writing with 3ie.

12. Eligibility

Applicants must meet these **minimum requirements** to be considered:

- Only legally registered organizations in Mozambique, or consortia of such registered organizations, are eligible to apply. The survey firm should be based in Mozambique and have relevant and extensive experience conducting household surveys in the context of Mozambique. Experience with longitudinal surveys and tracking will be beneficial. Firms may partner with data collection agencies in South Africa.

- The partner should have demonstrated experience and expertise in using CAPI on tablets, including managing data entry flow, ethical data storage and management, and data quality assurance. Familiarity with CSPro is required.
- The partner will have demonstrated expertise in data quality assurance, including conducting high-frequency checks during data collection, identifying and cross-verification of data discrepancies and data cleaning.
- The partner must have sufficient expert staff, including skilled enumerators and supervisors, on board with availability to work from the time of signing the contract with 3ie.
- For-profit organizations are eligible to apply, but the indirect cost recovery is limited to 10 percent of direct costs.

13. Deliverables

The schedule of deliverables is summarized in Table 2, along with the payment schedule. The firm will be responsible for producing the following outputs:

1. **Submission of policies and documents**, as agreed and undertaken based on the Due Diligence Assessment report.
2. **Updated field protocols** for the household survey and school administrative data capture. Household survey protocols will include a description of activities performed during community meetings, to track subjects, to perform deep search, to perform out of the country interviews and to declare a subject as lost. School administrative data capture protocols will detail the full set of data capture, entry and processing activities to be conducted as well as data storage and transmission.
3. **Detailed implementation work plan**, including the recruitment strategy, field schedule, and transportation plan.
4. **Adapted recontact protocols**, incorporating the community meeting strategy and search interaction procedures.
5. **IRB and local authorizations** for the current LTFUS tracking and the school admin data collection.
6. **Field-testing and validation report** of the questionnaires and field manuals provided by 3ie and updated by the Firm.
7. **Training report and final materials** for enumerators and supervisors (adapted from 3ie's induction and training materials).
8. **Pretest reports** from pre-tests of household questionnaires and school administrative data capture protocols with enumerators and supervisors.
9. **Final list of field personnel**, approved by 3ie, following the selection test and suitability review.
10. **Weekly progress reports**, detailing field status, completion rates (found vs. pending), and community coordination updates.
11. **Partial consolidated datasets**, delivered regularly during the fieldwork phase.
12. **Quality assurance report**, documenting the results and corrective actions of the 5% back-checks and audio recording reviews.
13. **Final consolidated recontact dataset** for the full population (2,000 subjects), including:
 - Cleaned data in the agreed format.
 - Audio recordings for all attempts and interviews.
 - GPS locations for all subjects and enumerator tracks.
 - Pictures of households and key locations.

12. **Final Report on recontact activities**, providing an in-depth analysis of success rates, operational challenges, and practical recommendations for the 2026 full-scale follow-up.
13. **Comprehensive technical documentation**, including a detailed codebook, data dictionary, and field interaction logs.
14. **Administrative data records**, such as collected school records (from 69 schools, 2000-2025) as per protocols established by 3ie.
15. **Raw image files of school administrative records** from approximately 69 primary and secondary schools across the five districts, covering available records from year 2000 to 2026, organized according to the agreed naming convention, accompanied by manually encoded data for the subset of records requiring ground-truth extraction.
16. **Field inventory logs** documenting the schools visited, years and document types captured, record condition, and any access constraints or irregularities encountered.
17. **Financial Utilization Reports (four)**

14. Proposal format

Proposals should include the following information:

- A description of the organization's experience and qualifications to carry out the proposed scope of work (use the format in Appendix A). Include proof of past performance, such as certificate of letter issued by client.
- A work plan describing how the partner will complete the scope of work outlined above, a description of personnel roles and project management structure, duty of care policies and procedures in place, and risk identification and mitigation plans.
- Indicative field plan with field team structure, team size (enumerators, supervisors, in-depth search agents) and expected productivity given the context to ensure timely completion of data collection.
- Capacity and indicative plans for data collection in South Africa and other international locations.
- Indicative data quality assurance plan charting out briefly how the survey firm will assure submission of high-quality tracking data.
- Financial proposal that indicates the unit survey prices and total price as presented in Table 1 (final 2 columns to be completed by the Firm and included in the proposal) and a detailed budget using the [3ie budget template](#), assuming 100% recontact (2,000 completed valid surveys and administrative data capture in 69 schools). Include a cost breakdown by activity.
- Detailed timeline for the completion of main activities.
- The qualifications, methods and work plan should not exceed 15 pages, using 11pt Arial font, 1.15-line spacing and 1-inch margins.

15. Indicative budget

We expect proposed budgets up to an indicative ceiling of USD 686,000 (including taxes). We will only consider proposals above this range if those include a substantive and compelling justification in the proposal. Firms should propose a price per completed valid face-to-face survey and school with complete administrative data capture according to the following schedule:

Table 1: Price Schedule - Reference Price and Offer Price

Price	Reference Costs				Firm Offer (to be completed by Firm)	
	Surveys	Number of units to budget (A)	Maximum reference unit price (B)	Maximum reference total price (A*B)	Offer Price per Unit (C)	Total Price offered by Firm (A*C)
Price A	#1 to 1350	1350	\$120	\$162,000.00		
Price B	#1351 to 2000	550	\$400	\$220,000.00		
Price C	Foreign country	100	\$600	\$60,000.00		
School Administrative Data	Schools	69	\$1,000	\$69,000.00		
Fixed Costs	NA	NA	\$150,000	\$150,000.00	\$150,000	\$150,000
Performance Bonus for 85% re-interview rate or higher in household survey	1700 or more completed surveys	1	\$25,000	\$25,000.00	\$25,000	\$25,000
TOTAL				\$686,000.00		

16. Payment

Payment will be made against approved deliverables, according to the following schedule. Note that the total payment amount is partially contingent on the number of complete and valid surveys approved by 3ie. 3ie will conduct regular supervision and data quality assurance. Evidence of data falsification will be considered a breach of contract and may result in penalties, including cancellation of the contract. Prices listed below are for face-to-face (in-person) interviews. Remote interviews via video-conference or other format previously agreed in writing with 3ie will be compensated at the base rate of Price A per survey for surveys #1 to 1,350, or Price B per survey for surveys #1,351 to 2,000.

Table 2: Deliverables and Payment Schedule.

#	Deliverables	Payment details	Date (on or before)
1	<p>Signed Contract</p> <p>Detailed implementation work plan</p>	\$50,000	Approximately 2 weeks from signing of contract: 15 August 2026
2	<p>Policies and documents agreed as part of due diligence assessment</p> <p>Adapted recontact protocols</p> <p>IRB Approvals and local authorizations</p> <p>Field-testing and validation report</p> <p>Financial Report¹ #1</p>	\$100,000	Approximately 3 months from signing of the contract: 31 October 2026
3	<p>Training report and final materials for enumerators and supervisors (adapted from 3ie's induction materials).</p> <p>Final list of field personnel, approved by 3ie, following the selection test and suitability review.</p> <p>Pretest reports (Initial recontact pretest, questionnaire pretest and school administrative data capture pretest).</p> <p>Weekly progress reports, detailing field status, completion rates.</p> <p>Partial consolidated datasets</p> <p>Financial Report #2</p>	<p>Based on # of completed surveys as of 27 November 2026</p> <p>Payment according to following schedule: Price A (up to \$120) per completed survey for the first 1,350 surveys. Price B (up to \$400 per completed survey) for surveys #1351 to 2000 OR Price C (up to \$600) for face-to-face surveys collected outside of Mozambique.</p>	Approximately 4 months from signing of the contract – 2 December 2026
4	Weekly progress reports, detailing field status, completion rates (found vs. pending), and community coordination updates.	Based on # of completed surveys between 28 November 2026 and 11 January 2027 .	Approximately 5.5 months from signing of the contract – 15

¹ Financial utilization reports are to be submitted in the 3ie template.

	<p>Partial consolidated datasets</p> <p>Financial Report #3</p>	<p>Payment according to following schedule: Price A (up to \$120) per completed survey for the first 1,350 surveys. Price B (up to \$400 per completed survey) for surveys #1351 to 2000 OR Price C (up to \$600) for face-to-face surveys collected outside of Mozambique.</p>	<p>January 2027</p>
5	<p>Quality assurance report, documenting the results and corrective actions of the 5% back-checks and audio recording reviews.</p> <p>Final consolidated recontact dataset for the full population (2,000 subjects), including:</p> <p>Cleaned data in the agreed format.</p> <p>Audio recordings for all attempts and interviews.</p> <p>GPS locations for all subjects and enumerator tracks.</p> <p>Pictures of households and key locations.</p> <p>Final Report on recontact activities, providing an in-depth analysis of success rates, operational challenges, and practical recommendations for the 2026 full-scale follow-up.</p> <p>Comprehensive technical documentation, including a detailed codebook, data dictionary, and field interaction logs.</p> <p>School administrative data records, all school records from approximately 69 schools between the years 2000 and 2026.</p> <p>Financial Report #4</p>	<p>Based on # of completed surveys between 12 January 2027 and the conclusion of fieldwork (expected by 30 April 2027).</p> <p>Payment according to following schedule: Price A (up to \$120) per completed survey for the first 1,350 surveys. Price B (up to \$400 per completed survey) for surveys #1351 to 2000 OR Price C (up to \$600) for face-to-face surveys collected outside of Mozambique. \$1,000 per school with complete administrative records captured. A \$25,000 bonus will be paid for 85% or higher re-interview rate on the household survey (1,700 or more completed surveys).</p>	<p>Approximately 10.5 months from signing of the contract – 15 June 2027</p>

Note: values and dates in Table 2 will be updated at the time of contracting

17. Selection

All proposals that qualify will be reviewed by a 3ie panel using a combined scoring method. The eligibility and methodology will be weighted at 70 percent, and combined with the price offer, which will be weighted at 30 percent. The technical part of the application will be assessed on the strength of the proposal that best fits 3ie's needs, as well as previous experience of the provider in executing similar projects. 3ie may request shortlisted firms to make presentations of their approach. 3ie may provide comments and request a resubmission if the proposal does not receive adequate scores. All shortlisted organizations are mandatorily required to go through the due diligence assessment (DDA) process to ensure compliance with 3ie requirements (See Appendix C). The DDA process for organizations is designed to assess organizational capacity, governance, safeguarding, financial management, and risk mitigation systems. 3ie reserves the right to not award the contract in case no applicant meets the requirements.

18. Submission

Please submit complete proposals to mozambique_ie@3ieimpact.org, with the subject line, 'Proposal for Mozambique Long Term Follow Up Survey.' The last date for submission of proposals is **27 May 2026 by 17:00 CAT. Early submissions are encouraged.** Only complete submissions meeting the eligibility requirements will be considered. 3ie will only contact shortlisted survey firms. Requests for clarifications before final application may be directed to mozambique_ie@3ieimpact.org by **12 May 2026**.

Appendix A: Survey firm's experience

Provide details of experience in undertaking large-scale household surveys or Impact Evaluations of nation-wide/inter-division/division-wide development projects or sub-divisional governments or their agencies/multilateral agencies/ international NGOs/ corporate sector during the last 3 years.

Please provide a brief description of the projects in which CAPI was used for data collection, including the name of the client, name of the project, states covered, household sample size, no of questionnaires used/ modules, average time required to administer a schedule/module, number of CAPI devices used, status of the project, and so on.

Project	Client	Scope of work Sample	Duration of Assignment	Value of Contract	Total HHs	No of Modules	Average time required to administer the HH schedule	No of CAPI devices used	No of enumerators	Data quality assurance mechanisms used	Contact details of references from at least 3 projects

Appendix B: Preliminary tracking protocol

Tracking sample protocol

This document outlines the preliminary protocol for selection of a tracking sample to establish likely re-contact rates in a long-term follow-up survey of the Mozambique Preschool study. The original study sample recruited at baseline in 2008 was of 2000 children ages 3-5 and their families.

2025 Tracking Sample:

1. To establish a re-contact rate of 80% (CI 70%-90%) with confidence of 0.05 and power of 0.8 a sample of 137 observations is required. We propose a tracking sample of 150 subjects.
2. A stratified sample will be drawn in two stages:
 - First, a sample of 15 treatment and 15 control localities will be drawn at random to conform the sample of tracking communities
 - Second, a simple random sample of 5 subjects with complete re-contact information from the 2014 survey will be drawn for each tracking sample community.
3. The tracking survey will attempt to contact the tracking sample of 150 individuals, attempting face-to-face or remote re-contact with the subject (target child). The case will be classified as a successful re-contact if:
 - The subject is located and the tracking survey is completed
 - The subject is located remotely by phone, messenger or similar and the survey is completed
 - The subject is located in person or remotely and the interview is refused by the subject
 - The subject is confirmed to be deceased by a key informant such as a relative, friend, teacher, community leader or neighbor.
4. The re-contact will be considered unsuccessful if the subject is not located, even if his or her former household members are successfully located.
5. The tracking survey will consist of a short (up to 20 minute) survey to collect updated recontact information, and a reduced number of demographic and outcome variables.
6. The community leader survey will consist of a short (approximately 10 minutes) interview.

1. Protocolo de abordagem nas comunidades

Foi selecionada uma amostra de **76** comunidades localizadas nos distritos de Bilene, Maniacaze e Xai-Xai, que deverão ser visitadas com o objetivo de contactar cinco casos de interesse por comunidade e atualizar as informações de contacto de todas as crianças que foram abordadas em 2014.

A Tabela 1 apresenta a lista das comunidades: incluídas no estudo.

Tabela 1: Comunidade sob a jurisdicao dos postos administrativos seleccionados

DISTRITO	P.ADMINISTRATIVO	LOCALIDADE	COMUNIDADE
Bilene	Macuane	Macuane	Macuane
Bilene	Praia de Bilene	Praia de Bilene	Mahungo
Bilene	Praia de Bilene	Praia de Bilene	Nhiuane
Bilene	Praia de Bilene	Praia de Bilene	Tsoveca
Bilene	Vila da Macia	Macia-Sede	Chiguitine
Bilene	Vila da Macia	Macia-Sede	Chimungo
Bilene	Vila da Macia	Macia-Sede	Gombane
Bilene	Vila da Macia	Macia-Sede	Madjele
Bilene	Vila da Macia	Macia-Sede	Menguelene
Bilene	Vila da Macia	Macia-Sede	Muchabje
Bilene	Vila da Macia	Macia-Sede	Nwachihissa
Bilene	Vila da Macia	Macia-Sede	Uampaco
Chongoene	Chongoene	Siaia	Armando Tivane
Chongoene	Chongoene	Banhine	Banhine-Sede
Chongoene	Chongoene	Nhancutse	Bungane
Chongoene	Chongoene	Siaia	Chibielene
Chongoene	Chongoene	Nhamavila	Chimutane
Chongoene	Chongoene	Banhine	Conjoene
Chongoene	Chongoene	Maciene	Cumbene
Chongoene	Chongoene	Siaia	Emilia Dausse
Chongoene	Chongoene	Maciene	Gangalene
Chongoene	Chongoene	Maciene	Maciene-Sede
Chongoene	Chongoene	Nhancutse	Magula
Chongoene	Chongoene	Maciene	Marramine
Chongoene	Chongoene	Chongoene	Muxaxane
Chongoene	Chongoene	Nhancutse	Ncane
Chongoene	Chongoene	Nhancutse	Nhamavila-Sede
Chongoene	Chongoene	Chongoene	Nhampfuine
Chongoene	Chongoene	Banhine	Pomulene
Chongoene	Chongoene	Nhancutse	Tetene
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Chicumbane-Sede	Aldeia O.M.M
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Chicumbane-Sede	Chiconela
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Mangunze	Machalucwane B/3
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muwawasse	Maniquinique
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muwawasse	Muwawasse 2000
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muwawasse	Muwawasse B/1
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muwawasse	Muwawasse B/2
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muwawasse	Muwawasse B/3
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muwawasse	Muwawasse B/4
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muzingane	Muzingane B/1

DISTRITO	P.ADMINISTRATIVO	LOCALIDADE	COMUNIDADE
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muzingane	Muzingane B/2
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muzingane	Muzingane B/3
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muzingane	Muzingane B/4
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Muzingane	Muzingane B/5
Limpopo	Chicumbane	3 Fevereiro	Nuvunguene
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Chirindzene	Tlacula B/1
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Chirindzene	Tlacula B/2
Limpopo	Chicumbane	Chicumbane-Sede	Totoe
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Machulane	Bocodane
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Chimbozane	Chibonzane-Sede
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Machulane	Chicomo
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Chimbozane-Sede	Machachuvane
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Machulane	Machulane-Sede
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Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Machulane	Mahuntsane
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Chimbozane-Sede	Malene
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Chimbozane-Sede	Mucindo
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Machulane	Nhenguene
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Machulane	Tavane
Manjacaze	Chimbozane	Chimbozane-Sede	Vamangue
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Chicavane	Chicavane-Sede
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane-Sede	Chilumbele
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane	Chipendane
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane	Chitsembe A
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane	Chitsembe B
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Chicavane	Dzimba
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Chicavane	Helane
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane	Lipanga
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Chicavane	Macachene
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane	Machingane
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane	Mafangue
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane	Mangunze A
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane	Mangunze B
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane-Sede	Mavengane
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane-Sede	Mazucane-Sede
Manjacaze	Mazucane	Mazucane	Nhafoco

2. Protocolo de Abordagem Comunitária

Para garantir uma abordagem estruturada e eficiente nas comunidades-alvo, foi desenvolvido o seguinte protocolo:

2.1 Preparação Prévia

Elaborar uma lista de contacto com nomes e números dos administradores distritais, diretores provinciais e distritais de educação, chefes dos Postos Administrativos (7), e chefes de localidades onde as comunidades estão localizadas.

2.2 Comunicação com Autoridades Distritais e Locais

Antes da visita a qualquer comunidade:

- Contactar autoridades distritais e chefes de localidades para:
 - Informar sobre o estudo e seus objetivos;
 - Indicar as comunidades sob sua jurisdição que serão visitadas;
 - Solicitar o apoio dos secretários comunitários.

Ao falar com o chefe do posto, atualizar a lista dos contactos dos líderes / secretários das 30 comunidades selecionadas e também das outras que podem estar sob a jurisdição do chefe do posto (**ver tabela 2**).

2.3 Comunicação com os Secretários do Bairro

Estabelecer contacto prévio com o secretário da comunidade/bairro para:

- Apresentar o estudo e seus objetivos;
- Solicitar e actualizar s informações dos jovens alvo, e informar que se le enviará a lista dos participantes previamente aos secretários dos bairros, para que estes possam pesquisar de forma adiantada, de seguida marcar a reunião com os secretários e as pessoas chaves (Pessoas que possam ajudar na localização dos Jovens alvos:
 - Jovens alvos encontrados, chefes das 10 casas, animadores, professores e diretores das escolas, etc.), que possam ter informações dos casos em falta.
- Propor e realizar o encontro na comunidade;
- Conduzir a reunião de identificação de casos de estudo em coordenação com o secretario, prover a logística incluindo lanches para um máximo de 15 participantes.

2.4 Abordagem na Comunidade

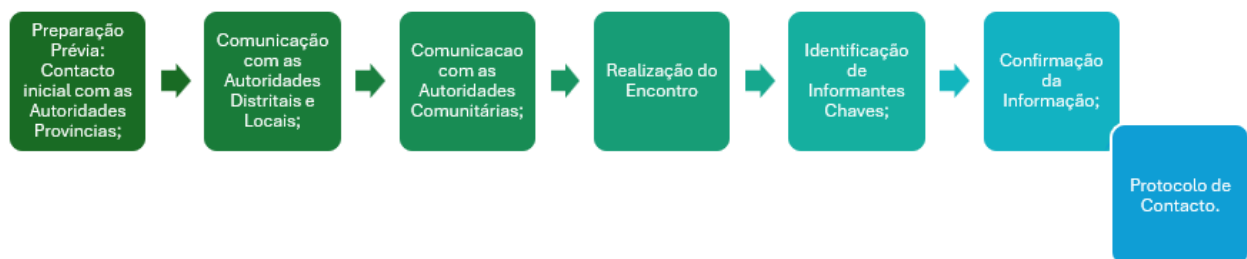
Para cada comunidade, durante o encontro deve-se:

- Apresentar o estudo e objetivos;
- Atualizar a lista de contactos dos Jovens alvo;
- Registrar ausências, migrações (data e destino, se aplicável), fallecimiento (año);
- Para os casos não identificados com a lista fornecida previamente, com a ajuda do secretário identificar um ou mais informantes chaves, para que tentem esforços para localizar os casos em falta. Algumas sugestões seriam para dinamizar o processo, incluem:
 - Sugestao1: Incentivar monetariamente aos informantes chaves (que podem ser os jovens alvos já encontrados), em uma taxa não superior a 50MT para cada caso encontrado);

- Sugestao2: Criação de grupo de whatsapp entre os Jovens da comunidade já encontrados para utilizar as suas redes de contacto;
- Sugestão 3: Identificar escolas locais ou próximas que os participantes possam ter frequentado e entrar em contacto com a unidade de gestão destas mesmas escolas;
- Solicitar apoio para contactar os 5 casos do piloto.
- Verificação das informações de contacto fornecida, preferencialmente por chamadas telefónicas e perguntas de controle (Data de nascimento, nome do Pai e da Mãe);
- Agendar ou realizar a entrevista se possível tomando proveito da disponibilidade no momento;
- Executar o protocolo de contacto para entrevistar os 5 casos selecionados para o piloto.

3. Fluxograma

Figure 1: Fluxograma da abordagem nas comunidades



4. Guia Operacional de Contacto com Pessoas de Interesse

4.1 Objetivo do Guia

Estabelecer contacto eficaz com a pessoa de interesse e realizar uma breve entrevista, presencial ou remota, conforme a disponibilidade da pessoa.

4.1.1 Estratégia de Contacto

A abordagem deve priorizar entrevistas presenciais sempre que possível. Para jovens alvos que se encontrem fora da área do estudo, será necessário adicionar esforços para visita-los ainda que viagens adicionais se julguem necessárias. Quando isso não for viável, utilizam-se métodos alternativos, como chamadas por vídeo-conferencia (Zoom, Google meet, Teams).

4.2 Etapas para Estabelecimento de Contacto

4.2.1 Contacto Telefónico Inicial

- Quando houver número de telefone disponível:
 - Ligar para marcar uma visita e realizar a entrevista no local de residência do participante.
 - Se a pessoa de interesse estiver em uma situação em que tenha sido localizada, mais não possa realizar entrevistas presenciais por força maior, pode-serealizar a entrevista por videoconferência.

4.2.2 Visita ao Agregado

- **Em casos em que não existam contactos telefónicos, mas o endereço estiver disponível:**
 - Visitar a residência (último endereço conhecido (GPS)) com o apoio de um guia comunitário.
 - Verificar se a pessoa está presente para conduzir a entrevista.

4.2.3 Contacto através de Informantes-Chave

- **Quando não for possível localizar a pessoa no endereço fornecido:**
 - Procurar informações com:
 1. Pais ou familiares próximos;
 2. Informantes-chaves locais;
 3. Vizinhos ou chefe da família.
 - Com base nas novas informações obtidas (telefone ou novo endereço), repetir os passos anteriores (3.1 ou 3.2).

4.3 Realização da Entrevista

- **Se a entrevista presencial tiver sido agendada:**
Conduzir no local e horário combinados.
- **Se a entrevista ocorrer durante uma visita não agendada:**
Realizar no momento, caso a pessoa esteja disponível.
- **Se a pessoa não estiver presente:**
Marcar nova visita dentro do período de trabalho de campo. Caso não seja possível, agendar entrevista telefónica.
- **Se a pessoa residir fora da comunidade, mas for contactável por telefone:**
Realizar a entrevista remotamente ou agendar chamada posterior.
- **Se a pessoa recusar participar:**
Registrar a recusa e encerrar o caso.
- **Se for informado que a pessoa faleceu:**
Registrar o ano da morte e encerrar o caso.

5. Busca Aprofundada (Deep Search)

Uma proporção dos participantes já não se encontra na residência originalmente registada, nas fases anteriores, tendo migrado para outras comunidades, distritos, províncias ou mesmo para o estrangeiro. Em muitos casos, os métodos convencionais de rastreio, visitas domiciliares diretas, contacto com familiares imediatos ou consulta a líderes comunitários, não são suficientes para localizar os indivíduos elegíveis.

Neste contexto, a Busca Aprofundada (Deep Search) constitui uma estratégia estruturada e escalonada destinada a localizar participantes de difícil acesso após o esgotamento dos métodos regulares de rastreio. O objetivo principal é maximizar a taxa de reencontro dos participantes, reduzir perdas amostrais e proteger a validade científica do estudo longitudinal.

5.1 Funcionamento Operacional da Busca Aprofundada (Deep Search)

A Busca Aprofundada funciona como um mecanismo complementar ao rastreio comunitário realizado pelas equipas no terreno. Sempre que um participante não for localizado após o cumprimento das tentativas mínimas previstas (visitas presenciais, contactos comunitários e

recolha local de pistas), o caso deverá ser formalmente encaminhado para uma equipa dedicada de Deep Search.

Esta equipa terá como principal função concentrar-se exclusivamente nos casos de difícil localização, permitindo que as equipas de campo mantenham o foco nas entrevistas presenciais e nos casos de localização direta. A separação destas funções aumenta a eficiência operacional e evita que enumeradores em campo gastem tempo excessivo em casos complexos.

A equipa de Deep Search deverá trabalhar com base em todas as informações disponíveis no sistema, incluindo:

- Nome completo e variantes conhecidas;
- Apelidos ou nomes informais;
- Nome de familiares próximos;
- Antiga comunidade de residência;
- Escola frequentada anteriormente;
- Contactos telefónicos antigos;
- Informação recolhida por vizinhos, amigos ou líderes comunitários;
- Destino provável indicado pela comunidade.

Com base nestes elementos, a equipa realiza buscas remotas estruturadas por meio de:

- Chamadas telefónicas para números antigos ou alternativos;
- WhatsApp (mensagens, chamadas e verificação de perfis);
- Facebook e Messenger;
- Instagram;
- TikTok;
- LinkedIn (quando aplicável);
- Redes de contactos familiares ou comunitários já identificados.

Quando a equipa de Deep Search consegue localizar o participante, deverá:

1. Confirmar identidade e disponibilidade;
2. Atualizar número de telefone, localização atual e melhor forma de contacto;
3. Explicar de forma breve o objetivo do seguimento;
4. Negociar data, hora e local mais conveniente para entrevista;
5. Registrar toda a informação no sistema.

Após o agendamento bem-sucedido, o caso deverá ser devolvido à equipa de campo responsável pela área, que retomará o processo para realização da entrevista presencial. Caso o participante se encontre distante ou indisponível por motivos laborais, académicos ou geográficos, poderá ser considerada entrevista remota por videoconferência, conforme os procedimentos aprovados pelo estudo.

5.2 Objetivos da Busca Aprofundada

A Busca Aprofundada tem como objetivos:

- Localizar participantes não encontrados após tentativas padrão de rastreio;
- Confirmar informação contraditória ou incompleta sobre paradeiro;
- Identificar migração interna ou externa;
- Atualizar contactos telefónicos e redes familiares;
- Viabilizar entrevistas remotas (videoconferências) quando necessário;

5.3 Critérios para Ativação da Busca Aprofundada

Um caso deverá ser encaminhado para Busca Aprofundada quando ocorrer uma ou mais das seguintes situações:

5.3.1 Após tentativas locais sem sucesso

- Pelo menos **3 visitas presenciais** em horários e pessoas de contacto distintos sem localizar o participante;
- Falta informação na comunidade ou Informação de que o participante “saiu da comunidade” sem detalhes adicionais.

5.3.2 Informação inconclusiva

- Familiares ou vizinhos desconhecem o paradeiro atual;
- Existem múltiplas versões contraditórias sobre localização;
- Nomes/apelidos diferente do registado na linha de base.

5.3.3 Migração suspeita

- Indícios de deslocação para: Maputo/Matola, África do Sul, Outras capitais provinciais

5.4 Níveis de Busca Aprofundada

A Busca Aprofundada deverá seguir uma abordagem progressiva e documentada:

Nível 1 – Rede Familiar e Comunitária Expandida - Consiste em ampliar a rede de informantes locais:

- Pais, irmãos, tios, primos;
- Vizinhos próximos (incluindo por aproximação por GPS);
- Professores e colegas antigos;
- Amigos conhecidos (ou pessoas que possam fornecer pistas que levem ao jovem alvo);

Meta: obter novo contacto ou destinos prováveis e possivelmente estabelecer contacto.

Nível 2 – Contacto Telefónico e Redes Sociais - Quando existirem pistas mínimas, estabelecer contacto e validação.

- Chamadas telefónicas;
- WhatsApp (mensagem ou voz);
- Outras redes sociais (Facebook; Messenger; Instagram; TikTok; LinkedIn).

Nível 3 – Busca Geográfica Direcionada - Quando há informação parcial de destino, obter:

- Bairro/cidade provável;
- Nome de empregador;
- Mercado/local de trabalho;
- Casa/contacto de familiar em Moçambique;

Nível 4 – Entrevista Remota - Se o participante for localizado mas por força maior, estiver indisponível para uma entrevista presencial:

- Agendamento/Marcação de horário apropriado;
- Entrevista por videoconferência;
- Reagendamento conforme disponibilidade laboral.

Appendix C: Due Diligence Requirements

The Due Diligence Assessment (DDA) is mandatory for all shortlisted organizations. It is designed to assess organizational capacity and systems across governance, safeguarding, financial management, and risk mitigation, and to ensure alignment with International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie) standards and policies.

Completion of the DDA is a prerequisite for finalizing any contractual agreement with 3ie.

Shortlisted organizations must complete a DDA questionnaire (to be shared separately), which will cover, at a minimum, the following areas:

1. Legal registration and organizational structure, including leadership and reporting lines
2. Governance and oversight arrangements
3. Financial management systems, including accounting practices, internal controls, audit, and reporting
4. Organizational policies, including (but not limited to):
 - Financial management
 - Procurement
 - Risk management
 - Anti-fraud and anti-corruption
 - Data protection and privacy
5. Safeguarding frameworks, including policies on prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA), harassment, and whistleblowing/reporting mechanisms.
6. Human resource policies, including recruitment, code of conduct, and conflict of interest management.
7. Demonstrated experience managing donor-funded projects of similar scale and complexity

Organizations will be required to provide supporting documentation for the above areas.

Organizations may also be required to demonstrate compliance with applicable national laws and regulations.

3ie reserves the right to request additional information or documentation and to conduct further verification checks as part of the DDA process.