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## PLAYPUMPS MAKE FETCHING WATER FUN IN MOZAMBIQUE

### VIDEO

GIRLS WALK BY VILLAGE  
WELL

INSIDE OF VILLAGE WELL /  
WOMAN WASHING  
CLOTHES / KIDS WALK BY

WOMEN WITH WATER  
BUCKETS WALK BY /  
SCHOOL

KIDS IN SCHOOL / SITTING  
UNDER TREE / OUTDOOR  
CLASSROOM

BOY RINGS BELL / KIDS  
COME OUT OF SCHOOL  
HOUSE

### AUDIO

#### NARRATION

Twelve year old Alzira is scared to walk by the old village well. (4'')

Last year, one of her friends fell in and died. And often the stagnant water has caused cholera and stomach aches. (7'')

Fetching water five times a day is a lot of work for the women in Zintava, a village near Mozambique's capital Maputo. In the rural areas, less than a quarter of the population has access to clean water. (13'')

Even children have a busy schedule of fetching water and learning for school – and very little time to play. (7'')

But now life in Zintava has changed dramatically. There is a strange object in Zintava's schoolyard. It is a merry-go-round, with a practical twist. It's called a playpump!

KIDS ON PLAYPUMP

(12”)

With every spin, clean water is pumped up and stored in a container. Powered only by children’s natural energy, it can provide clean water for 2.500 people a day. So far, Zintava hasn’t had another cholera outbreak.

Community Secretary Simão Nhangala is happy: (18.5”)

SIMÃO NHANGALA, ZINTAVA  
COMMUNITY SECRETARY,  
ON CAMERA

SIMÃO NHANGALA: (Portuguese)

*“The pump has cut down the distance women have to walk for water. It used to take between 10 and 15 minutes to go and fetch water, now it is very near their homes and within 5 minutes they can fill their buckets.”* (14.5”)

WOMEN FILL WATER  
BUCKETS NEAR PLAYPUMP

NARRATION

The playpump is supported by UNICEF. Donor countries are supporting the idea to build four thousand more pumps in Africa by 2010, which would supply ten million more people with safe drinking water. (12.5”)

BOYS COME OUT OF  
BATHROOM, WASH HANDS  
AT ORANGE CONTAINER

Hygiene also benefits from the new pump. In many schools children do not have the luxury of washing their hands when they come from the bathroom. (8.5”)

KIDS FILL UP BUCKET AND  
WATER PLANTS IN SCHOOL  
GARDEN

With easy access to water, the school started a gardening project. The children learn to grow their own vegetables and improve their nutrition. Lunch in school now includes cabbage and greens. (12”)

KIDS IN SCHOOL GARDEN

Even for Alzira, fetching water is no longer associated with scary memories. (5”)

ALZIRA EVELITA MACANDZA  
ON CAMERA

ALZIRA EVELITA MACANDZA: (Portuguese)  
*“We like to fetch water, drink it, play with it, wash our hands, etcetera.” (6”)*

CLOSE UP OF CENTER  
WHEEL / YOUNGER KIDS  
PUSH THE WHEEL

NARRATION

The pumps are expensive, but extremely durable and even little kids can push the wheel – only a woman alone has a hard time if nobody is around to lend her a hand. The men are in charge of maintenance. If something breaks, they send a text message to the mechanic who will come to fix it the next day. (20”)

WOMAN PUSHES WHEEL /  
MEN WATCH / CLOSE UP  
TEXT MESSAGE

ACTIVITIES AT THE PUMP

Samuel Manhica is a water officer with UNICEF. (3.5”)

SAMUEL MANHICA, UNICEF  
WATER AND SANITATION  
OFFICER

SAMUEL MANHICA: (Portuguese)

*“The pump is improving the hygiene and water quality for the community and the schools. Now, like here, we have safe water for the community and something where the children can play and we can maintain them in school.” (19”)*

ALZIRA SPINNING ON THE  
PUMP

NARRATION

In the next few months, UNICEF plans to install more playpumps all over Mozambique – to bring safe water to the communities and fun to the children. (9.5”)

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