

UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND JOB PROFILE

I. Post Information

Job Title: **Finance Associate** Supervisor Title/ Level: **Finance Officer** Organizational Unit: **Finance** Post Location: **Maputo, Mozambique** Job Level: **GS6** Job Profile No.: CCOG Code: Functional Code: Job Classification Level: **GS6**

II. Organizational Context and Purpose for the job

The fundamental mission of UNICEF is to promote the rights of every child, everywhere, in everything the organization does — in programs, in advocacy and in operations. The equity strategy, emphasizing the most disadvantaged and excluded children and families, translates this commitment to children's rights into action. For UNICEF, equity means that all children have an opportunity to survive, develop and reach their full potential, without discrimination, bias or favoritism. To the degree that any child has an unequal chance in life — in its social, political, economic, civic and cultural dimensions — her or his rights are violated. There is growing evidence that investing in the health, education and protection of a society's most disadvantaged citizens — addressing inequity — not only will give all children the opportunity to fulfill their potential but also will lead to sustained growth and stability of countries. This is why the focus on equity is so vital. It accelerates progress towards realizing the human rights of all children, which is the universal mandate of UNICEF, as outlined by the Convention on the Rights of the Child, while also supporting the equitable development of nations.

Job organizational context:

The Country Programme of Cooperation between the Government of Mozambique and UNICEF (CPD) for 2022-2026 aims to support Mozambique to accelerate efforts towards achieving the targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and meeting its commitment to respect, protect and fulfil the rights of children, in line with the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and the Core Commitments for Children in Humanitarian Action. It derives from the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF), 2022–2026 and aligns with the Government Five-Year Plan 2020–2024, the National Development Strategy 2015–2035 and relevant sector policies and programmes.

Purpose for the job

Under the guidance of the supervisor, the Finance Associate will be responsible for providing a variety of specialized tasks in finance functions, ensuring accurate and timely delivery that in compliance with UNICEF financial rules and regulations, whilst demonstrating the capacity to research, adapt and evaluate irregular cases, and to recommend improvements to process delivery and design. Specifically, and supporting the UNICEF Mozambique Business Support Centre, the Finance Associate will be responsible for accurate processing of all HACT related transactions and Sales Orders.

The below tasks are expected to be executed independently, and at GS-6, when encountering scenarios outside of the established pattern, the incumbent is expected to demonstrate the capacity to research, adapt and evaluate

III. Key functions, accountabilities and related duties/tasks (Please outline the key accountabilities for this position and underneath each accountability, the duties that describe how they are delivered. Please limit to four to seven accountabilities)

Summary of key functions/accountabilities:

- Scrutinize and review transaction requests ensuring quality checks and create accurate and timely Harmonized Approach for Cash Transfers (HACT) and VISION transaction requests (Direct Cash Transfers – DCT advance & liquidations, Direct Payments, Reimbursements, reprogramming, Sales Orders, adjust funds commitment and Change of Funding Source) ensuring all supporting documents and relevant information provided for processing are accurate, adequate and in compliance with established work processes policies, rules, regulations and procedures. Respond or answer to queries in relation to transactions.
- 2. Ensure correctness of data entering on Funding Authorization and Certificate of Expenditures (FACE) forms and ensure speedy processing of DCT advances and Liquidations to enhance programme implementation and KPIs maintenance.
- 3. Ensure all supporting documents are accurate and correctly uploaded in eZHACT according to the established work processes, policies, rules, regulations and procedures.
- 4. Support orientation of new staff members and refresher sessions to ensure quality submission of transactions requests to the Business Support Centre.
- 5. Co-facilitate training sessions to Implementing Partners on HACT and FACE forms to ensure quality submission of requests.
- 6. Provide support on monthly and year end closure of accounts as per closure guidelines instructions.
- 7. If required, undertake assessments and spot checks for partners in support of the HACT Assurance Plan implementation.
- 8. Performs other duties, as required.

IV. Impact of Results (Please briefly outline how the efficiency and efficacy of the incumbent impacts its office/division and how this in turn improves UNICEF's capacity in achieving its goals)

The efficiency and efficacy of the Finance Associate directly impacts on the optimum, appropriate, effective use of resources and efficient financial recording, accounting entries and reporting, which in turn facilitates management oversight, decision making and quality control. All this ultimately impact on the overall financial statement and position of the organization.

Work requires good understanding and application of the administrative and financial rules, regulations, policies, and accounting procedures. Errors committed could have serious

financial consequences for UNICEF in addition to attracting audit objections/observations and compromising UNICEF's credibility for accountability and transparency.

V. Competencies and level of proficiency required (please base on UNICEF Competency Profiles)

Core Values	 Functional Competencies: Following Instruction and Procedures (II)
CommitmentDiversity and inclusionIntegrity	 Applying Technical Expertise (II) Planning and Organizing (II) Analyzing (II) Learning and Researching (II)
Core competencies Communication (II) Working with People (II) Drive for Results (II)	

VI. Recruitment Qualifications	
Education:	Completion of secondary education, preferably supplemented by technical or university courses in a field related to Finance, Accounting, Budget or Business Administration, is required.
	Computer literacy and ability to effectively use standard office software, tools and technologies is required.
Experience:	Six years of progressively responsible experience in financial management is required. However, three (3) of additional work experience can be substituted with a bachelor's degree and two (2) years with a master's degree. Experience in an international organization and/or large corporation is an asset. Experience with SAP or other similar ERP system is an asset. Experience with IPSAS is an asset.
Language Requirements:	Fluency in Portuguese and English is required. Knowledge of another official UN language is an asset.