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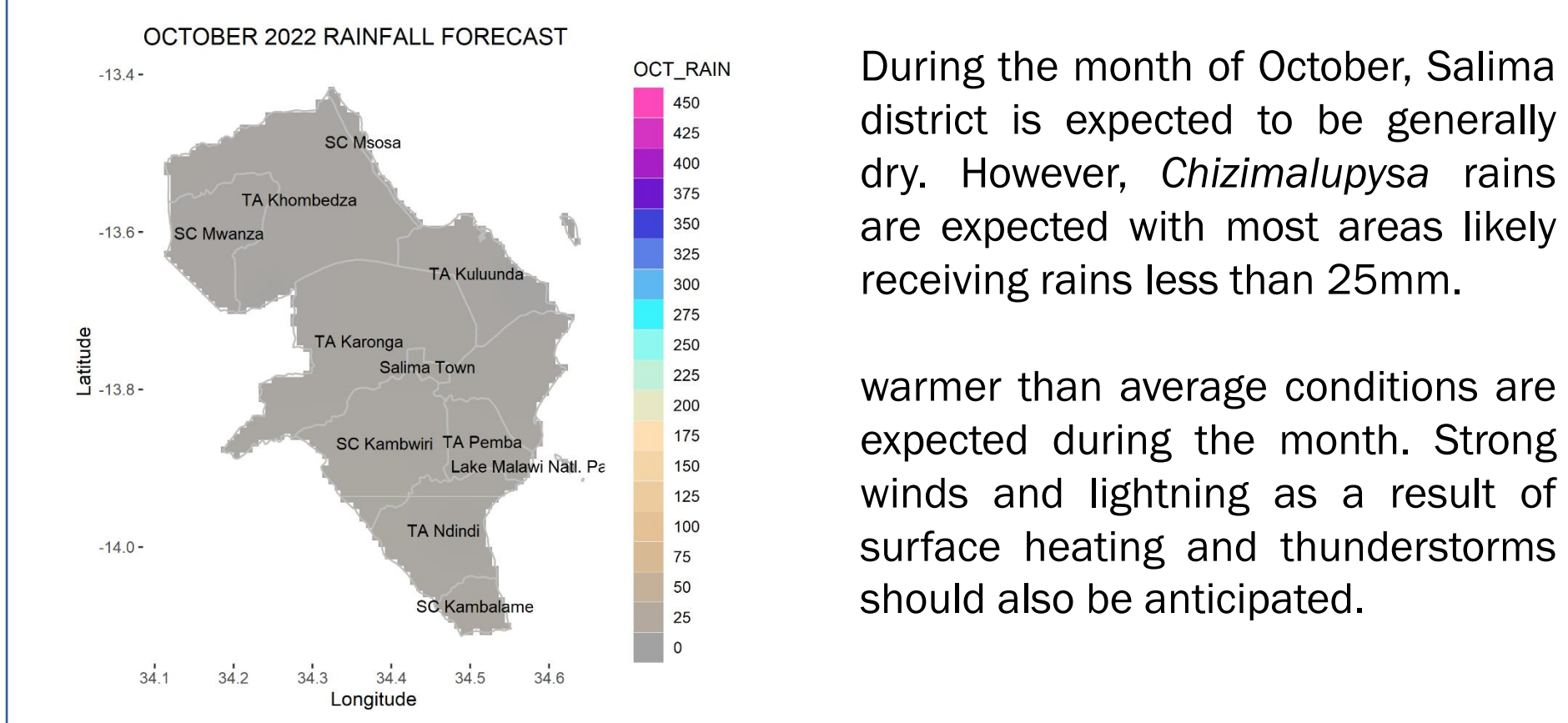
SALIMA DISTRICT DOWN-SCALED SEASONAL FORECAST, 2022-2023



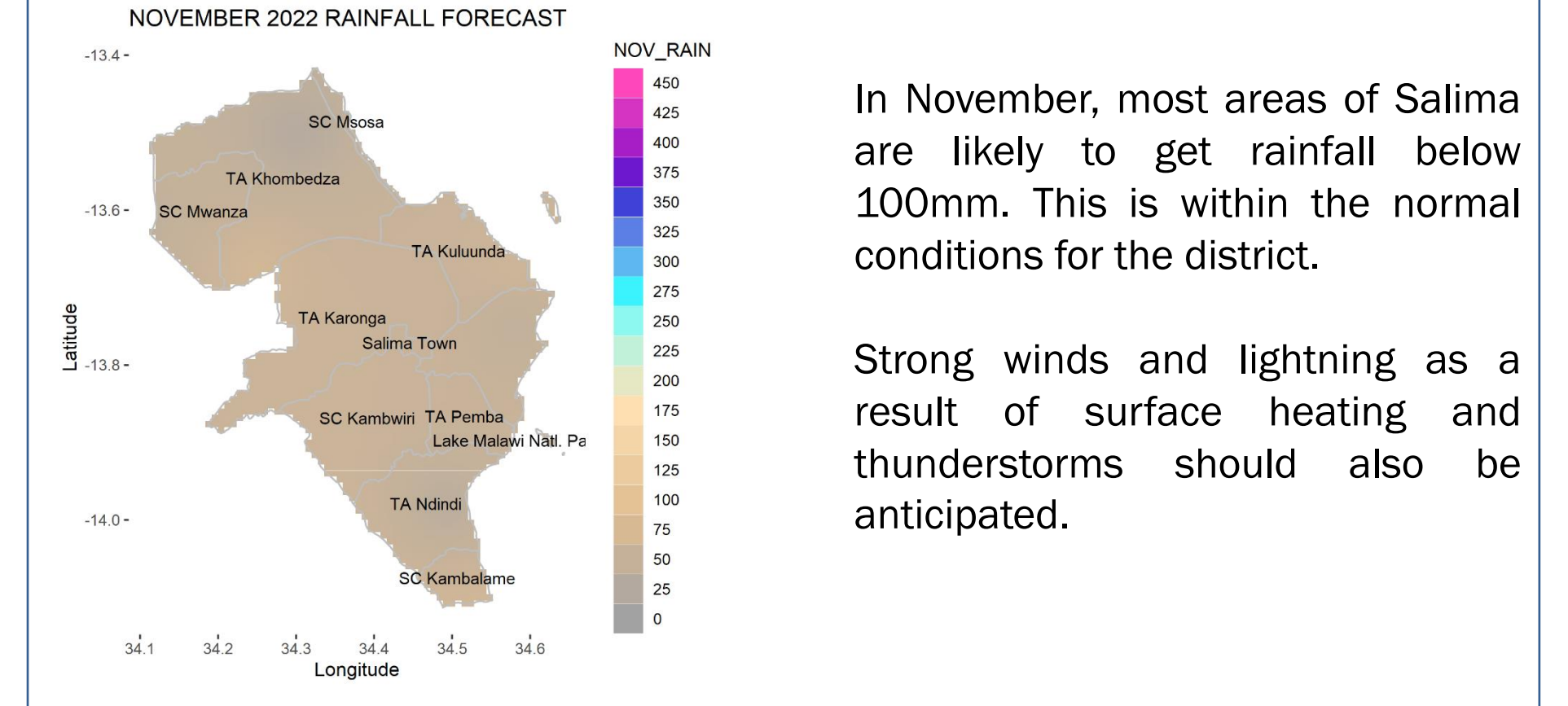
Overview of 2022/2023 Rainfall Season

The 2022-2023 rainfall season for Malawi is expected to be influenced by La Nina conditions which are projected to prevail until early 2023. La Nina is the unusual cooling of ocean waters over eastern-central equatorial Pacific Ocean. Salima is expected to receive normal to above-normal total rainfall amounts during the rainfall season from October 2022 to April 2023.

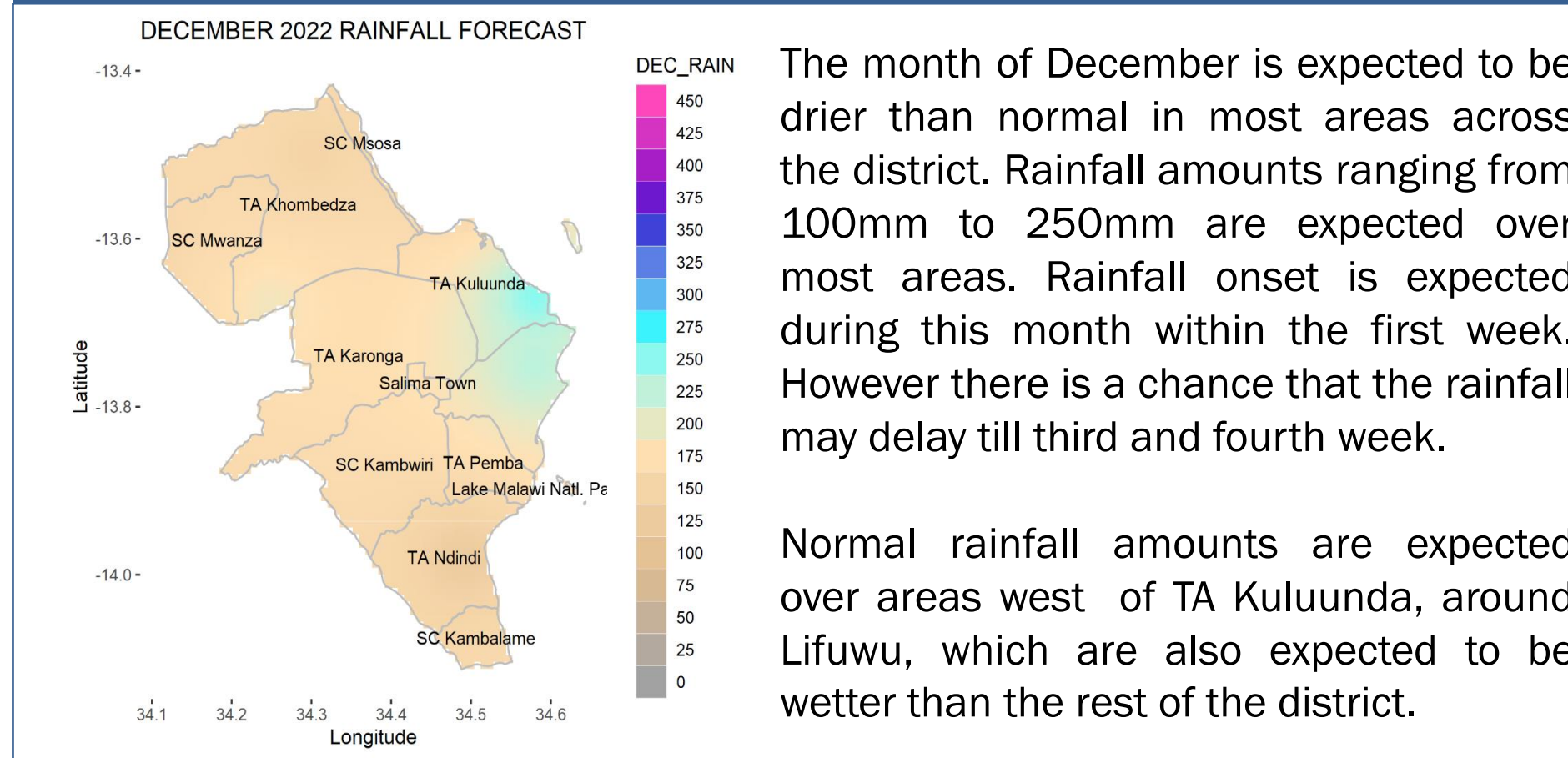
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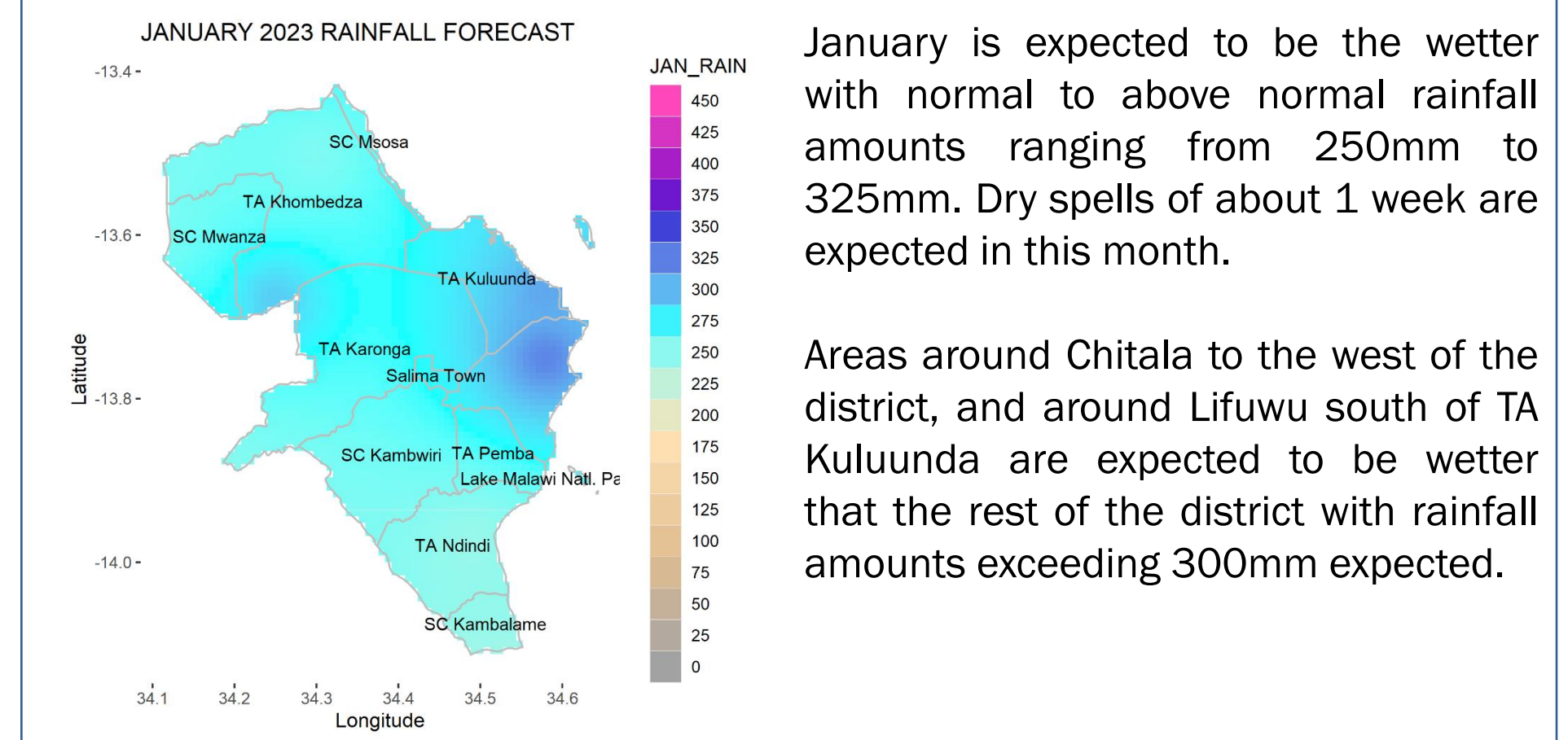
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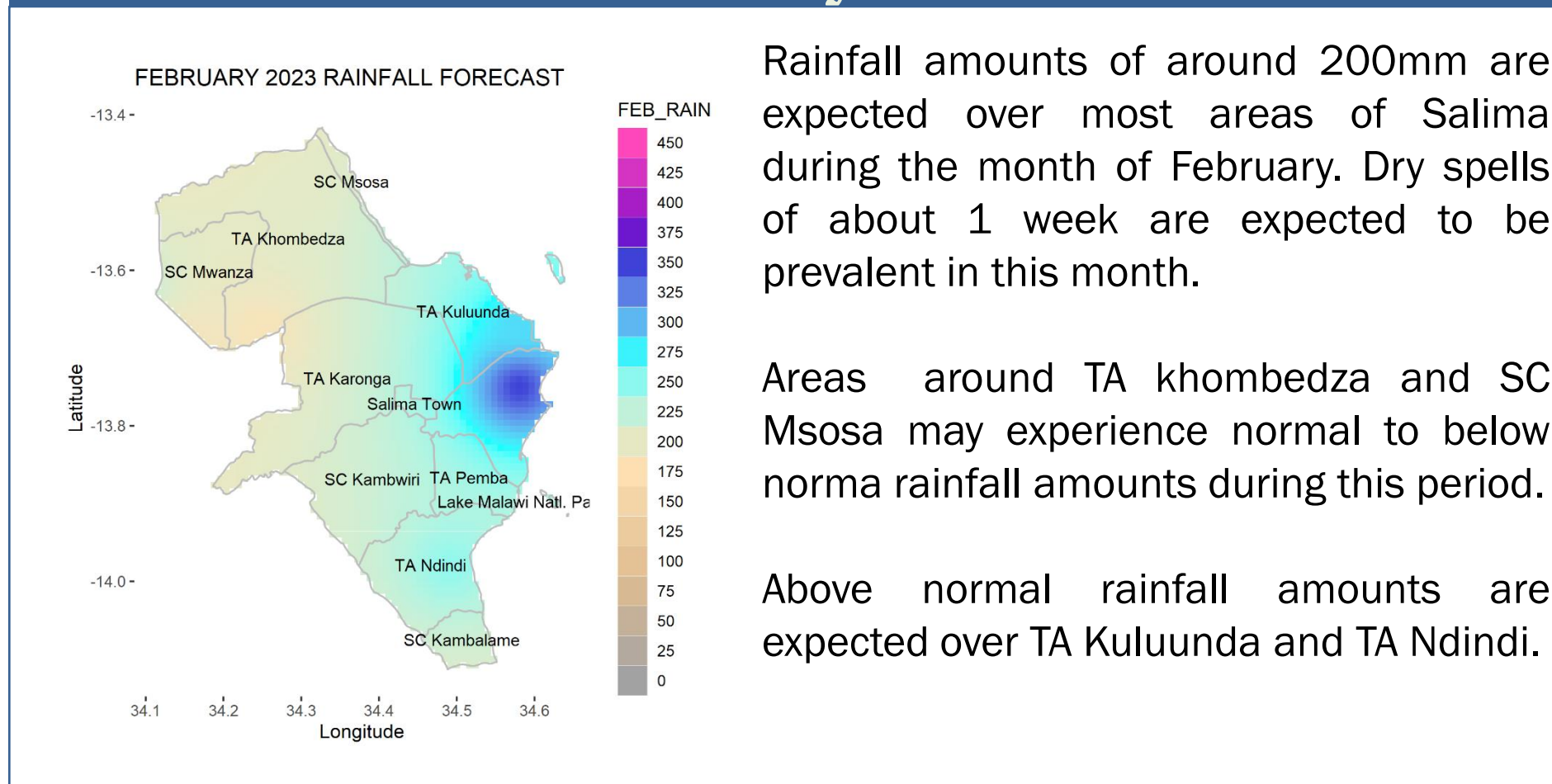
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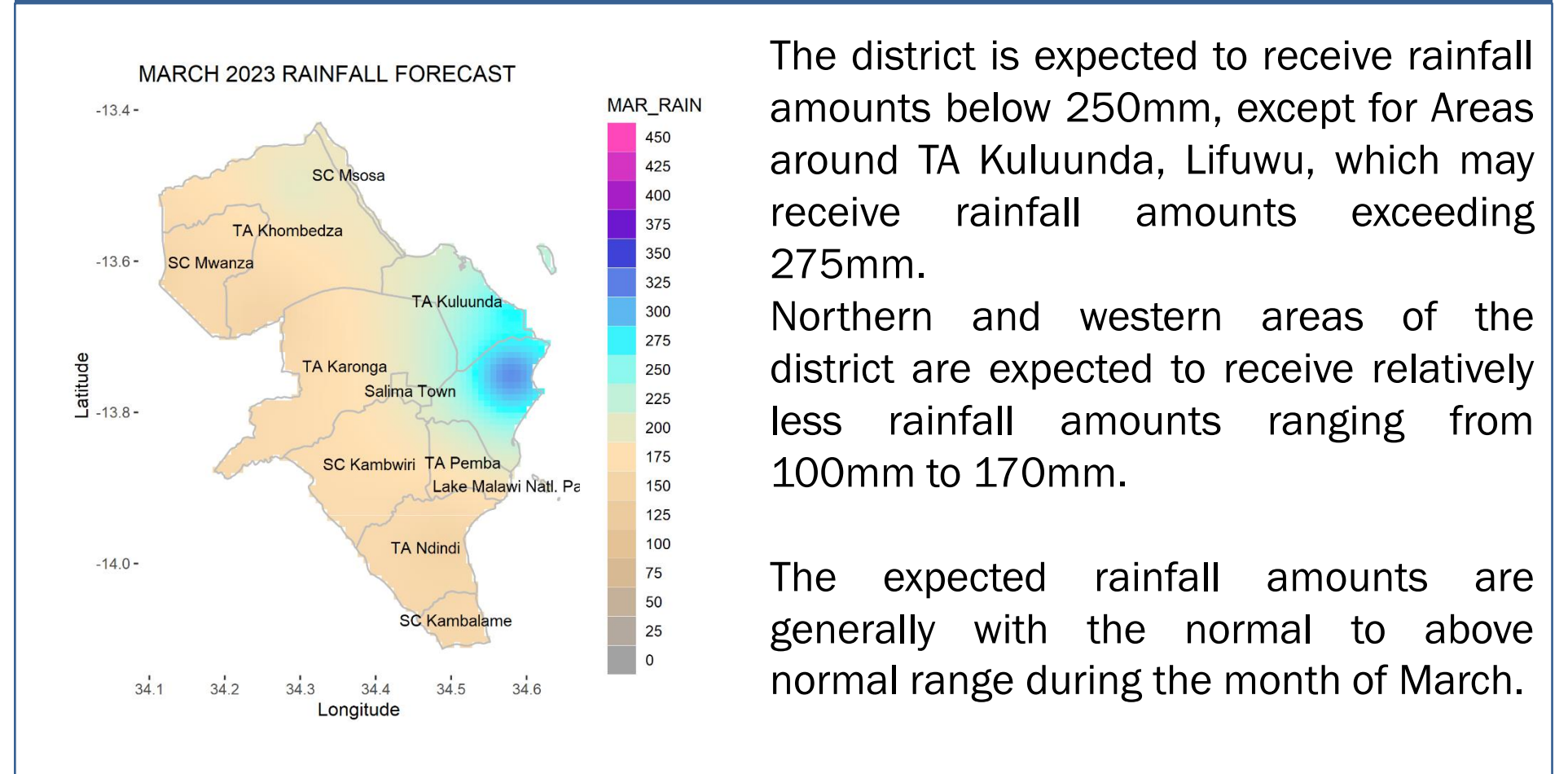
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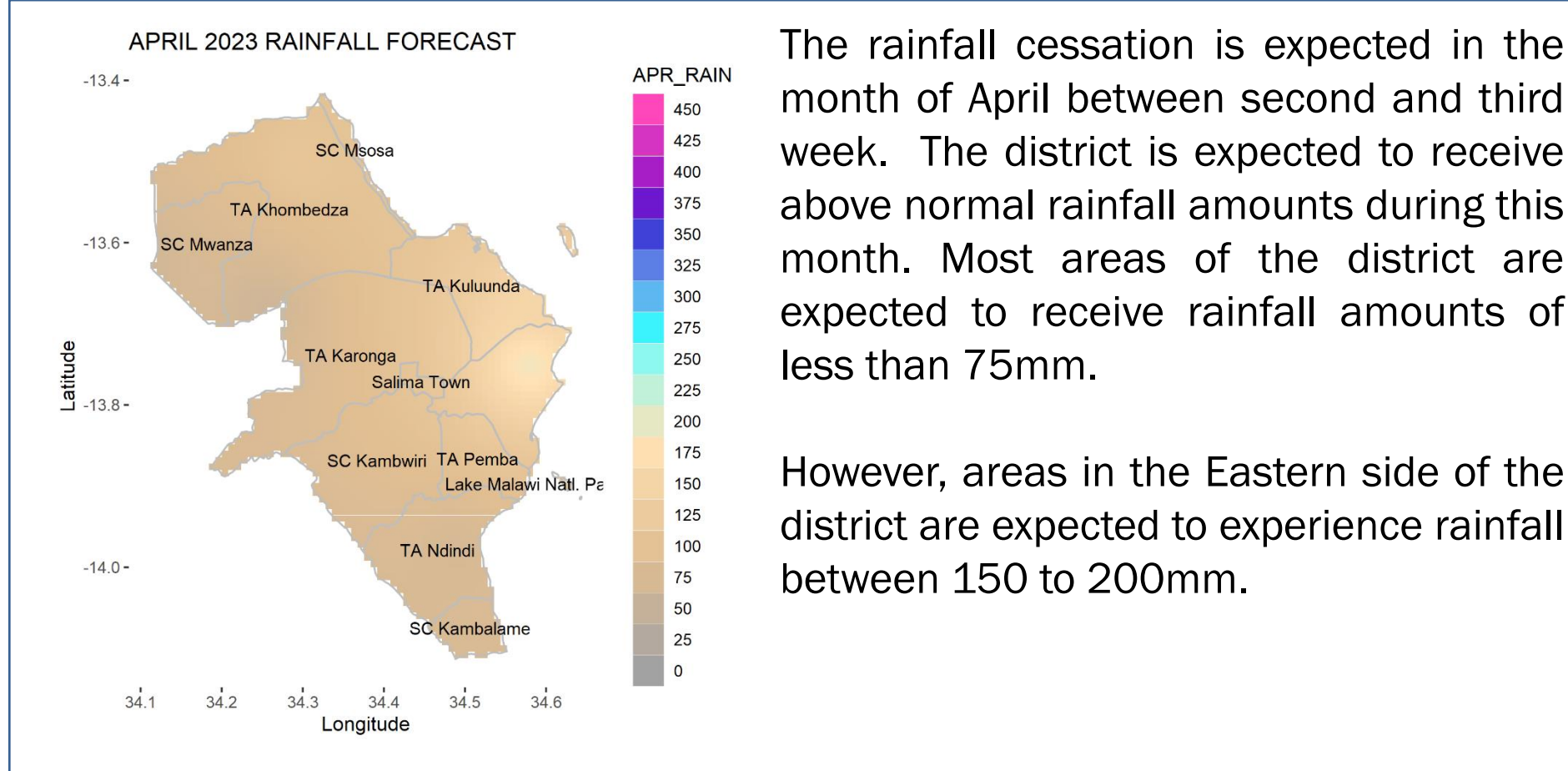
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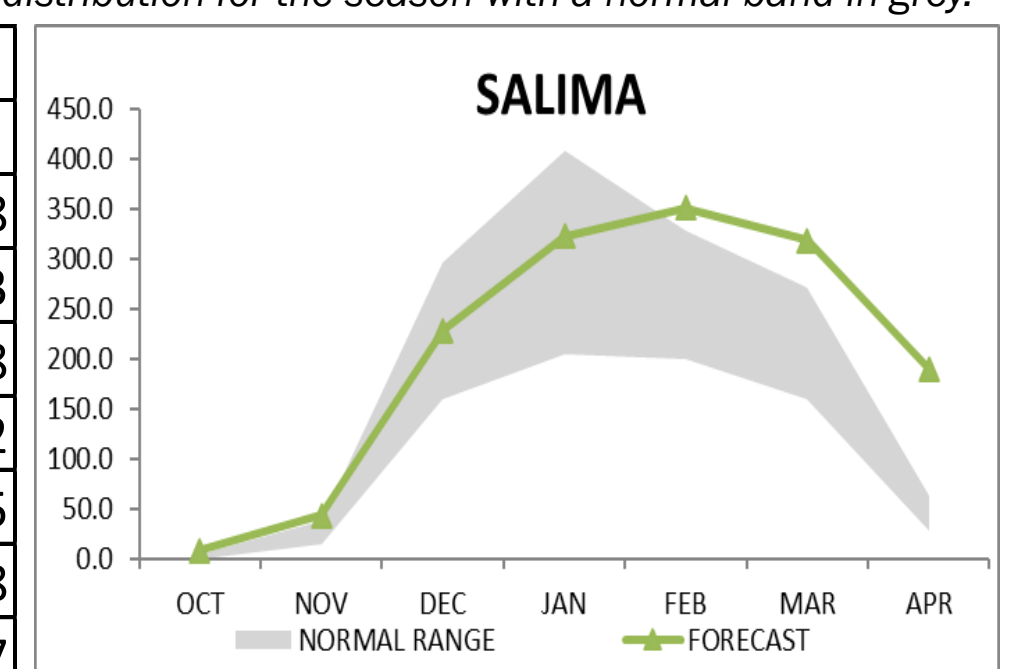
April 2023



Rainfall onset is expected during the month of December within the first week. However there is a chance that the rainfall may delay till third and fourth week. The rainfall cessation is expected between the second and third week of the month of April. The seasonal length in the district is expected to be between 120 to 150 days. Dry spells of around 1 week are expected in January and February.

The table and figure below shows monthly rainfall distribution for the season with a normal band in grey.

SALIMA		
MONTH	NORMAL RANGE	FORECAST
OCT	0.1	4.9
NOV	14.3	38.5
DEC	159.3	295.6
JAN	204.6	407.1
FEB	199.4	327.9
MAR	159.8	271.6
APR	27.3	62.6



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