



# MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## DEPARTMENT OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

### WEEKLY WEATHER STATEMENT

**23RD TO 29TH MARCH, 2026**



#### SUMMARY OF WEATHER AHEAD

From Monday, 23rd March to Sunday, 29th March 2026, the country is expected to experience partly cloudy conditions with **isolated thunderstorms and rainfall, which may be locally heavy, particularly over lakeshore and some northern areas.** These conditions are due to the influence of an unstable easterly airmass.

Occasionally windy conditions are also expected over water bodies, including Lake Malawi.

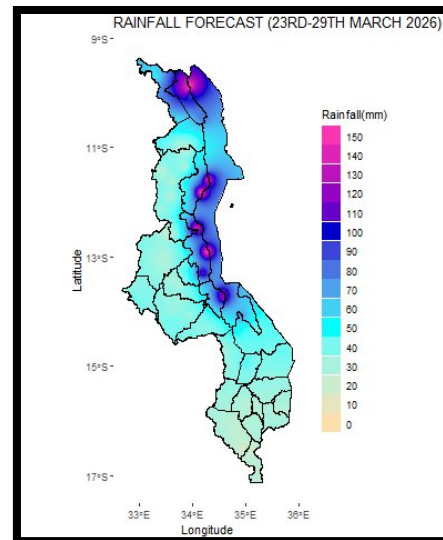
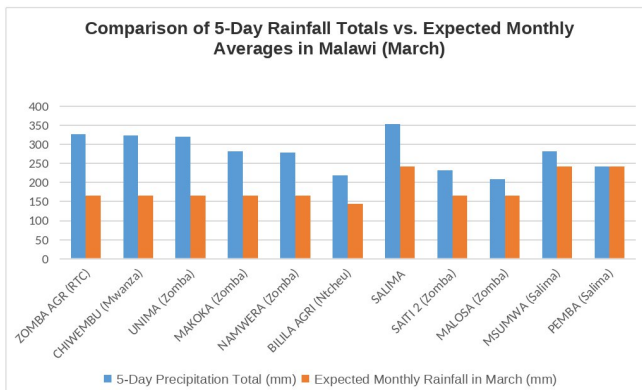


Figure 1: Cumulative rainfall forecast from 23rd to 29th March 2026

#### WEATHER DURING PAST WEEK

Most areas experienced thunderstorms and rain, which were locally heavy mainly over lakeshore and southern areas as shown on figure 2. The highest reported 24-hourly rainfall amount was 186.3mm from UNIMA in Zomba on 16<sup>th</sup> March. **Additionally, 11 stations across the country recorded rainfall amounts exceeding their respective district monthly means, as indicated in the table below.**



#### WEEKLY ADVISORIES:

**Thunderstorms:** Lightning poses a risk to life and property. People are advised to seek shelter indoors for safety.

**For further information please contact:** The Director, Department of Climate Change and Meteorological Services, Ministry of Natural Resources and Climate Change, P. O. Box 1808, Blantyre, Malawi. Tel: (265) 882 266 579; Email: [metdept@metmalawi.gov.mw](mailto:metdept@metmalawi.gov.mw), Website: [www.metmalawi.gov.mw](http://www.metmalawi.gov.mw)

**Place of issue: Blantyre**

**Date of issue: Sunday 22nd March, 2026.**

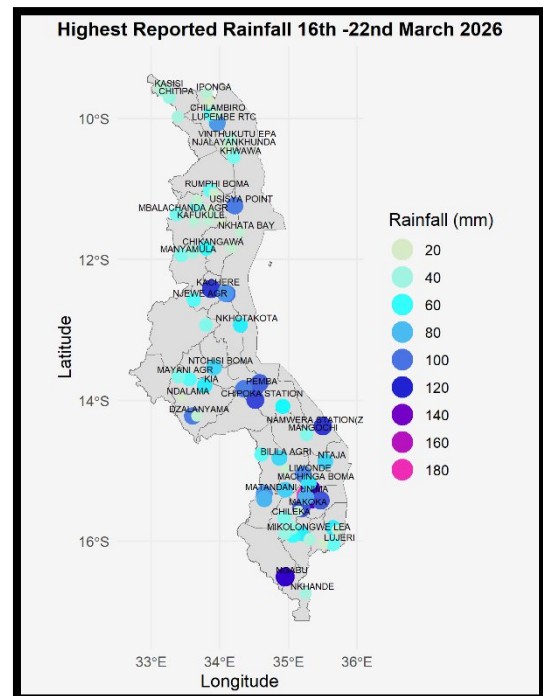


Figure 2: Highest rainfall exceeding 20mm reported between 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026