



MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DEPARTMENT OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES
WEEKLY WEATHER STATEMENT
16TH TO 22ND MARCH, 2026

SUMMARY OF WEATHER AHEAD

Expect cloudy conditions with **thunderstorms and rains of varying intensities but locally heavy mainly over Salima and surrounding areas** from 16th March till Wednesday 18th March 2026 due to the influence of low-pressure system active over Malawi. The rainfall intensity will decline thereafter.

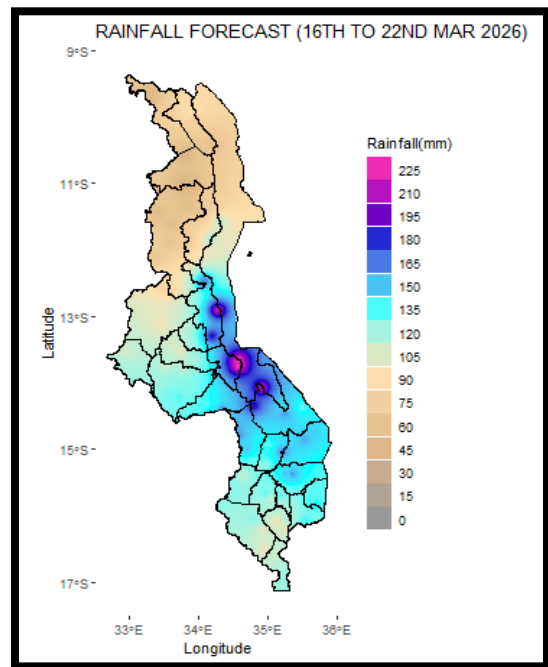


Figure 1: Cumulative rainfall forecast from 16th to 22nd March 2026

WEATHER DURING PAST WEEK

Most areas experienced cool and cloudy conditions with thunderstorms and rain which were locally heavy mainly over northern and southern areas. The highest reported 24-hourly rainfall amount over the **north was 102.3mm from Kazuni in Karonga on 12th March**, for central region it was **87.2mm from Salima on 15th March** while for the south it was **166.4mm from Matandani station in Zomba on 14th March 2026**.

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Flash flooding: The risk of flooding is high mainly over lakeshore areas like Salima and Nkhotakota. Therefore, avoid crossing flooded or fast flowing waters.

Land slide risk: Those living in landslide prone areas especially Southern Highlands districts of Mulanje, Blantyre, Thyolo and Chiradzulu be alert.

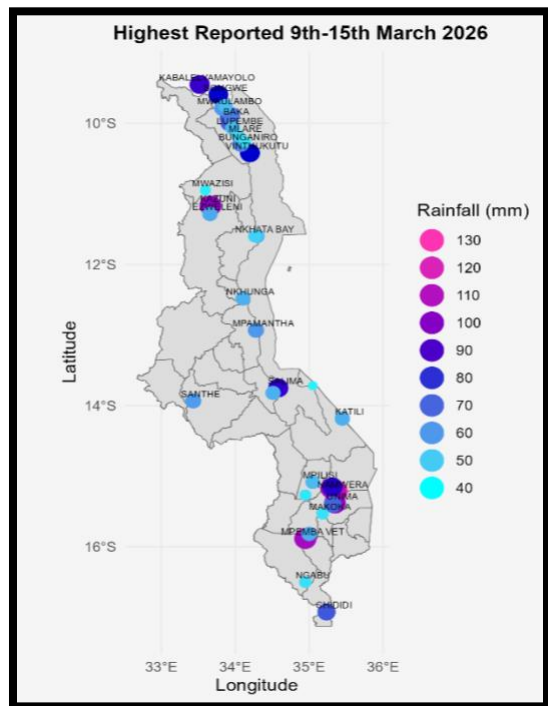


Figure 2: Highest rainfall exceeding 20mm reported between 9th to 15th March 2026

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