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WEEKLY WEATHER STATEMENT

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SUMMARY OF WEATHER AHEAD

This week, expect most rainfall activities over northern and parts of central areas compared to southern areas (Figure 1). Hot to very hot conditions will also persist in most places during the week.

Monday to Wednesday, expect partly cloudy conditions, isolated thunderstorms and rain which will be accompanied by moderate to strong winds. This will be due to the convergence of southeasterly and northeasterly air masses over Malawi.

From Thursday to Sunday, a developing low-pressure system in the Mozambique Channel will enhance moist and unstable air over the country, which will result into thunderstorms and rain over more areas of northern, lakeshore and parts of central Malawi. Isolated rain events are also likely over southern areas.

Strong Mwera winds are expected over Lake Malawi and other water bodies from Monday evening to Wednesday. Therefore, all lake users are advised to stay alert to protect life and property.

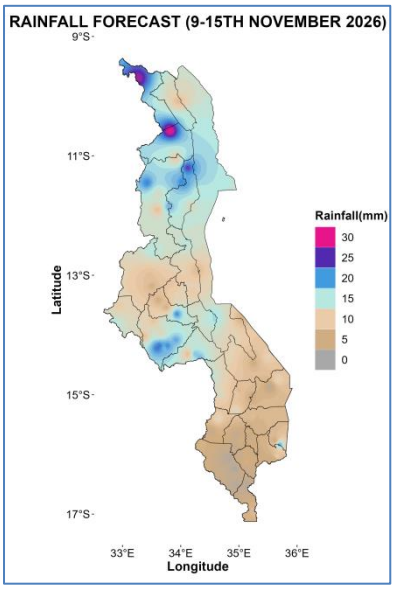

Figure 1: *Rainfall forecast for the coming week.*

WEATHER DURING PAST WEEK

It was very hot and mostly dry with isolated thunderstorms and rainfall events. The highest rainfall was from Chileka in Blantyre, which recorded 44.4mm on 5 November followed by Mbawa in Mzimba with 29.6mm on 4 November.

High day time temperatures were recorded over most areas. The highest temperature was **42.9°C** reported at Ngabu on 8 November. Most areas registered warmer than average maximum temperature (Figure 2). Ngabu in Chikwawa exceeded its average maximum temperature by **5.8°C**

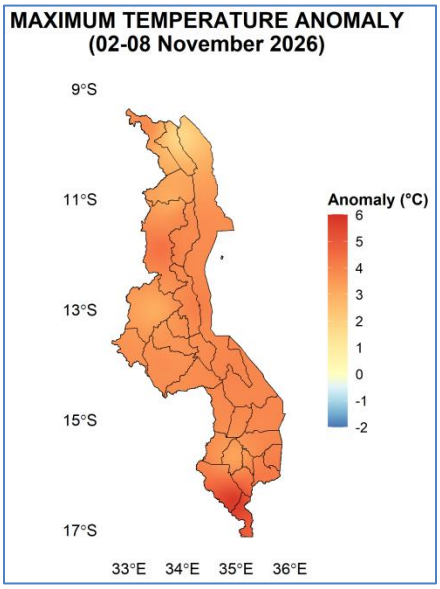

Figure 2: *Departure of the observed weekly highest maximum temperature from long term average maximum (°C)*

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- Drink water frequently to stay cool and hydrated.

Place of issue: Blantyre

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- Avoid prolonged exposure to direct sun.
- Avoid fishing, swimming or using small boats and canoes when Mwera winds are strong.

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