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WEEKLY WEATHER STATEMENT 26TH TO 1ST SEPTEMBER, 2024

SUMMARY OF WEATHER AHEAD

From Monday, August 26, 2024, to Thursday, August 29, 2024, anticipate windy and partly cloudy weather, with a slight increase in daytime temperatures due to a warm easterly air mass. Beginning Thursday night, August 29, expect Chiperoni weather, characterized by windy, chilly conditions, light rain, and fog patches mainly in the valleys. Lake Malawi, Lake Chilwa, and other lakes will occasionally experience rough conditions due to Mvuma winds, but strong Mwera winds are expected from Thursday night.

WEATHER DURING PAST WEEK

Very cold weather conditions (temperatures below 11°C) were experienced during early morning hours over many areas. The lowest recorded minimum temperature was 7.5°C recorded at Kamuzu International Airport on 19th August 2024 and at Dedza Meteorological office on 24th August 2024. On 19th August, 2024, Mzimba Meteorological station reported the lowest temperature anomaly of -5.2 degrees Celsius. It was warm over most areas during the day with the highest maximum temperature anomaly of 2.4 degrees Celsius from Chileka Meteorological station on 23rd August 2024.

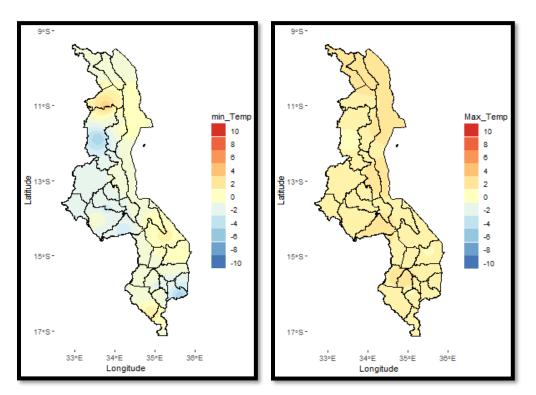


Figure: Last week's Minimum (left) and Maximum (right) temperature anomaly in degrees Celsius as compared to 1991-2020 climatology.

ADVISORIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

- Due to the Mwera winds, small boats and fishermen should exercise additional caution when heading out onto the lake.
- Foggy conditions in valleys may reduce visibility, so exercise caution while driving.
- Dress warmly and ensure vulnerable individuals, such as children and the elderly, are adequately protected from the cold.
- Avoid using charcoal burners in enclosed spaces with closed doors and windows.

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