



WEATHER FORECAST FOR 29TH FEBRUARY, 2024

SYNOPSIS AND INFERENCE:

Locally heavy rains and thunderstorms to continue mainly over northern and some central areas whilst mostly cloudy and windy over the south with reduced rainfall activities as the I.T.C.Z will be well confined over the north. Expect Mwera winds to stop blowing over our lake water bodies by Friday afternoon, 01st March 2024. All lake users including fishermen are still advised to remain cautious during the forecasted period.

WARNING: Threat of Flash floods is still very high mainly over parts of central, lakeshore and northern areas, with the persistence of heavy rains over these areas. Let's therefore continue taking all the precautionary measures to avoid loss of life and properties.

SHIRE VALLEY (areas along Shire River and around Lake Chiuta and Chilwa)

Expect **mostly cloudy and windy conditions coupled with rain drizzles** during this morning. Mostly hot, cloudy and windy with chances of rains later in the afternoon. **Forecast Temperatures: Ngabu Min.22°C and Max.32°C**

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS (Shire highlands, Kirk Range up to Dedza)

Expect windy and cloudy conditions with some rain drizzles and fog patches this morning. Mostly cloudy and windy coupled with localized rains and thunderstorms later in the day. Forecast Temperatures: Blantyre Min.17°C and Max.25°C

<u>CENTRAL AREAS</u> (Lilongwe, Mchinji, Ntchisi, Dowa, Kasungu and part of Mzimba District) Mostly cloudy and cool conditions associated with locally heavy rain and thunderstorms expected to continue during this morning. Expect cloudy and warm weather conditions with localized heavy rain and thunderstorms later in the afternoon. Forecast Temperatures: Lilongwe Min.17°C and Max.26°C

LAKESHORE AREAS (Mangochi, Salima, Nkhotakota, Nkhata Bay, Likoma, Karonga)

Expect windy and cloudy conditions coupled with thunderstorms and locally heavy rain to continue this morning. Mostly cloudy and hot with localized heavy rain and thunderstorms to continue later in the day.

Forecast Temperatures: Mangochi Min. 23°C and Max.28°C

NORTHERN AREAS (all areas in the north except lakeshore)

Mostly cloudy and cool coupled with locally heavy rain and thunderstorms during this morning. Expect generally cloudy with thunderstorms and localized heavy rain to continue later in the afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Mzuzu Min.17°C and Max.24°C

WIND: Variable but **destructive** in stormy areas...

FORECAST FOR FRIDAY: Localized heavy rains to persist mainly over the north...

SUNSET FOR 29TH FEBRUARY, 2024 AND SUNRISE FOR 01ST MARCH, 2024

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CITY	SUNSET	SUNRISE
MZUZU	18:07	05:47
LILONGWE	18:10	05:46
BLANTYRE	18:06	05:40

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