

MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CLIMATE CHANGE

DEPARTMENT OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES



WEATHER FORECAST FOR TONIGHT AND TOMORROW 18TH JANUARY, 2025 **SYNOPSIS AND INFERENCE:**

Expect localised thunderstorms associated with rain which will be locally heavy due to the influence of the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (I.T.C.Z) coupled with pulses of Congo Airmass.

ADVISORY: Thunderstorms are usually associated with lightning and potentially damaging winds. Seek shelter in safe places whenever a thunderstorm is in your vicinity until it dissipates.

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

Expect localised rain tonight and tomorrow morning. Cloudy and hot with isolated thunderstorms tomorrow afternoon

Forecast Temperatures: Ngabu Min.25°C and Max.32°C

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS (Shire highlands, Kirk Range up to Dedza i.e. Ntcheu, Neno, Mwanza, Mulanje, Thyolo, Zomba, Chiradzulu, Phalombe and Blantyre)

Expect localised light to moderate rain tonight and tomorrow morning. Cloudy and warm conditions with isolated thunderstorms tomorrow afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Blantyre Min.18°C and Max.27°C

CENTRAL AREAS (Lilongwe, Mchinji, Ntchisi, Dowa, Kasungu and part of Mzimba District)

Cloudy with occasional thunderstorms accompanied by localised rain tonight and tomorrow morning. Occasional thunderstorms associated with locally heavy rain tomorrow afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Lilongwe Min.18°C and Max.29°C

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

Windy conditions with thunderstorms accompanied by locally heavy rain tonight and during morning. Cloudy and windy with thunderstorms tomorrow afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Mangochi Min. 23°C and Max.30°C

NORTHERN AREAS (all areas in the north except lakeshore)

Cloudy and cool conditions with localised thunderstorms accompanied by locally heavy rain tonight and during morning. Cloudy and warm with light to moderate rain tomorrow afternoon.

Forecast Temperatures: Mzuzu Min. 16°C and Max.25°C

WINDS: Variable but potentially damaging in stormy areas...

FORECAST FOR SUNDAY: Heavy rain mainly over central and northern areas...

TIMES FOR SUNRISE AND SUNSET FOR TOMORROW 18TH JANUARY, 2025

| CITY | SUNRISE | SUNSET | DAY LIGHT LENGTH |
|----------|---------|--------|------------------|
| MZUZU | 05:31 | 18:15 | 12:34 |
| LILONGWE | 05:28 | 18:20 | 12:42 |
| BLANTYRE | 05:19 | 18:18 | 12:49 |

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