



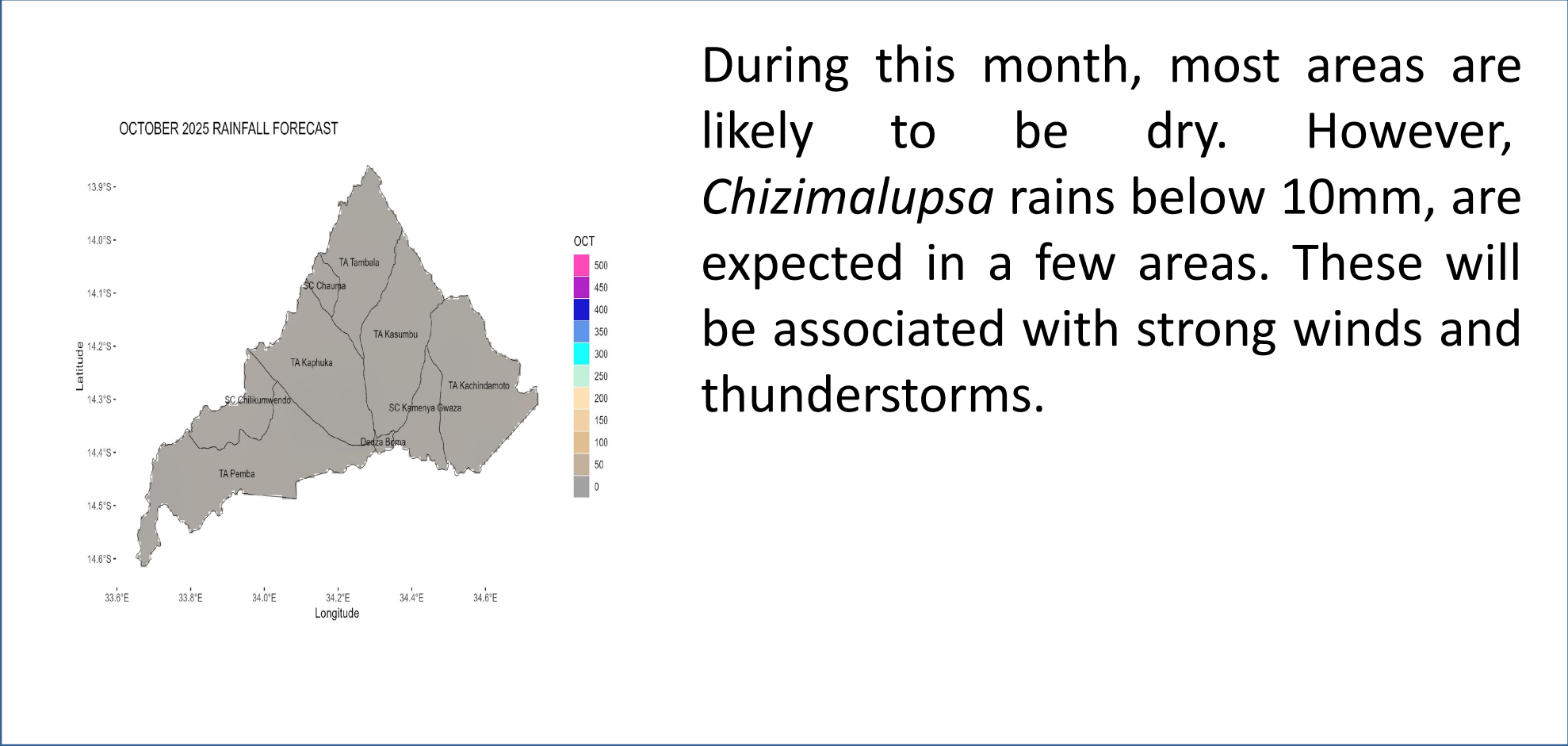
DEDZA DISTRICT DOWNSCALED SEASONAL FORECAST, 2025-2026

Overview of 2025/2026 Rainfall Season

The 2025-2026 rainfall season in Malawi is likely to be partly influenced by Neutral – El Nino Southern Oscillation conditions in the tropical pacific ocean, among others.

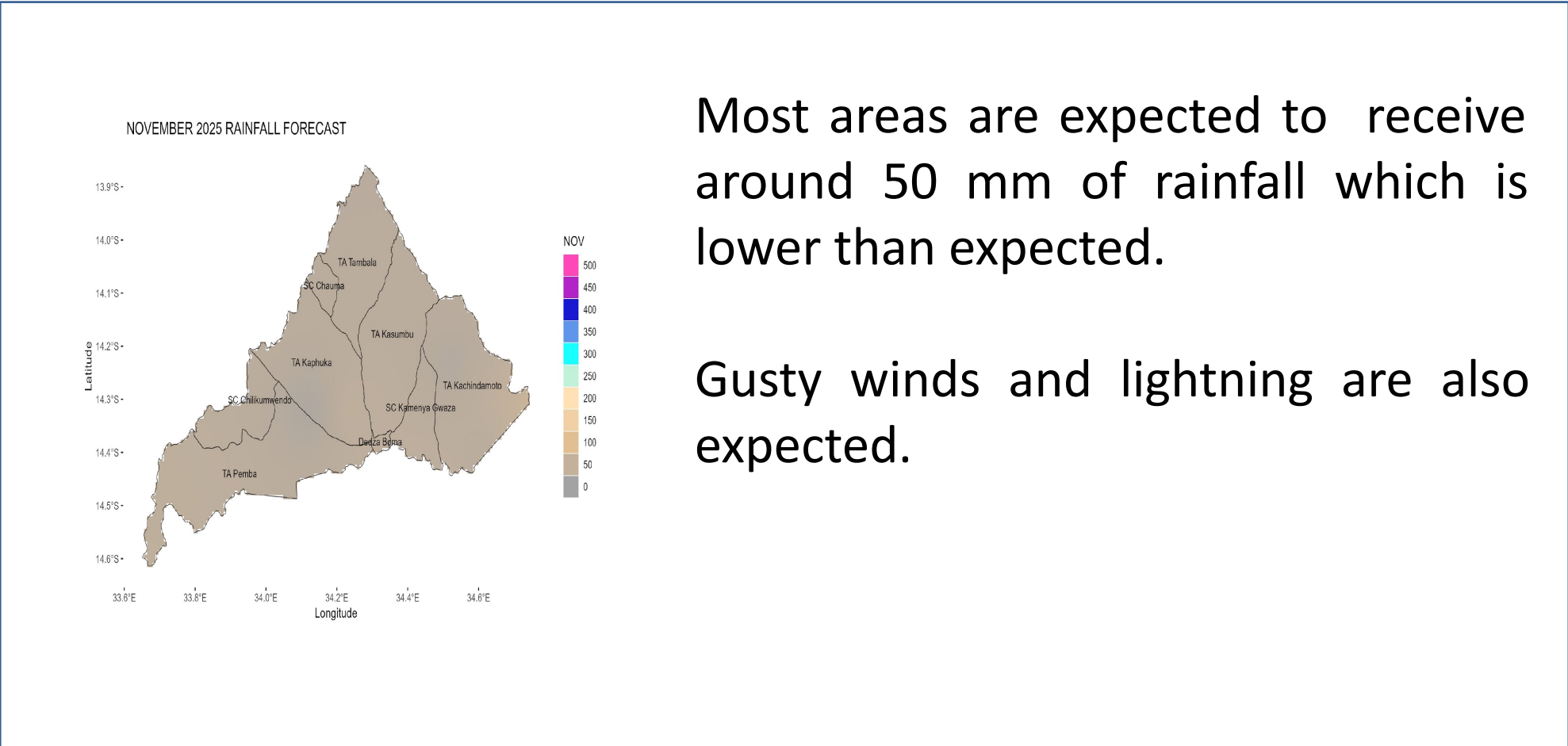
Dedza is expected to receive **normal to above normal total rainfall amounts** during the 2025-2026 rainfall season

October 2025



During this month, most areas are likely to be dry. However, *Chizimalupsa* rains below 10mm, are expected in a few areas. These will be associated with strong winds and thunderstorms.

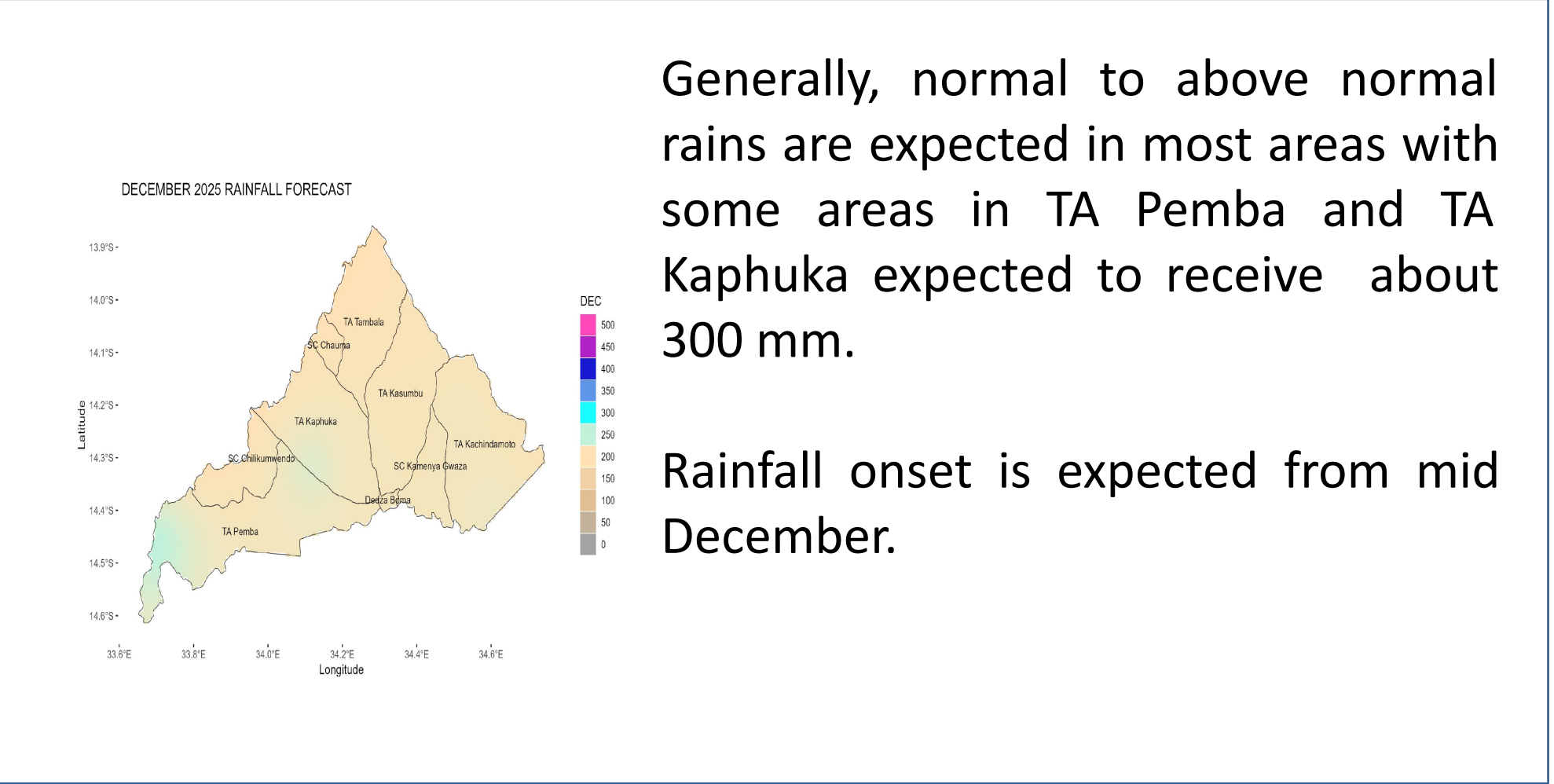
November 2025



Most areas are expected to receive around 50 mm of rainfall which is lower than expected.

Gusty winds and lightning are also expected.

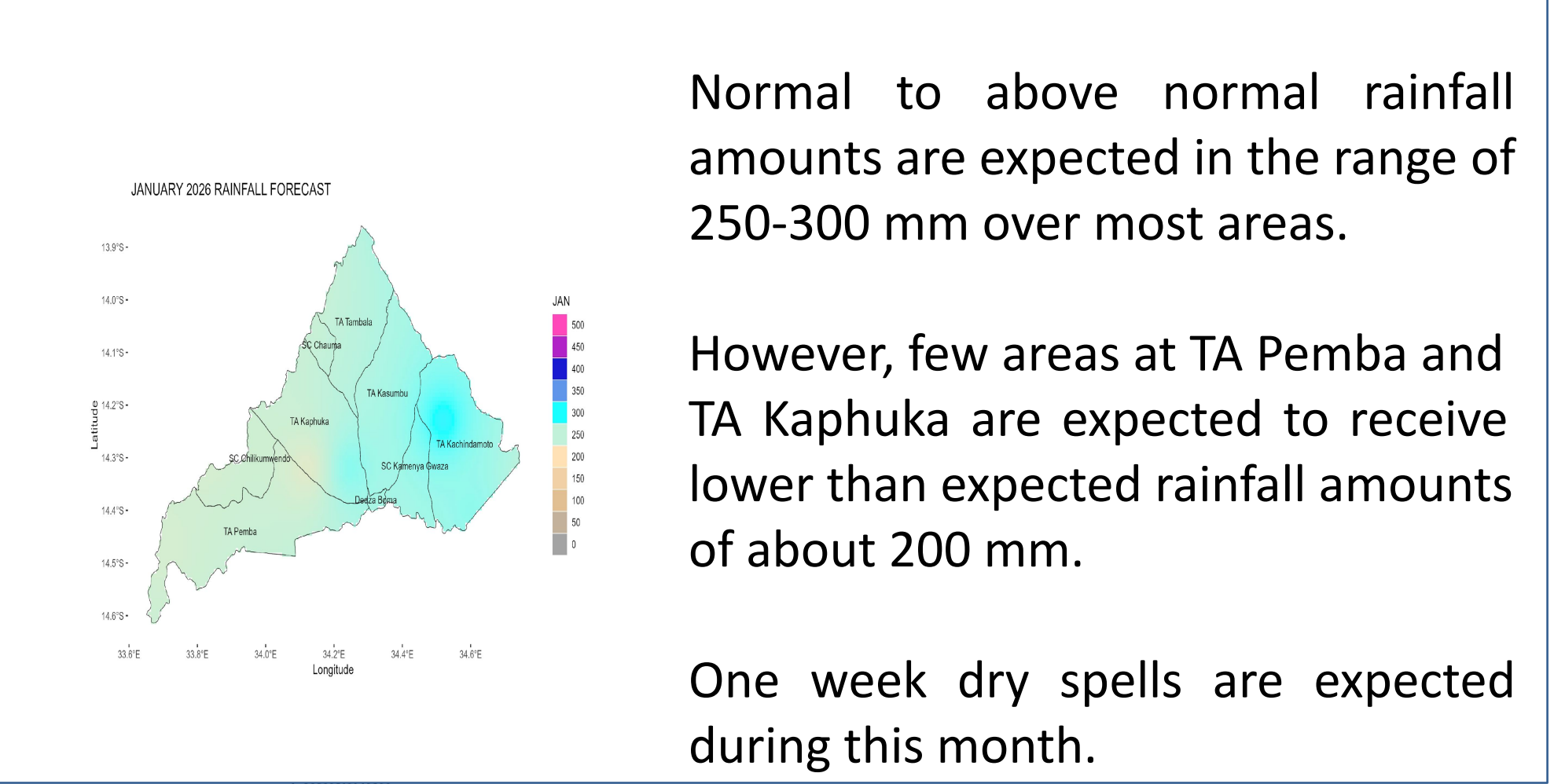
December 2025



Generally, normal to above normal rains are expected in most areas with some areas in TA Pemba and TA Kaphuka expected to receive about 300 mm.

Rainfall onset is expected from mid December.

January 2026

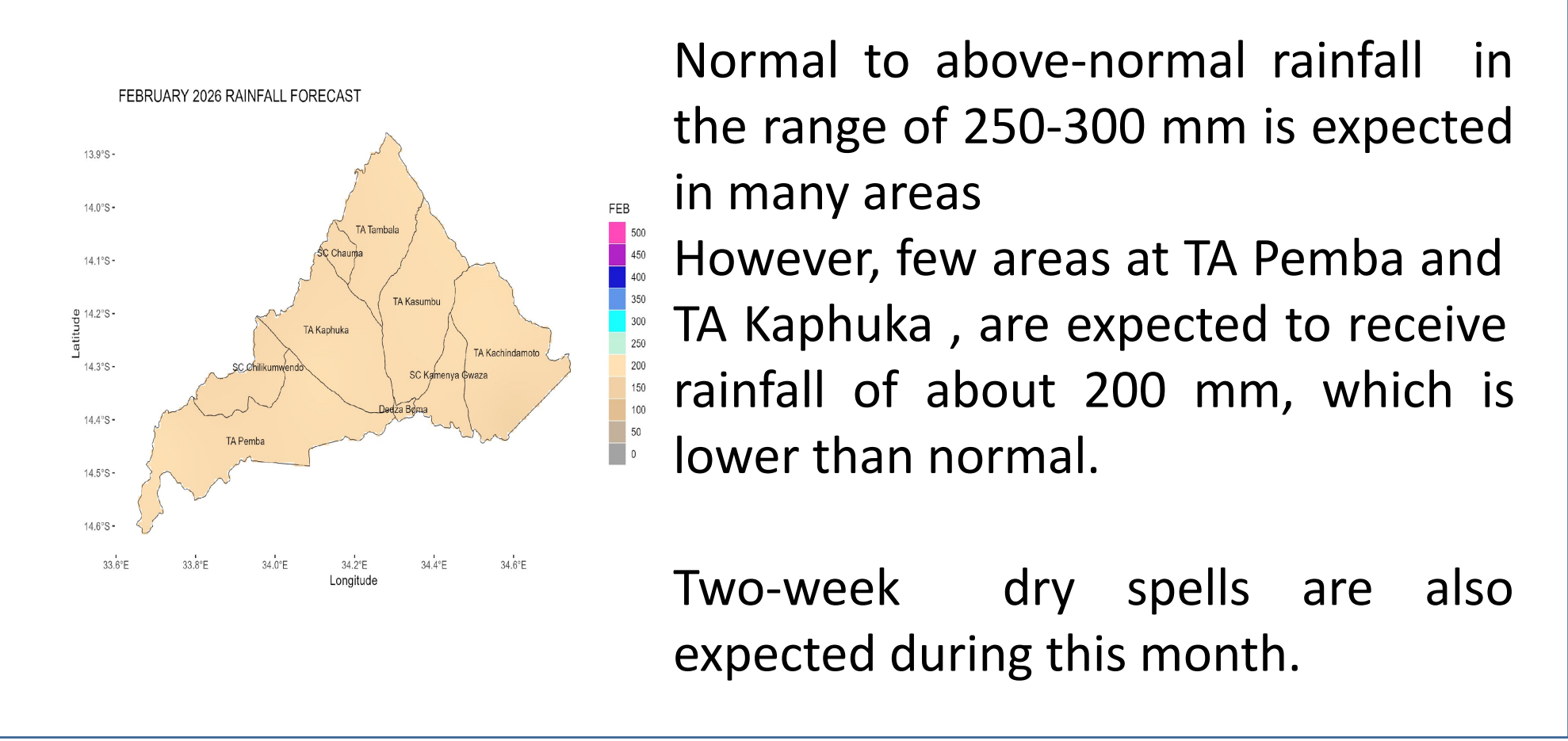


Normal to above normal rainfall amounts are expected in the range of 250-300 mm over most areas.

However, few areas at TA Pemba and TA Kaphuka are expected to receive lower than expected rainfall amounts of about 200 mm.

One week dry spells are expected during this month.

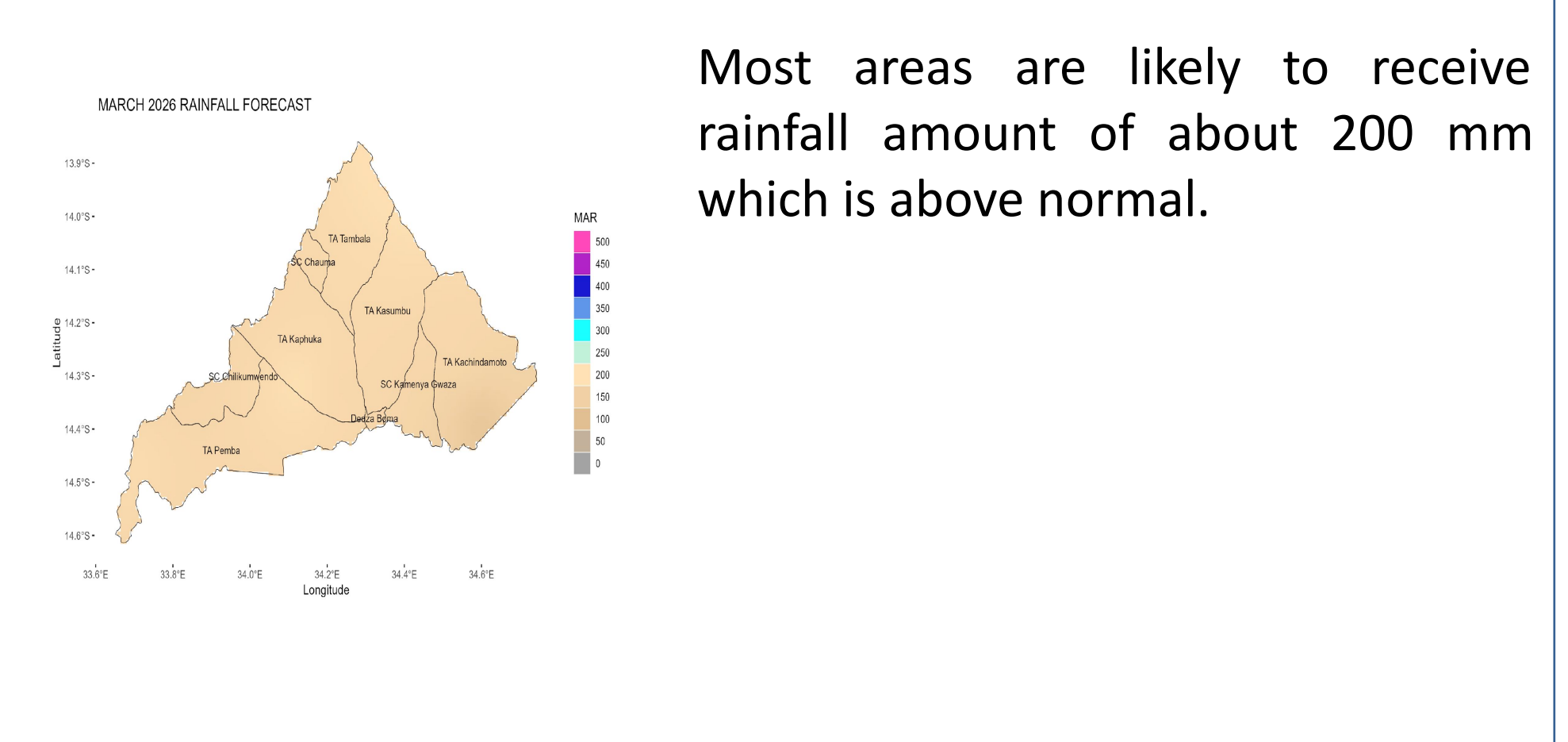
February 2026



Normal to above-normal rainfall in the range of 250-300 mm is expected in many areas. However, few areas at TA Pemba and TA Kaphuka, are expected to receive rainfall of about 200 mm, which is lower than normal.

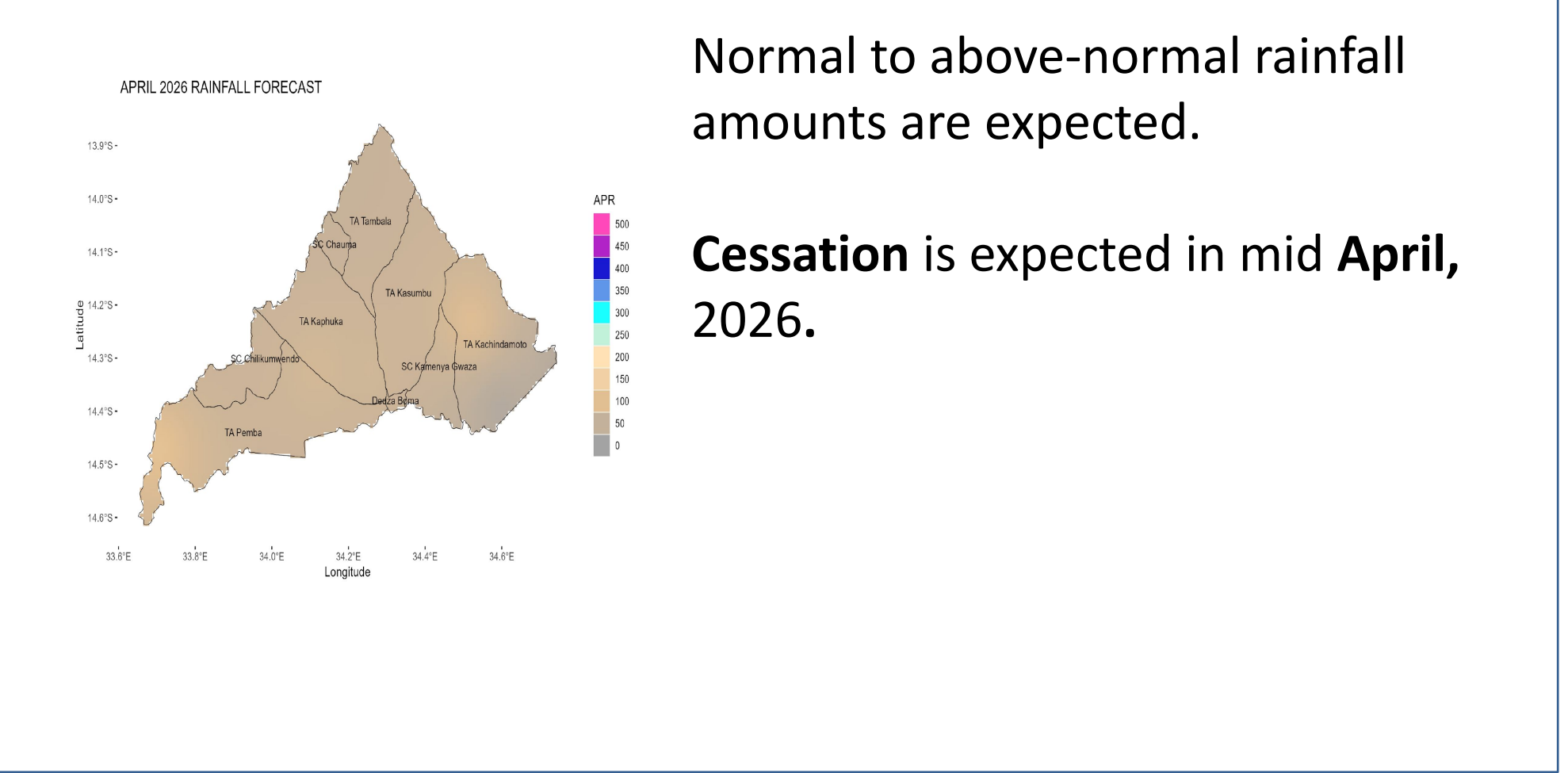
Two-week dry spells are also expected during this month.

March 2026



Most areas are likely to receive rainfall amount of about 200 mm which is above normal.

April 2026



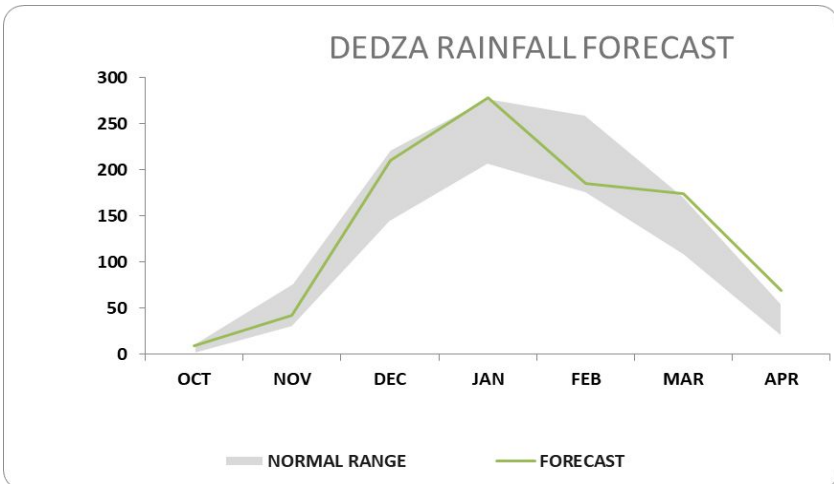
Normal to above-normal rainfall amounts are expected.

Cessation is expected in mid April, 2026.

- Rainfall **onset** is **expected** from mid December.
- **Cessation** is expected mid April, 2026.
- There is a chance of dry spells of about one week in January, and two weeks in February.
- The entire season spanning 120 to 130 days.

The table and figure below show monthly rainfall distribution for the season with a normal band in grey.

DEDZA		
MONTH	NORMAL RANGE	FORECAST
OCT	1.114	12.06
NOV	29.628	76.676
DEC	143.539	221.331
JAN	205.435	277.798
FEB	174.543	259.82
MAR	108.181	171.381
APR	18.557	54.497



The forecast will be updated in December 2025

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