

MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CLIMATE CHANGE



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KARONGA DISTRICT DOWNSCALED SEASONAL FORECAST, 2025-2026

Overview of 2025/2026 Rainfall Season

The 2025-2026 rainfall season is expected to be partly influenced by Neutral El Nino-Southern oscillation conditions in the Tropical Pacific Ocean among other factors.

Karonga district is expected to receive **normal to above normal rainfall during the 2025/2026 rainfall season** with pockets of dry spells expected over a few areas.

OCTOBER 2025 RAINFALL FORECAST OCT 9.6°S OCT TA Kilupula OCT TA Kyungu 10.2°S 10.6°S 33.6°E 33.6°E 33.6°E 33.6°E 33.6°E 33.6°E 34.0°E 34.2°E 34.2°E 34.2°E 34.2°E 34.2°E OCT TA Kyungu OCT Some area strong winds

During October most areas in the district are expected to be dry.

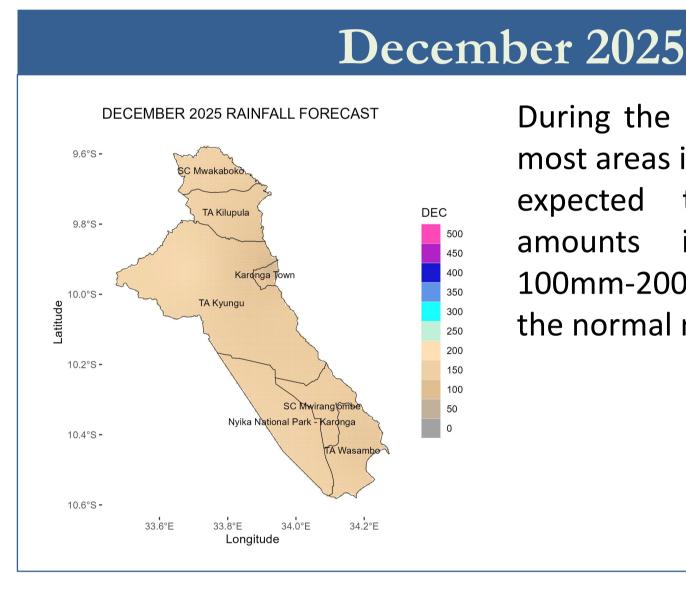
Some areas may experience strong winds and lightning.

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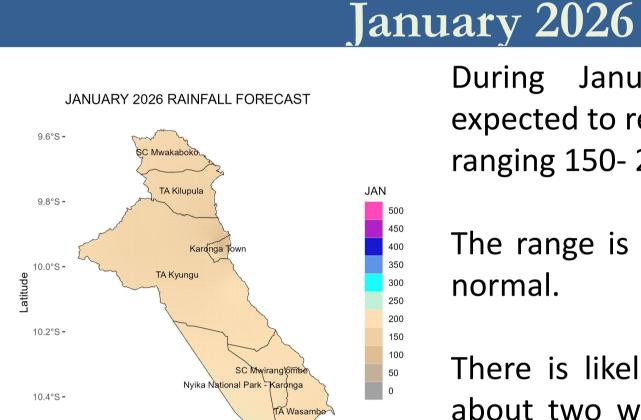
During the month of November, most areas in Karonga district are expected to receive rainfall amounts in the range of 50mm-100mm.

The range is within the normal of the month

The rainfall may be accompanied by strong winds and lightning.



During the month of December, most areas in Karonga district are expected to receive rainfall amounts in the range of 100mm-200mm which is within the normal range.



33.8°E

MARCH 2026 RAINFALL FORECAST

33.8°E Longitude

34.0°E

9.8°S -

10.2°S-

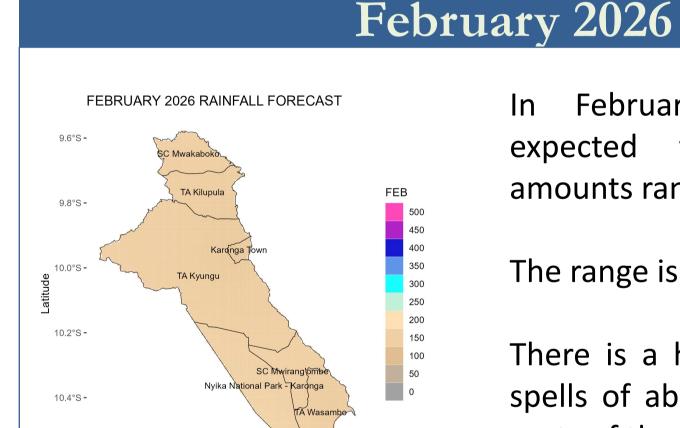
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During January, the district is expected to receive rainfall amounts ranging 150- 200mm.

The range is from normal to above normal.

There is likelihood of dry spells of about two weeks in some parts of the district during this month.



Longitude

10.6°S -

10.4°S -

10.6°S -

In February, the district is expected to receive rainfall amounts ranging 150- 200mm.

The range is normal to above

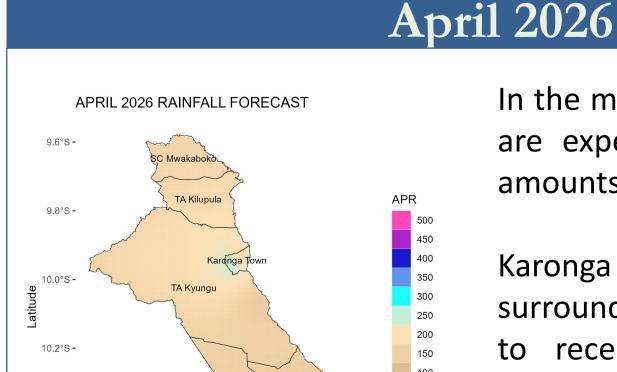
There is a high likelihood of dry spells of about 2 weeks in some parts of the district.

March 2026

November 2025

The Month of March is expected to be wetter as over 200mm of rainfall amounts is expected in more areas with 250-300mm over TA Kyungu, TA Kilupula and SC Mwakaboko

A high likelihood of one-week dry spell is also expected during the month



In the month of April, many areas are expected to receive rainfall amounts of 150-200mm.

Karonga Boma and the surrounding areas are expected to receive amounts exceeding 250mm.

The Cessation is expected in the last week of April.

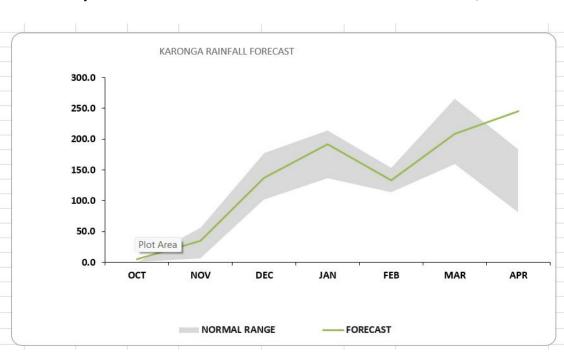
Rainfall **onset** is expected during the **second week of December 2025. Cessation** is expected from the **last week of April 2026.**

Seasonal length is expected between 130 - 140 days.

Likelihood of dry spells of about two weeks during the months of January and February.

The table and figure below show the monthly rainfall distribution for the season, with a

	KARON	GA	
MONTH	NORMAL R	ANGE	FORECAST
OCT	0.0	0.0	5.0
NOV	6.5	56.8	34.9
DEC	101.7	178.2	137.2
JAN	135.9	214.3	191.8
FEB	113.4	154.0	132.8
MAR	159.5	266.4	208.3
APR	80.8	184.4	245.7



The forecast will be updated in December 2025
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34.0°E

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33.8°E

Longitude

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