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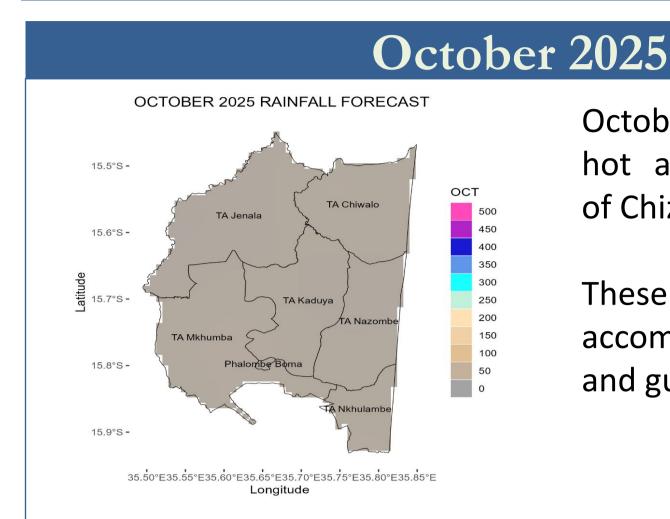
### DEPARTMENT OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

PHALOMBE DISTRICT DOWNSCALED SEASONAL FORECAST, 2025-2026

## Overview of 2025/2026 Rainfall Season

The 2025/2026 rainfall season is likely to be partly influenced by Neutral El Nino Southern Oscillation conditions in the tropical Pacific Ocean among other factors.

Phalombe is expected to receive **normal to above normal total rainfall amount** during the 2025-2026 rainfall season.



October is expected to be hot and dry with a chance of Chizimalupya rains.

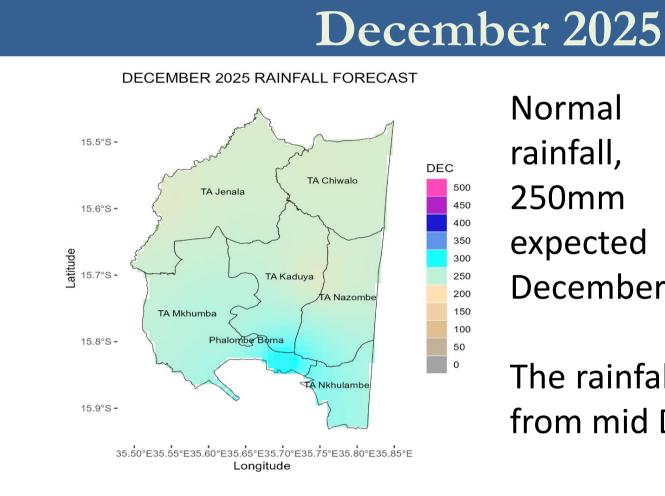
These rains are usually accompanied by lightning and gusty winds.

# November 2025 NOVEMBER 2025 RAINFALL FORECAST

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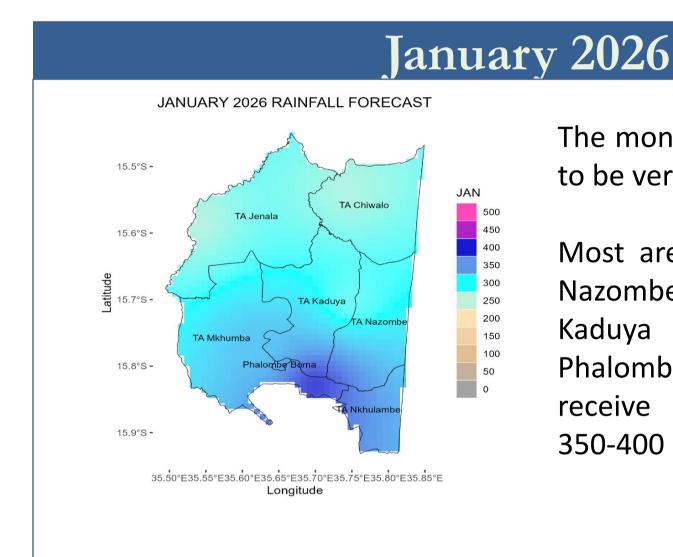
Normal to below-normal rainfall amounts are expected, except for some areas in T/A Mkhumba, T/A Kaduya and Phalombe Boma where normal to above-normal rainfall amounts are expected.

Expect the rains accompanied by gusty winds and lightning.



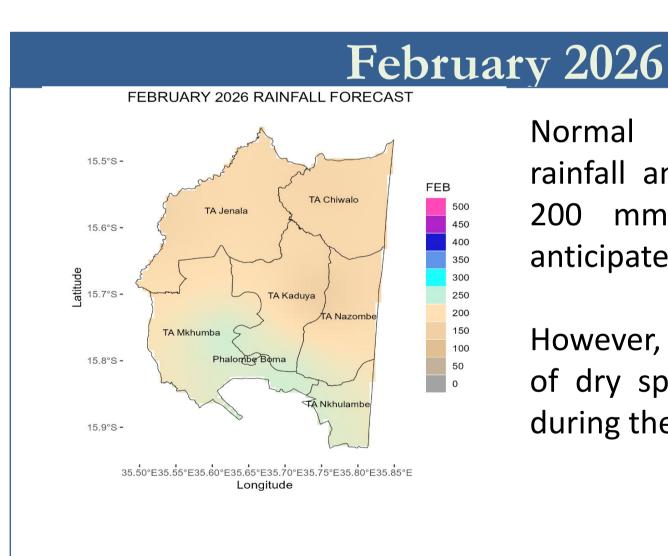
Normal to above-normal rainfall, from ranging 250mm 300mm, to expected over Phalombe in December.

The rainfall onset is expected from mid December, 2025



The month of January is expected to be very wet across the district.

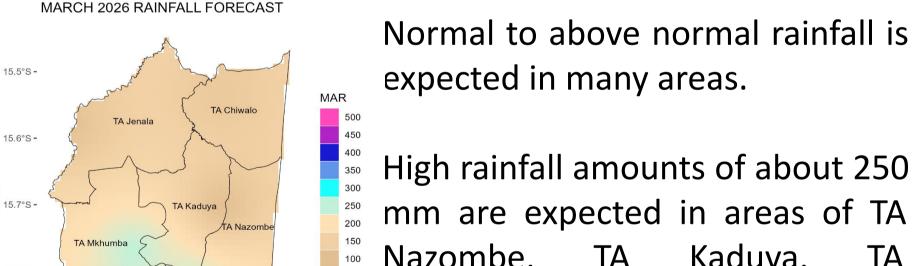
Most areas at TA Mkhumba, TA Nazombe, TA Nkhulambe, TA Kaduya and areas around Phalombe Boma are expected to rainfall receive ranging from 350-400 mm.



Normal to above normal rainfall amounts ranging from 200 mm to 250 mm are anticipated in Phalombe.

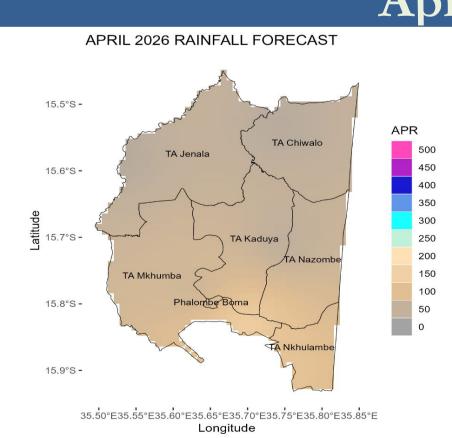
However, there is a likelihood of dry spells of about 7 days during the month.

# March 2026



mm are expected in areas of TA Nazombe, Kaduya, Mkhumba and areas around Phalombe Boma.





Many areas are likely to receive above normal rainfall amounts of about 150mm.

The rains are expected to come to an end by early April.

- Rainfall onset is expected in mid December
- Cessation early April, 2026.

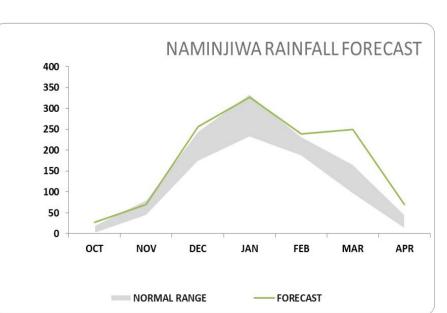
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- Dry spells of about one week in both January and February are presaged.
- The season is expected to last 120-130 days.

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

| NAMINJIWA |              |         |          |
|-----------|--------------|---------|----------|
| MONTH     | NORMAL RANGE |         | FORECAST |
| ОСТ       | 1.428        | 19.352  | 27.4     |
| NOV       | 44.355       | 80.462  | 69.7     |
| DEC       | 173.135      | 244.262 | 256.8    |
| JAN       | 231.224      | 333.64  | 326.9    |
| FEB       | 186.838      | 232.72  | 239      |
| MAR       | 95.57        | 165.709 | 249.4    |
| APR       | 12.14        | 44.544  | 70       |



The forecast will be updated in December 2025

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