

October 2024

Throughout October, most regions will typically experience dry conditions. However, some areas may receive *Chizimalupysa* rains up to 70mm. This precipitation is considered **normal to above-normal** and **wetter compared to the previous season**. Additionally, strong winds and lightning are anticipated.

November 2024

Normal to below-normal rains ranging from **30 to 50mm** are expected in this month, which is **lesser than last season's rains**. Areas such as **TA Likoswe** and around **TA Nchema** may experience pockets of below-normal rainfall. **Rainfall onset**, accompanied with **thundery activities**, is likely from the **final week of November**.

December 2024

A **wetter December than last season's** is expected with amounts ranging from **160 to 270mm**. This is **normal to above-normal rainfall**. Nevertheless, **easternmost areas** of the district may experience **normal to below-normal rains**. **Planting rains may be fully established by the first week of December**.

January 2025

January is expected to be **wetter than last year**. Amounts may **exceed 300mm** over **TA Likoswe**. **Lesser rains** are however expected to the **east of Chiradzulu Boma** and the **south of TA Nchema**. **About a week of dry spells** is expected in January.

February 2025

Wet conditions are expected to continue in February with amounts ranging from **215mm to 240mm** in many areas. Some areas in **TA Nkalo** and **Chiradzulu Boma**, however, may receive rainfall of up to **300mm**. **Dry spells exceeding 7 days are likely**.

March 2025

Normal to above-normal rainfall is expected in March. Most **northern and southern areas** should anticipate receiving around **200mm**, while **central and eastern areas** are expected to receive just over **100mm**.

April 2025

Normal to above-normal rainfall is expected with most areas expected to receive rainfall **less than 90mm**. **Rainfall cessation** is expected around **mid-April**.

Season Summary

- **Rainfall onset** for this season is expected between the **final week of November and first week of December**.
- **Cessation** is expected between the **second and fourth week of April 2025**.
- **Dry spells exceeding 7 days are likely in February**.
- The **seasonal length** is expected to be between **120 and 140 days**.
- The **2024–2025 rainfall season** is expected to be influenced by a **weak La Niña**, which is the unusual cooling of ocean waters over the eastern-central equatorial Pacific Ocean.
- Chiradzulu District is expected to receive **normal to above-normal total rainfall amounts**, however, **normal to below-normal rainfall** is expected in the month of **November**.