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**Biometeorological Services Division** 

## WEEKLY BIOMETEOROLOGICAL BULLETIN (4<sup>TH</sup> MAY-10<sup>TH</sup> May 2021)

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#### 1 PREAMBLE

Biometeorology is an interdisciplinary science of interactions between atmospheric processes and living organisms - plants, animals and humans. The Bio Meteorological Section collects, analyzes, interprets meteorological data and issues the human health related forecast in partnership with the health sector.

# 2 REVIEW FOR LAST WEEK (26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – 2<sup>ND</sup> MAY, 2021)

## 2.1 High Rainfall

This section lists stations recorded more than 50 mm total rainfall in the last 7 days. This is shown in Table 1 below.

### Table 1:

Station	Total weekly Rainfall
Kericho Met	61.9mm

### 2.2 High Temperatures

This section lists stations that recorded Average Temperatures exceeding 35°C in the last 7 days. This is shown in Table 2 below.

### Table 2:

Station	Average	weekly	Maximum
	Temperatu	re	
Lodwar Met	36.8 °C		

#### 2.3 Low Temperatures

This section lists stations that recorded Average Temperatures below 10°C in the last 7 days. This is shown in Table 3 below.

### Table 3:

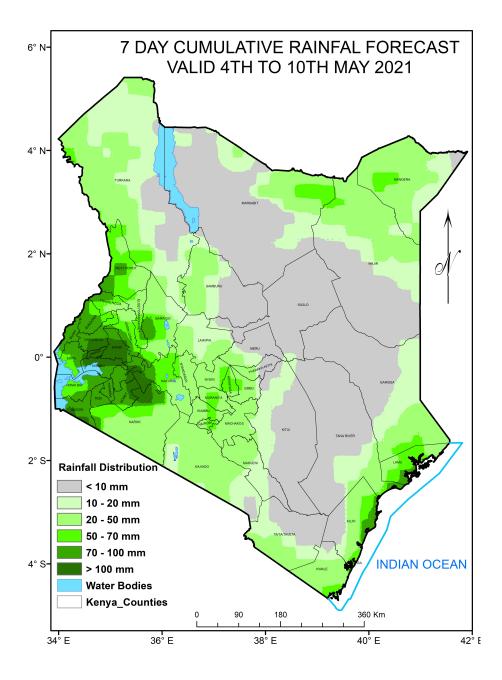
Station	Average weekly Minimum Temperature
Nyahururu Met	6.2°C

# 2.4 High Winds

This sections list stations that recorded winds with speeds of more than 25knots (12.9 metres per sec) in the last 7 days. This was experienced in Marsabit met station.

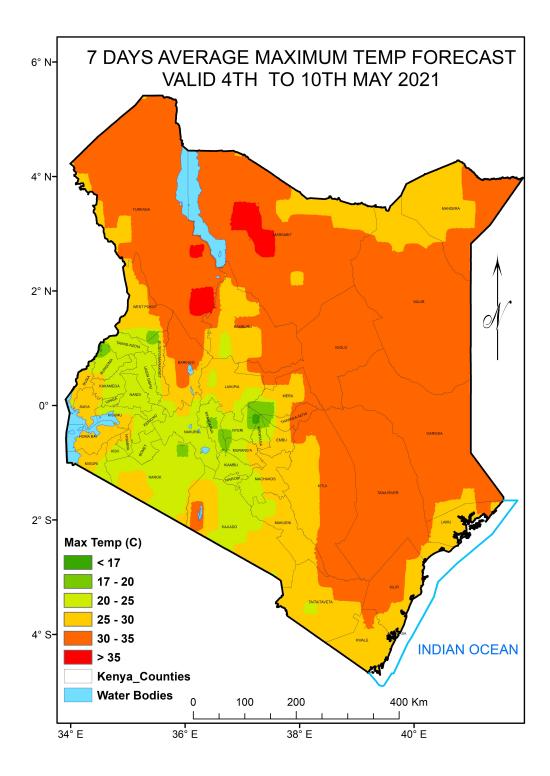
# 3 FORECAST FOR 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY-10<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2021

# a) Rainfall



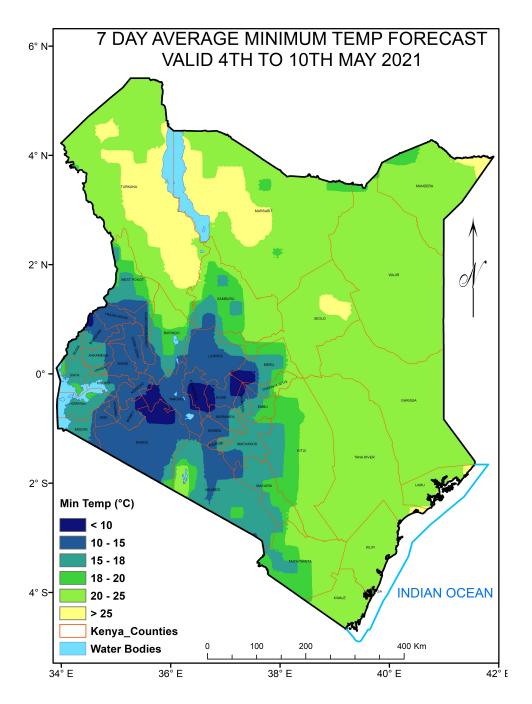
Rainfall exceeding 50mm are expected in parts of Busia, Kakamega, Bungoma, Vihiga, Kisumu, Transnzoia, Nandi, Kakamega, Nakuru, Narok, Bomet, Nyamira, Kisii, Migori, Lamu, Kilifi, West pokot and Kericho Counties, during the forecast period (Tue 4<sup>th</sup> May to Mon 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021)

# b) High Temperature



Maximum Temperatures of more than 35°C are expected in very few areas of Marsabit and Turkana (Lodwar) Counties, during the forecast period (Tue 4<sup>th</sup> May to Mon 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021).

# c) Low Temperature



Minimum Temperature of less than 10°C is expected in parts of Nyandarua (Nyahururu), Nyeri, Meru ,Bomet, Nakuru and Narok Counties, during the forecast period (Tue 4<sup>th</sup> May to Mon 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021).

# d) Winds

Winds of more than 25 knots (12.9m/s) are expected over parts of Marsabit, Garissa, Wajir and Turkana (Lodwar) Counties, during the forecast period (Tue 4<sup>th</sup> May to Mon 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021).

# 4 Advisory

The areas expected to receive more than 50 mm of weekly total rainfall have a high risk of waterborne (e.g. diarrhea) and Vector borne (e.g. Malaria) diseases especially in areas with poor drainage. Residents are advised to be on the lookout for such diseases and take necessary action.

The areas expected to experience more than 35°C therefore high likelihood of skin diseases e.g. skin rush

The areas expected to experience less than 10°C have a high likelihood of cold weather diseases. e.g. Asthma, pneumonia, common cold and flu. Residents are advised to be on the lookout for such diseases and take necessary action.

Winds of more than 25 knots (12.9m/s) have a high likelihood of cold and flu diseases due to blown dust especially during dry season.

N.B: This forecast is to be used together with the daily (24-hour) forecast issued by this Department.

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