

# REPUBLIC OF KENYA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND FORESTRY KENYA METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT

#### NAKURU COUNTY METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE

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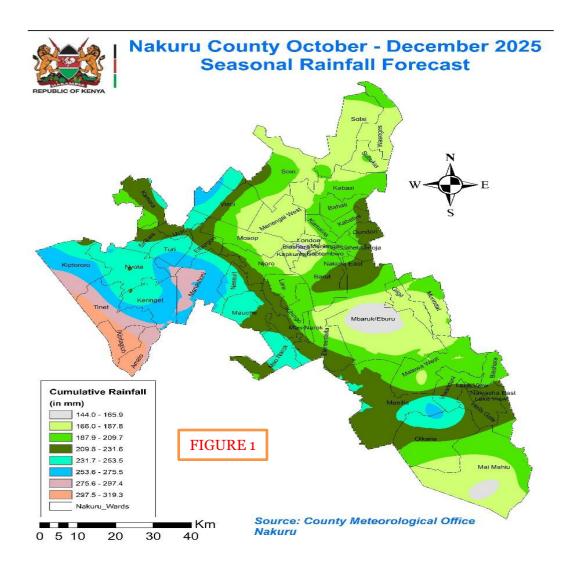


Figure 1 above shows the volume of rainfall in mm predicted in each Sub County of Nakuru County during this October-November-December, 2025 rainy season.

The areas highlighted in grey, light yellow and green colours, mainly scattered in the central and eastern stretch of the county, are predicted to receive the least amounts of rainfall ranging between (140-200) mm.

The areas highlighted in blue and orange colours, mainly in the western block of the county, are predicted to receive the highest amounts of rainfall ranging between (230 - 300) mm. Few pockets may receive less than 140mm while others may receive more than 300mm of rainfall. This is an indication of normal to slightly above normal rainfall performance for the bigger part of the county. Areas along the borders to the extreme west of the county are predicted to receive the highest amounts of rainfall in this coming season.

These areas are possible catchment sources of most county seasonal rivers and this means more volumes of water will be flowing into the rivers during the short rainy season and therefore a possibility of occasional flash floods during the season.

#### **BRIEF COUNTY RAINFALL OUTLOOK OND 2025**

The current rainfall in some parts of Nakuru County is predicted to continue and spread to the whole county during the month of October. This is not a major rainfall season for Nakuru County and therefore farmers should be advised to consider planting quick maturing crops as the forecasted rainfall amounts are for the entire period. The cessation of rainfall is expected to occur during the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> week of December 2025 as summarized in table 1 below.

#### **EXPECTED ONSET AND CESSATION DATES**

#### Table1.

SUB-COUNTY	ONSET	CESSATION
All Sub-Counties	Current Rainfall in some parts of the county continues and spreads to the whole county during the month of October 2025.	3 <sup>rd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> week of December, 2025.

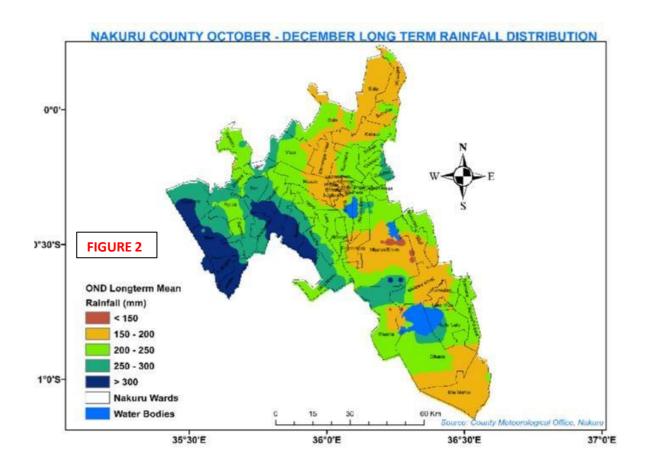
The October, November and December, 2025 rainfall season is expected to be fairly distributed in all wards in the County both in temporal and spatial during the peak month of November, 2025.

This Climate Information Service is vital in the county for undertaking tree planting activities, water harvesting as well as carrying out farming activities in potential agricultural areas in the entire county to enhance food security status. Farmers are highly advised to consult local agricultural extension office for advice on how to plan farming activities in light of this useful climate information service in order to maximize opportunities and mitigate uncertainties associated with the expected rainfall performance in the entire county.

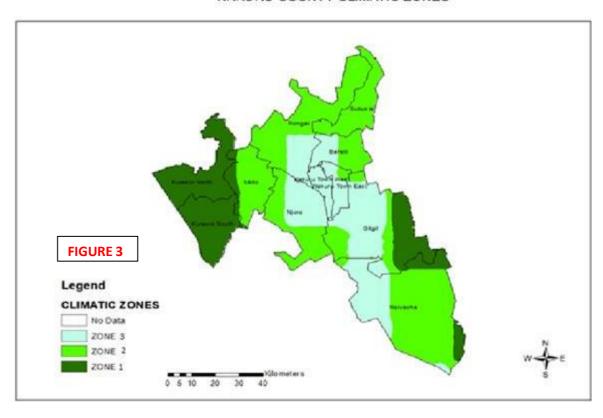
Analysis on Figure 1 shows different colour patterns in most of the wards, depicting normal to slightly above normal amounts in volume of rainfall throughout all the sub-counties.

The analysis is a pointer to high chances of Nakuru County receiving normal rainfall in most of the wards in this coming October-November-December rainy season.

For purposes of comparison and contrast, Figure 2 below shows the long term mean for short rains (October-November-December) in each ward in Nakuru County for the last thirty years from the year 1991 to 2020.



#### NAKURU COUNTY CLIMATIC ZONES



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Figure 3 above is a map of all Nakuru Sub-Counties showing the link between Nakuru climatic zones and the distribution of the October-November-December season, 2025.

In this coming season, parts of zone 1 of Figure 3 above, mainly in the western block of the county, will get the highest amounts of rainfall. Most parts of Zones 2 and 3 of the same Figure will receive moderate amounts of rainfall in this season. But overall, all zones will receive relatively normal rainfall compared to their long term mean as displayed on the Nakuru County Forecast Figure 1 above.

In summary, areas along the county borders to the extreme west of the county (Kuresoi North and Kuresoi South Sub-Counties) are projected to receive the highest amounts of rainfall in this season.

Rainfall on all zones will continue from October to December, 2025 and cessation of rainfall activities is likely to occur during the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> week of December, 2025.

#### SECTOR AND LIVELIHOOD ADVISORIES.

Table 2.

SECTOR	NORMAL TO SLIGHTLY ABOVE NORMAL RAINFALL
AGRICULTURE	Prepare land for planting early in advance.
	<ul> <li>Plant early maturing crops,</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Promote cereal banking,</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Develop structures to minimize the speed of surface runoff along the</li> </ul>
	fields e.g trapezoidal bunds, contours and trees.
	<ul> <li>Use Climate Information Service for mitigation and adaptation</li> </ul>
	plans.
	Ensure canals are ready in irrigated localities.
	<ul> <li>Plant at least 30m from the river</li> </ul>
	Plant varieties of crops to enhance food security.
	<ul> <li>Avoid planting when it's raining.</li> </ul>
	Etc

LIVESTOCK	Migrate to safer grounds when it is necessary.	
AND	Do e-surveillance to map animal diseases.	
VETERINARY	Deworm your animals to keep away diseases.	
	Do restocking as there may be inadequate pasture in some places.	
	Reseed the rangelands to enhance availability of grass.	
	Conserve grazing lands and water reserves.	
	Report immediately occurrence of any animal diseases.	
	❖ Etc	
FISHERIES	Avoid fishing while windy or rainy.	
	Expand the preservation and storage facilities.	
	Wear life jackets while fishing.	
	<ul> <li>Ensure proper hygienic measures of fishing equipment and at</li> </ul>	
	landing sites.	
	* Etc	
EDUCATION	Children should not swim or dare cross flowing rivers.	
	Children should not be released from schools when raining.	
	<ul> <li>Children should not shade themselves under tall trees when</li> </ul>	
	showering.	
	Children should avoid walking barefooted to prevent themselves from being struck by lightning when thundering and showering.	
	<ul> <li>Children should stay away from windows and doors when</li> </ul>	
	precipitating to minimize chances of being struck by lightning.	
	<ul> <li>Pupils should be escorted by parents or guardians when crossing</li> </ul>	
	flooded rivers.	
	❖ Etc	
WATER	<ul> <li>Rehabilitate and desilt dams and water pans.</li> </ul>	
	Ensure water sanitation hygiene promotion(wash) is in place.	
	<ul> <li>Unblock drainage systems in urban centers.</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>Carry out water harvesting during rainy season.</li><li>etc</li></ul>	

ENVIRONMENT	<ul> <li>Provide tree seedlings early enough for planting to improve</li> </ul>
AND FORESTRY	forest cover in the county.
	<ul> <li>Avoid cutting down indigenous trees at all costs.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Mobilize community to plant trees during the rainy season.</li> <li>Adhere to National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) regulations to conserve the environment.</li> <li>etc</li> </ul>
HEALTH AND	<ul> <li>Treat water all the time to prevent water borne diseases.</li> </ul>
NUTRITION	Ensure drugs are available for human use when necessary.
	Sleep under treated nets to prevent mosquito bites.
	❖ Always use toilets to avoid water borne diseases.
	<ul> <li>Always wash hands after visiting washrooms.</li> </ul>
	Clean utensils and dry them thoroughly under the sun.
	<ul> <li>Cover small infants with blankets at night to avoid pneumonia.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Clear drainage system channels to enhance easy flow of water.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Eliminate stagnant water to prevent mosquito breeding.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Sensitize on food preservation (vegetables, milk, meat for future).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Sensitize on importance of exclusive breastfeeding even if alternative</li> </ul>
	foods are available.

### **Recommendations.**

This climate information service is vital if well utilized and enhances mitigation and adaptation strategies as well as building resilience among our beloved communities in the entire county.

The National Government, the County Government and the Non-governmental organizations should be well prepared in advance on how to tackle and manage any uncertainties as well as opportunities associated with rains that are expected in the County in order to safe life, protect property and Environment in general.

## Way forward

This forecast should be used as guidance in advance planning and preparedness by decision makers and public in various climate sensitive sectors and also it should be used in conjunction with 24- hour, 5- day, 7-day and monthly forecast and regular updates issued by Kenya Meteorological Department.

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