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### Weekly Weather forecast for Kitui County

#### 1.1 PART I: WEEKLY FORECAST FOR THE PERIOD 23<sup>RD</sup> TO 29<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025 WEATHER FORECAST TABLE

| Sub County     | Ward           | Probable Total weekly amount (mm) | Probable weather<br>Notes: Light rains <1-5 mm; Moderate rains 5-20 mm; Heavy rains 20-50 mm; Very heavy rains >50 mm |            |            |            |      |      |      | Winds (km/h kilometers per hour) | Temp (Tmax °C & Tmin °C)     |
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|                |                |                                   | Tue                                                                                                                   | Wed        | Thur       | Fri        | Sat  | Sun  | Mon  | Weekly                           | Weekly                       |
| Mwingi West    | Nguutani       | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain | Easterly 18.0 km/h               | Max 25-32 °C<br>Min 17-20 °C |
|                | Kyome/Thaana   | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain |                                  |                              |
|                | Kiomo/Kyethani | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain |                                  |                              |
|                | Migwani        | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain |                                  |                              |
| Mwingi North   | Ngomeni        | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain | Easterly 18.0 km/h               | Max 27-35 °C<br>Min 19-23 °C |
|                | Kyuso          | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain |                                  |                              |
|                | Tseikuru       | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain |                                  |                              |
|                | Tharaka        | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain |                                  |                              |
|                | Mumoni         | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain |                                  |                              |
| Mwingi Central | Central        | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain |                                  |                              |
|                | Kivou          | >10 mm                            | Rain                                                                                                                  | Light rain | Light rain | Light rain | Rain | Rain | Rain |                                  |                              |

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|             |                  |                                   | Tue                                                                                                                                 | Wed               | Thur              | Fri               | Sat         | Sun         | Mon         | Weekly                           | Weekly                       |
| Sub County  | Mui              | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | Easterly 14.4 km/h               | Max 27-33 °C<br>Min 18-21 °C |
|             | Waita            | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Nuu              | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Nguni            | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
| Kitui South | Ikanga/Kyatune   | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | Easterly 18.0 km/h               | Max 26-32 °C<br>Min 19-21 °C |
|             | Mutomo/Kibwea    | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Kanziko/Simisi   | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Mutha            | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Ikutha           | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Athi             | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
| Kitui East  | Chuluni          | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | Easterly 14.4 km/h               | Max 26-33 °C<br>Min 18-21 °C |
|             | Nzambani         | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Mutito/Kaliku    | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Zombe/Mwitika    | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Voo/Kyamatu      | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Endau/Malalani   | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
| Kitui Rural | Mbitini          | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | Easterly 18.0 km/h               | Max 26-31 °C<br>Min 17-20 °C |
|             | Kisasi           | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Kanyangi         | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Yatta/Kwa Vonza  | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
| Kitui West  | Kauwi            | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | Easterly 18.0 km/h               | Max 24-31 °C<br>Min 16-19 °C |
|             | Mutonguni        | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Matinyani        | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | <10 mm           | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|             | Kyangwithya East | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                                         | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |

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| Kitui Central | Kyangwithya West | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                           | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | Easterly 18.0 km/h               | Max 25-32 °C<br>Min 17-21 °C |
|               | Township         | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                           | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|               | Mulango          | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                           | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |
|               | Miambani         | >10 mm                            | <i>Rain</i>                                                                                                           | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Light rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> | <i>Rain</i> |                                  |                              |

## 1.2 The Rainfall Forecast for December 2025

December typically marks the end of the October–November–December (OND) “short rains” season in Kitui County. The forecast for December indicates that most parts of the County are likely to experience near-average to below-average (generally depressed) rainfall, while few parts of the County are likely to receive below-average (highly depressed) rainfall. This situation is likely to exacerbate the ongoing dry conditions being witnessed across the entire County, driven by the markedly depressed rainfall observed in November.

The rainfall distribution, both in time and space, is expected to be generally poor with prolonged dry spells. However, episodes of heavy rainfall are still likely to occur in some parts of the County during this period. For instance, several places in the County are likely to receive significant rainfall at the beginning of the month. The OND 2025 seasonal rainfall is expected to cease between the third and fourth weeks of December across the County.

Temperatures are expected to be warmer than average over the whole County, with prolonged periods of heat likely to intensify daytime temperatures, elevate nighttime minimums, and contribute to generally hotter-than-usual conditions throughout the month.

## 1.3 The Outlook for December 2025 to February 2026

The outlook for the next three months indicates that most parts of the County will be generally sunny and dry in January and February, with occasional rainfall expected primarily in December in the County. In addition to that, some areas in the County, may experience a few rainy days in January and February. Temperatures are expected to be warmer than average across the entire country.

## 1.4 Rainfall Review for November 2025

November 2025, typically the peak of the OND short rains, was unusually dry across much of the County. Most of the observation stations reported deficits ranging from below-average to severely depressed levels, highlighting the pronounced rainfall suppression across the County. Moderately depressed conditions occurred in some parts of Kitui South, Kitui Central, and Kitui Rural, with rainfall decreasing further across Kitui West. Much lower percentages were observed in Mwingi West and Mwingi Central. The most severe deficits occurred Mwingi North and Kitui East, with most stations receiving little or no rainfall at all. Although a few highland stations such as Kabaru. In general, most of the County experienced moderate to extremely dry conditions throughout the month.

## 1.5 Expected Onset, Cessation and Distribution Dates

The predicted onsets, cessations, and distribution of rainfall were derived from dynamical models and statistical analysis of past years. The analogue year selected was 2021, which exhibited characteristics similar to those expected in 2025. The rainfall outcomes from this analogue year are provided for reference only and should not be interpreted as part of the forecast; rather, they illustrate the range of possible outcomes under broadly similar global climate conditions.

## 1.6 State of The Global Climate Drivers

This climate outlook for December 2025 is mainly based on the prevailing and expected Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies (SSTAs) over the Pacific, Indian Ocean and Atlantic Ocean. La Niña is currently underway, with cooler-than-normal ocean temperatures across the Central and East-Central Pacific and matching atmospheric patterns over the tropical Pacific. These conditions are expected to continue through December 2025 to February 2026. A transition back to ENSO-neutral conditions is most likely between January and March 2026, with a 61% chance of occurring during this period. La Niña typically brings drier-than normal conditions to most of the County, though its impact can vary. The negative Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD) is still active, but it has been getting weaker over the past three weeks. For the week ending 23 November, the IOD index was  $-0.60^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Climate models indicate that the IOD is likely to return to neutral conditions in December.

## 1.7 PART II: FURTHER ADVISORIES

### **SUMMARY ABOUT THE WEEKLY FORECAST:**

Mornings are likely to be cloudy with occasional rains over a few places, giving way to sunny intervals. Afternoon showers and thunderstorms are expected over a few places, occasionally spreading to several places. Night showers are likely to occur over a few places.

Maximum temperatures are expected to range from  $24^{\circ}\text{C}$  -  $35^{\circ}\text{C}$ , while minimum temperatures are expected to range from  $16^{\circ}\text{C}$  -  $23^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Strong southerly to south-easterly winds with speeds not exceeding 25 knots (12.86 m/s) are expected to persist in most parts of the County. **The month of December marks the end of the OND season, and so far, there is NO definite onset that has been realized for OND 2025 season in the County.**

*Community members advised to inculcate the culture of being “weather – ready”, “climate – smart” and “water – wise” as we navigate the unfamiliar and chaotic environment of a changing climate. This will help them adapt to a changing climate while at the same time mitigating the adverse effects of Climate Change and Variability, hence becoming more resilient to the vagaries of Climate Change.*

In light of this weather forecast, farmers are also advised to consult with respective local extension officers from the County Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock at Ward and Sub-county level for more advice on the best farm practices.

**KEY OF SCIENTIFIC WORDS USED**

| Rainfall categories                                                                  |                      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Range                                                                                | Category             |
| <5 mm                                                                                | Light                |
| 5 - 20mm                                                                             | Moderate             |
| 20 - 50mm                                                                            | Heavy                |
| >50mm                                                                                | Very heavy           |
| Rainfall coverage                                                                    |                      |
| Term                                                                                 | Meaning              |
| Most Places                                                                          | Between 66% and 100% |
| Several Places                                                                       | Between 33% and 66%  |
| Few Places                                                                           | Below 33%            |
| <b>Note: 1 mm of rainfall is equivalent to 1 litre of rainfall per square meter.</b> |                      |

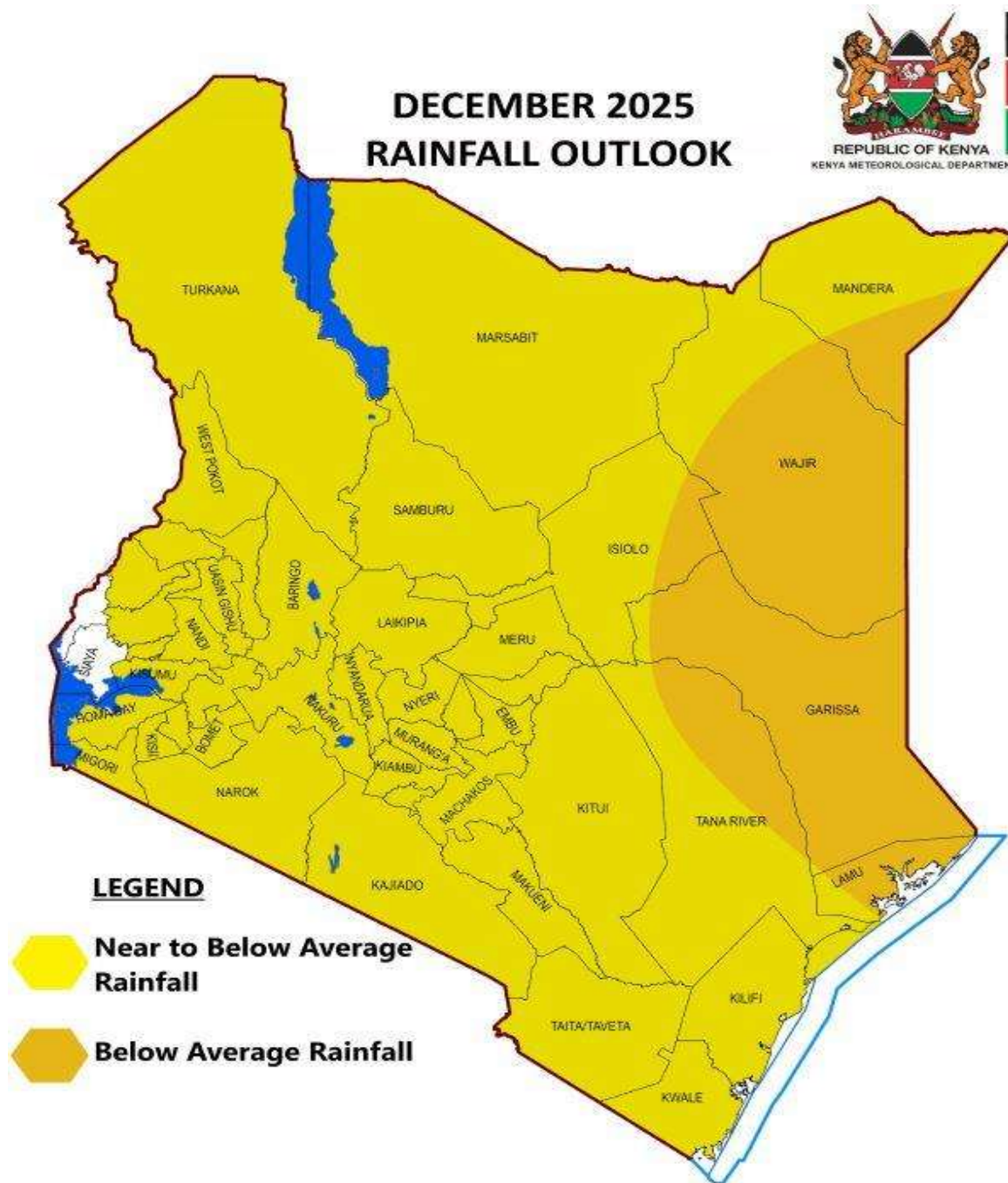
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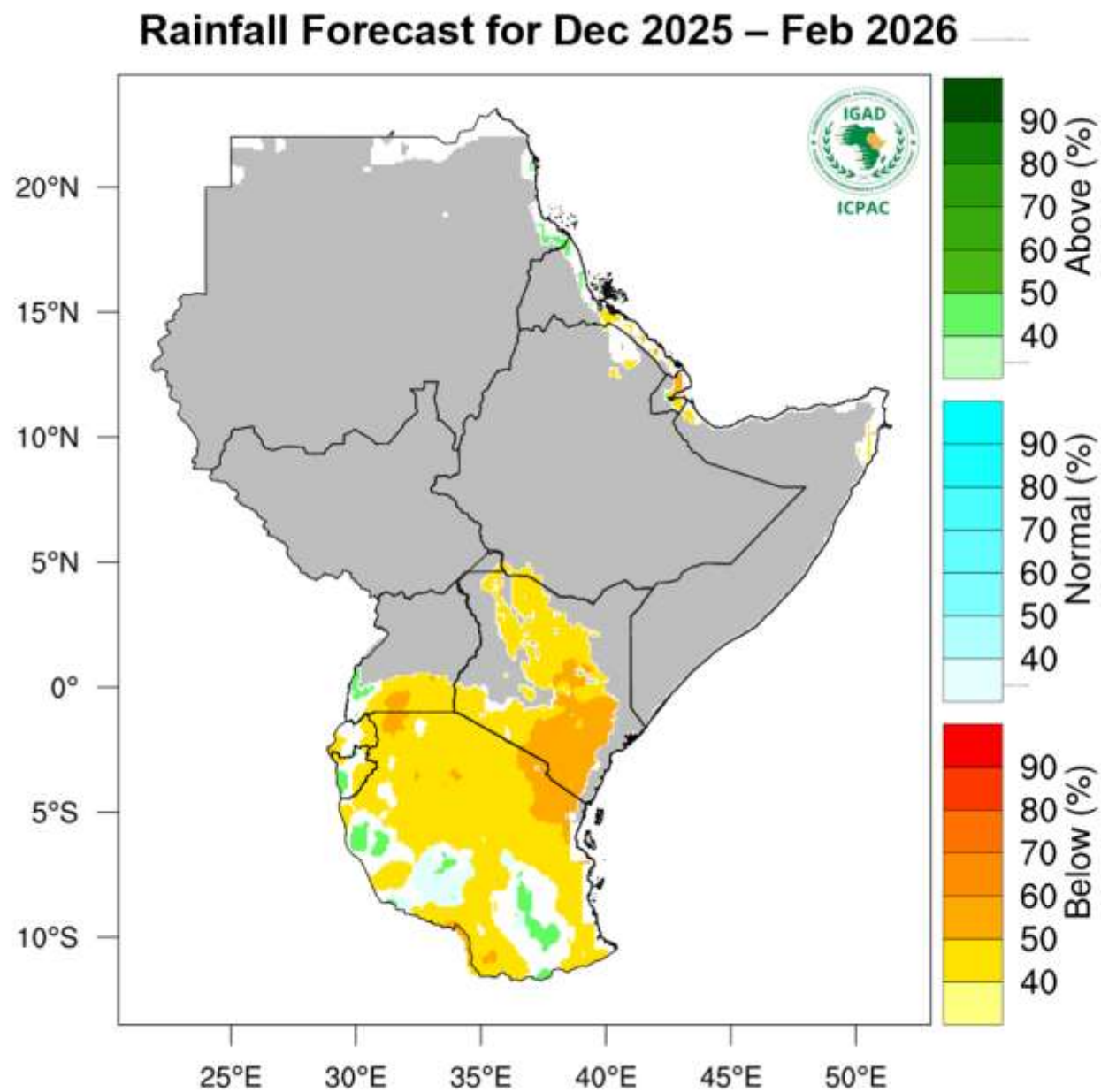
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## Annex I: Rainfall forecast for the month of December 2025

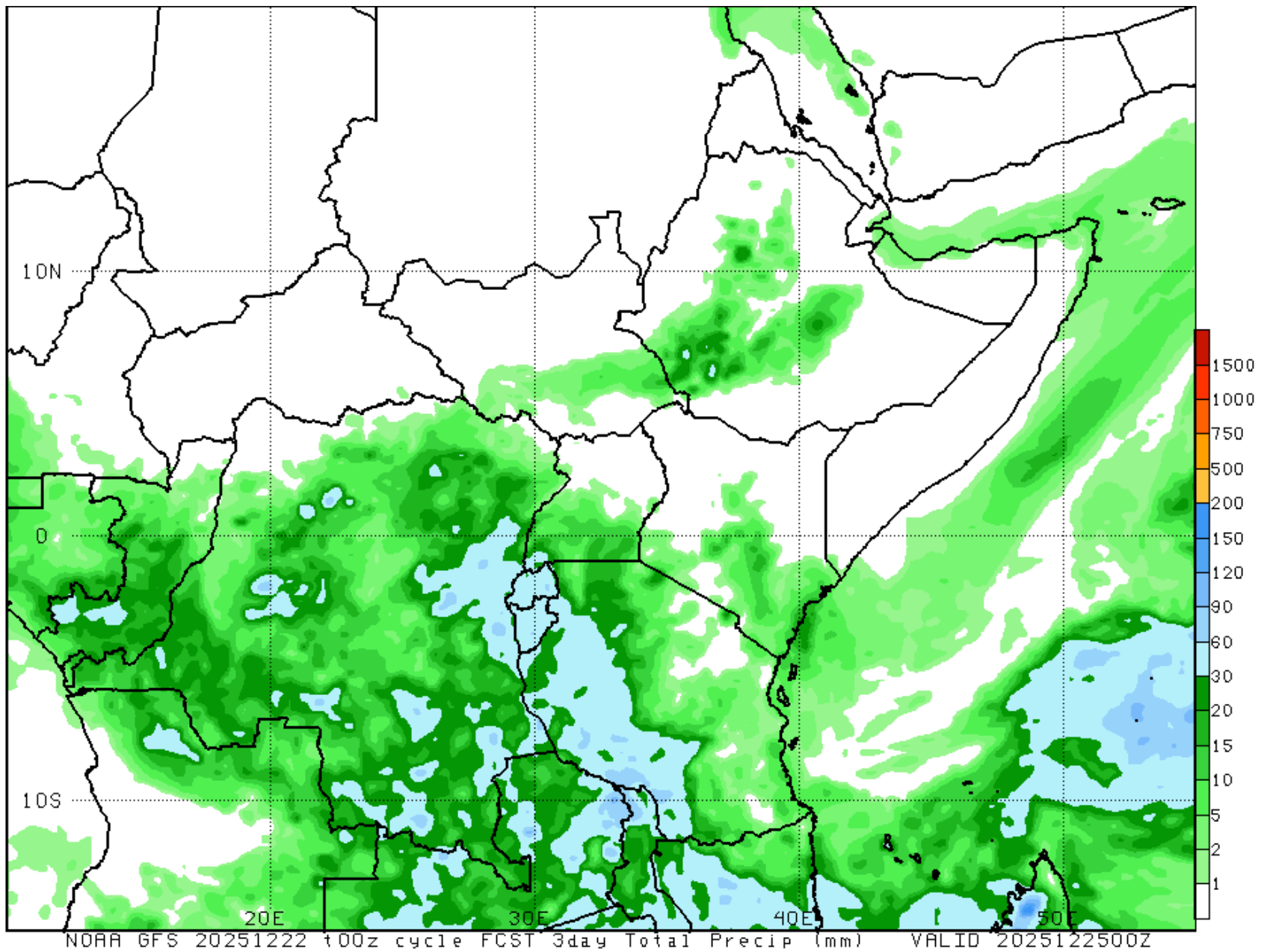


*NB: Near-Average to Below-Average Rainfall expected over most places during the month of December 2025 in the County*



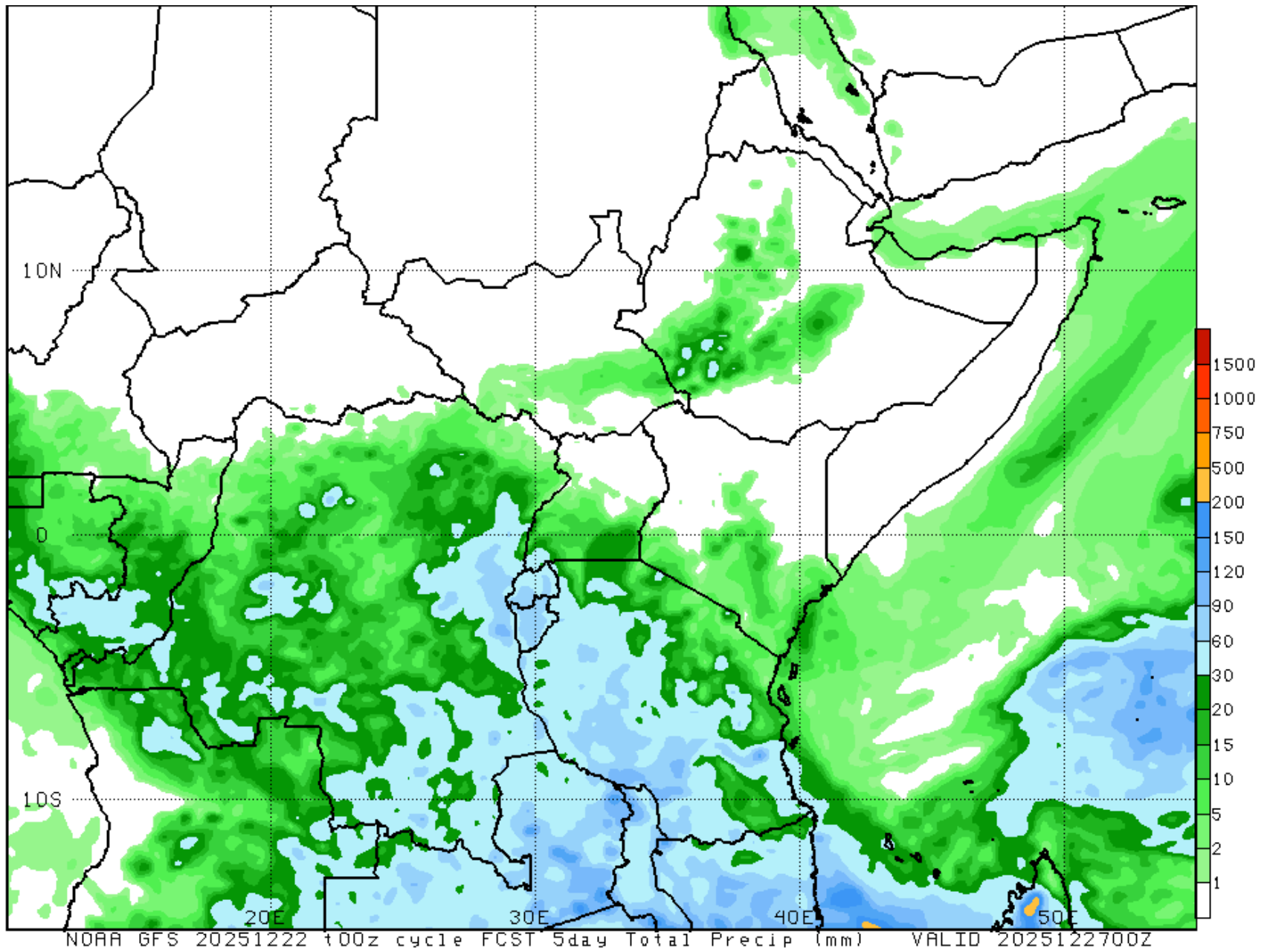
NB: Drier than usual conditions expected over most places during the months of December 2025 and February 2026 in the County

### Annex III: Three days' rainfall forecast up to 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2025



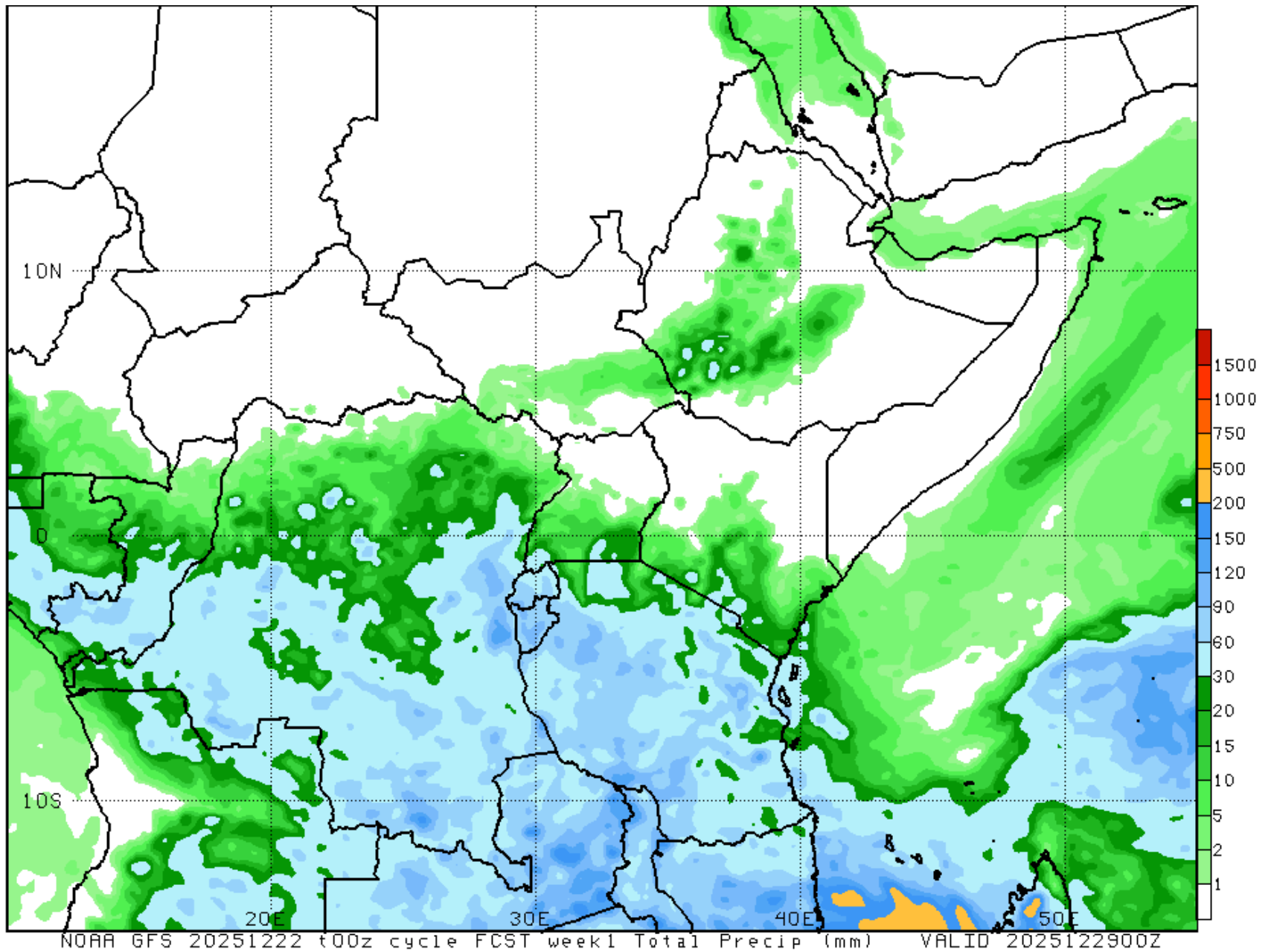
*NB: Near normal conditions expected over most parts of the County between 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2025*

#### Annex IV: Five days' rainfall forecast up to 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2025



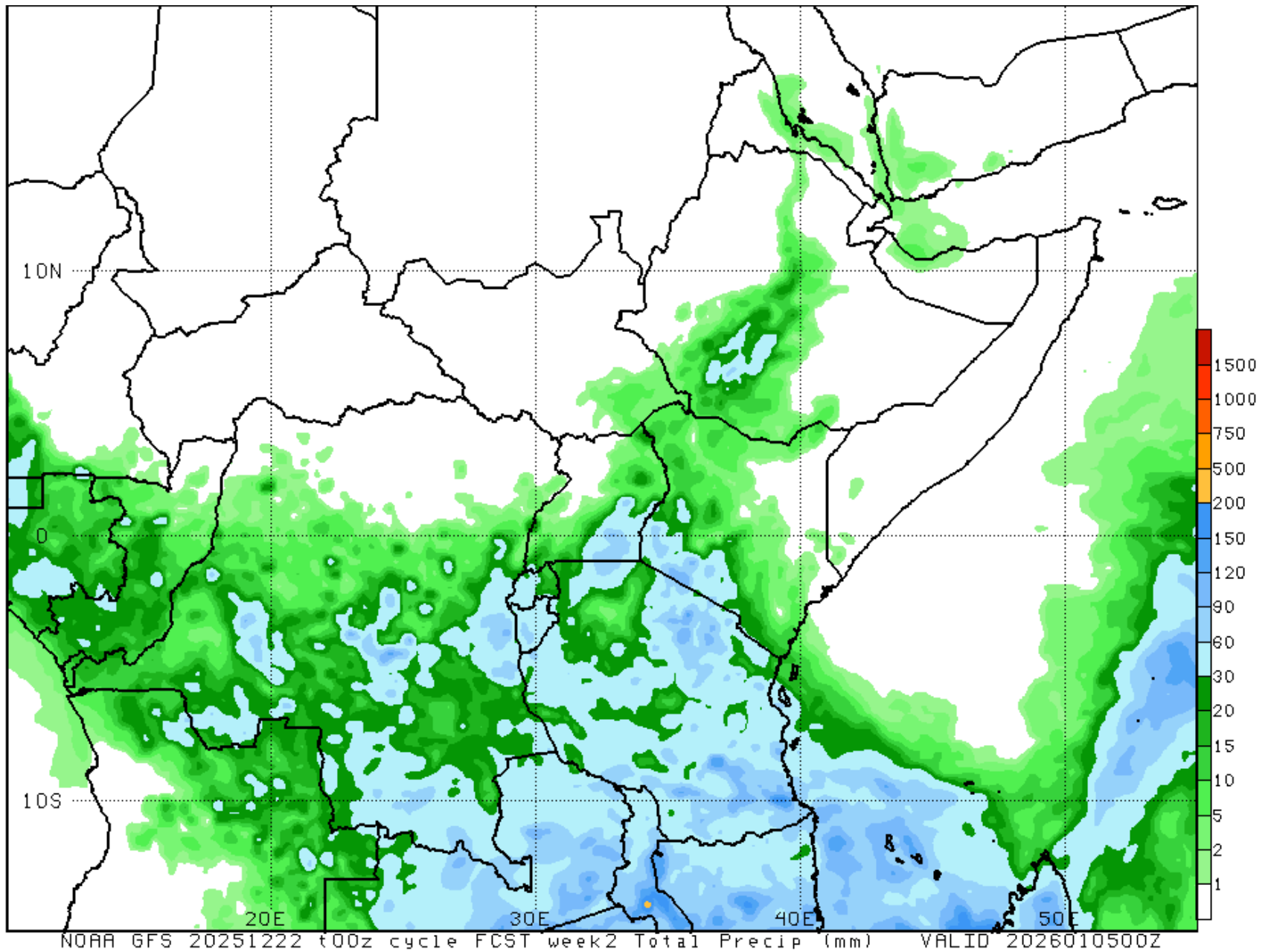
*NB: Near normal conditions expected over most parts of the County between 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2025*

## Annex V: Seven days' rainfall forecast up to 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2025



*NB: Near normal conditions expected over most parts of the County between 22<sup>nd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2025*

## Annex VI: Fourteen days' rainfall forecast up to 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2026



*NB: Near normal conditions expected over most parts of the County between 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2025 to 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2026*

## Annex VII: Wards Map of Kitui County

