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VIHIGA COUNTY
WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

Date of forecast: Monday 11th May 2026






















Validity: Tuesday, 12th May 2026 to Monday, 18th May 2026

General Outlook/Summary.

- The week is expected to remain generally wet and humid across most parts of the county, especially during the afternoons and evenings. The afternoons and evening thunderstorms remain the main weather feature during the week, particularly during the first half of the forecast period.
- Temperatures will remain moderate (27°C - 29°C daytime, 18°C - 19°C night) due to persistent cloud cover and rainfall activity.
- The rainfall amounts are expected to gradually reduce towards the end of the forecast period as the **long-rains season** slowly weakens during the second half of the **May**.

Key Weather Highlights			
S/No	Sub-County	Wards	Rainfall activity
1	Hamisi	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shiru;• Gisambai;• Shamakhokho;• Banja;• Muhudi;• Tambua;• Jepkoyai.	<p>Morning: Cool cloudy with sunny breaks. Afternoon: Showers and thunderstorms. Night: Cool with persistent lingering showers.</p>
2	Vihiga	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lugaga-Wamuluma;• South Maragoli;• Central Maragoli;• Mungoma.	<p>Morning: Cool, cloudy with mist patches. Afternoon: Moderate showers and thunderstorms likely. Night: Persistent light rains.</p>
3	Sabatia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lyaduywa/Izava;• West Sabatia;• Chavakali;• North Maragoli;• Wodanga;	<p>Morning: Mild with sunny breaks. Afternoon: Heavy showers and thunderstorms. Night: Cloudy with light rains.</p>

4	Emuhaya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Busali 	Morning: Cool, misty breaking into sunny intervals. Afternoon: Moderate showers and thunderstorms. Night: Cool, partly cloudy with light rains
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North East Bunyore; • North Bunyore; • West Bunyore; • South Bunyore; • Central Bunyore. 	
5	Luanda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Luanda Township; 	Morning: Humid conditions breaking into sunny intervals. Afternoon: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Night: Cool, cloudy with light rains.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wemilabi; • Mwibona; • Luanda South; • Emabungo. 	

Weekly Weather Forecast							
Sub-Counties (Luanda, Emuhaya, Sabatia, Vihiga and Hamisi)							
Day/Date	Tuesday 12 May 2026	Wednesday 13 May 2026	Thursday 14 May 2026	Friday 15 May 2026	Saturday 16 May 2026	Sunday 17 May 2026	Monday 18 May 2026
Morning	 Sunny intervals	 Mild and partly cloudy	 Sunny intervals with cool	 Sunny intervals	 Cloudy and humid	 Rain showers	 Sunny intervals with cool
Afternoon	 Lingering showers and thunderstorms	 Scattered thunderstorms	 Thunderstorms	 Sunny intervals	 Widespread showers and thunderstorms	 Continuous thunderstorms with intermittent rainfall	 Isolated showers and thunderstorms
Night	 Isolated light showers	 Cool, partly cloudy with occasional rains/drizzle	 Mostly cloudy and cool	 Calm and partly cloudy	 Continuous rains	 Cool with lingering showers	 Clear to partly cloudy

Rainfall Distribution	Several places	Few places	Few places	Nil	Several places	Several places	Few places
Max. Temp.	28°C	28°C	28°C	28°C	27°C	28°C	29°C
Min. Temp.	19°C	19°C	18°C	19°C	18°C	19°C	18°C
Hazard	Floods/Lightning				Floods/Lightning	Floods/Lightning	

Colour Coding on Weather Conditions		
S/No	Colour	Description
1	Green	No severe weather expected.
2	Yellow	Severe weather conditions are likely to occur that may pose a threat to life and damage property.
3	Red	Dangerous and potentially life threatening weather conditions are expected. Take appropriate action immediately to ensure your safety and the safety of your family and neighbours.

Advisories by sector.

1) Agriculture

- Farmers are encouraged to engage agricultural officers on the utilization of this forecast especially during transportation and drying farm produce.

2) Transport & Infrastructure

- Roads may become **slippery**, especially during afternoon storms.
- Poor visibility during storm periods.

3) General Public Safety

- **Flood risk:** Communities around river banks should be advised appropriately.
- **Thunderstorms:** Avoid sheltering under trees.
- Stay alert for sudden heavy rainfall, which can occur during the peak rainy season.

SMS version of the weekly forecast

Vihiga Weekly 12th - 18th May 2026: Tue, no rain pm many, 1, 2, 3; Wed, Thu, Mon, li rain pm few, 1, 2, 3; Sat, Sun, he rain am/pm many, 1, 2, 3.

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APPENDIX I: INTERPRETATION OF TERMS

S/No	Term	Rainfall Amount (24 hrs)	Description
1	Light	< 5mm	Gentle rain, drizzle.
2	Moderate/Lingering	5 - 20 mm	Steady, noticeable rain.
3	Heavy	21 - 50 mm	Intense rain, possible thunder.
4	Very heavy	> 50 mm	Prolonged rain, high intensity.

S/No	Term	Area Affected	Description
1	Few places	< 33%	Rain in a small portion of the region.
2	Several places	33% - 66%	Rain in multiple but not in most parts of the region.
3	Most places	> 66%	Rain in nearly all parts of the region.

S/No	Term	Area Affected	Description
1	Isolated	Less than 25%	Very few places affected.
2	Scattered	25% - 50%	Several, but not most, areas affected.
3	Numerous	51% - 70%	Many areas affected.
4	Widespread	Over 70%	Almost all areas affected.

S/No	Term	Time Coverage (%)	Meaning
1	Occasional	Less than 25%	Happens rarely or a few times.
2	Intermittent	25% - 50%	Starts and stops, comes and goes.
3	Frequent	51% - 75%	Occurs regularly.
4	Very frequent/Common	Over 75%	Happens almost all the time.

S/No	Term	Probability of Occurrence	Description
1	Possible	10% - 30%	There is low confidence.
2	Chance of/May	31% - 50%	There is moderate confidence.
3	Likely	51% - 75%	There event is more probable than not.
4	Expected	76% - 90%	There is high confidence.
5	Very likely	91% - 99%	There is very high confidence. Almost certain.
6	Certain	100%	The event is guaranteed to occur.

