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ISIOLO COUNTY WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST
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ISIOLO COUNTY WEATHER OUTLOOK (17th to 23rd November 2026)

1. Review of the Previous 7-Day Weather Performance (10th to 16th November 2026)

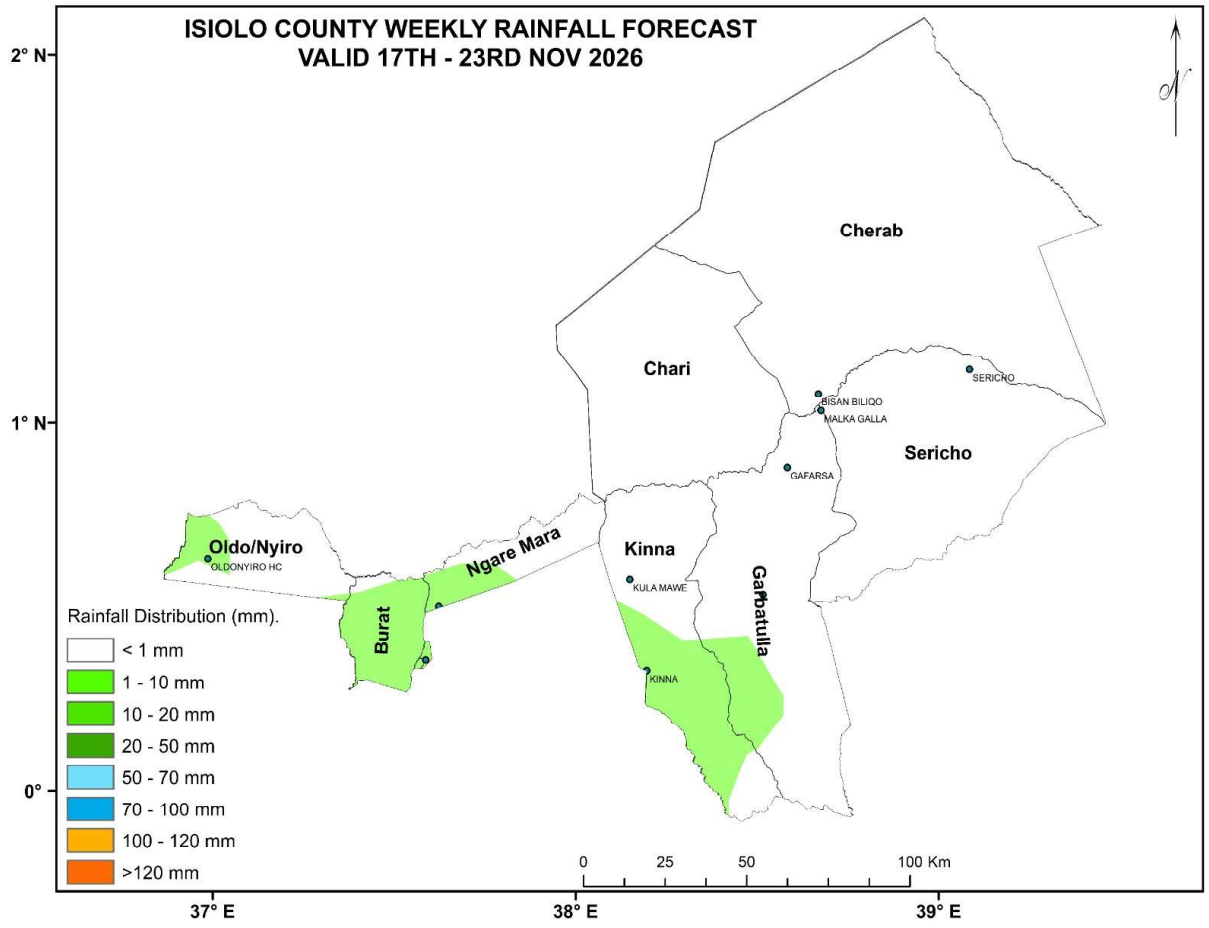
The rainfall performance during the previous seven days showed an improvement in most parts off the county.
Rainfall received over the upper catchments caused an increase in Ewaso Nyiro River levels and downstream flows.

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2. General Weather Outlook

Isiolo County is expected to experience generally sunny to partly cloudy conditions during the forecast period, with isolated showers in a few localized areas.
Rainfall distribution is expected to be highly uneven, with localized rainfall of 1–10 mm expected over parts of Oldonyiro, Burat, Ngare Mara and the southern sections of Kinna and Garbatulla. Most other parts of the county, including Isiolo Town, Wabera, Bulapesa, Merti, Sericho, Cherab and Modogashe, are expected to remain predominantly dry, with rainfall amounts generally below 1 mm.

River conditions and flood risk:
Although the county rainfall forecast indicates generally low rainfall amounts, communities living along the Ewaso Nyiro River and its tributaries should continue monitoring river levels.
Runoff from upstream catchments may influence downstream river conditions, even where local rainfall is limited and cause flooding downstream.



3. Weather Outlook by Sub-County

3.1 Isiolo Central Sub-County*(Isiolo Town, Burat, Wabera, Bulapesa and Oldonyiro)*
Oldonyiro and Western Areas are expected to experience localized light showers with estimated cumulative rainfall amounts of 1–10 mm, particularly over the areas indicated on the forecast map. Burat expected to experience isolated light showers with estimated rainfall accumulation of 1–10 mm. Rainfall distribution is likely to be localized, with some areas receiving little or no rainfall. Isiolo Town, Wabera and Bulapesa are expected to be generally sunny to partly cloudy conditions with little likelihood of significant rainfall. Most areas are expected to record less than 1 mm.

Wind forecast
Generally moderate winds of approximately 8–18 knots are expected. Occasional stronger gusts may occur, particularly over exposed areas.

3.2 Garbatulla Sub-County*(Garbatulla, Kinna, Modogashe and Korbesa)*
Kinna: Localized light showers are expected over parts of southern Kinna, with estimated cumulative rainfall amounts of 1–10 mm. Other parts of Kinna are likely to remain predominantly dry.
Garbatulla: Most areas are expected to experience sunny to partly cloudy conditions. Localized rainfall of 1–10 mm is possible over parts of the southern boundary adjoining Kinna.
Modogashe and Korbesa: Predominantly sunny and dry conditions are expected, with rainfall amounts generally below 1 mm.

Wind forecast
Moderate winds of approximately 10–22 knots are expected. Dusty conditions may occur in relatively dry areas, particularly during daytime.

3.3 Merti Sub-County*(Merti, Bulesa and Kom)*
Merti, Bulesa and Kom are expected to experience predominantly sunny to partly cloudy conditions throughout the forecast period. Little or no rainfall is anticipated, with most areas likely to record less than 1 mm.

Wind forecast
Moderate to occasionally strong winds of approximately 12–24 knots are expected. Localized blowing dust may occur over exposed dry surfaces, particularly during daytime.

3.4 Ngare Mara Areas
Ngare Mara and surrounding areas are expected to experience partly cloudy conditions, with isolated light showers during the forecast period.
Estimated cumulative rainfall amounts are 1–10 mm, particularly over the areas indicated on the forecast map. Rainfall distribution is expected to be localized and uneven.

Wind forecast
Moderate winds of approximately 8–18 knots are expected, with occasional stronger gusts over exposed areas.

3.5 Sericho and Cherab Areas
Sericho and Cherab are expected to experience predominantly sunny to partly cloudy conditions throughout the forecast period. Little or no rainfall is anticipated, with most areas likely to record less than 1 mm.

Wind forecast
Moderate to strong winds of approximately 15–28 knots may occur. Blowing dust may occasionally reduce visibility in exposed locations.

4. Summary of Expected Weather Conditions

Area	Expected rainfall	General conditions
Oldonyiro	1–10 mm	Partly cloudy, isolated showers
Burat	1–10 mm	Partly cloudy, isolated showers
Ngare Mara	1–10 mm	Partly cloudy, localized showers
Southern Kinna	1–10 mm	Localized light showers
Southern Garbatulla	1–10 mm	Isolated light showers
Isiolo Town / Wabera / Bulapesa	Below 1 mm	Sunny to partly cloudy
Northern and central Kinna	Below 1 mm	Predominantly dry
Garbatulla (other areas)	Below 1 mm	Mostly sunny
Merti / Bulesa / Kom	Below 1 mm	Predominantly dry
Sericho / Cherab	Below 1 mm	Sunny and dry
Modogashe / Korbesa	Below 1 mm	Mostly sunny and dry

5. Temperature Outlook
Generally warm to hot conditions are expected across the county, with relatively cooler temperatures over elevated areas.

Climatic zone	Representative areas	Daytime maximum	Night-time minimum
Highlands	Oldonyiro and western highlands	22–28°C	12–17°C
Mid-altitude	Isiolo Town, Kinna, Garbatulla	27–34°C	16–22°C
Lowlands	Merti, Sericho, Modogashe, Cherab	32–38°C	20–26°C

4. Temperature Outlook (17th to 23rd November 2026)

Temperatures are expected to remain generally warm to hot across Isiolo County, although increased cloud cover and occasional rainfall may result in relatively cooler conditions during rainy periods. The November seasonal outlook indicates warmer-than-average temperatures across the country.

Oldonyiro and Areas Bordering Laikipia County

Daytime: 20°C–28°C
Night-time: 11°C–18°C

Central Areas (Isiolo Town, Burat, Wabera, Bulapesa and Ngaremara)
Daytime: 26°C–34°C
Night-time: 17°C–24°C

Southern and Eastern Areas (Kinna, Garbatulla, Merti, Bulesa and Kom)
Daytime: 30°C–37°C
Night-time: 19°C–26°C

Northeastern Lowlands (Sericho, Cherab and Surrounding Areas)
Daytime: 33°C–39°C
Night-time: 21°C–27°C

5. Advisories

Agriculture and Livelihoods

- Farmers should take advantage of anticipated rainfall to undertake appropriate agricultural activities.
- Farmers are encouraged to practise water harvesting, mulching and soil-moisture conservation.
- Pastoralists should take advantage of improved pasture and browse regeneration in areas receiving adequate rainfall.
- Livestock keepers should avoid grazing in flood-prone areas and near swollen rivers and seasonal streams.
- Communities should protect livestock against waterborne diseases and other health risks associated with the rainy season.

Flood Preparedness and Water Safety

- County authorities and communities should maintain drainage channels, culverts and waterways to facilitate runoff and reduce localized flooding.
- Monitor changes in Ewaso Nyiro River levels, particularly following rainfall over the upper catchments.
- Communities living along the Ewaso Nyiro River and its tributaries should remain alert to sudden increases in river flows.
- Avoid crossing flooded rivers, laghas and seasonal streams.
- Do not attempt to cross flooded drifts or moving water, regardless of the apparent depth.
- Move livestock and essential property to safer ground whenever flooding threatens.

- Follow official flood advisories and move to safer areas when instructed by relevant authorities.
- Exercise caution on slippery roads and at river crossings whenever showers occur.

Health and General Safety

- Exercise caution during thunderstorms and avoid exposed areas when lightning occurs.
- Maintain appropriate hygiene and protect drinking water sources from contamination following rainfall and flooding.
- Ensure proper drainage around homes and public facilities to minimize stagnant water.
- Communities should remain alert to potential increases in mosquito breeding and other public health risks associated with rainfall.

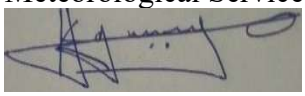
Weather Information and Early Warning

- Communities should remain alert to changing weather conditions and respond promptly to early warning information.
- County disaster management teams and other stakeholders should strengthen preparedness, particularly in flood-prone areas.
- Stakeholders should continuously monitor rainfall observations from meteorological stations and community rainfall observers.
- Particular attention should be given to rainfall occurring over the upper Ewaso Nyiro catchments because of its potential influence on downstream river levels.
- Residents should take precautions against occasional strong winds, particularly over exposed plains and open areas.
- Follow official forecasts, updates and advisories issued by the Kenya Meteorological Service Authority (KMSA).

Important Operational Note

The review of rainfall performance for 10th–16th November 2026 should be finalized using actual rainfall observations from the County's meteorological stations and volunteer rainfall observers. This will help establish the areas that received rainfall, the amounts recorded and the implications for the remaining OND 2026 season.

Location-specific forecasts for Isiolo County are available from the County Director of Meteorological Services at the Isiolo Meteorological Office.



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