

Somalia Rainfall Forecast

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While the Gu season is yet to start in Somalia, light to moderate rains were reported in parts of Somaliland since the last week of February and first week of March. The upper parts of the Ethiopian highlands also recorded moderate rains during the last two weeks which led to slight increase of river levels along the Juba and Shabelle Rivers inside Somalia.

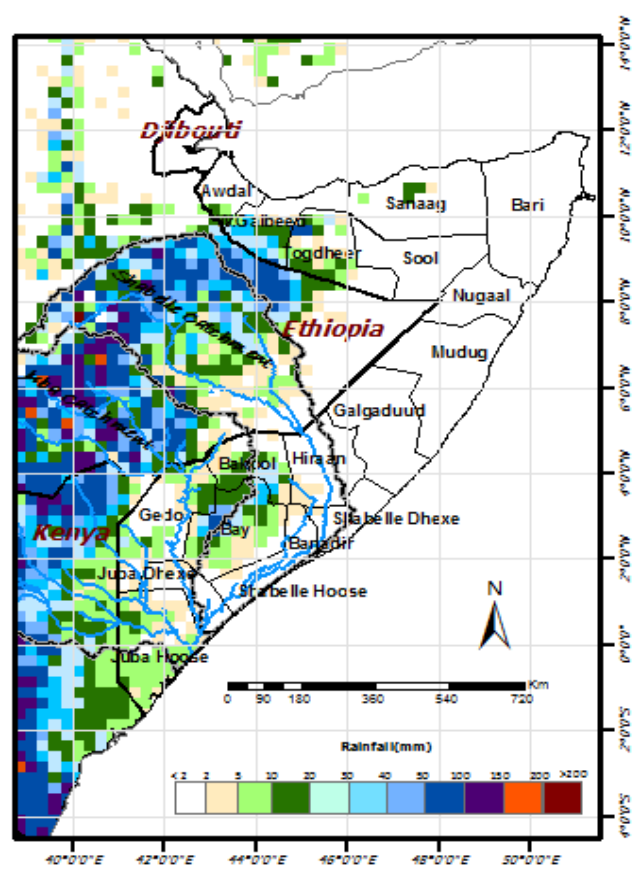
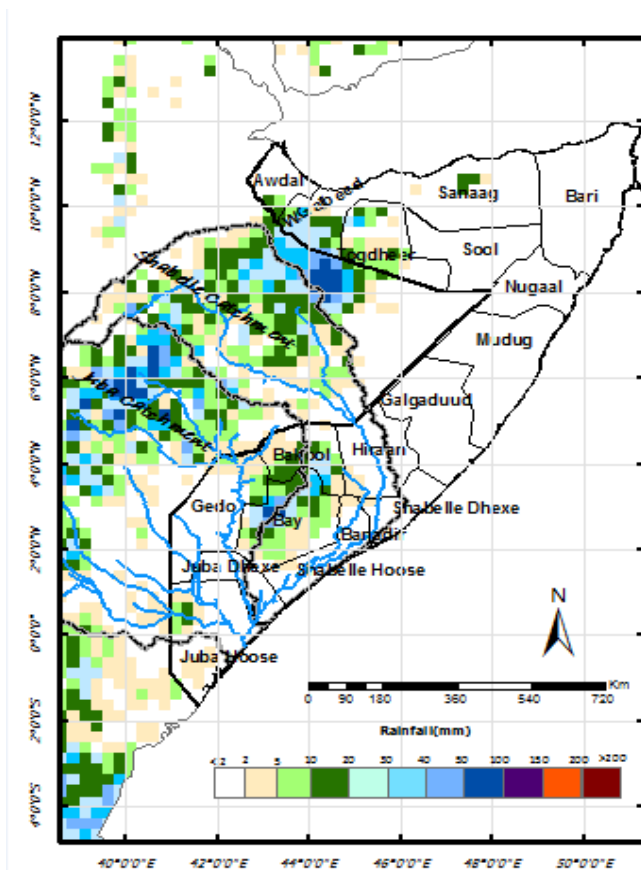
Light rains are foreseen in a few pockets of Bay and Bakool regions as well as western parts of Somaliland and the Ethiopian highlands in the coming three days (Map 1). The rains are then expected to intensify in space and quantity towards the end of the week (Map 2).

Given the rainfall forecast, the river levels are expected to rise with no risk of flooding.

Users are advised that this is a forecast and at times there may be discrepancies between forecast and actual amounts of rainfall received. The forecast, observed river levels and rainfall amounts are updated on a daily basis and can be found on this link: <http://systems.fao.net/frirms/>

**Map 1: 3 days rainfall forecast
(13 –15 March 2018)**

**Map 2: 7-day cumulated rainfall forecast
(13 –19 March 2018)**



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