



SADC CLIMATE SERVICES CENTRE (CSC) HEAVY RAINFALL ADVISORY

Issue Number: 7 of 2019/20

Release Date: 17/12/2019

FORECAST PERIOD: 17 TO 23 DECEMBER 2019

HIGHLIGHTS

HEADLINE: The SADC CSC is forecasting a likelihood of rainfall amounts exceeding 50mm in 24 hours in some parts of the SADC region during the period 17 to 23 December 2019.

Northern Angola, central to southern most of DRC, north-eastern Zambia, most of Tanzania, northern Mozambique, northern Malawi, north-west and eastern Madagascar, Seychelles and southern fringes of Eastern Cape in South Africa have a high probability to receive heavy rainfall above 50mm in a 24 hour period (Figure 1) from 17 to 23 December 2019. In addition, there are pocket areas in Botswana, Lesotho and Namibia that may experience heavy rainfall episodes above 50mm in a 24-hour period. These rains are likely to result in localized flooding in certain areas.

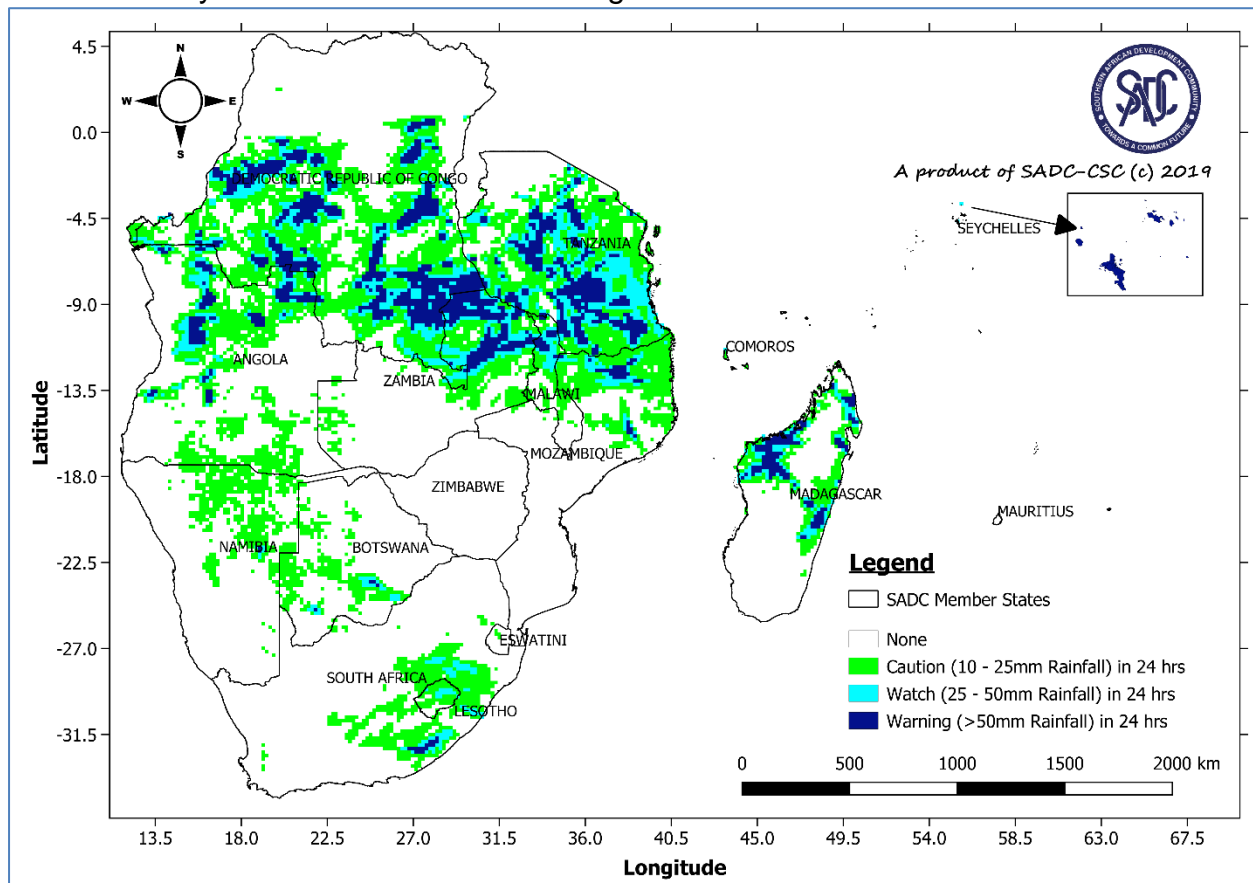


Figure 1: SADC Region's heavy rainfall advisory for the period 17 – 23 December 2019

Recommended Action

National Meteorological and Hydrological Services are urged to closely monitor these events and update relevant institutions such as Disaster Risk Management Agencies at Member States level to support preparedness and actions taken to protect lives and property.

Users are encouraged to consult National Meteorological and Hydrological Services at Member States for interpretation of this advisory.

Next Advice

The next advisory will be issued when an extreme event is detected to occur within the SADC Region.

For more information contact:

SADC Climate Services Centre (SADC-CSC)

Private Bag 0095, Gaborone, Botswana

Email: csc1@sadc.int

Website: csc.sadc.int

 <https://twitter.com/sadccsc>