

Pacific Islands - Online Climate Outlook Forum (OCOF) No. 136

Country: Niue

TABLE 1: Monthly Rainfall

Station (include data period)	Oct-2018	Nov-2018	Dec-2018				Rank
			Total (mm)	33%tile	67%tile	Median	
	Total (mm)	Total (mm)	Rainfall (mm)				
Hanan Airport (1905-2018)	109.2	137.5	525.3	125.8	229.9	162.7	112/114

**TABLE 2: Three-month Rainfall for October to December 2018**

Station	Three-month Total		33%tile	67%tile	Median	Rank	SCOPIC forecast probabilities* based on NINO3.4 July-August 2018				Verification: Consistent, Near- consistent, Inconsistent?
	Rainfall (mm)						B-N	N	A-N	LEPS	
Hanan Airport (1905-2018)	772.0	Above normal	372.5	562.8	464.4	100/113	41	32	27	16	Inconsistent

**TABLE 3: Seasonal Climate Outlooks using SCOPIC for February to April 2019**

Predictor and Period used: NINO3.4 for October to November 2018

Station	Below Median (prob)	Median Rainfall (mm)	Above Median (prob)		LEPS (%) [whole numbers]	Hit-rate (%) [whole numbers]
Hanan Airport (1905-2018)	65	750.9	35		7	59

Station	Below Normal (prob)	33%ile Rainfall (mm)	Normal (prob)	67%ile Rainfall (mm)	Above Normal (prob)	LEPS (%) [whole numbers]	Hit-rate (%) [whole numbers]
Hanan Airport (1905-2018)	53	630.8	25	864.1	22	10	38

**TABLE 4: Seasonal Climate Outlooks using POAMA2 for February to April 2019**

Station	Below Normal (prob)	33%ile Rainfall (mm)	Normal (prob)	67%ile Rainfall (mm)	Above Normal (prob)
Hanan Airport	36	608.0	40	851.0	24

**Summary Statements****Rainfall for December 2018:**

Hanan Airport for December 2018 was above-normal.

**Accumulated rainfall for October to December 2018, including outlook verification:**

The three-month total was above-normal. The outlook had indicated below-normal as the most likely outcome for October to December rainfall; the verification was therefore inconsistent.

**Outlooks for February to April 2019:****1. SCOPIC:**

Outlook for February to April favours below-normal with normal the next most likely.

**2. POAMA:**

POAMA Outlook for February to April 2019 shows normal the most likely, with below-normal the next most likely. Above-normal the least likely.

**Table: 5 Stakeholder Engagement- Evaluations of how effective NMS engage with stakeholders**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Date: November 2018</b>	<b>Stakeholder</b>	<b>Total Number of Participants</b>	<b>Number of male</b>	<b>Number of female</b>
Niue					

**NB: The X LEPS % score has been categorised as follows:**

Very Low:  $X < 0.0$

Low:  $0 \leq X < 5$

Moderate  $5 \leq X < 10$

Good:  $10 \leq X < 15$

High:  $15 \leq X < 25$

Very High:  $25 \leq X < 35$  Exceptional:  $X \geq 35$