Pacific Islands - Online Climate Outlook Forum (OCOF) No. 137

Country: Niue

TABLE 1: Monthly Rainfall

	Nov- Dec-		Jan-2019				
Station (include data period)	2018	2018	Total (mm)	33%tile	67%tile	%tile Median	Rank
	Total (mm)	Total (mm)		Rainfa	ıll (mm)		Naiik
Hanan Airport (1905-2019)	137.5	525.3	284.9	184.8	319.1	250.4	68/114

TABLE 2: Three-month Rainfall for November 2018 to January 2019

Station	Three-n	nonth Total	33%tile	67%tile	Median	SCOPIC forecast probabilities* based on NINO3.4 Month-Month 20xx		SCOPIC forecast probabilities* Cons	Verification: Consistent, Near-		
		Rai	infall (mm)				B-N N A-N LEPS		consistent, Inconsistent?		
Hanan Airport (1905- 2019)	947.7	Above normal	499.9	704.6	598.9	100/113	40	38	22	10	Inconsistent
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TABLE 3: Seasonal Climate Outlooks using SCOPIC for March to May 2019

Predictor and Period used: NINO3.4 for December 2018 to January 2019

Station	Below Median (prob)	Median Rainfall (mm)	Above Median (prob)	LEPS (%) [whole numbers]	Hit-rate (%) [whole numbers]
Hanan Airport (1905- 2019)	58	586.6	42	2	57

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- 2019)	46	496.5	25	719.3	29	5	44

TABLE 4: Seasonal Climate Outlooks using POAMA2 for March to May 2019

Station	Below Normal (prob)	33%ile Rainfall (mm)	Normal (prob)	67%ile Rainfall (mm)	Above Normal (prob)
Hanan Airport	37	544.0	33	701.0	30

Summary Statements

Rainfall for January 2019:

Hanan Airport rainfall for January 2019 was normal.

Accumulated rainfall for November 2018 to January 2019, including outlook verification:

Accumulated rainfall for November 2018 to January 2019 was above-normal. The outlook showed below-normal as the most likely; verification was therefore inconsistent.

Outlooks for March to May 2019:

1. SCOPIC:

The Outlook for March to May 2019 shows below-normal rainfall as the most likely outcome, with above-normal the next most likely. Normal is the least likely.

2. POAMA:

The outlook for March to May 2019 offers little guidance as chances for above-normal, normal and below-normal are similar.

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

 $Very \ Low: \ X < 0.0 \qquad \qquad Low: \ 0 \le X < 5 \qquad \qquad Moderate \ 5 \le X < 10 \qquad \qquad Good: \ 10 \le X < 15 \qquad High: \ 15 \le X < 25$

Very High: $25 \le X < 35$ Exceptional: $X \ge 35$

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

Country	Date: January 2019	Stakeholder	Total Number of Participants	Number of male	Number of female
Niue	Radio Program 24 th January	Public	50+	39	55
Niue	Tide 2019 Calendar	Fisher men Maritime Public	20+	25	15
Niue	Facebook update	Public Youth	30+	75	95
Niue	Niue Climate Outlook	Government departments Farmers	20+	115	110