

Pacific Islands - Online Climate Outlook Forum (OCOF) No. 150

Country: Niue

TABLE 1: Monthly Rainfall

Station (include data period)	Dec-2019	Jan-2020	Feb-2020				Rank
			Total (mm)	33%tile	67%tile	Median	
	Total (mm)	Total (mm)	Rainfall (mm)				
Hanan Airport (1905-2020)	148.8	198.4	229.4	196.3	281.6	237.7	58/115

TABLE 2: Three-month Rainfall for December 2019 to February 2020

Station	Three-month Total		33%tile	67%tile	Median	Rank	SCOPIC forecast probabilities based on NINO3.4 September - October 2019				Verification: Consistent, Near-consistent, Inconsistent?
	Rainfall (mm)						B-N	N	A-N	LEPS	
Hanan Airport (1905-2020)	576.6	Below normal	612.7	834.6	689.3	38/115	42	32	26	16	Consistent

TABLE 3: Seasonal Climate Outlooks using SCOPIC for April to June 2020

Predictor and Period used: NINO3.4 for January to February 2020

Below Median (prob)	Median Rainfall (mm)	Above Median (prob)		LEPS (%) [whole numbers]	Hit-rate (%) [whole numbers]
54	441.9	46		1	54

Below Normal (prob)	33%ile Rainfall (mm)	Normal (prob)	67%ile Rainfall (mm)	Above Normal (prob)	LEPS (%) [whole numbers]	Hit-rate (%) [whole numbers]
39	354.5	30	524.0	31	3	26

TABLE 4: Seasonal Climate Outlooks using POAMA2 for April to June 2020

Station	Below Normal (prob)	33%ile Rainfall (mm)	Normal (prob)	67%ile Rainfall (mm)	Above Normal (prob)
Hanan Airport	76	415.0	15	584.0	9

Summary Statements

Rainfall for February 2020:

Hanan Airport's rainfall was normal.

Accumulated rainfall for December 2019 to February 2020, including outlook verification:

The accumulated rainfall for December to February was below normal, with consistent verification.

Outlooks for April to June 2020:

1. SCOPIC:

The outlook for April to June offers little guidance as the chances of above normal, normal and below-normal are similar

2. POAMA:

POAMA favours below normal rainfall for the coming three months.

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: $X \geq 35$

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

Product	Date: February 2020	Stakeholder	Total Number of Participants	Number of male	Number of female
Climate Bulletin	6/02/2020	General public	40	20	20
	20/02/2020	Stakeholders	20	15	5
	25/02/2020	Government Officials	20	10	10
		Village Council	14	7	7
		Education Department	24	10	14
EAR Watch					
Monthly Climate Briefing	26/02/2020	Stakeholders	20	15	5
		Weather group	20	5	15
		Government Officials	20	10	10
		Government all staff	30	15	15
Ocean Bulletin					
Total			208	107	101