Rainfall increases expected in southern Somalia and Eastern Kenya

Africa Weather Hazards

1. While some local areas observed some moisture recovery along the Jubba River basin in southern Somalia during mid-November, the absence of precipitation in October has led to considerable moisture deficits across many parts of southern Somalia and eastern Kenya. The delayed seasonal rains could negatively impact the development of crops, and pastoral conditions in the region. However, an increase in rainfall is expected during the next week.

2. Significantly heavy rainfall across eastern Ethiopia and Somalia during the middle of November has elevated the risk for downstream flooding along the Jubba and Shabelle River basins. For the upcoming outlook period, near average rainfall is forecast across the region.

Source: FEWS NET/NOAA
Latin America and the Caribbean Weather Hazards

1. Enhanced rains during September and October have helped to improve ground conditions across parts of the Sud and Sud Est departments of southern Haiti. However, poor ground conditions have remained. The forecast light to moderate rains for the next week should improve ground moisture.

2. Since the start of the second rainy season, poor rains have led to below-average vegetation conditions across northwestern Dominican Republic. Suppressed rains are forecast during the next outlook period, which could worsen dryness over the region.

3. Rainfall over the past thirty days, and stretching back to the beginning of August, has been erratic and below average across southwestern Dominican Republic and parts of the Ouest department of Haiti. The poorly distributed seasonal rains have worsened ground conditions as illustrated by negative NDVI anomalies. With light rain forecast, dryness is expected to continue into the next week.

4. Consistently heavy rain during the past thirty days has resulted in saturated ground conditions and elevated river levels along the San Pedro, La Pasion and Usumacinta Rivers. With moderate to heavy rain forecast, localized flooding is possible during the next week.

5. Heavy, torrential rains led to localized flash flooding in the Izabal department of Guatemala during the past week. With torrential rain likely during the next week, additional flooding is possible.

Central Asia Weather Hazards

1. Due to the lack of precipitation since the beginning of October, abnormal dryness has settled in across Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, and parts of southeastern Kazakhstan. A partial relief is possible as light precipitation is forecast over the region during the next week.