

Climate Outlook Overview for September to November season 2019

Rainfall

- Slightly above normal rainfall over most parts of the country is likely during September to November season especially in month of October and November (Fig 1).
- District wise climatological normal rainfall for September to November season is given in the column 2 of the table 1.
- Chance (probability) of receiving below/about/above average is given in the columns 3, 4, and 5 respectively in the table 1. However, the predictability is limited due to strong day to day synoptic scale systems.

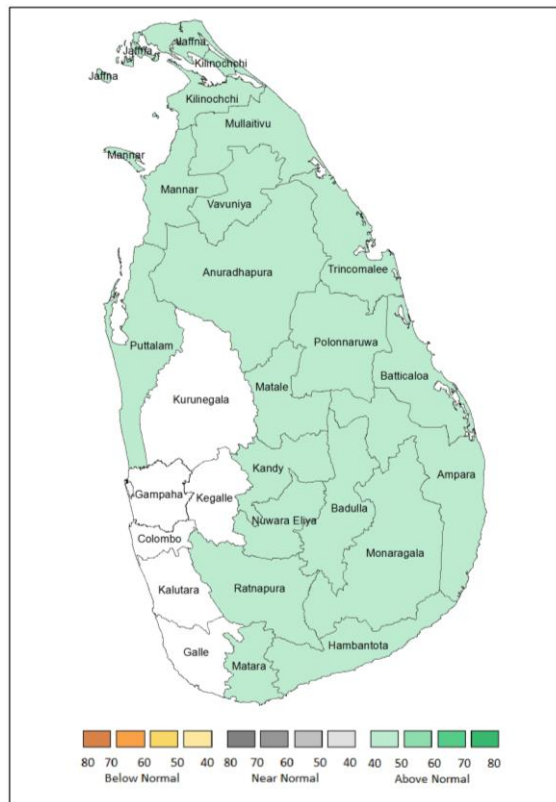


Fig 1. Probabilistic rainfall forecast for September–November 2019

Footnote 1. White color in Probabilistic rainfall/temperature forecast maps indicate that there is no signal over those districts. It indicates equal chances of receiving below normal, near normal and above normal rainfall/temperature for those districts.

Table 1 : Probabilistic Rainfall Forecast for SON season 2019

District	Average rainfall (mm) –SON	Probability%		
		Below	Normal	Above
Colombo	1022.3	35	30	35
Kalutara	1254.9	35	30	35
Galle	1140.4	35	30	35
Matara	939.6	20	25	55
Hambantota	469.3	20	25	55
Ampara	521.5	20	25	55
Batticaloa	571.9	20	30	50
Trincomalee	621.1	25	30	45
Mullaithivu	596.6	20	30	50
Jaffna	615.2	25	30	45
Killinochchi	601.5	20	30	50
Mannar	474.3	20	30	50
Puttalam	531.9	25	30	45
Gampaha	907.8	35	30	35
Kegalle	1215.6	35	30	35
Ratnapura	1025.8	20	25	55
Monaragala	610.7	20	25	55
Badulla	716.5	20	30	50
Pollonnaruwa	610.9	20	30	50
Vavuniya	598.1	25	30	45
Anuradapura	549.5	20	30	50
Kurunegala	675.2	30	30	40
Matale	663.8	25	30	45
Kandy	841.8	25	25	50
Nuwaraeliya	872.3	25	25	50

Temperature

- September to November day time temperatures are likely to be slightly warmer than average condition particularly in Anuradhapura, Trincomalee and Batticaloa districts (Fig 2).
- Nights are likely to be slightly warmer than average for most parts of Southern half of Sri Lanka. (Fig 3).

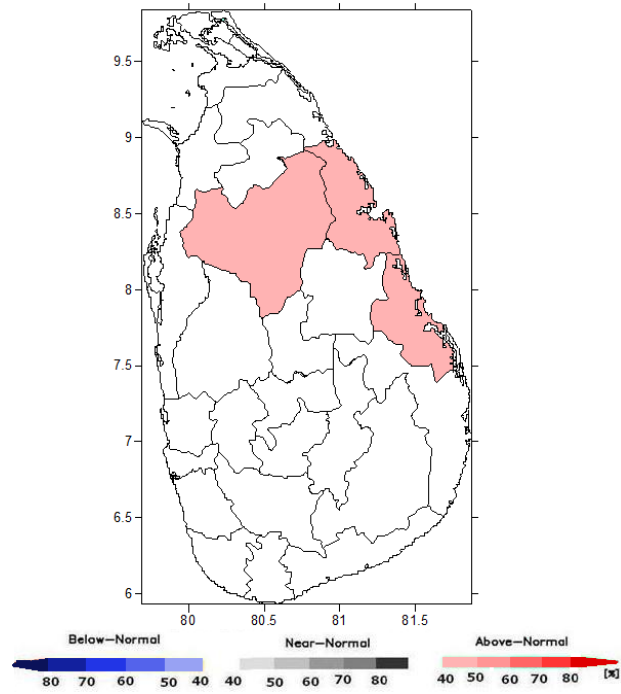


Fig 2: Probabilistic forecast for Maximum Temperatures for SON season 2019

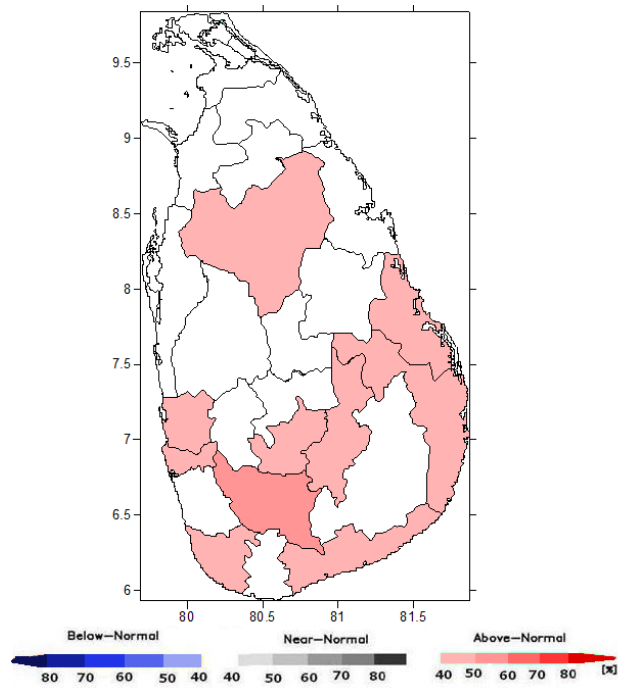


Fig 3: Probabilistic forecast for Minimum Temperatures for SON season 2019