

digiSoft CIS Based DSTs

Socioeconomic Benefits from Climate Forecasts for Action

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Validation Workshop on:

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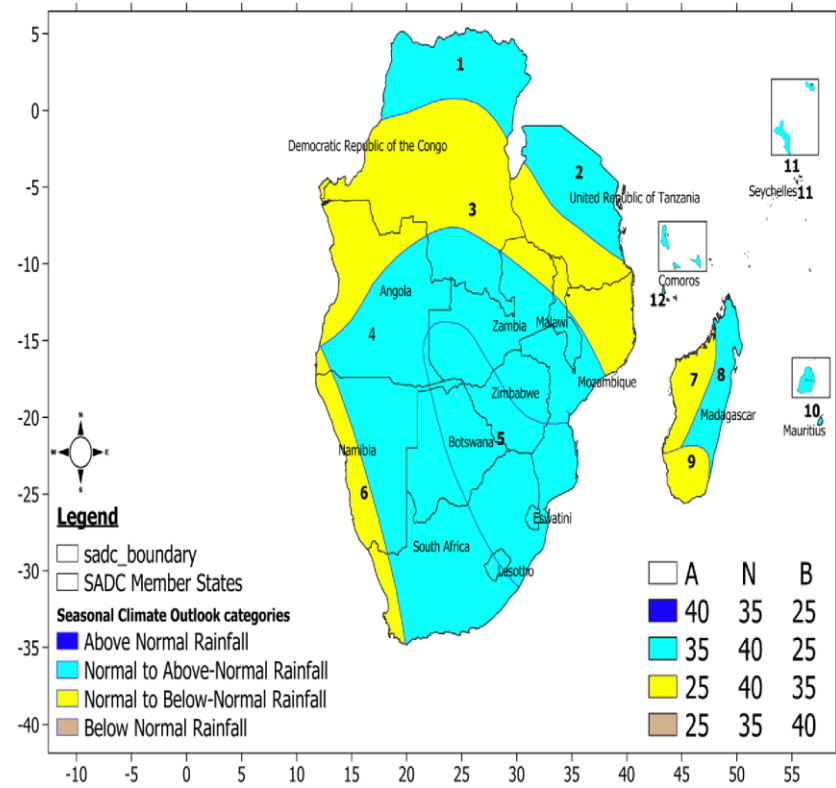
Twenty-fifth Southern African Regional Outlook Forum (SARCOF-25) Statement projects above normal (AN) rainfall category for Planting Horizon, November 2021 to January 2022 for Chinhoyi, Zimbabwe.

- Can use the rainfall projected for the planting horizon as input into the CAMDT model to generate the probability of yield exceedance curves of crop cultivars
- This is done first week of November, giving three months lead for crop capability prediction.
- However, we can develop additional schemes for the model to extend the lead time further.



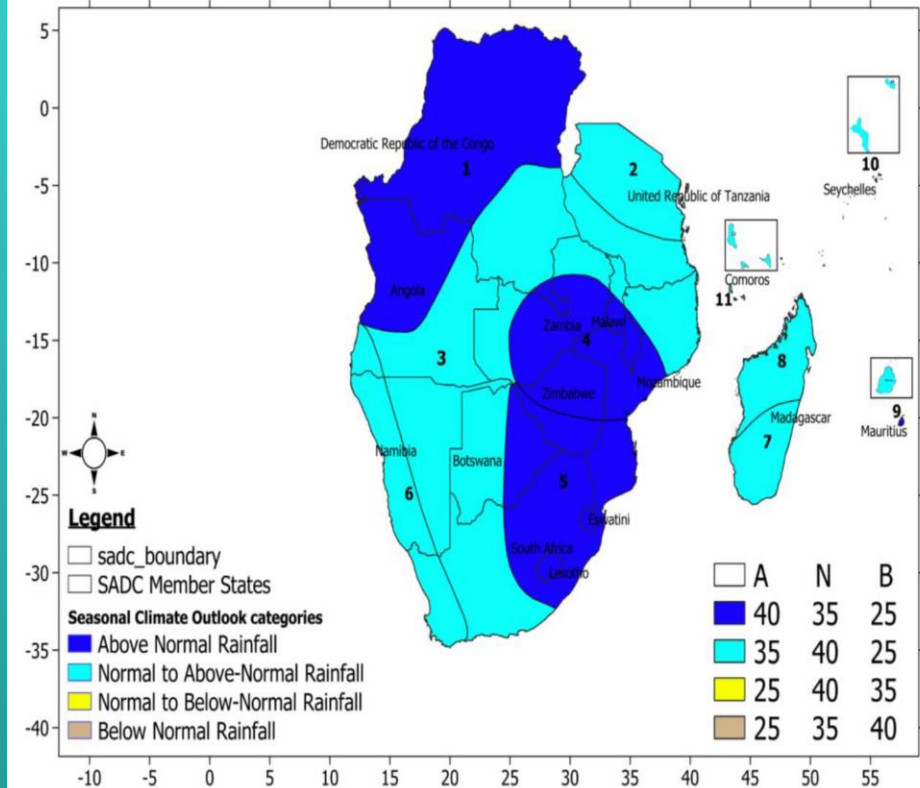
SARCOF-25 Forecast for 21/22 Rainfall Season

OCTOBER-NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2021



Oct-Nov-Dec (2021)

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2021-JANUARY 2022

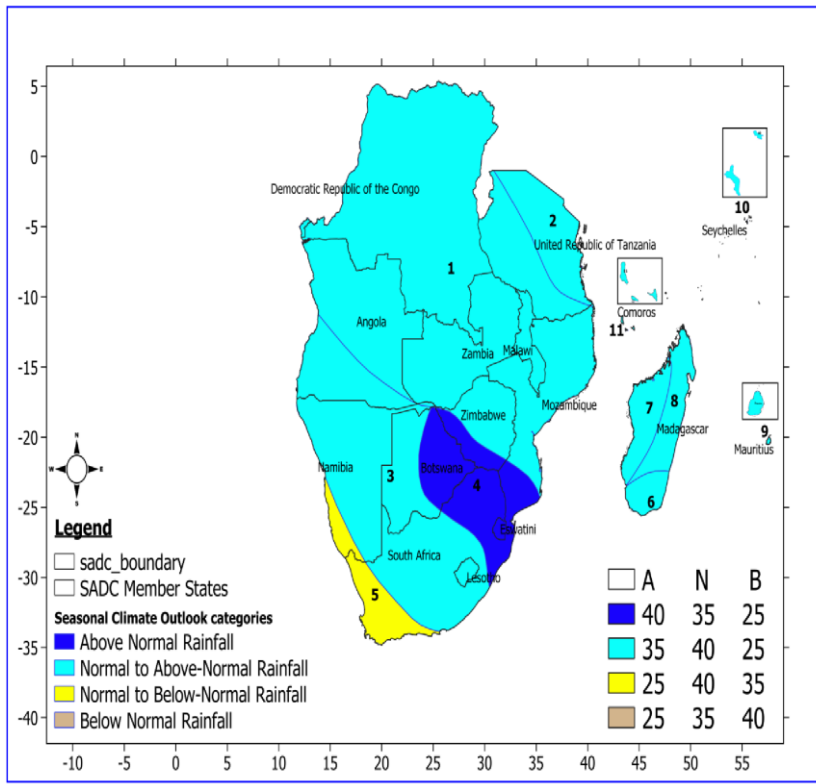


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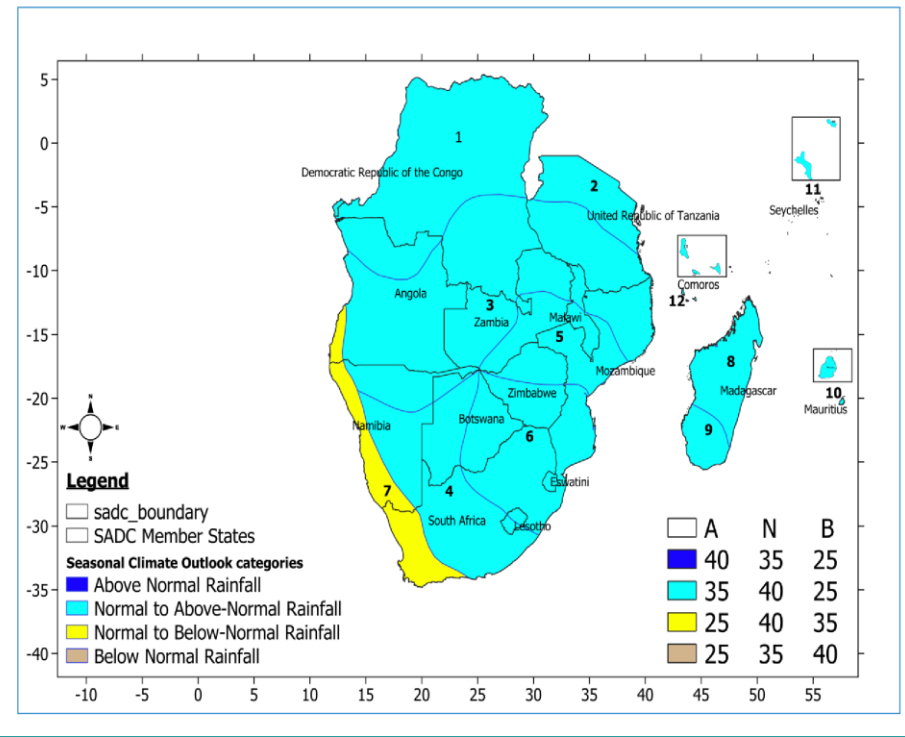


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DECEMBER 2021-JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022



JANUARY-FEBRUARY-MARCH 2022



Dec-Jan-Feb (2021/22)

Jan-Feb-Mar (2022)



Part synthesized vs NASA data for Sept & Oct 2021

ID	Temp	Humidity	Wind	Cloud
2021244	22.3	30.5	14.0	0.0
2021245	19.5	28.9	14.4	0.1
2021246	13.7	30.7	14.2	0.0
2021247	20.5	30.0	14.8	0.0
2021248	21.3	30.5	14.9	0.0
2021249	23.0	30.4	14.3	0.0
2021250	23.2	31.2	14.4	0.0
2021251	23.2	30.3	13.9	0.0
2021252	23.0	30.9	13.3	0.0
2021253	18.4	28.1	13.8	0.3
2021254	23.8	27.1	9.8	0.0
2021255	21.5	28.0	10.9	0.0
2021256	21.5	29.3	14.3	0.0
2021257	23.5	32.7	15.6	0.0
2021258	23.7	34.3	16.7	0.0
2021259	24.0	35.0	17.6	0.0
2021260	23.1	35.1	18.0	0.0
2021261	16.9	29.9	15.9	0.0
2021262	23.6	30.7	12.6	0.0
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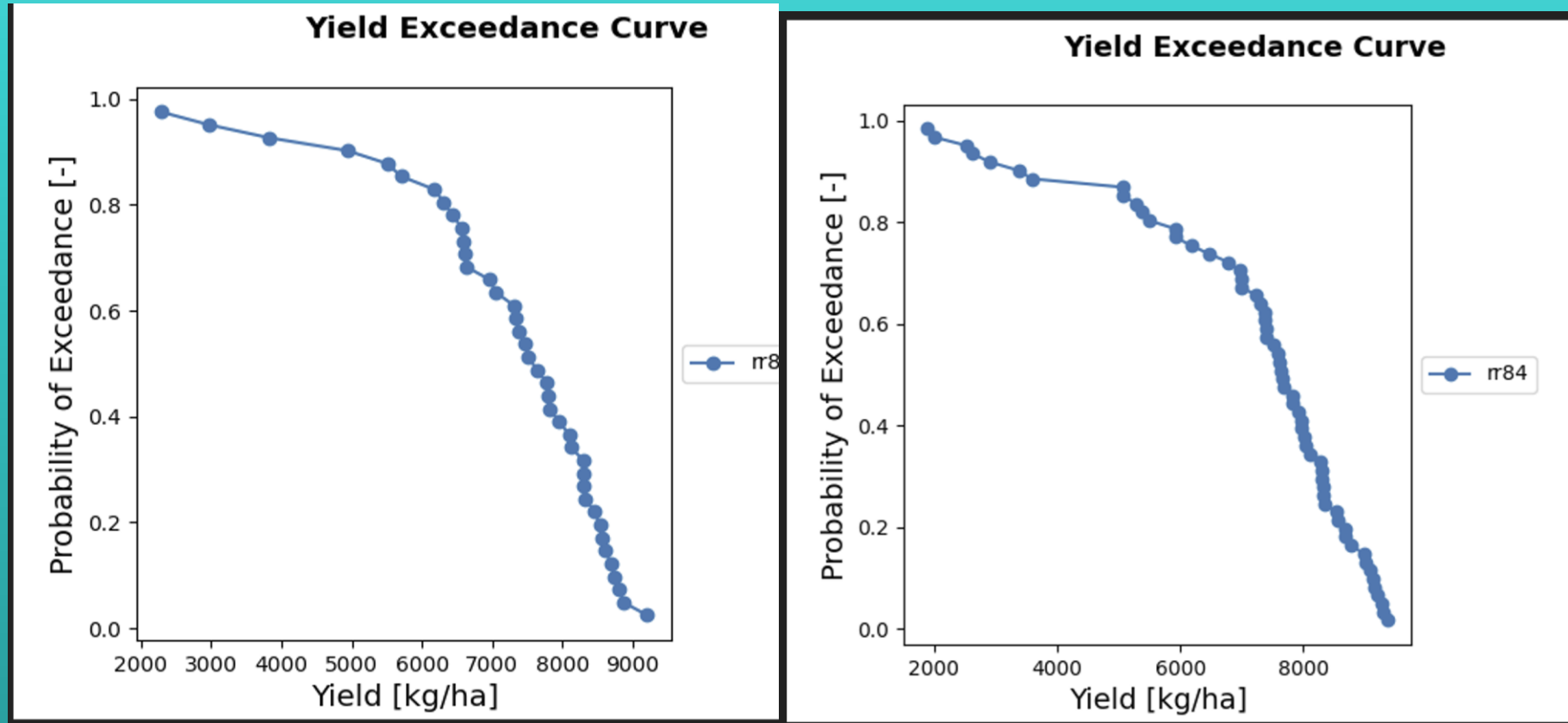
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ZW-CHIN_SORGUM 2021/2022 ABOVE NORMAL with SYTHESISED DATA

ZW-CHIN_SORGUM 2021/2022 ABOVE NORMAL with NASA DATA



Probability of maize yield exceedance curves for Chinhoyi from SARCOF-25 Statement for 2021/22 rainfall season



The probability of maize yield exceedance curves Right Panel (needs further development gives five (5) month lead can be issued in Sept) the Left Panel is current which gives three (3) months lead to be issued in November)



Advisory!



SEASONAL RAINFALL FORECAST/CROP YIELD PREDICTION

EXAMPLES OF ADVICE TO FARMERS

Above normal

ZONE 1

70-80% of cropping land for **long-season seed varieties**; 20-30 % medium-seed varieties

Near normal

50-70% of cropping land for **medium seed varieties**; 15-20% short-season seed varieties; 15-20% long-season seed varieties

Below Normal

30-40% of cropping land for **medium seed varieties**; 50-60% short-season seed varieties



Further work!

There is need for additional development of schemes to take full advantage of the seasonal climate forecast from RCOF issued can provide a much longer lead time of five months of crop yield prediction.

- Currently crop yield prediction from CAMDT gives a three month lead time after planting. Further work on the model can stretch the lead time to five months:
- The extended lead time is significant in that it provide decision on what inputs to procure even before the agricultural season commences.
- This will increase further Socioeconomic Benefits of Climate Information Services.
- The work can be scaled up across other countries on the African Continent.

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