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**SPECIAL WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE ELECTION PERIOD 5TH TO 9TH
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SUMMARY

The forecast for the period Saturday 5th to Wednesday 9th August 2017 indicates that:

- The weekend (5th to 6th August 2017) is expected to be generally dry over most of the country, apart from few areas in Western, Nyanza and Rift Valley which may receive moderate rainfall. The coastal strip is also expected to receive light morning showers on Saturday, 5th August 2017.
- Counties of Narok, Kericho, Nandi and Trans Nzoia are likely to experience moderate to heavy rainfall in some areas on Monday 7th August 2017.
- Counties of Baringo, Samburu, Trans Nzoia, Elgeyo Marakwet, Uasin Gishu, Meru, Bungoma and Kakamega as well as regions around Mt. Kenya are likely to experience moderate to heavy rainfall on Tuesday, 8th August and Wednesday, 9th August 2017. Parts of Nairobi are also likely to receive light to moderate rainfall on Tuesday, 8th August 2017.
- Relatively warmer temperatures are expected over most of the Central highlands including Nairobi area in the first three days of the forecast period. However, cloudy and cool conditions in the morning are likely to occur on Tuesday and Wednesday 8th and 9th August 2017.
- Counties in the Northeastern Region as well as the larger Eastern Region (save for areas bordering Mt. Kenya) will remain dry during the forecast period.

1.1 DETAILED REGIONAL FORECAST

The Lake Victoria Basin, Highlands West of the Rift Valley, Central and South Rift Valley (counties of Siaya, Kisumu, Homabay, Migori, Kisii, Nyamira, Transnzoia, Baringo, Uasin Gishu, Elgeyo-Marakwet, Nandi, Laikipia, Nakuru, Narok, Kajiado, Kericho, Bomet, Kakamega, Vihiga, Bungoma and Busia) are expected to experience morning rains over few places and afternoon showers and thunderstorms over several places from Sunday to Wednesday. Counties of Baringo, Samburu, Trans Nzoia and Elgeyo Marakwet are expected to receive heavy rainfall on Tuesday 8th;

Northwestern (counties of Turkana, West Pokot and Samburu) are expected to have a generally sunny weekend. Rainfall is expected over few places from Monday to Wednesday both morning and afternoon for areas along the border with Uganda;

Central Highlands including, Nairobi area (counties of Nairobi, Nyandarua, Nyeri, Kirinyaga, Murang'a, Kiambu, Meru, Embu, and Tharaka) are expected to experience cloudy mornings with drizzle / light rains giving way to sunny intervals for the remainder of the day during the weekend. Monday to Wednesday are expected to experience light morning rains and moderate afternoon showers over few places. Meru county and neighboring high ground counties are expected to experience moderate to heavy rainfall in the afternoon especially on Tuesday and Wednesday;

Northeastern and Southeastern (counties of Marsabit, Mandera, Wajir, Garissa, Kitui, Makueni, Machakos and Taita Taveta and Isiolo) are expected to experience sunny intervals the whole day for much of the forecast period;

The Coastal Strip (counties of Mombasa, Tana River, Kilifi, Lamu and Kwale) are expected to remain generally dry for much of the forecast period. Light morning showers may however occur along the strip on Saturday, 5th August and Monday, 7th August 2017.

N.B: This forecast should be used in conjunction with the daily (24-hour) forecast issued by this Department. An update will be provided on Monday, 7th August 2017.

KEY OF SCIENTIFIC WORDS USED

<i>Rainfall categories</i>	
<i>Range</i>	<i>Category</i>
<5 mm	Light
5 - 20mm	Moderate
20 - 50mm	Heavy
>50mm	Very heavy

<i>Rainfall coverage</i>	
<i>Term</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
Most Places	Between 66% and 100%
Several Places	Between 33% and 66%
Few Places	Between 0 and 33%

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