The Deyr rains continued to spread in time and space over the last few days with many places in Somaliland and Puntland, especially those bordering Ethiopia recording significant rainfall amounts. Notably, some of the stations where good rains were recorded over the last one week include Las Anod 167mm, Balidhig 40.5mm, Xasbahale 83.0 mm, Burtinle 39.0 mm and Eyl 74.0 mm. Wanle Wayne, in the central Somalia received a total of 9.0 mm, while the rest of the region recorded little or no rains.

The observed rains have provided immediate relief to water stress in these areas, temporarily improving the drought conditions. However, more rains with good intensity and distribution are required to bring to an end the current drought conditions. The central and southern regions of Somalia are yet to receive any substantial rainfall, and severe drought conditions prevail.
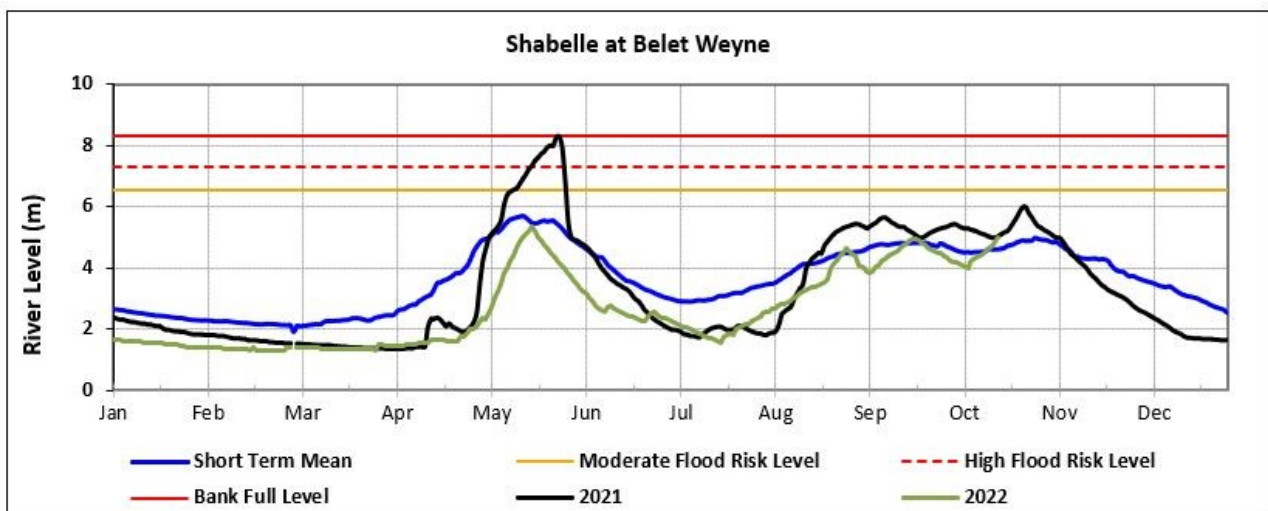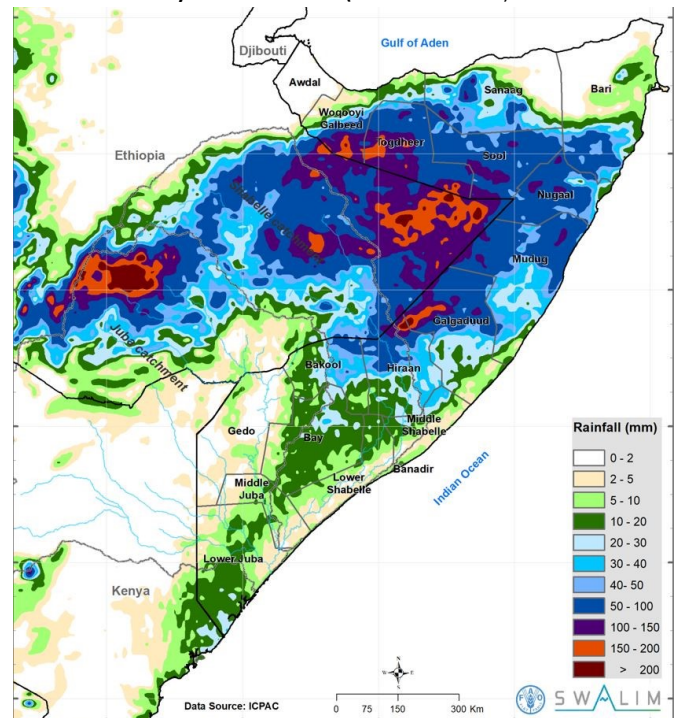
The cumulative rainfall forecast for the next seven days indicates heavy rains in Somaliland and Puntland with the highest amounts expected in areas close to the Ethiopian border. Moderate rains are expected in most parts of the South and Central save for Gedo region and areas bordering Kenya which are expected to receive little or no rains.

Given the rainfall experienced in the Ethiopian highlands during the last two weeks and rainfall forecast for the coming week, the Juba and Shabelle river levels are expected to continue rising over the forecast period.

Users are advised that this is a forecast, and there may be discrepancies between estimates and actual amounts of rainfall received.

Information on the forecast and observed river levels is updated daily and can be found on this link: http://frrims.faoswalim.org.

Cumulated weekly rainfall forecast (18 —24 Oct 2022)

Data Source: ICPAC

Rainfall (mm)
- 0 - 2
- 2 - 5
- 5 - 10
- 10 - 20
- 20 - 30
- 30 - 40
- 40- 50
- 50 - 100
- 100 - 150
- 150 - 200
- > 200

Shabelle at Belet Weyne

Legend:
- Short Term Mean
- Moderate Flood Risk Level
- High Flood Risk Level
- Bank Full Level
- 2021
- 2022

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