



Date: 15th August 2016

**WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE NEXT SEVEN-DAY PERIOD VALID
16TH TO 22ND AUGUST 2016**

REVIEW OF RAINFALL OVER THE LAST WEEK (1ST TO 7TH AUGUST 2016) AND THE PREVIOUS WEEK (25TH TO 31ST JULY 2016)

Last week (8th to 14th August 2016) was wetter than the previous week (1st to 7th August 2016). Castle Forest Station reported the highest weekly rainfall followed by Kangaita Tea Farm station which was followed by WRMA Kerugoya, Gathambi Coffee Factory, MIAD-Kandongu and Njuki-ini West Forest stations. Mwea-KALRO Kimbimbi station in Mwea East reported no rainfall during last week. The above information is as presented in Table 1 and Figure 1 below.

Table1: Rainfall intensities in order of decreasing wetness during last week (25th to 31st July 2016)

Station No.	Station Name	Last Week	Previous Week
9037115	Castle Forest Station	43.6	13.5
	Kangaita Tea Factory/Farm	41.5	8.9
9037031	Kerugoya WRMA	24	2.2
9037264	Gathambi Coffee Factory	20.3	1.3
9037112	MIAD-Kandongu	5.4	0
9037140	Njuki-ini Forest station	4.3	1.6
9037110	Mwea-KALRO Kimbimbi	0	0

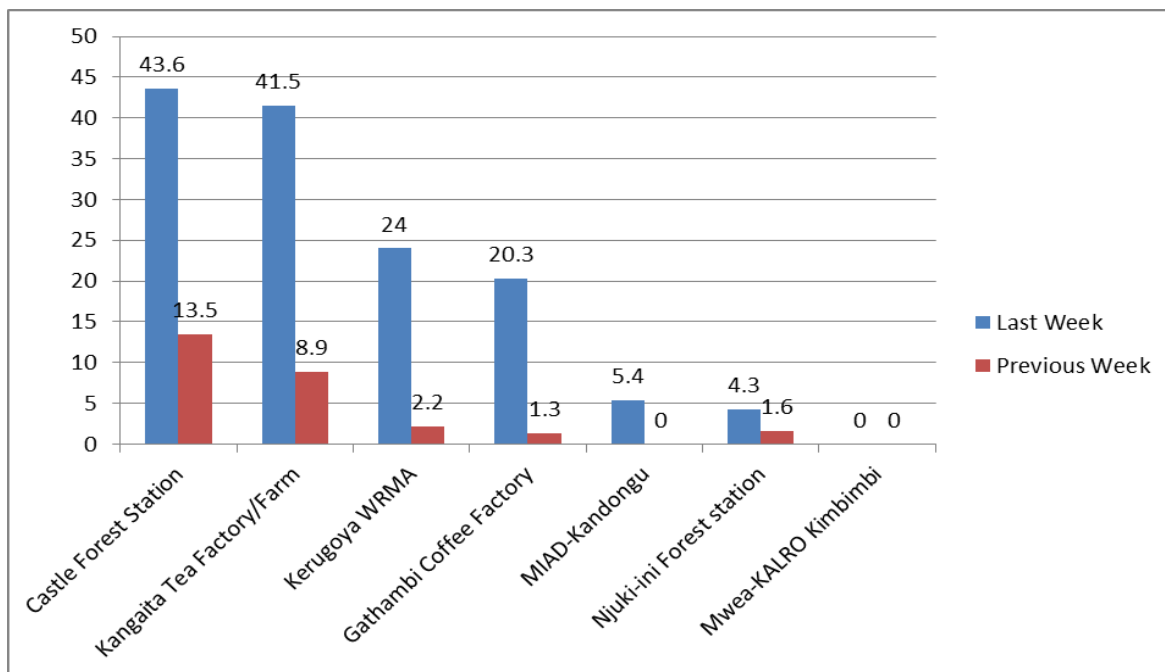


Fig. 1: Rain performance comparison between last week (8th to 14th August 2016) and the previous week (1st to 7th August 2016)

KIRINYAGA COUNTY WEEKLY FORECAST

FOR THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS 16th to 22nd August 2016):

Kirinyaga County is expected to continue receiving rainfall over few places. Temperatures are expected to continue becoming relatively warmer than last few weeks.

DAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON/EVENING
TUESDAY 16/8/2016	Cloudy morning with light rains/drizzles.	Showers over few places on Tuesday and from Friday to the end of the forecast period
WEDNESDAY 17/8/2016		
THURSDAY 18/8/2016		
FRIDAY 19/8/2016		
SATURDAY 20/8/2016		
SUNDAY 21/8/2016		
MONDAY 22/8/2016		

KEY OF SCIENTIFIC WORDS USED

Most Places: Between 66% and 100% of Kirinyaga County

Several Places: Between 33% and 66% of Kirinyaga County

Few Places: Between 0 and 33% of Kirinyaga County

Weather Link on the County Government of Kirinyaga website is:

<http://kirinyaga.go.ke/weather.html>

You can access the weather products using this link on a smart phone.

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