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**WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE NEXT SEVEN-DAY PERIOD VALID
23RD TO 29TH AUGUST 2016**

REVIEW OF RAINFALL OVER THE LAST WEEK (15TH TO 21ST AUGUST 2016) AND THE PREVIOUS WEEK (8TH TO 14TH AUGUST 2016)

During last week (15th to 21st August 2016), Kirinyaga County experienced less rains than the previous week (8th to 14th August 2016) although, apart from Mwea-KARLO Kimbimbi, all the stations that reported, received rainfall. The sequence in which the rain amounts were received last week remained the same as the previous week. Hence 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 (15th to 21st August 2016)

Station No.	Station Name	Last Week	Previous Week
9037115	Castle Forest Station	20.5	43.6
	Kangaita Tea Factory/Farm	11.4	41.5
9037031	Kerugoya WRMA	4.8	24
9037264	Gathambi Coffee Factory	2.8	20.3
9037112	MIAD-Kandongu	1.5	5.4
9037140	Njuki-ini Forest station	0.9	4.3
9037110	Mwea-KALRO Kimbimbi	0	0

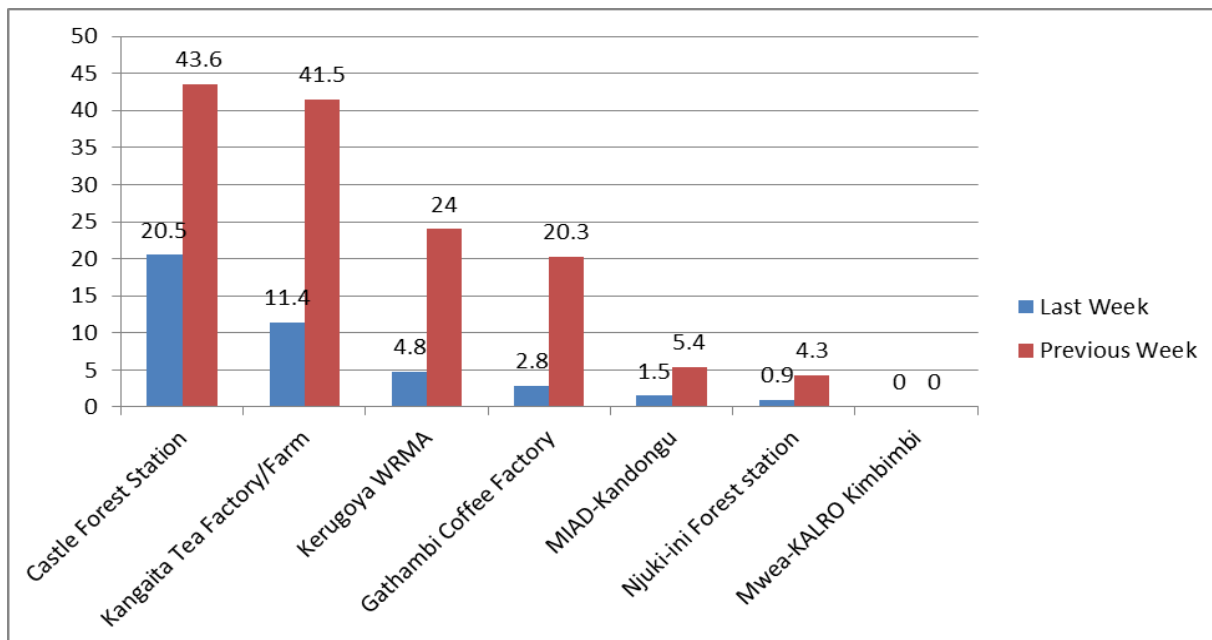


Fig. 1: Rain performance comparison between last week (15th to 21st August 2016) and the previous week (8th to 14th August 2016)

KIRINYAGA COUNTY WEEKLY FORECAST

FOR THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS 23rd to 29th 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 23/8/2016	Cloudy morning with light rains/drizzles especially over high ground areas.	Showers over few places the forecast period
WEDNESDAY 24/8/2016		
THURSDAY 24/8/2016		
FRIDAY 25/8/2016		
SATURDAY 26/8/2016		
SUNDAY 27/8/2016		
MONDAY 28/8/2016		

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

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

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

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