



Light rainfall is anticipated in most parts of Somaliland with chances of moderate rainfall in the Central parts of Caynabo District while the northern parts of Hargeisa, Zeylac, Lughaye, Zeylac and Berbera Districts likely to remain dry

Weather Review for the Week Between 01 and 07 September

During the past week (01 –07 September), light to moderate rains were observed in some parts of Maroodi jeex region. Dry conditions generally persisted in Saaxil, Sool and Sanaag regions.

While moderate rains were recorded at Hargeisa (86.0 mm) and Alleybadey (52.0 mm) in Maroodijeex region and Baki (54.5 mm) in Awdal region. Light rains of below 50 mm were observed at: Aburiin (24.0 mm), Gabiley (19.0 mm), Malowle (19.0 mm), Taysa (19.0 mm), Dararwayne (15.0 mm), Dhubato (15.0 mm), Wajaale (8.0 mm) Botor (4.0 mm), Balligubadle(5.0 mm) and Caada (3.0 mm) in Maroodijeex region, Qolujeed (19.0 mm), Magaalo cad (15.0 mm), Amoud (5.0 mm), Dilla (3.0 mm), Boon (3.0 mm) in Awdal region and , Ceerigaabo (38.0 mm) in Sanaag region and Oodwayne (12.0 mm) in Togdheer region.

Rainfall Forecast (09 –15 September 2025)

According to NOAA-NCEP GFS, dry conditions are likely to prevail over most parts of Saaxil, Togdheer, Sool and Sanaag regions of Somaliland during the upcoming week. Light rainfall of up to 30.0 mm is likely over some areas in Awdal regions.

According to NOAA-NCEP GFS, the forecast for the coming one week indicates widespread light rainfall across Somaliland, apart from a few areas in Maroodijeex, Saaxil, Togdheer, Sanaag and Saaxil regions.

The spatial distribution of the forecast rainfall (**Map 1**) is as follows:

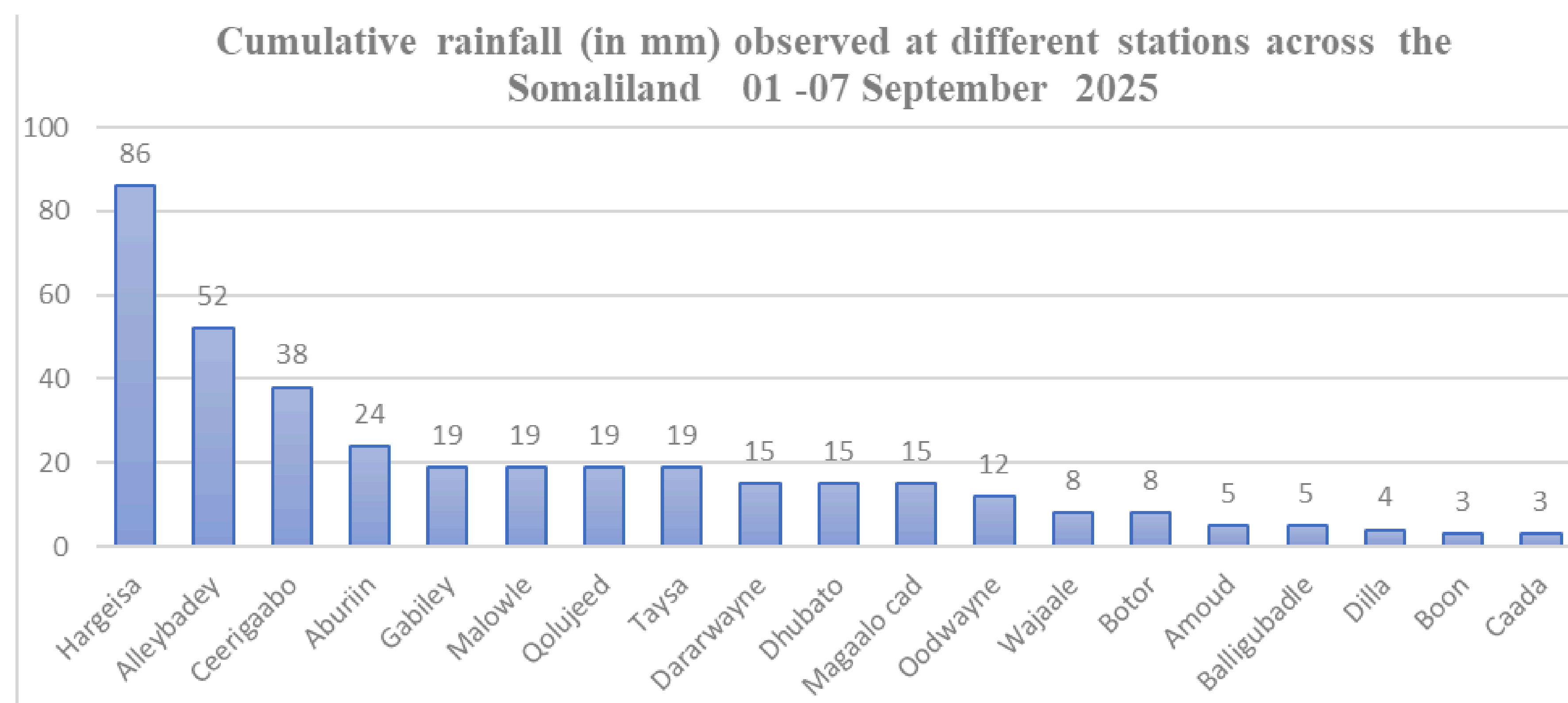


Figure 1: Cumulative rainfall (in mm) observed at different stations across the Somaliland from 01 to 07 September 2025

- **Light rainfall of less than 30.0 mm** is likely few southern parts in Borama district in Awdal region, both the few southern and northern parts of Hargeisa district in Maroodijeex region, southern parts of Burco district in Togdheer region, southern parts of Ceelafwayn, both northern and southern in Ceerigaabo and western parts of Lasqorey districts in Sanaag region and central and eastern parts of Caynabo, northern and eastern parts of Xudun, few western parts of Taleex and few northern parts Laascanod districts in Sool region. central parts of Lughaya, southern parts Zeylac, northwestern parts of Borama, and southern Baki districts in Awdal region. Berbera and Sheikh District in Saaxil region, Gabiley most northern parts and central Hargeisa district in Maroodijeex region, most parts of Buuhoodle, Oodwayne and Burco districts in Togdheer region, most parts of Laascanod and Taleex districts in Sool region and eastern and western parts of Ceelafwayn, most of Ceerigaabo and Laasqorey districts in Sanaag region are likely to cumulate to less than 10.0 mm by the end of the forecast week.

- **Dry conditions** are expected to prevail over the rest of the areas in Somaliland, particularly border between Gabiley and Hargeisa districts in Maroodi jeex region; eastern parts of Taleex and southern parts of Laascanod districts in Sool region; northern parts of Ceel Afwayn, few northern parts Ceerigaabo districts in Sanaag region.

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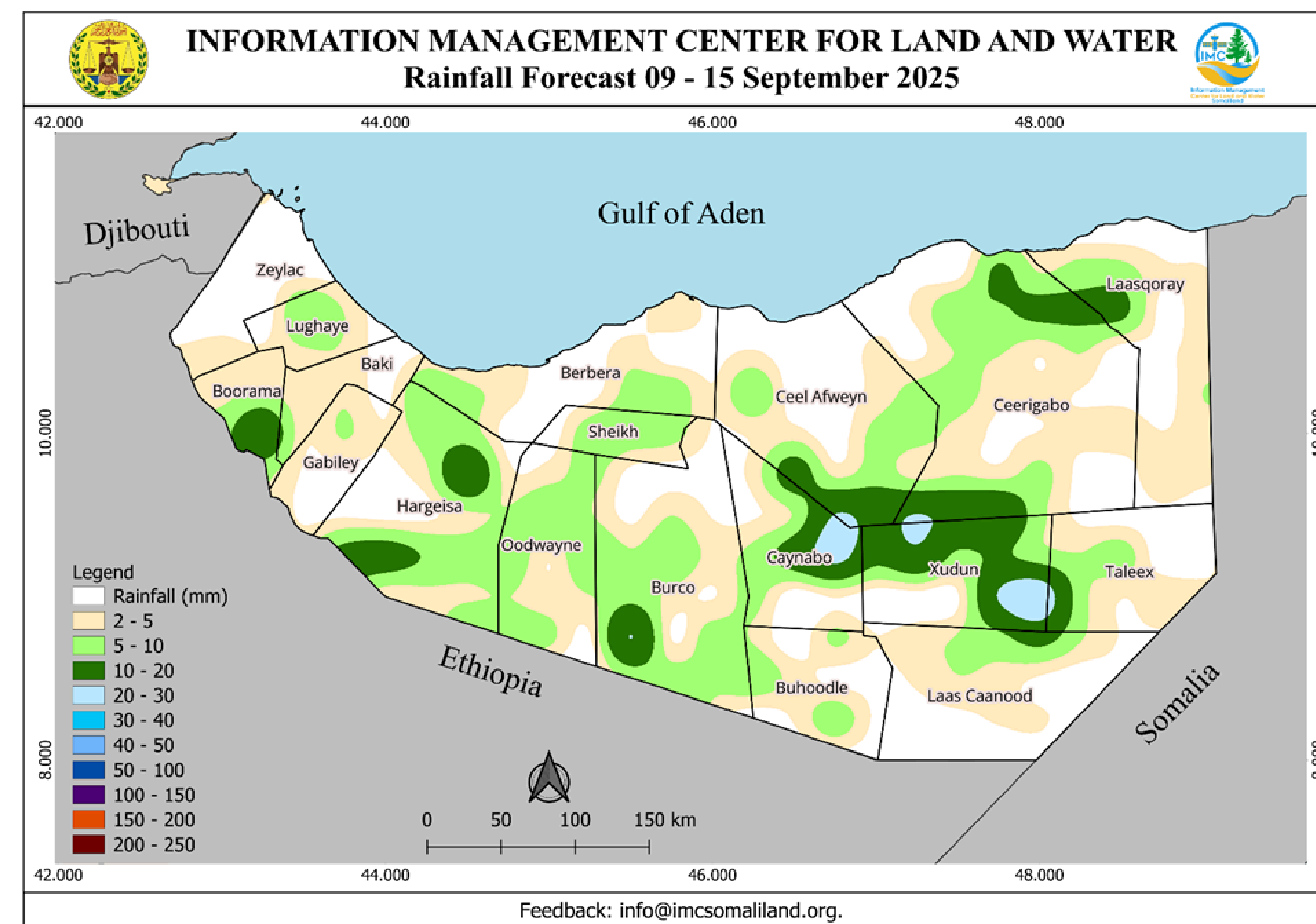


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Impacts Associated with Weekly Weather Forecast

- The recent and forecast light rains in parts of Sanaag and Togdheer regions may provide limited recharge to shallow wells and breads, supporting short-term recovery from water stress and early vegetation regeneration.
- Drought conditions are expected to persist across much of Togdheer, Saaxil, Sool, and Sanaag, prolonging water shortages and forcing households to travel longer distances in search of water.
- The limited recharge of shallow sources also raises the risk of waterborne diseases, particularly if households rely on unsafe water.
- Pastoralist Stress in Dry Areas: In Togdheer, Sool, and Sanaag, limited rains will intensify pasture scarcity, heighten livestock migration, and increase vulnerability to malnutrition and disease.



Map 1: Rainfall forecast over Somaliland for the week from 09 to 15 August 2025

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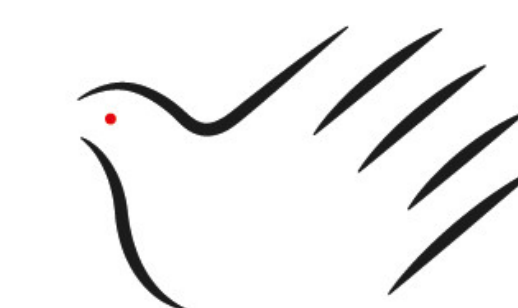
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