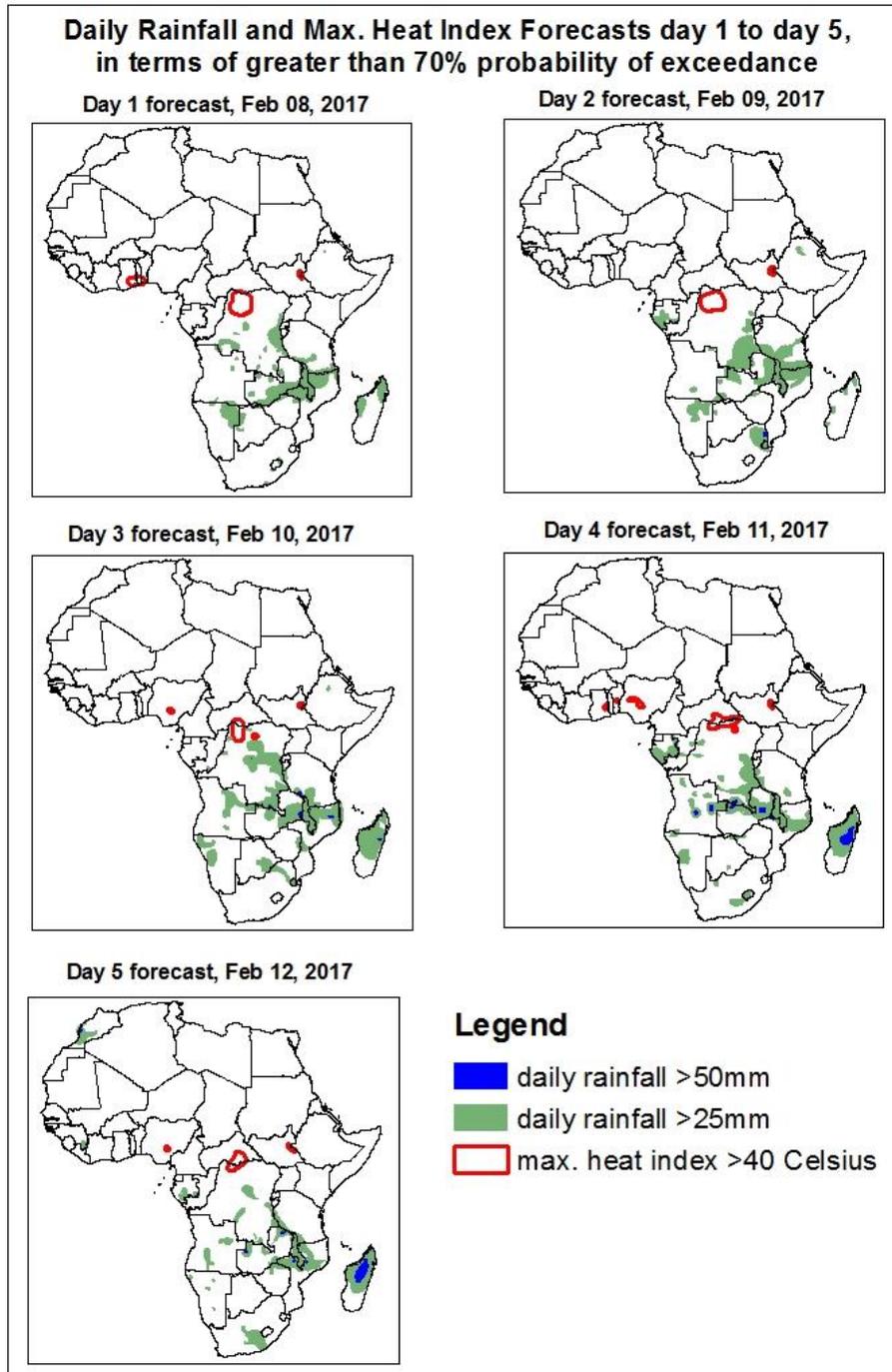


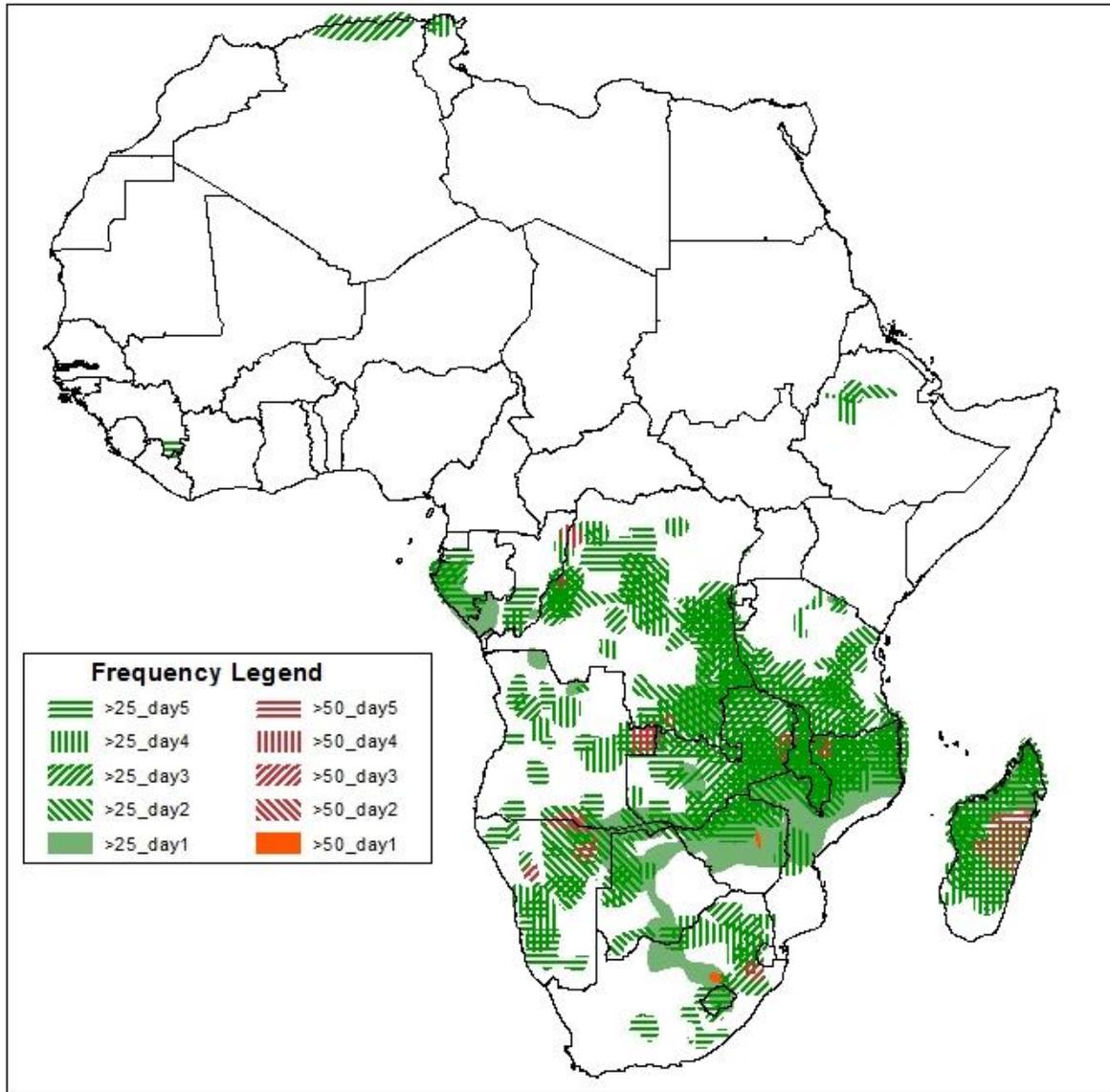
1. Rainfall, Heat Index and Dust Concentration Forecasts, (Issued on Feb 07, 2017)

1.1. Daily Rainfall and Maximum Heat Index Forecasts (valid: Feb 08– Feb 12, 2017)

The forecasts are expressed in terms of high probability of precipitation (POP) and high probability of maximum heat index, based on the NCEP/GFS, ECMWF and the NCEP Global Ensemble Forecasts System (GEFS) and expert assessment.



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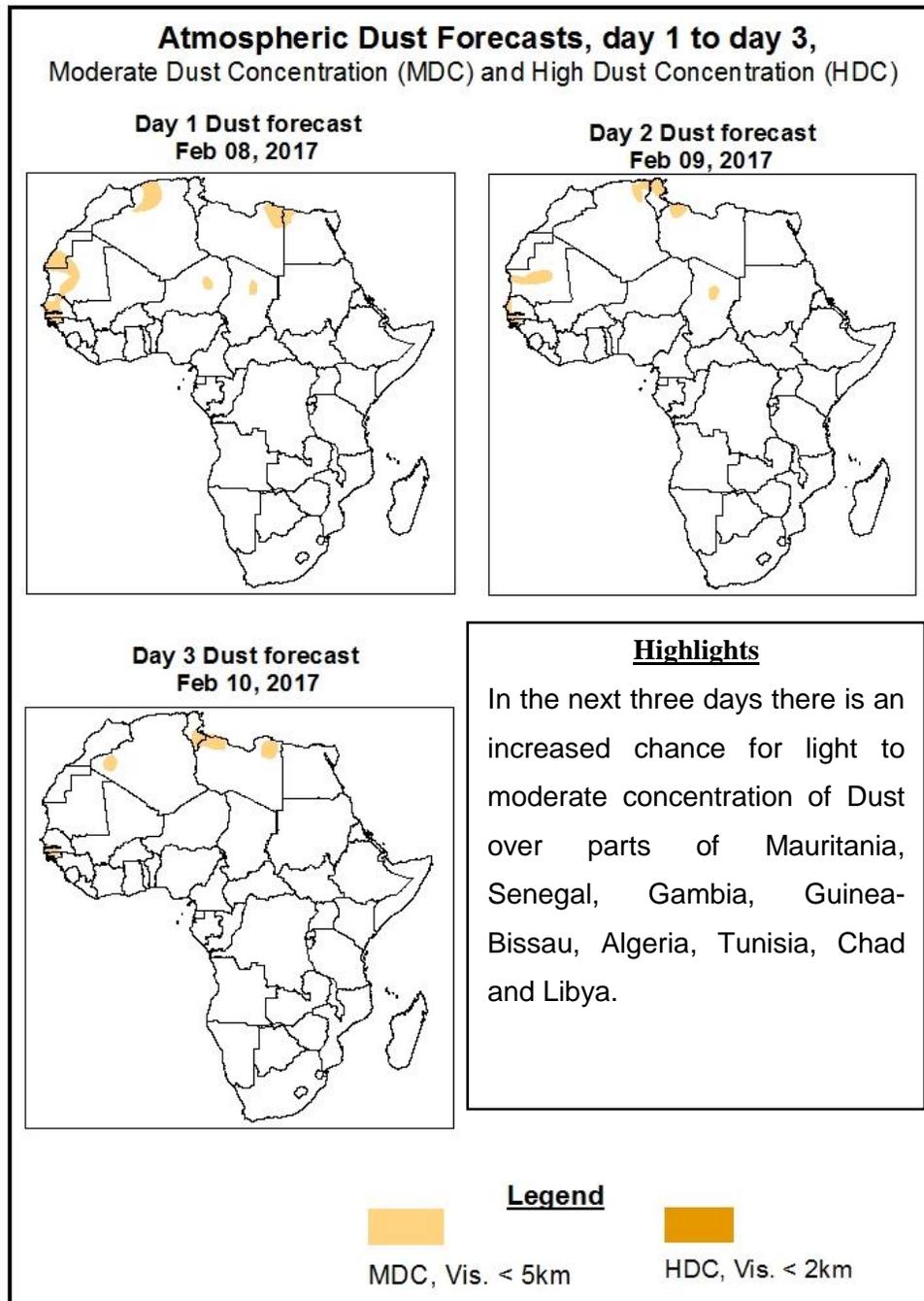


Highlights

In the next five days, lower level wind convergences across the Central and South African countries are expected to enhance rainfall in their respective regions. Therefore, there is an increased chance for two or more days of light to moderate rainfall over portions of Zambia, Malawi, Namibia, Lesotho and Madagascar, local areas of Gabon, Congo, DRC, Tanzania, Angola, Mozambique, Botswana, Zimbabwe and South Africa.

1.2. Atmospheric Dust Concentration Forecasts (valid: Feb 08 – Feb 10, 2017)

The forecasts are expressed in terms of high probability of dust concentration, based on the Navy Aerosol Analysis and Prediction System, NCEP/GFS lower-level wind forecasts and expert assessment.



1.3. Model Discussion, Valid: Feb 08 – Feb 12, 2017

The Azores High Pressure system over the North Atlantic Ocean is expected to intensify with its value of the central pressure increasing from 1033hPa to 1034hPa in the next 72 hours, weaken to 1025hPa in the next 96 hours, and intensify to 1034hPa during the remaining forecast period.

The St. Helena High Pressure system over the Southeast of the Atlantic Ocean is expected to intensify with its value of the central pressure increasing from 1024hPa to 1032hPa in the next 72 hours and weaken to 1029hPa during the remaining forecast period.

The Mascarene High Pressure system over the Southwest Indian Ocean is expected to intensify with its value of the central pressure increasing from 1031hPa to 1033hPa in the next 96 hours and weaken to 1029hPa during the remaining forecast period.

At 925hPa, strong dry Northerly to Easterly winds may lead from light to moderate dust concentration over parts of Western Sahara, Mauritania, Senegal, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Algeria, Tunisia, Chad, Egypt and Libya.

At 850hPa level, lower level wind convergences are expected to prevail over Cameroon, Congo, CAR, DRC, Tanzania, Angola, Zambia, Mozambique, Namibia, Zimbabwe, South Africa and Madagascar.

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2.0. Previous and Current Day Weather over Africa

2.1. Weather assessment for the previous day (Feb 06, 2017)

Light to moderate rainfall was observed over portions of Gabon, Congo, DRC, Tanzania, Angola, Zambia, Mozambique, Botswana, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Lesotho and Madagascar.

2.2. Weather assessment for the current day (Feb 07, 2017)

Intense convective clouds are observed over portions of Gabon, DRC, Tanzania, Angola, Zambia, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, South Africa and Madagascar.

