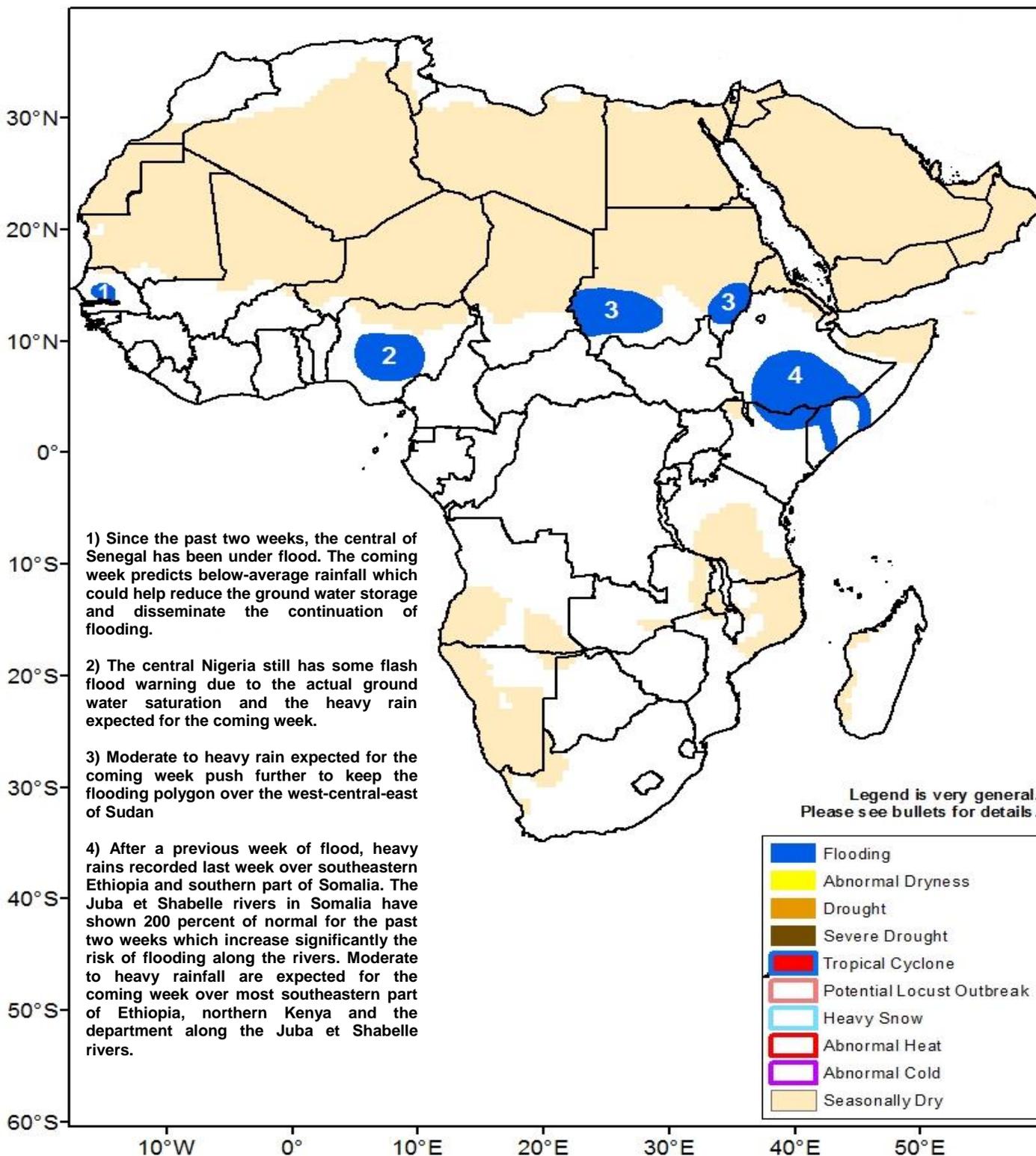




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- Flooding persisting over area of Dakar and Kaolack in Senegal
- Heavy rains recorded in far northern Kenya, southeastern Ethiopia and along Juba et Chabelle rivers in Somalia



Flash flood reported in the far northern part of Cameroon.

Flooding is still occurring in the central part of Senegal. The ITF position during the first decade of October has shown an abnormal northward movement compared to the normal which could explain the heavy rain recorded in Senegal, Sudan and the quick recovery over the southern part of Mauritania (**Figure 1**). Heavy rain has been recorded in Sierra Leone, Liberia, the southern part of Cote d'Ivoire and Nigeria. Unusual rains have been registered in the northern part of Niger.

The last thirty days have observed a weak positive anomaly in the central and southeastern part of Senegal, Mali and southern Niger while strong anomaly (over 200mm) has been registered Sierra Leone, Liberia, western Nigeria and western Central African Republic (**Figure 2**). In contrast, large deficit has been observed over central Nigeria, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea and the northern part of Gabon.

This coming week, showers to light rainfall expected over Senegal, southern Mali, and southern Niger. Light to moderate forecasts over the southwestern countries in West Africa. Moderate to heavy rains predicts over the eastern Gulf of Guinea countries.

Moderate rains has been reported overall Angola last week.

Eastern South Sudan and western Ethiopia recorded between 75-200mm last week (**Figure 1**). The Bega season has started with a light to moderate over the eastern Ethiopia. Flooding warning has been forecasted since last week over southeastern Ethiopia, northern part of Kenya and along the Juba et Shabelle rivers; and will remain active due to the heavy rains expected this coming week.

Angola and Tanzania has started to receive light to moderate rainfall for the season onset. GEFS week1 ensemble mean predicts almost no rain except localized area over northern Angola, northern Zambia and northern Mozambique for the coming week. The coastal area of South Africa predicts light rain for the coming week.

This coming week, the GEFS week1 ensemble forecasts moderate to heavy rain over Ethiopia, Somalia, and Democratic Republic of Congo. Kenya and Uganda forecast above climatological rainfall. No rain expected over Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe and southern part of Mozambique for the coming week

Note: The hazards outlook map on page 1 is based on current weather/climate information and short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week). It assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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