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To  
The Editor,  
Sir,

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I request that the following message may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

**Tamil Nadu Agricultural University**

**District level seasonal rainfall forecast for Southwest Monsoon, 2026**

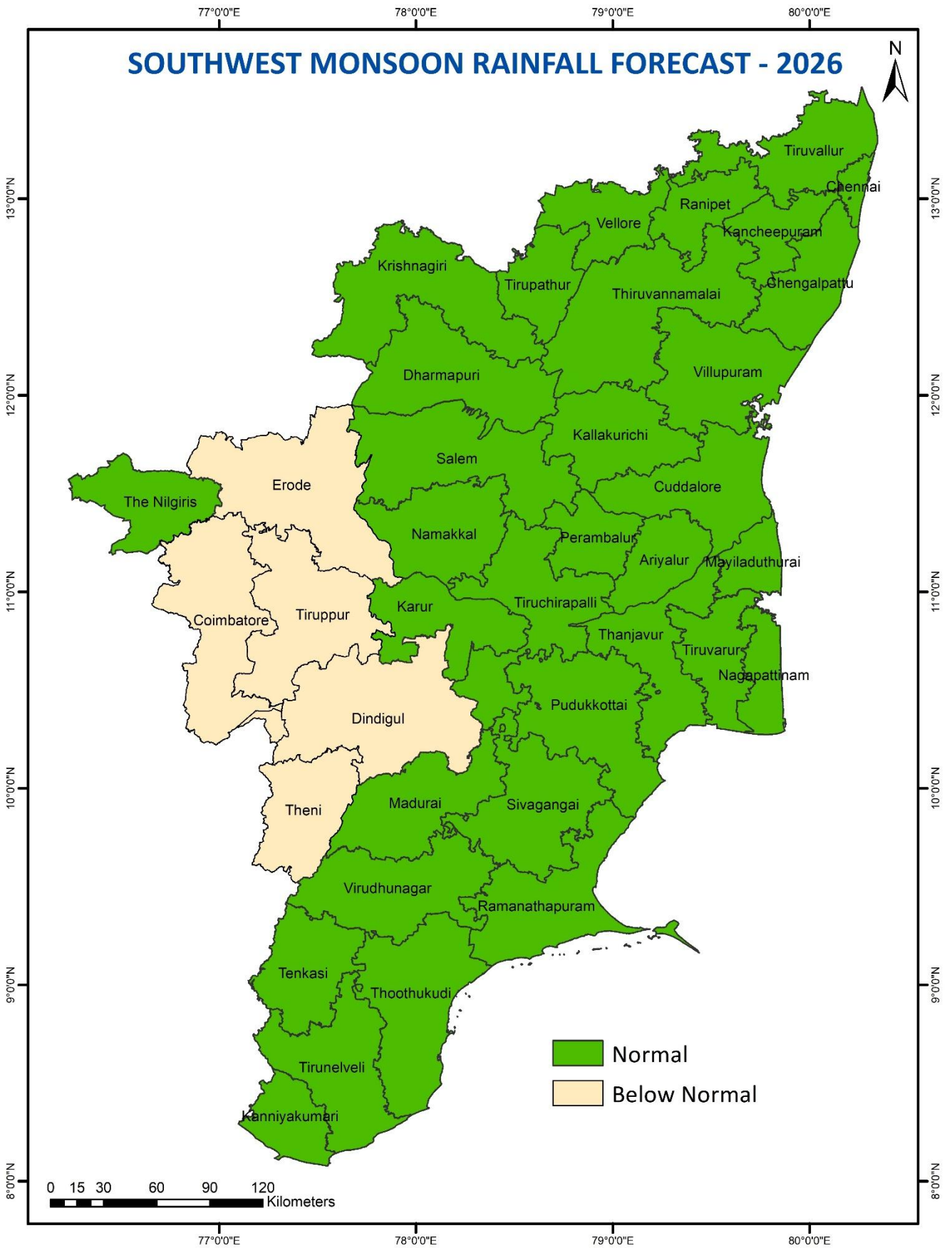
Southwest monsoon season (June to September) – 2026 rainfall forecast for different districts of Tamil Nadu is developed based on the Southern Oscillation Index and Sea Surface Temperature values of Pacific and Indian Oceans by using Australian Rainman International V.4.3. Software at Agro Climate Research Centre of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore and is presented at 60% probability level. The districts of Tamil Nadu based on the predicted rainfall have been grouped hereunder.

**Normal Rainfall ( $\pm 10$  per cent deviation from long term rainfall)** is expected in most of the districts in Tamil Nadu.

**Near Normal Rainfall (-10 per cent deviation from the long-term rainfall)** is expected in Coimbatore, Erode, Tiruppur, Dindigul and Theni districts of Tamil Nadu.

### District level seasonal rainfall forecast for Southwest Monsoon 2026

S. No	Districts	Normal Rainfall (mm)	Predicted Rainfall (mm)	Per cent deviation
	<b>North Eastern Zone</b>			
1	Chennai	440	430	-2
2	Chengalpattu	450	438	-3
3	Cuddalore	360	360	0
4	Kallakurichi	410	384	-6
5	Kancheepuram	479	458	-4
6	Ranipet	450	426	-5
7	Tiruvallur	456	440	-4
8	Tirupathur	416	398	-4
9	Thiruvannamalai	449	419	-7
10	Villupuram	405	372	-8
11	Vellore	453	453	0
	<b>Western Zone</b>			
12	Coimbatore	210	178	-15
13	Erode	260	231	-11
14	Tiruppur	151	129	-15
	<b>North Western Zone</b>			
15	Dharmapuri	392	359	-8
16	Krishnagiri	375	377	1
17	Namakkal	336	300	-11
18	Salem	421	410	-3
	<b>Cauvery Delta Zone</b>			
19	Ariyalur	377	338	-10
20	Karur	199	190	-5
21	Mayiladuthurai	295	274	-7
22	Nagapattinam	279	258	-8
23	Perambalur	279	263	-6
24	Thanjavur	314	296	-6
25	Tiruvarur	302	281	-7
26	Tiruchirapalli	277	268	-3
	<b>Southern Zone</b>			
27	Dindigul	308	272	-12
28	Madurai	325	302	-7
29	Pudukkottai	330	323	-2
30	Ramanathapuram	135	124	-8
31	Sivaganga	417	385	-8
32	Theni	215	192	-11
33	Tenkasi	175	159	-9
34	Tuticorin	67	61	--9
35	Tirunelveli	128	108	-16
36	Virudhunagar	190	176	-7
	<b>Hilly Zone</b>			
37	The Nilgiris	875	823	-6
	<b>High Rainfall</b>			
38	Kanyakumari	491	478	-3



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