

Temperature forecasts indicate an increased probability of temperatures exceeding 40°C to be recorded in central towards eastern parts of the SADC region during the next seven (7) days (Figure 1). Parts of south western and eastern SADC will experience persistent temperatures above  $35^{\circ}$ C over three (3) consecutive days and occasions where temperatures reach above  $40^{\circ}$ C during the forecast period of 15 - 22 January 2020.

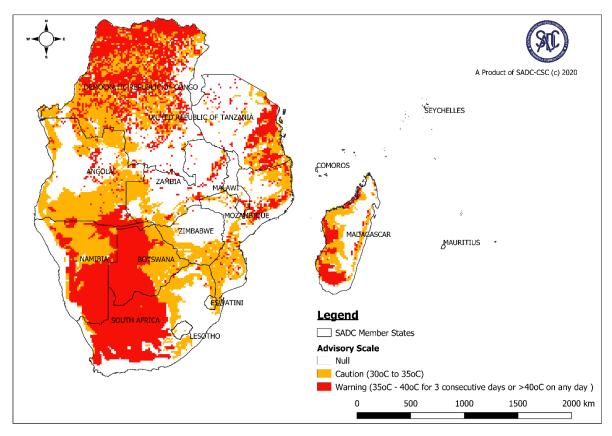


Figure 1: SADC Region's extreme temperature advisory for the period 15 – 22 January 2020 (Source: SADC-CSC-WRF GFS Model)

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## WARNING ZONE

Member States that are likely to experience extreme temperatures during the period 09 to 15 January 2020 include, south-western Botswana, northern Democratic Republic of Congo, south-western Madagascar, central to southern Mozambique, central to south-eastern Namibia, north-western South Africa, and south-eastern Zimbabwe (Figure 2).

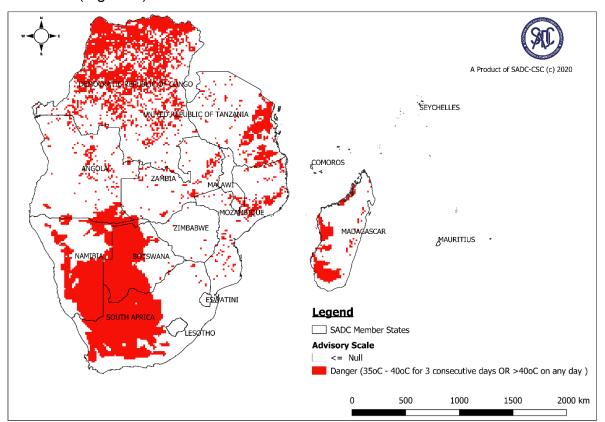


Figure 2: Extreme temperature Warning Zones forecasted for 15–22 January 2019

## **RECOMMENDED** ACTION

National Meteorological and Hydrological Services are urged to closely monitor temperature patterns and update relevant institutions such as Disaster Risk Management and Health Agencies at Member States on precautionary measures against the extreme temperatures.

Users are encouraged to consult National Meteorological and Hydrological Services at Member States for interpretation of this advisory.

## **NEXT ADVICE**

The next advisory will be issued dependant on a sustained high temperature forecast expected to occur in more than a single SADC Member State

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