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DEDZA DISTRICT DOWNSCALED SEASONAL FORECAST, 2021-2022

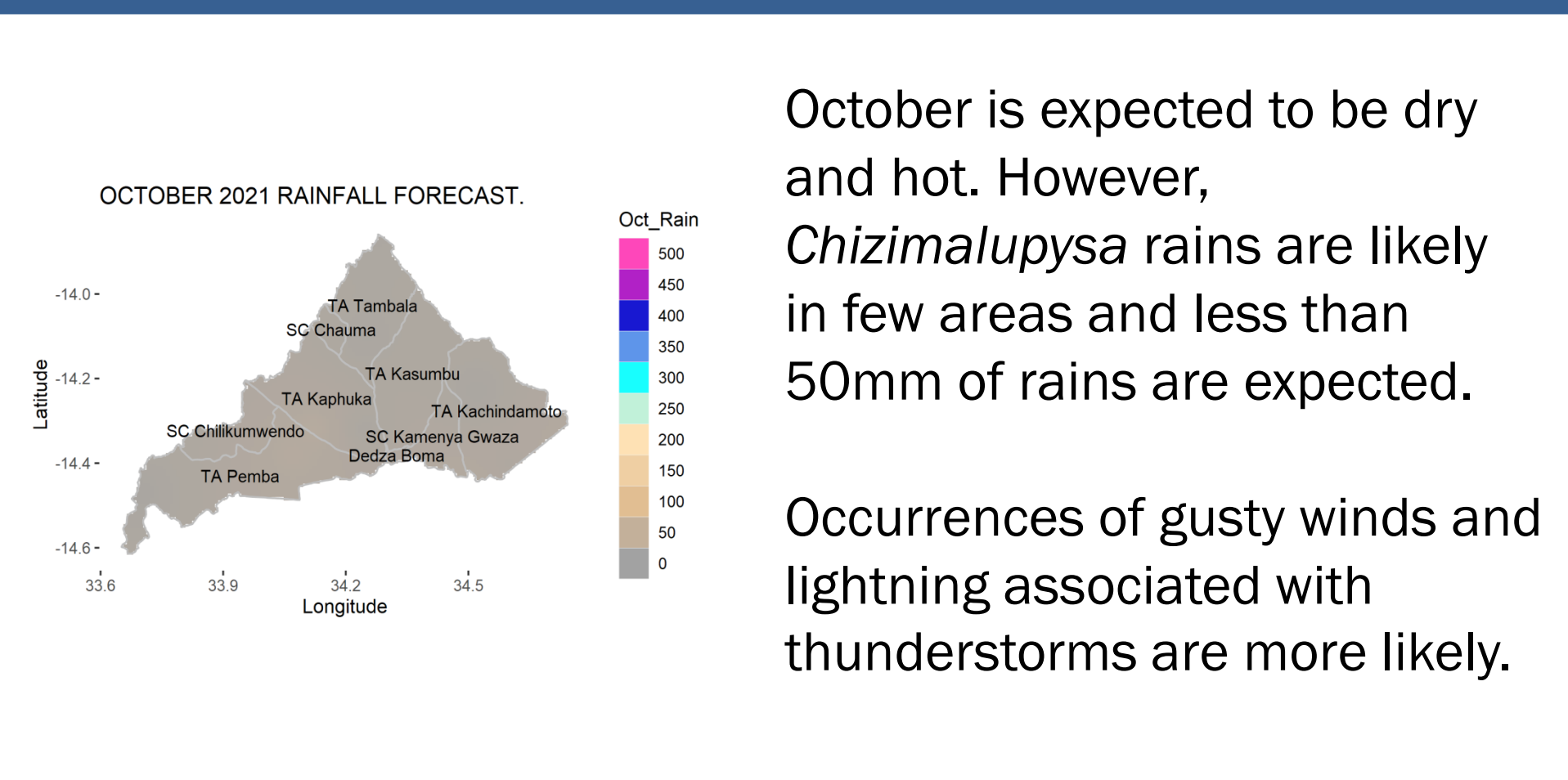


Overview of 2021/2022 Rainfall Season

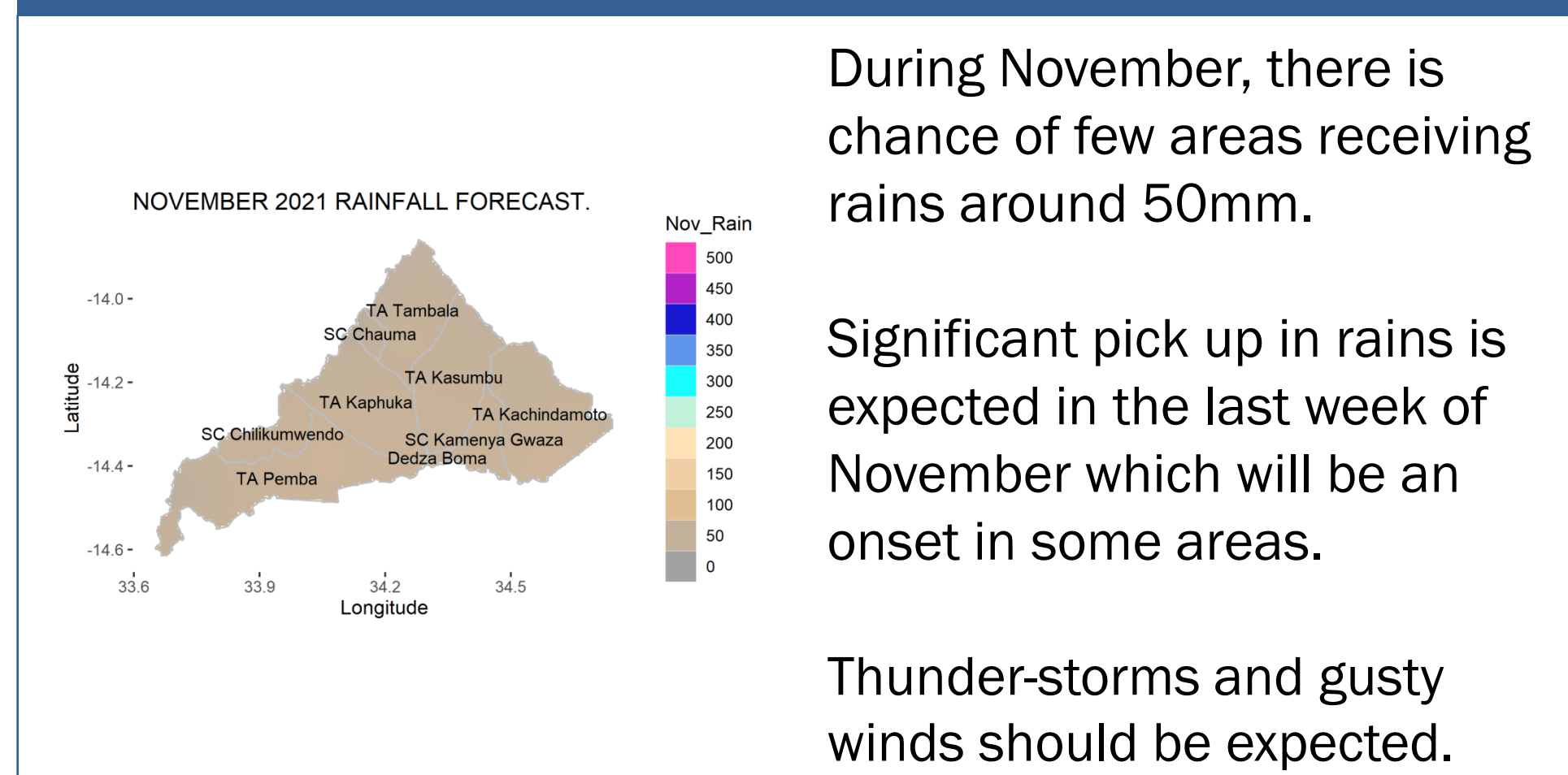
The 2021-2022 rainfall season is expected to be influenced by weak La Nina in Malawi. La Nina is the unusual cooling of ocean waters over eastern-central equatorial Pacific Ocean.

Dedza district is expected to receive normal to above normal rainfall amounts during the 2021/2022 rainfall season.

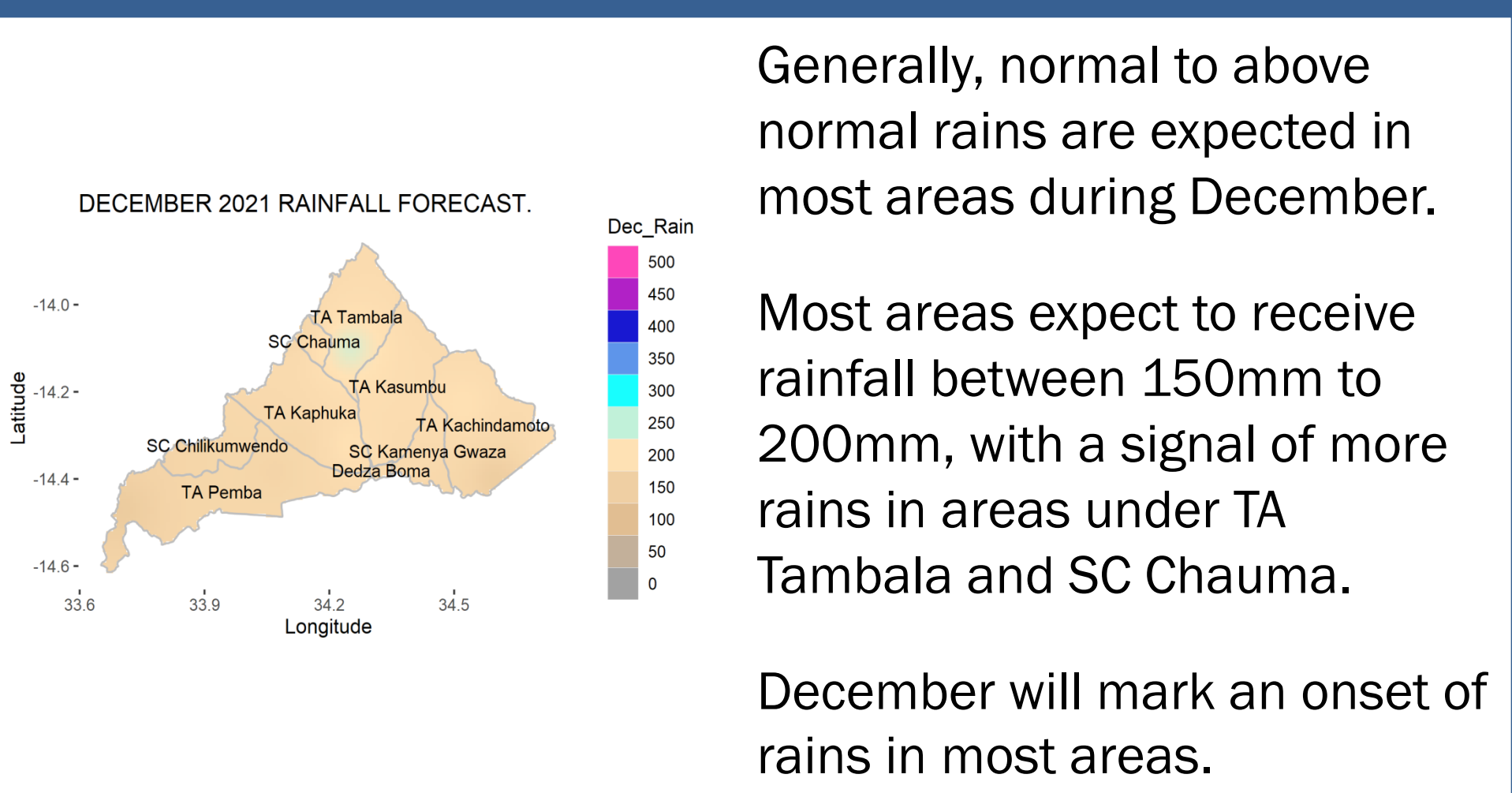
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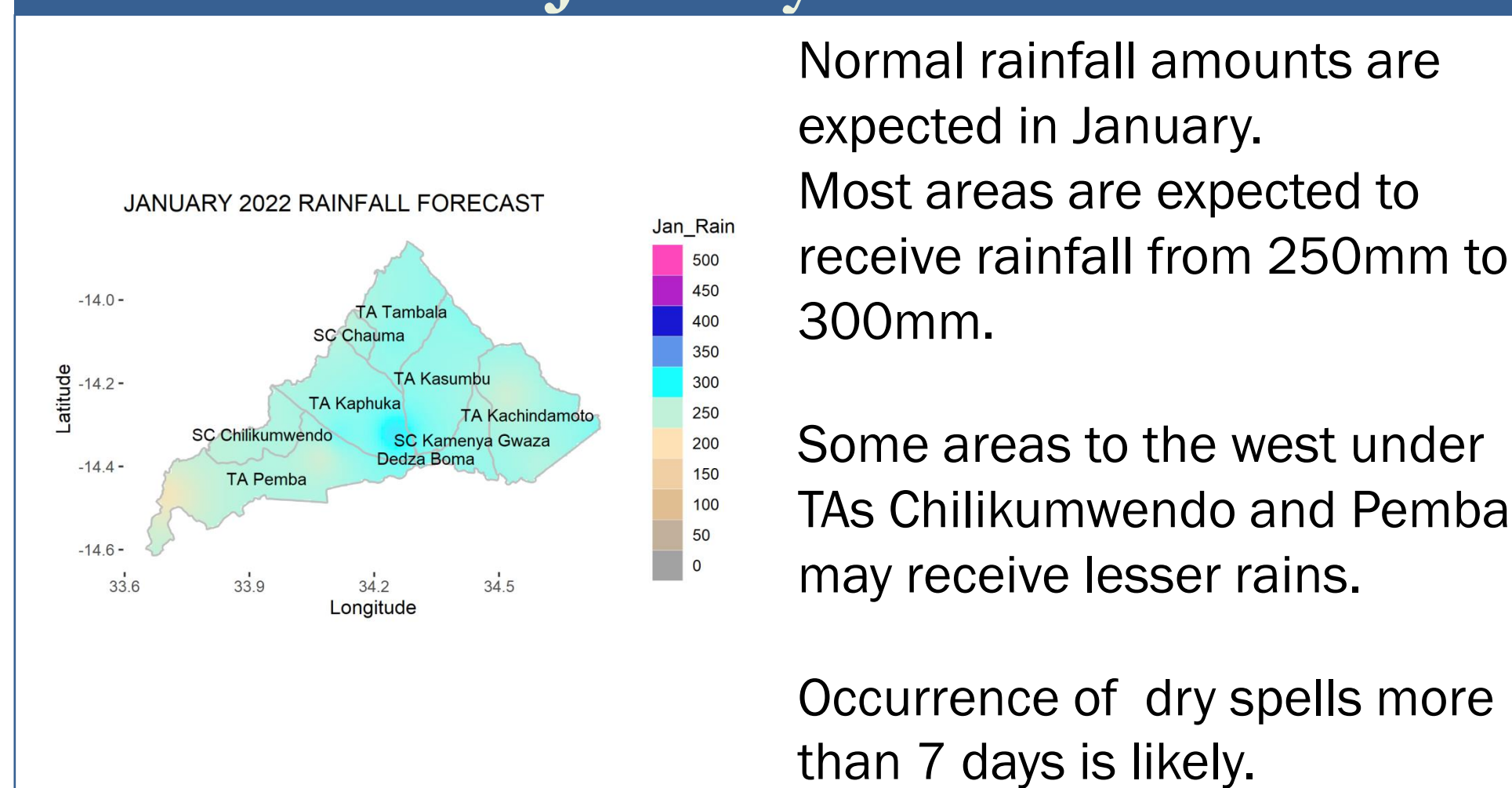
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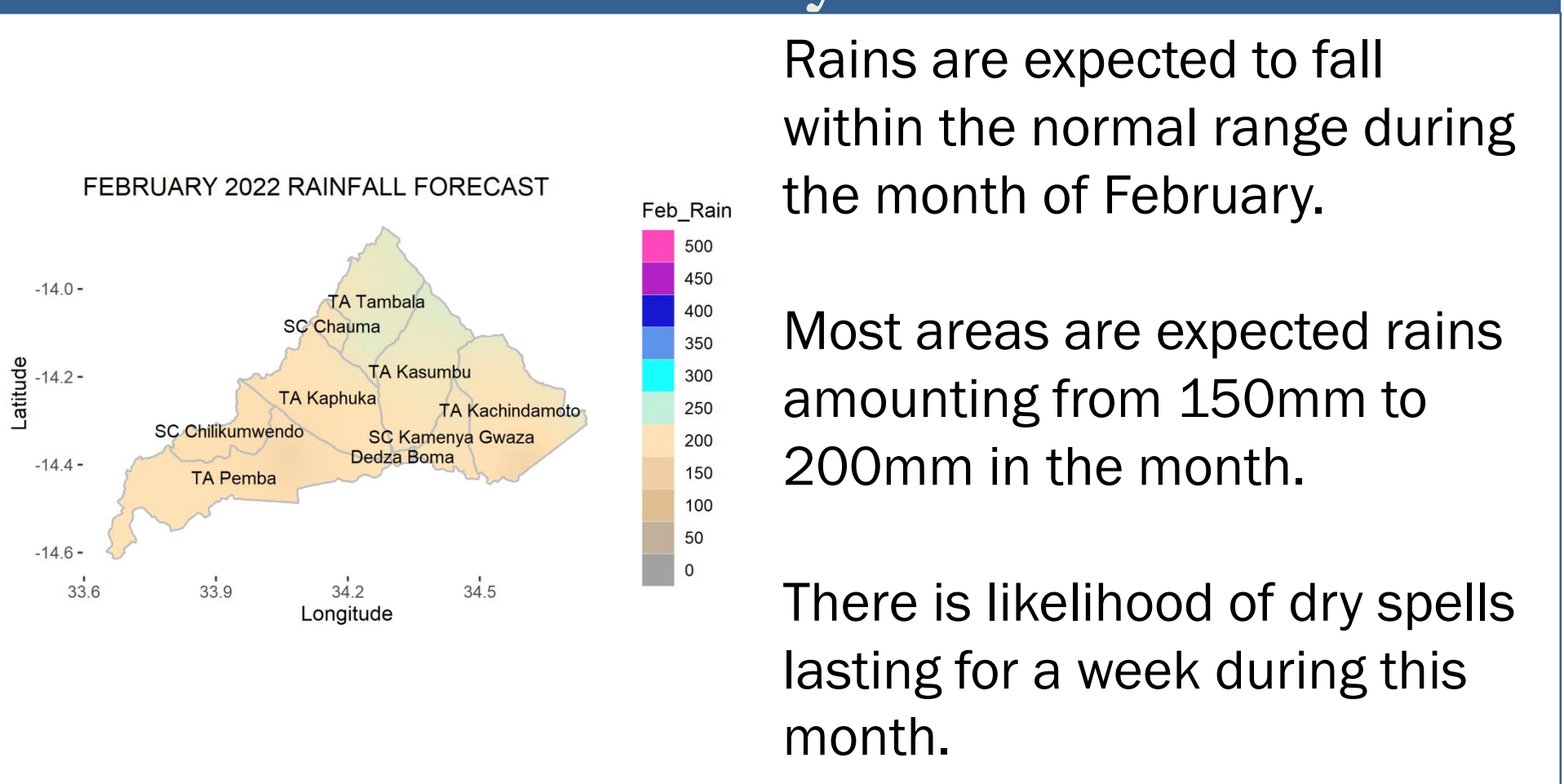
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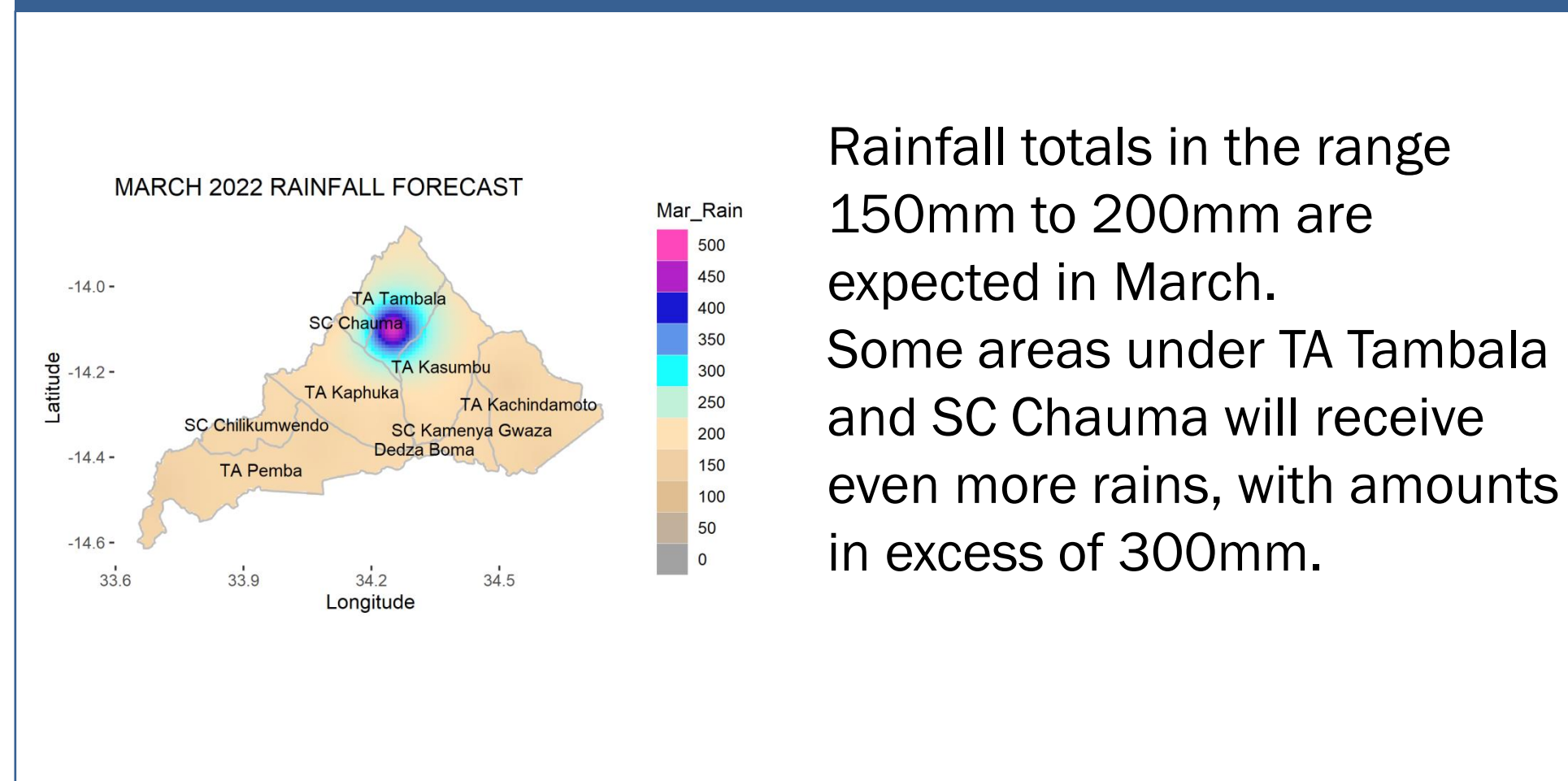
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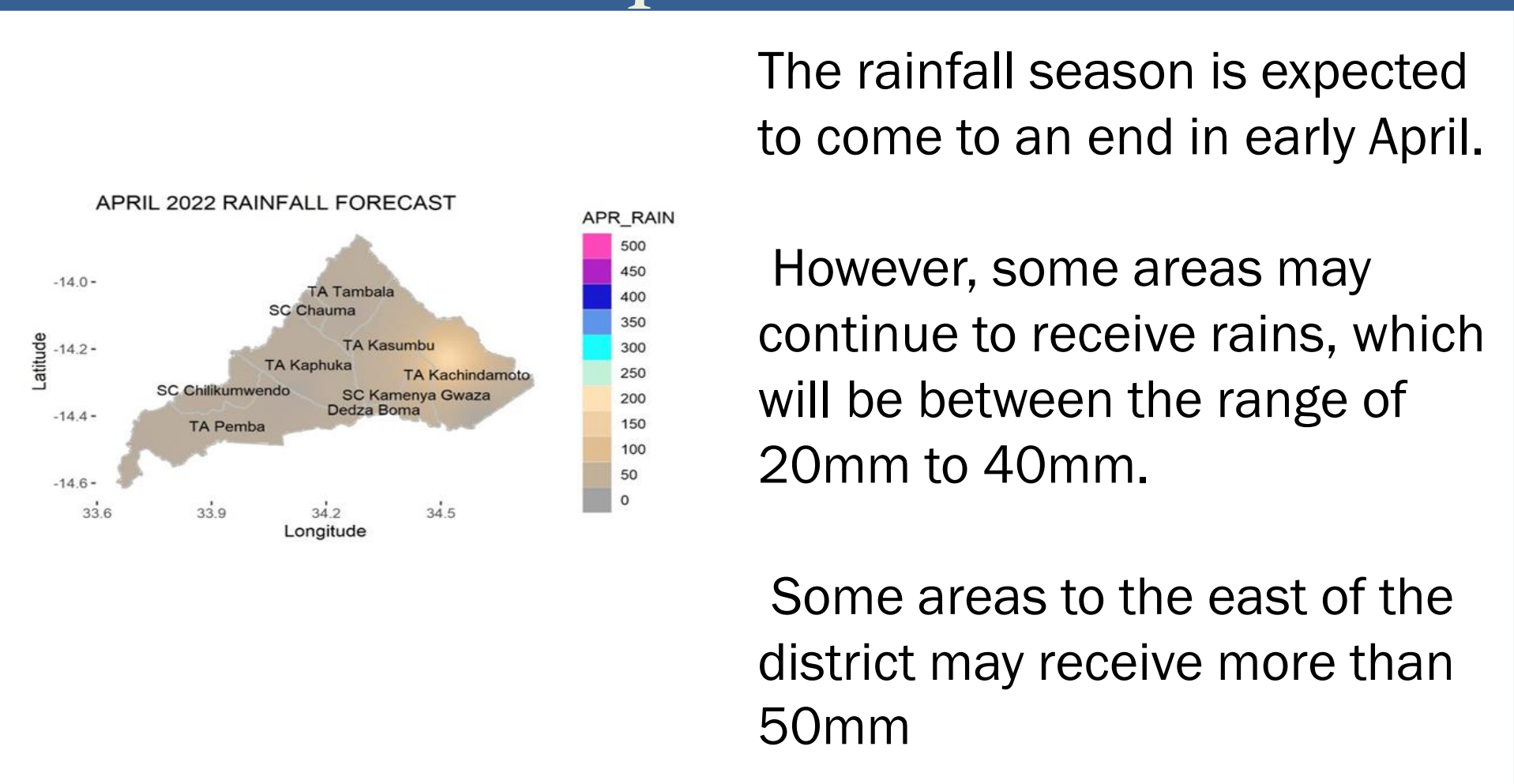
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March 2022



April 2022

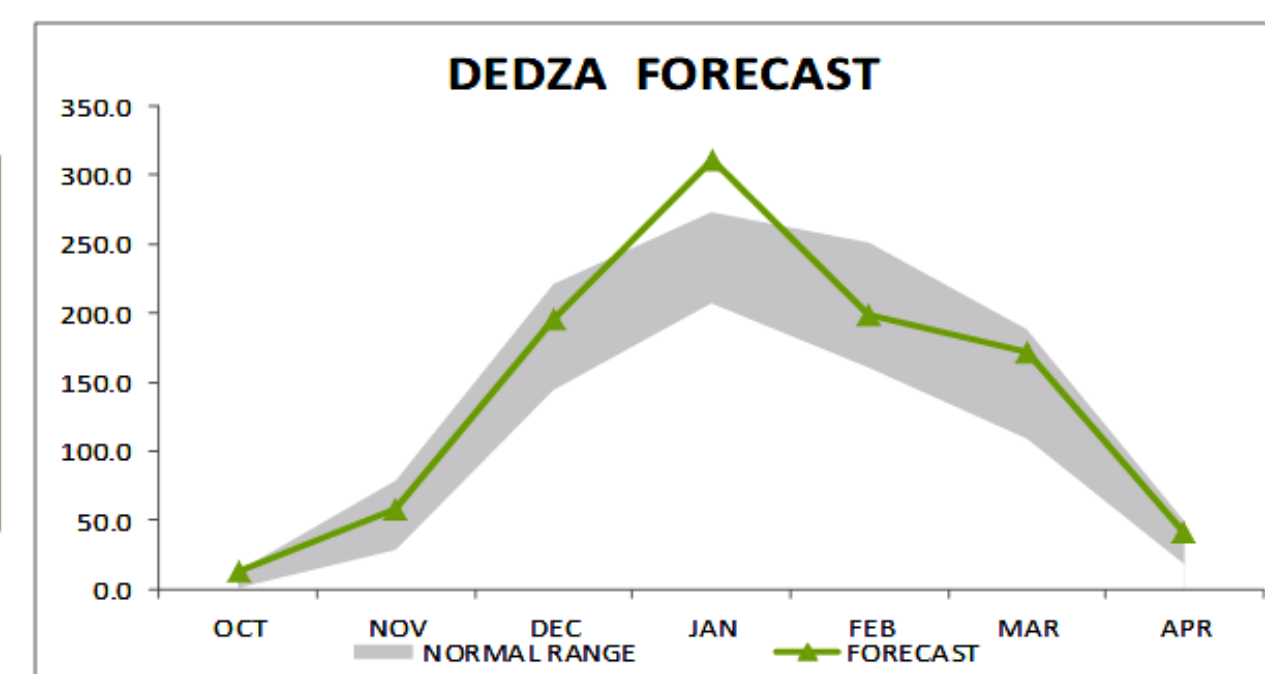


The rainfall Onset is expected between last week of November to 1st week of December 2021. Rainfall Cessation is expected during last week of March to first week of April 2022. The seasonal length is expected to range from 118 to 132 days.

Dry spells likely in January. However, few areas are likely to experience dry spells of about 1 week in the month of February.

The table and figure below shows monthly rainfall distribution for the season in Dedza with a normal band in grey.

DEDZA		
MONTH	NORMAL RANGE	FORECAST
OCT	1.2	13.4
NOV	28.7	79.0
DEC	144.3	220.9
JAN	206.9	272.9
FEB	160.3	250.8
MAR	109.1	188.1
APR	18.2	49.4



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