

Pacific Islands - Ocean and Climate Outlook Forum (OCOF) No. 221

Country: Marshall Islands

Part 1: Recent climate

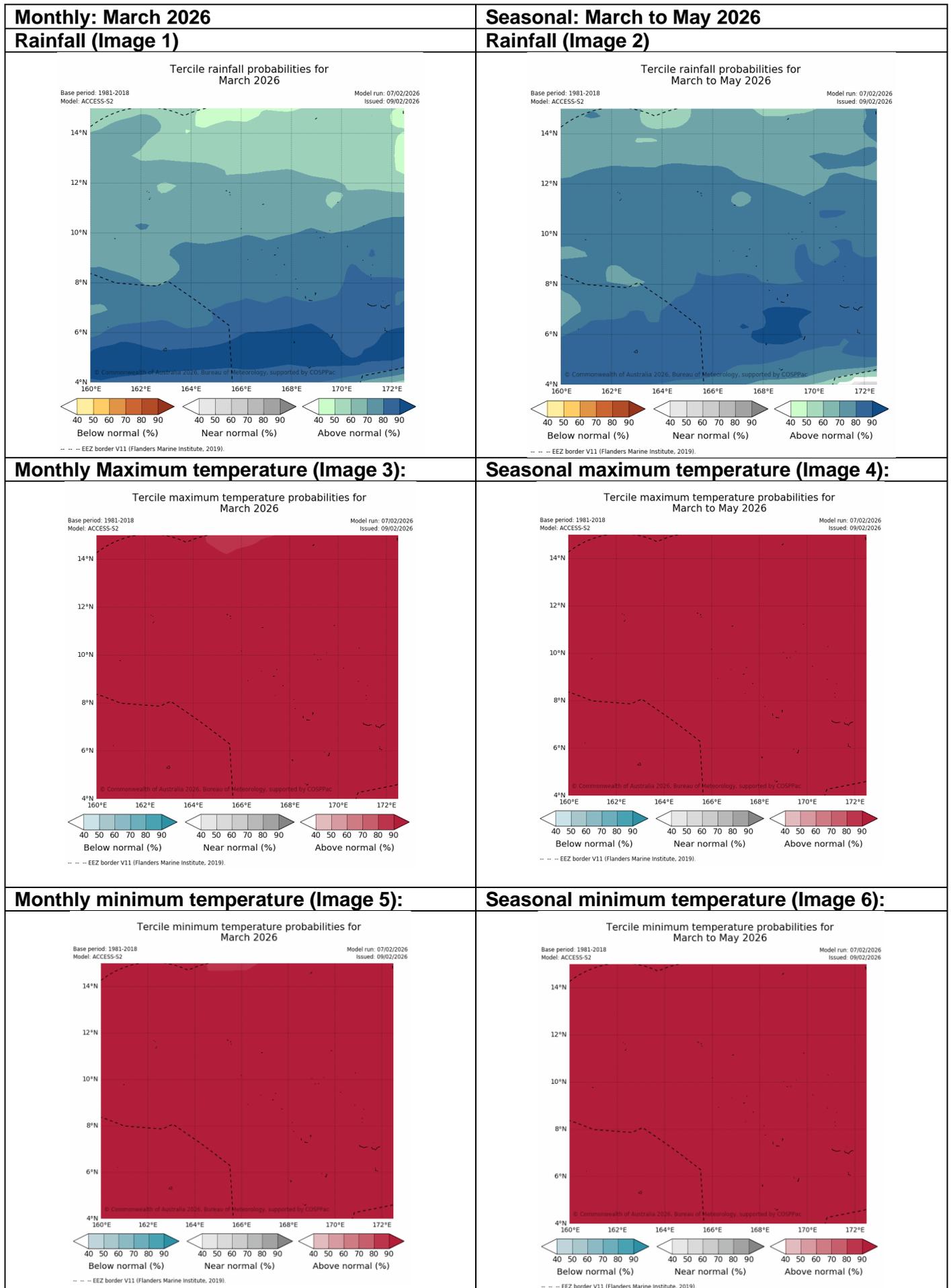
TABLE 1: Monthly Rainfall

Station (include data period)	Nov-2025	Dec-2025	Jan-2026				Rank
			Total (mm)	33%tile	67%tile	Median	
	Total (mm)	Total (mm)	Rainfall (mm)				
Majuro (1954-2026)	303.0	213.9	252.2	148.7	236.4	206.0	56/72
Kwajalein (1945-2026)	168.9	66.3	198.9	57.9	128.5	88.0	70/82

TABLE 2: Three-month Total Rainfall for November 2025 to January 2026

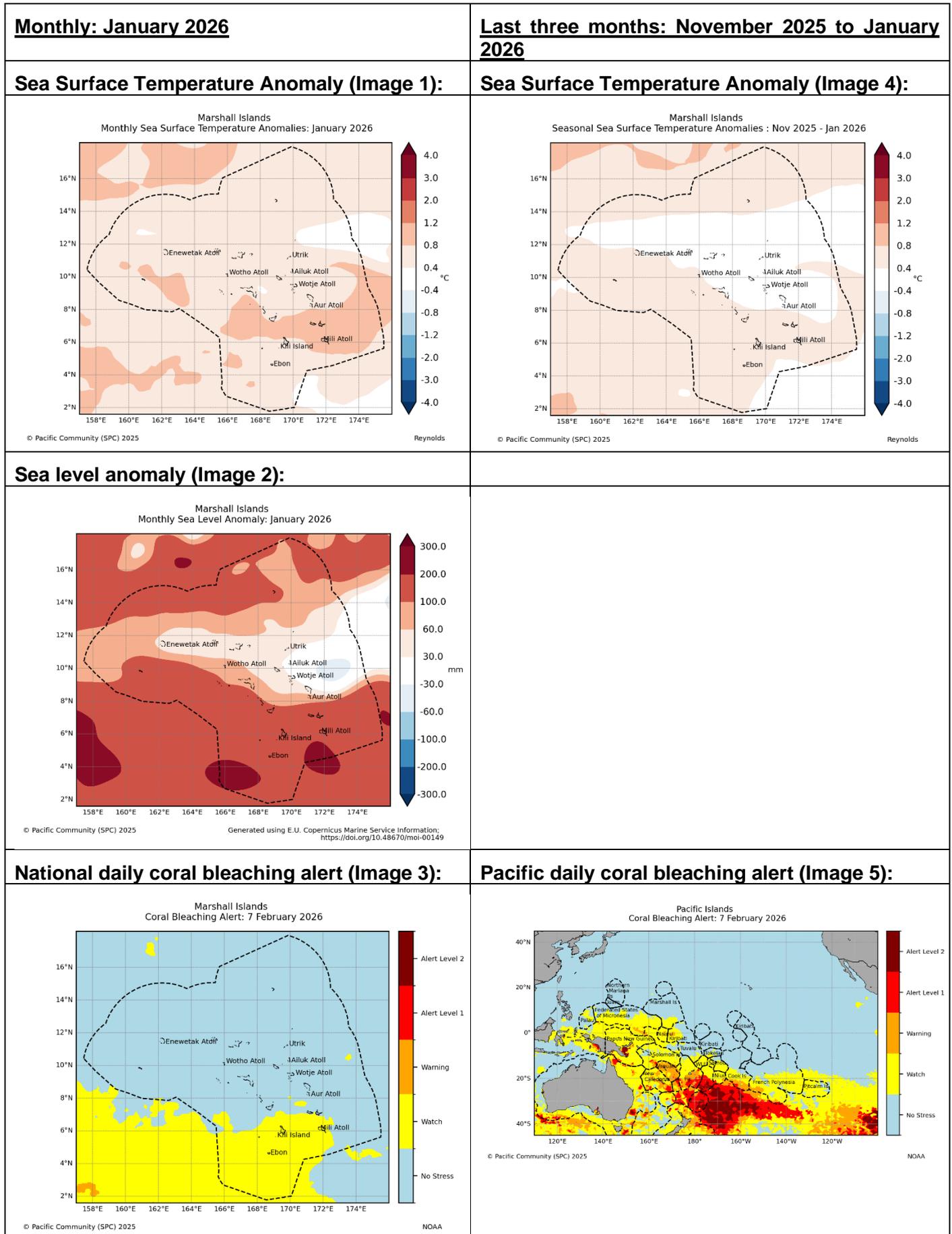
Station	Three-month Total		33%tile	67%tile	Median	Rank
	Rainfall (mm)					
Majuro (1954-2026)	769.1	Normal	738.2	912.5	837.0	28/72
Kwajalein (1945-2026)	434.1	Below normal	521.2	650.1	582.7	14/80

Part 1i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for March and March to May 2026



Part 2: Recent Ocean Observation

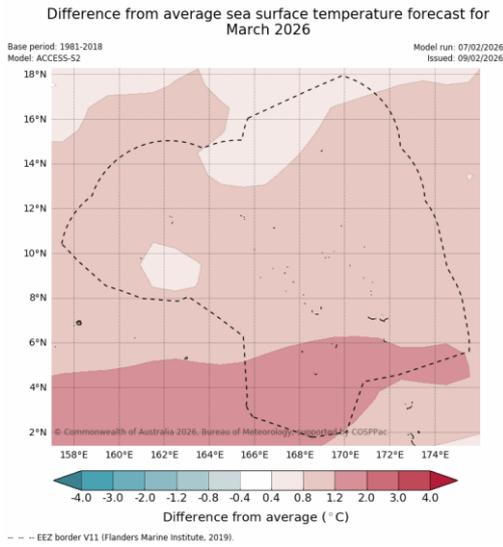
Monthly/Three months: January and November 2025 to January 2026



Part 2i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for March and March to May 2026

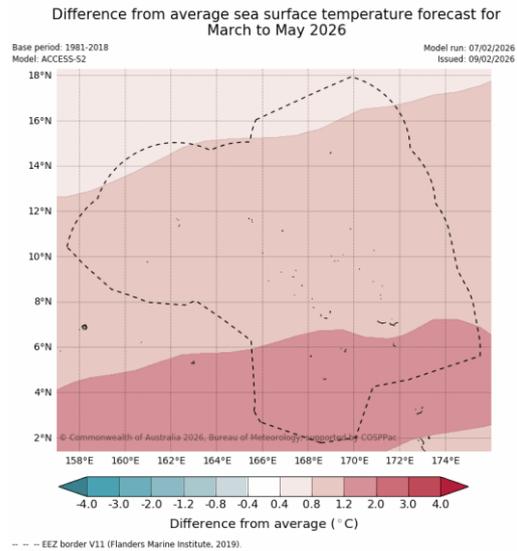
Monthly: March 2026

Monthly sea surface temperature anomaly (Image 5):

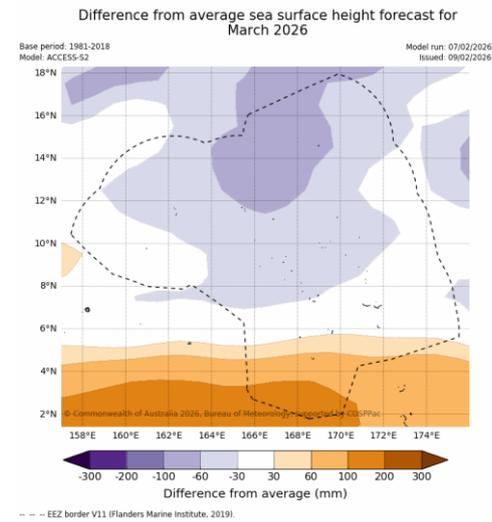


Seasonal: March to May 2026

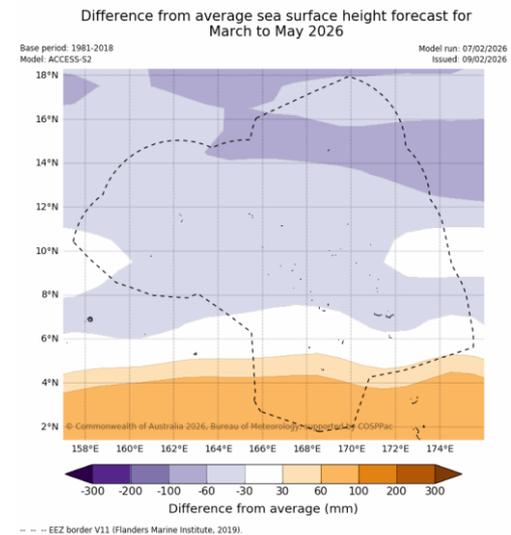
Seasonal sea surface temperature anomaly (Image 6):



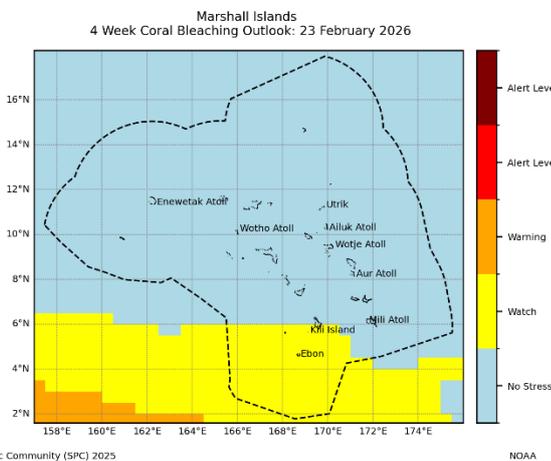
Monthly sea level anomaly (Image 7):



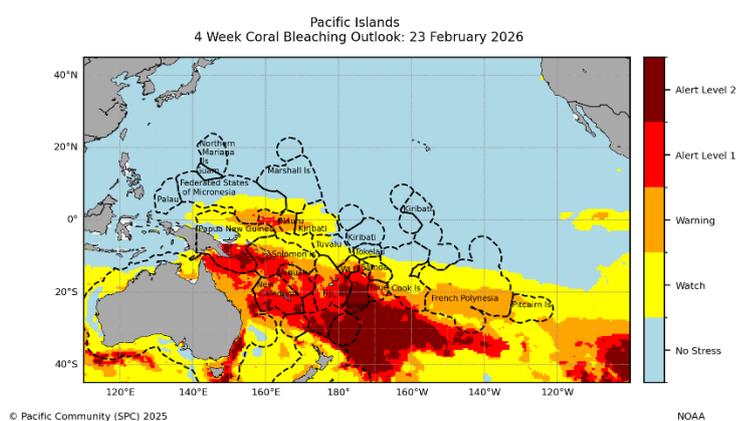
Seasonal sea level anomaly (Image 8):



National 4-week Coral Bleaching Outlook (Image 9):



Pacific 4-week Coral Bleaching Outlook (Image 10):



Summary Statement

Monthly and last three months: January/November 2025 to January 2026 statement

The rainfall for January was above normal for both Majuro and Kwajalein. For the past three months, rainfall was normal for Majuro and below normal for Kwajalein.

Part 1i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for March and March to May 2026

Monthly /Seasonal rainfall and temperature Outlook statements

The rainfall for March and March to May 2026 are likely or very likely to be above normal across the Marshall Islands.

Maximum and minimum temperatures during March and March to May 2026 are likely or very likely to be above normal across the Marshall Islands.

Part 2: Recent Ocean summary statement

Monthly and last three months: January/November 2025 to January 2026

January sea surface temperatures (SSTs) across the Marshall Islands were 0.4 to 1.2°C above normal.

Averaged over November 2025 to January 2026, sea surface temperatures around the western part of the Marshall Islands were 0.4 to 0.8°C above normal, while near normal sea surface temperatures were observed in the northern and eastern part of the Marshall Islands.

January sea levels for most of the Marshall Islands were 30 to 200 mm above normal.

A coral bleaching Watch status is currently in effect for southern waters of the Marshall Islands as of 7th of February 2026.

Part 2i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for March and March to May 2026

Ocean Variable statement

March and averaged over March to May 2026 sea surface temperatures around the Marshall Islands are predicted to be 0.8 to 2.0°C above normal.

March and averaged over March to May 2026, sea levels around the southern Marshall Islands are predicted to be 30 to 200 mm above normal. Near-normal to below normal sea levels are predicted for the central and northern Marshall Islands.

Coral Bleaching outlook indicates Watch status for the next 4 weeks mainly for the southern waters of the Marshall Islands.

In brief for Teleconference

- Rainfall was above normal for January. For the past three months, rainfall was normal for Majuro while below normal was observed at Kwajalein.
- The rainfall outlook generally indicates above normal most likely in March and March to May 2026.
- SSTs were near-normal to above normal for January and November while near normal SSTs were observed in the northern and eastern Marshall Islands. The outlook shows above normal SSTs for the next one and three months.
- Sea levels were above normal for January. Near-normal sea levels are predicted for March and March to May 2026, while above normal sea levels are predicted for the southern Marshalls.

TABLE 3: Stakeholder Engagement- Evaluations of how effective NMS engage with stakeholders (January 2026)

Product	Stakeholder	Total Number of Participants	Number of Male	Number of Female	Disability	Comments (If there are comments from you Stakeholders)
Climate Bulletin						
EAR Watch	CSO, NDMO, WASH CLUSTER, MWSC, EPA, MIDPO, OCIT, CCD, ACWA, Farmer Organisation, Public School System	67	40	27		
Monthly Climate Briefing	CSO and NDMO	7	4	3		
Ocean Outlook	CSO, NDMO, MIMRA, EPA, SHIPPING CORP, Public School System	36	24	12		
Climate data request						
Total		107	68	42		

Stakeholder category	Do your products reach this group? (Y/N)	Tailored product? (Y/N)
Agriculture sector	Y	Y
Disaster Risk Reduction sector	Y	Y
Energy sector	Y	Y
Health sector	Y	Y
Water sector	Y	Y
Fisheries and Aquaculture sector	Y	Y
Tourism sector	Y	Y
Maritime sector	Y	Y
Research & education sector	N	N
Women's <input type="checkbox"/> organisations	Y	Y
National disability organisations	Y	Y
Community based organisations (e.g. councils)	Y	Y
Products offered in local dialects/ languages	N	N

