

Information Note :

Agricultural Calendar for the 2026 Cropping Season in the Sudano-Sahelian zone of Cameroon (Far North and North Regions)

The adverse effects of climate change are significantly affecting Cameroon's socio-economic development sectors, making them increasingly vulnerable. In response, the National Observatory on Climate Change (NOCC/ONACC) has produced seasonal forecasts for the period from **May to August 2026** for the Sudano-Sahelian agroecological zone. These forecasts have guided the development of the agricultural calendar for the 2026 cropping season in this zone, covering the **Far North and North Regions**.

Considering the current state of the global climate system and analyses of its potential influence on Cameroon's climate during **May, June, July and August 2026**, the following conditions are expected:

- A gradual onset of the rainy season from the:
 - **First to the second dekad of May 2026 (04 to 14 May 2026)**, in the **Mayo Rey** and **Faro Divisions**;
 - **Second and the third dekad of May 2026 (12 to 21 May 2026)**, in the **Benoue, Mayo Louti, Mayo Tsanaga**, and in the **southern part of the Diamare Divisions**;
 - **Third dekad of May to the first dekad of June 2026 (21 May to 01 June 2026)**, in the **Mayo Kani Division**, the **Southern and Central parts of Diamare**, as well as in the **Mayo Sava and Mayo Danay Divisions**;
 - **Second to the third dekad of June 2026 (12 to 22 June 2026)**, throughout the **Logone et Chari Division** and in the **Northern parts of the Diamare, Mayo Danay, and Mayo Sava Divisions**.

NB: There is a high probability of a dry spell or a temporary interruption of rainfall in many localities, approximately two to three weeks after the effective onset of the rainy season.

Based on the above, **farmers are advised to begin sowing after observing at least three consecutive rainy days in their agricultural zone**, particularly:

- **From the first to the third dekad of May 2026 (07 to 17 May 2026)**, in the **Mayo Rey** and the **Faro Divisions**;
- **Between the second and the third dekad of May 2026 (15 to 24 May 2026)**, in the **Benoue, Mayo Louti, Mayo Tsanaga Divisions**, and in the **Southern part of the Diamare Division**;
- **From the third dekad of May to the first dekad of June 2026 (24 May to 04 June 2026)**, in the **Mayo Kani Division**, the **Southern and Central parts of the Diamare Division**, as well as in the **Mayo Sava and Mayo Danay Division**;
- **From the second to the third dekad of June (15 to 25 June 2026)**, throughout the **Logone et Chari** and in the **northern part of the Diamare Division, Mayo Danay and Mayo Sava Divisions**.