IGAD Climate Prediction and Applications Centre

## Verification of COF 26 outlook

## COF 26 Consensus Climate Outlook for SOND 2010



Observed rainfall anomalies during SOND 2010


## CLIMATOLOGICAL ZONES



## 1. Hit Rate

The analysis of COF 26 Climate Outlook and the observed SOND 2010 rainfall categories reveals that there were:
45 Hits and 60 Forecasts zones
Therefore,

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\begin{aligned}
\text { Hit Rate }(\mathrm{H}) & =45 / 60 \\
& =0.75 \\
& =75 \% \text { Hit Rate }
\end{aligned}
$$

## 2. Heidke Hit Skill Score

## Heidke Hit Skill Score $=(\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{C}) /(100-\mathrm{C})$

Where H is the hit rate (\%)
Usually C the chance hit rate $=33.3 \%$
But with half hits $\mathrm{C}=50 \%$
For COF 26 therefore,
$\mathrm{HSS}=(75-50) /(100-50)$
$=25 / 50=0.5$
$=50 \%$

