IGAD Climate Prediction and Applications Centre

## Verification of COF 41 outlook

COF 41 Consensus Climate Outlook for SOND 2015


Observed rainfall anomalies during SOND 2015


## CLIMATOLOGICAL ZONES



## 1. Hit rate

The analysis of COF 41 Climate Outlook and the observed SOND 2015 rainfall categories reveals that there were:
47 Hits and 63 Forecasts zones
Therefore,

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\begin{aligned}
\text { Hit Rate }(\mathrm{H}) & =47 / 63 \\
& =0.746 \\
& =74.6 \% \text { Hit Rate }
\end{aligned}
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## 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 40 therefore,
HSS $=(74.6-50) /(100-50)$
$=24.6 / 50=0.49$
$=49 \%$

