

**Inshore Waters Forecast to 20km Offshore
Issued by Nigerian Meteorological Agency (NIMET)
at 1500 UTC on Fri. 27th January, 2012.**

Period of Forecast: 1800 UTC Fri. 27th to 1800 UTC Sat. 28th January, 2012.

General Situation: A low pressure system with values ranging from 1008 - 1012hPa dominates the coastal area of the country. The system is expected to deepen to 1006hPa at around 1500UTC and remain quasi-stationary to the end of forecast. Generally, chances of rain are expected with light to moderate breeze.

Calabar, Eket and Port Harcourt Areas

24 Hr forecast

Wind: South-westerly, 5 -10kts occasionally 15kts.

Sea state: Slight.

Weather: Fair, chances of isolated rain.

Visibility: Moderate.

Outlook for the following 24hrs:

Wind: South-westerly, 5-10kts.

Sea State: Slight becoming moderate.

Weather: Fair, chances of showers.

Visibility: Moderate.

Warri, Koko and Aiyetoro Areas

24 hr forecast

Wind: South-westerly, 5 -10kts occasionally 15kts.

Sea State: Slight to moderate.

Weather: Fair, chances of showers.

Visibility: Moderate.

Outlook for the following 24hrs

Wind: South-westerly, 5 -10kts.

Sea State: Slight to moderate.

Weather: Fair.

Visibility: Moderate.

Lagos Area: 24hr forecast:

Wind: South-westerly, 5 -10kts occasionally 15kts.

Sea State: Slight to moderate.

Weather: Fair, chances of isolated rain.

Visibility: Moderate.

Outlook for the following 24hrs.

Wind: South westerly, 5-10kts.

Sea State: Slight to moderate.

Weather: Fair.

Visibility: Moderate.

End.

SHIPPING FORECAST TO 650KM OFFSHORE

ISSUED BY NIGERIAN METEOROLOGICAL AGENCY (NIMET),

at 1500 UTC Fri. 27th January, 2012

VALID FOR: 1800 UTC Fri. 27th to 1800 UTC Sat. 28th January, 2012.

WARNINGS: Nil

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS: Nigerian territorial waters is under the influence of a low pressure system with values ranging from 1008 - 1013hPa. The system is expected to remain quasi-stationary till the end of forecast. Apart from early morning mist, fine weather is expected with light to moderate breeze.

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS:

WIND: SOUTH-WESTERLY 5 - 10KTS, OCCASIONALLY 15KTS.

SEA STATE: SLIGHT TO MODERATE.

WEATHER: FAIR.

VISIBILITY: MODERATE.

END.

NOTE:

Slight: in sea state is between 0.5 – 1.25 metres

Moderate: in sea state is between 1.25 – 2.50 metres

Fair: in weather may be used if no precipitation or fog is expected

Visibility: Good is between 10 – 20km

Moderate is between 4000m – 10km

Poor is between 1000 – 4000m

Very poor is below 1000

Wind:

Light air is	1-3knots
Light breeze is	4-6knots
Gentle breeze is	7-10knots
Moderate breeze is	11-16knots
Fresh breeze is	17-21knots
Strong breeze is	22-27knots