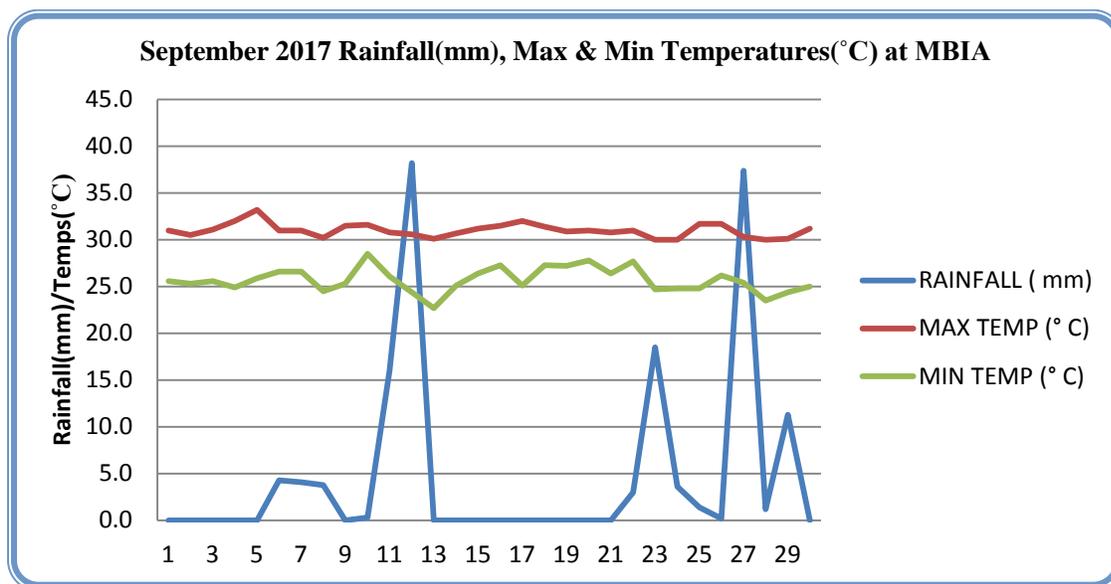


September Agro-Met Report

The Atlantic basin saw the formation of five (5) named storms during the month of September, with two of these storms, Maria and Irma reaching major hurricane, category 5 strength leaving some of the leeward islands in havoc. We were however fortunate in that none of these named systems had any direct impact on Grenada but left our coastline beaten with the rough sea associated with its passing.

The total rainfall for the month of September was 143.3 mm, which are 11.9mm above the long term average and 9.3mm above the 30yrs average. The highest total rainfall for the month was collected on the 12th of September; 38.2mm of rain was collected, the second highest collected on the 27th which was 37.4 mm. There were 11 days with zero rainfall and 5 days with trace



The mean daily temperature for month was 28.4°c which 0.3°c below last year September's monthly mean. The maximum temperature

recorded was 33.2°C, which is 1.1°C higher than August and which is 1.6°C higher than September last year's Max, 2°C higher than the 30 years average and 1.9°C higher than the long term average.

The minimum for the month recorded was 22.7°C, which is 0.3°C lower than August and which is 1.1°C lower than September last year's Min, 0.1°C lower than the 30 years average and 0.2°C lower than the long term average.

Severe weather conditions prompted the Met office to issue marine advisories on several occasions.

Most of these conditions caused above normal swells along our northern and western coastlines.

For the month of September the farmers welcomed the rain. Crops were in abundance, there were plenty of avocados, sweet potatoes, soursop, cashews, mangoes, just to name a few. The fishermen went out at sea and caught jacks, yellow fin tuna, barracuda, hinds, and many other fishes.

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