



The 2026 farming season in our Sahelian bocage landscapes of Guiè, Goèma Filly and Tougo, as well as at the Bocage School / AUGUST 2026

Rainfall in Guiè	
August 2026	
Dates	Millimetres of rain
1	9
3	3
7	17
8	10
11	7
14	1
16	21
19	27
21	13
22	3
26	22
27	13
31	35
Total	181

IN GUIÈ, the trend of below-average rainfall continued in August, which



hampered crop growth and field maintenance work. Indeed, cumulative rainfall since the start of the season stands at **445 mm**, compared with an average of **579 mm** for the same period in 2010–2025.

In our trial fields, sorghum was less severely affected by the drought, and the subsequent rains enabled it to recover and continue to develop well.



Maintenance of secondary crops has been carried out hoping for good



out, and everyone is waiting for more rainfall to ensure good harvests later on.

At the Land Management Unit, we carried out maintenance on the mixed hedgerows by weeding. This allows the young plants to develop better.



On the plot where cotton was harvested last year, we ran the rotary mower to test the regrowth of the cotton plants that had survived the long dry season.

However, the operation proved unsuccessful, as most of the plants subsequently died, probably due to water stress.

At the nursery, we grafted mango trees using the 'Lippens' variety (scions taken from the Lindi production farm).



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Rainfall in Goèma	
August 2026	
Dates	Millimetres of rain
01	16
08	9
11	20
16	43
19	43
26	13
31	20
TOTAL	164

thinning and



hedgerow farming in the Lèbda and Kamsé areas have also been working on the reforestation of mixed hedgerows.

In the rain garden, following transplanting, the aubergines are growing well and the first harvests are expected in the coming days.



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In Goèma, rainfall this month was characterised by seven well-spaced showers, totalling 164 millimetres. The showers on the 16th and 19th were the heaviest since the start of the season. They have encouraged good crop growth.



In the trial fields, field officers carried out weeding of the pulses and sorghum, as well as transplanting. Overall, the crops are developing well and are currently at the tillering stage.

In the fields of beneficiaries of the project supporting vulnerable farmers in the villages of TENKEEGA, monitoring has confirmed that the crops are developing well. The season looks promising for the beneficiaries.

At the CAF, technicians have made concrete-tube stakes for tree surrounds and have completed the work to replace dead trees along the various wooded tracks. Farmers practising



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In Filly, with 10 rainfall events totalling 171 mm, this August has been less rainy compared to August 2025, which recorded 226 mm. However, these rains have allowed the crops to develop well.

Rainfall in Filly	
August 2026	
Dates	Millimetres of rainfall
1	17
3	28
7	18
8	2
12	19
13	4
16	20
21	18
25	13
26	32
Total	171

In our trial fields, the sorghum crop is at the full tillering stage.

With a view to further replenishing the mixed hedge around the Séelmidou market garden, the beneficiaries received support from the pilot farm's reforestation team.



Monitoring of the trees along the afforested rural roads continues across all sections, as during the rainy season, adverse weather conditions that cause the tree protection grilles to fall off are a daily occurrence.



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In Tougo, rainfall in August 2026 was favourable for crop growth and points to a promising end to the agricultural season. A total of 264 mm of rain was recorded during the month, with a satisfactory distribution both over time and across the area.

Rainfall in Tougo	
August 2026	
Dates	Millimetres of rainfall
1	31
3	50
5	10
6	6
7	20
8	8
11	17
16	29
19	27
21	6
27	60
Total	264



In the trial fields, millet and maize are growing very well and have reached the ear-forming stage.

As regards reforestation within the Rasko area, crops are growing well and the good rainfall has restored hope to the beneficiaries, as one farmer explains: *My name is Alidou SAVADOGO, and I am currently the chairman of the Rasko area. This growing season started a little late, which made it difficult for some crops to thrive. However, the good rainfall in August has given us renewed hope, and we pray that September will also be favourable so that we can achieve better harvests.*



As for our activities, in addition to supervising the reforestation work in the Rasko area, a board meeting was held in August to review the work carried out in July.



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August at **the Bocage School of Guiè** was marked by several activities across the various sections involved in the training programme.

The apprentices from the 2025 intake undertook practical revision sessions on pond marking with the **Land Development Unit (CAF)**. In their communal field, they sowed pulses and carried out targeted weeding with the **School Field Section**.



For the students of the 2026 intake: Following the sowing of secondary crops such as groundnuts, soya beans, peanuts and beans in the experimental fields at Tankouri, the students carried out targeted weeding with the **Field School Section**.

In the **Pasture Section**, they sowed forage sorghum in the grasslands and were introduced to rational grazing during the

rainy season.

With the **Land Development Unit**, they were trained in making planting frames and repotting seedlings in the **Nursery Section**.

In the **vegetable garden**, they tended the onion beds and prepared new beds for transplanting tomatoes.



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