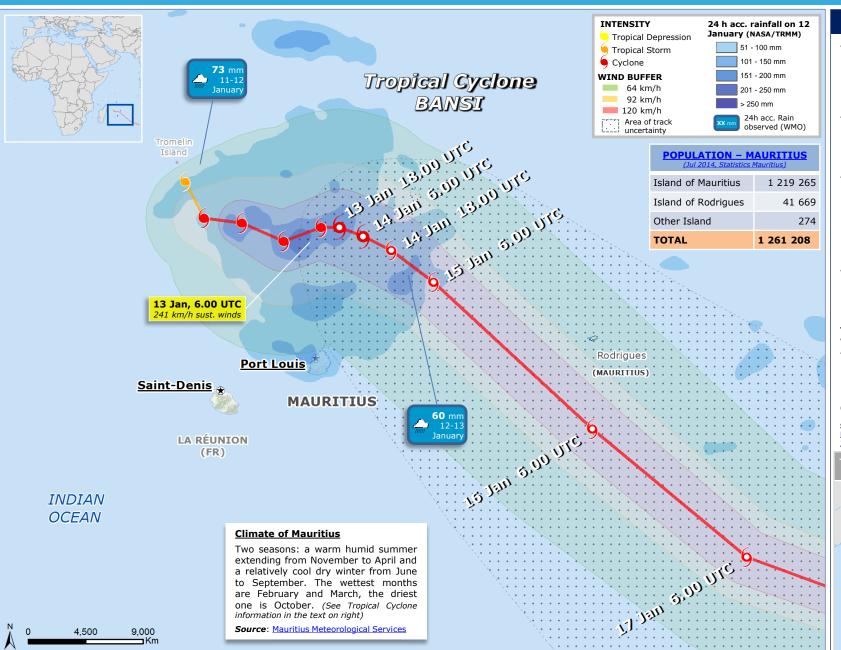
## 13 January 2015: Mauritius - Tropical Cyclone BANSI





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## **SITUATION**

- Tropical Cyclone BANSI moved eastsoutheast over the south-western Indian Ocean on 12 January, significantly strengthening, becoming a very intense Tropical Cyclone.
- On 13 January at 6.00 UTC, it had max. sustained winds of 241 km/h and its centre was located over water, approx. 300 km north of the island of Mauritius.
- In the next 24 h it is forecast to continue moving east-southeast, over sea, intensifying and its center may pass between Mauritius and Rodrigues on 15 January. Strong winds and heavy rains may affect the islands of Mauritius and Rodrigues on 14-16 January.
- As of 13 January early morning, a Cyclone Warning Class II is in effect for Mauritius (<u>Meteorological Service</u> of <u>Mauritius</u>).

## Tropical Cyclones in the South-Weastern Indian Ocean:

- In the SW Indian Ocean the Tropical Cyclones usually occur from November to April/May. See the Tropical Cyclones of the 2013-14 season in the image below (\*).
- (\*) Tropical Depressions are not shown in the map.

**Sources:** <u>GDACS</u>, <u>JTWC</u>, <u>Meteo France - La Reunion</u>, Meteorological Service of Mauritius (<u>1</u>, <u>2</u>, <u>3</u>), WMO (<u>1</u>, <u>2</u>), <u>NASA</u>, <u>UN OCHA</u>.

Tropical Cyclones in the SW Indian Ocean November 2013 – April 2014

