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DRC Daily Monitoring Report

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Covering 11 Nov, 07:00 – 12 Nov, 07:00 WAT (DRC time)

Copper **$13,817/t** ▲ **+1.01%** | Cobalt **$33,525/t** → | Tin **$46,528/t** ▲ **+0.46%** | Gold **$3,977.99/oz** ▼ **-0.20%**

Brent **$93.28/bbl** ▲ **+0.56%** | CDF per USD **2,343.13** →

Market data — as of market close, compiled 12 Nov 2026. Prices pulled from source at collection, not model-generated.

SITUATION MAP — EVENTS (LAST 24H)

SECURITY · PUBLIC HEALTH · MINING · POLITICS · ECONOMY · GEOPOLITICS



Base map: Google Maps (map data ©2026 Google) · Pins at approximate locations where marked (approx.)

1. **Wazalendo reportedly encircled in Ziralo as FRN expands** — Ziralo, Kalehe *(approx.)*
2. **Clashes resume on the Kaziba–Rurambo axis** — Kaziba, Walungu *(approx.)*
3. **WHO reaffirms Ebola emergency as cases pass 11,000** — Ituri *(approx.)*
4. **OCHA: 323,000 displaced in four days** — Kalehe & Kabare *(approx.)*
5. **Prince Epenge trial adjourned to 25 November** — Makala prison, Kinshasa

THREAT LEVEL CRITICAL HIGH ELEVATED GUARDED — also the coloured bar beside each item

VERIFICATION CONFIRMED corroborated by 2+ sources REPORTED single source

SECURITY & CONFLICT

Wazalendo fighters reportedly encircled in Ziralo as FRN expands across Kalehe

CRITICAL

Rwanda Tribune reported on 11 November that wazalendo fighters are encircled in Ziralo as the FRN (Front pour la Refondation de la Nation) expands its territorial control across Kalehe territory, South Kivu. The advance follows the FRN's capture of Bunyakiri on 7 November and Bulambika on 8 November along the RN3 corridor; over 180,000 civilians have fled into the surrounding forests and humanitarian access remains severely constrained. The FARDC has announced plans to retake the lost positions, but both Bitale and Bulambika remain under FRN control.

CONFIRMED Rwanda Tribune · Fides · Critical Threats

SECURITY & CONFLICT (CONT.)

Clashes resume on the Kaziba–Rurambo axis in the South Kivu highlands

HIGH

Fighting between FRN-aligned Twirwaneho fighters and pro-government FARDC/wazalendo forces resumed on the Kaziba–Rurambo axis in South Kivu's mid- and high plateaus, starting near Namubula village in Kaziba (Walungu territory) and spreading to Malimba and Ruhuwa in the Uvira plateaus. At least two people were reported wounded by explosions; schools have closed and economic activity is paralysed in affected zones. FARDC/wazalendo forces are trying to recapture Lwanguku, Kahya, Mubuga, Bishibiru and Kaziba Centre, all lost in earlier fighting, while FRN seeks to advance toward Rurambo and Twirwaneho strongholds. Active clashes are also reported in Walungu, Mwenga, Fizi and Kabare territories.

REPORTED Les Volcans News (YouTube) · Critical Threats

PUBLIC HEALTH

WHO reaffirms Ebola emergency as cases pass 11,000

CRITICAL

At a member-state briefing on 11 November, WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus reaffirmed the Public Health Emergency of International Concern over Congo's 17th Ebola outbreak, caused by the Bundibugyo ebolavirus (BDBV), for which there is no approved vaccine or specific treatment, calling insecurity "one of the greatest obstacles to the response." Government data reported on 11 November put the toll at 11,042 confirmed cases and 5,387 deaths, making it the second-largest Ebola outbreak on record and the deadliest in DRC history. Eight of the DRC's 26 provinces are affected; Ituri accounts for nearly 70% of cases, while North Kivu has emerged as the main site of active new transmission, according to Health Minister Roger Kamba. Cases have also been confirmed in Uganda, Kenya and Nigeria.

CONFIRMED WHO · AFP/Al Jazeera · Free Malaysia Today

OCHA: 323,000 displaced from Kalehe and Kabare in four days

CRITICAL

More than 323,000 people were displaced in four days in Kalehe and Kabare territories of South Kivu, according to preliminary estimates in a UN OCHA flash update relayed early on 12 November, which said several humanitarian activities have been suspended. The displacement follows the FRN offensive launched on 6–7 November; earlier estimates put the figure at around 160,000.

REPORTED UN OCHA flash update (via War Wire, X)

POLITICS & GOVERNMENT

Tshisekedi signs contested referendum law; opposition vows resistance

HIGH

Reuters and Africanews reported on 11 November that President Félix Tshisekedi has signed Law 26/045, replacing the DRC's 2005 referendum legislation. Referendums can now be organised by presidential decree, parliamentary initiative, government proposal or citizen petition; the law explicitly allows a referendum to amend constitutional provisions and, in cases of "absolute necessity," an entirely new constitution to be drafted and endorsed by popular vote. On 12 November the C64 opposition coalition (Martin Fayulu, Moïse Katumbi, Jean-Marc Kabund, Augustin Matata and Delly Sesanga) vowed to resist the changes "by all available means," accusing Tshisekedi of paving the way for a third term beyond the two-term limit set in the 2006 constitution; his second term ends in 2028.

CONFIRMED Reuters · Africanews · Times Live

POLITICS & GOVERNMENT (CONT.)

Prince Epenge trial adjourned to 25 November over procedural flaw

ELEVATED

The trial of opposition figure Prince Epenge, president of ADD Congo and spokesman for Martin Fayulu's Lamuka platform, opened on 11 November before the Kinshasa-Gombe Peace Tribunal sitting at Makala central prison, but was adjourned to 25 November because the required notification was missing from the case file. Epenge, detained at Makala since 31 October, is charged with spreading false rumours over the death of opposition figure Manassé Lomboto; according to journalist Stanis Bujakera, the prosecution attributes the death to a "medical condition."

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POLITICS & DIPLOMACY

Rwanda–DRC talks set for Switzerland on 19 November

HIGH

Kinshasa and Kigali are due to meet in Switzerland on 19 November for new talks aimed at ending hostilities involving the FRN, Africa Intelligence reported on 11 November. Disagreements persist over the terms of Rwandan troop withdrawal and the neutralisation of the FDLR (Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Rwanda).

REPORTED Africa Intelligence

ECONOMY & MACRO

Grand Inga bill presented to the National Assembly

ELEVATED

Minister of Hydraulic Resources and Electricity Aimé Sakombi Molendo presented the bill on implementing the Grand Inga hydropower project to the National Assembly on 11 November, and the Assembly declared it admissible.

REPORTED RDC Mongala Info (Facebook) · Sosoyamboka.net

WATCHLIST

- Monitor Ebola case and death counts (5,387 deaths as of 11 November); Bundibugyo vaccine trial results are expected.
- Assess progress at the 19 November Rwanda–DRC talks in Switzerland on Rwandan troop withdrawal and FDLR neutralisation; both sides arrive with deep disagreements intact.
- Monitor C64 protest activity against the referendum law; watch for a Constitutional Court challenge and potential international condemnation given the 2028 election timeline.
- Track the FARDC's announced counter-offensive to retake Bitale and Bulambika; assess the wazalendo encirclement in Ziralo for signs of collapse or relief.

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