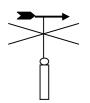


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ERNAKULAM

CURRENT SYNOPTIC SITUATION:

An upper air trough runs from North Interior Karnataka to Comorin area and extending upto 0.9 km above sea level.

NWP MODELS BASED DISTRICT LEVEL WEATHER FORECAST ISSUED ON: 15.04.2016

VALID TILL 08:30 HRS IST OF THE NEXT 5 DAYS

| PARAMETERS | ENSEMBLE FCST | | | | |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | DAY-1 | DAY-2 | DAY-3 | DAY-4 | DAY-5 |
| | 16/04 | 17/04 | 18/04 | 19/04 | 20/04 |
| DISTRICT : ERNAKULAM | | | | | |
| Rainfall (mm) | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Max Temperature (deg C) | 35 | 35 | 35 | 35 | 35 |
| Min Temperature (deg C) | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 |
| Total cloud cover (octa) | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 3 |
| Max Relative Humidity (%) | 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 |
| Min Relative Humidity (%) | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| Wind speed (kmph) | 006 | 006 | 006 | 006 | 006 |
| Wind direction (deg) | 250 | 250 | 270 | 290 | 290 |

Agro Meteorological Advisories

| Crop | Pest/Disease | Advisories | | |
|-----------------|----------------------|---|--|--|
| | | The immediate symptom is that outer leaves of paddy | | |
| Paddy | Sheath blight | become yellow coloured. Black lesions can be seen on the | | |
| (Panicle stage) | | lower part just above the water level. Apply Propiconazole | | |
| | | 25 EC @ 500 ml per 1 hector to control Sheath blight. | | |
| Banana | Cigar end disease | Due to high temperature and low humidity, there is a chance | | |
| | | of Cigar end disease in banana bunches. Spray 3 g of | | |
| | | Dithane M-45 @ 1 liter of water. The banana plantation | | |
| | | may be given support so that the plantation can with stand | | |
| | | high wind speed. | | |
| Vegetables | Fruit borer | Apply 2% Neem Kernel Suspension to control fruit borer | | |

Preparation of Neem Kernel Suspension:

The kernel should be ground into a coarse powder. 30 g of powered neem seed is required per 10 litre of water. The required quality of the coarse powder should be put in small muslin cloth bag and dipped in water for about 12 hours. Thereafter, squeeze the cloth bag repeatedly so that the outflowing fluid turns light brownish. The NKS is now ready to be sprayed as such on crops.