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Agromet Advisory Service Bulletin





ERNAKULAM DISTRICT

AAS 20/2020, (40) Friday 15.05,2020

CURRENT SYNOPTIC SITUATION: A Well-Marked Low Pressure lies over southeast Bay of Bengal & neighbourhood with associated cyclonic circulation extending up to mid-tropospheric levels.

HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING:

- **DAY 1:** Heavy rainfall (7-11 cm in 24 hours) is very likely to occur at one or two places in the districts of Alappuzha, Kottayam & Idukki and Lakshadweep.
- DAY 2: Heavy rainfall (7-11 cm in 24 hours) is very likely to occur at one or two places in the districts of Idukki, Eranakulam & Thrissur and Lakshadweep
- **DAY 3:** Heavy rainfall (7-11 cm in 24 hours) is very likely to occur at one or two places in the districts of Alappuzha, Idukki, Eranakulam & Thrissur.
- **DAY 4:** Heavy rainfall (7-11 cm in 24 hours) is very likely to occur at one or two places in the districts of Alappuzha, Kottayam, Idukki, Eranakulam & Thrissur.
- **DAY 5:** Heavy rainfall (7-11 cm in 24 hours) is very likely to occur at one or two places in the district of Idukki.

WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:

Weather parameters	16.05.2020	17.05.2020	18.05.2020	19.05.2020	20.05.2020
Rainfall (mm)	10	10	20	20	10
Maximum temperature(°C)	34	34	34	34	34
Minimum temperature (°C)	25	25	25	25	25
Maximum Relative Humidity (%)	92	92	92	92	92
Minimum Relative Humidity (%)	67	67	67	67	67
Wind speed (kmph)	12	14	16	20	22
Wind direction (deg)	270	290	340	340	320
Total cloud cover (octa)	8	8	8	6	8

As per the forecast of IMD & KAU, there is a chance of moderate rainfall in the district and heavy rainfall in isolated places.

AGRO-METEOROLOGICAL ADVISORIES:

Crop	Pest/ Disease	Advisories		
General Advisories: As a precaution, use bio-pesticides to control the crop pests and diseases.				
Coconut	Rhinoceros beetle	After thorough cleaning of the crown region, apply 250 g neem cake mixed with equal volume of fine sand (250g) in the inner most 2-3 leaf axils surrounding the spindle leaf. This application has to be repeated thrice a year. (January, May and September/ October) for better results. Or naphthalene balls 12 g (approx. 4 nos) can be put in the innermost 2 leaf axils adjacent to spindle leaf and covered with fine sand, once in 45 days. Or spray <i>Metarrhizium anisopilae</i> (250 ml metarrizhium culture + 750 ml water) in manure pits.		
Banana	Pseudo stem weevil	There is a chance of pseudo stem weevil attack in banana. As a precaution, apply 50 g neem cake powder in leaf axils.		
Nutmeg	Leaf fall	There is a chance of leaf falling in nutmeg. As a precaution spray 1% bordeaux mixture.		
Ginger/Turmeric	-	Prepare land for ginger and turmeric. To avoid foot rot in ginger, sock the suckers in 0.3% mancozeb/ pseudomonas solution for 30 minutes.		
Vegetables	-	Addition of pseudomonas culture to the soil at the time of planting of vegetables will help to reduce fungal diseases.		