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**ERNAKULAM DISTRICT**

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**CURRENT SYNOPTIC SITUATION:** The cyclonic circulation over Southwest Bay of Bengal off Tamil Nadu coast persists and seen at 3.1 km above mean sea level. The east-west shear zone roughly along Latitude 10°N persists and seen between 4.5 km & 5.8 km above mean sea level.

**HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING:**

Day 4 & 5: Heavy (7- 11 cm in 24 hours) rainfall is very likely to occur at isolated places in the districts of Idukki & Ernakulam.

**WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:**

Weather parameters	25.08.2021	26.08.2021	27.08.2021	28.08.2021	29.08.2021
Rainfall (mm)	5	5	5	20	21
Maximum temperature(°C )	31	31	31	31	31
Minimum temperature (°C )	25	25	25	25	24
Maximum Relative Humidity (%)	95	95	95	95	95
Minimum Relative Humidity (%)	70	70	70	70	70
Wind speed (kmph)	5	6	3	5	8
Wind direction (deg)	230	230	320	320	320
Total cloud cover (octa)	9	6	6	8	8

As per the forecast of IMD & KAU, there is a chance of moderate rainfall in the district. Above normal rainfall is expected in Kerala.

**AGRO-METEOROLOGICAL ADVISORIES:**

Crop	Pest/ Disease	Advisories
<b>General Advisories:</b> Pesticides can be applied only during dry period.		
Paddy (virippu) Panicle Emergence	Bacterial Leaf blight	To control and prevent Bacterial leaf blight in paddy, dissolve 20 g of cow dung in one litre of water and spray the supernatant liquid by mixing with 20g of pseudomonas in one litre of water.
	Rice bug	There is a chance of appearance of rice bug in paddy. To control, spray 2 ml malathion per one litre of water. Pesticides application should be done either before 9 am or after 3 pm. Otherwise, the pesticide application will adversely affect the pollination.
Pepper	Foot rot	As a prophylactic measure to manage foot rot during rainy season, add 2 kg Trichoderma to a mixture of 90 kg FYM & 10 kg neem cake and kept for two weeks with sufficient moisture. Add 2.5 kg of this mixture to the base of each matured pepper vine to control foot rot disease.
Coconut	Management	While applying second dose of fertilizers to coconut palms, apply 550 gram urea, 700 gram Rajphos and 800 gram potash under irrigated conditions and apply 500 gram urea, 800 gram Rajphos and one kg potash under rainfed conditions.
Ginger	Shoot borer	There is a chance of shoot borer in ginger. Spray 20 g <i>Beauveria</i> per one litre of water to control stem borer.
Turmeric	Leaf Blotch	During rainy season there is a chance of Leaf blotch in Turmeric. To control, spray 2 ml. Contaf (Hexaconazole) in one litre of water.
Vegetables (Cowpea)	Spodoptera	There is a chance of Spodoptera attack in cowpea. To control, spray chlorantraniliprole (coragen) 3 ml per ten litre of water.
Animal Husbandry	Sundry the cattle feed frequently to avoid fungal growth. Give foot and mouth disease (FMD) vaccination to the animal (caadeccs, kvasu, Mannuthy).	

(Information given by RRS Vyttila)