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**ERNAKULAM DISTRICT**

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**CURRENT SYNOPTIC SITUATION:** A cyclonic circulation lies over east-central & adjoining Northeast Bay of Bengal extending upto 5.8km above mean sea level tilting southwestwards with height.

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

Weather parameters	18.09.2021	19.09.2021	20.09.2021	21.09.2021	22.09.2021
Rainfall (mm)	10	10	10	10	10
Maximum temperature(°C )	31	31	31	31	31
Minimum temperature (°C )	25	25	25	25	24
Maximum Relative Humidity (%)	93	93	93	93	93
Minimum Relative Humidity (%)	72	72	72	72	72
Wind speed (kmph)	14	14	12	12	10
Wind direction (deg)	290	290	320	270	270
Total cloud cover (octa)	6	7	7	6	7

As per the forecast of IMD & KAU, there is a chance of light 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) Maturity stage	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.
Rice (Mundakan)	Land preparation	Land preparations for mundakan paddy can be started in kole paddy field, apply lime during nursery preparation. Seed treatment with pseudomonas can be done before sowing. (10 gram of pseudomonas for one kg of paddy seeds.)
Arecanut	Mahali	Keep the field clean. Destroy completely affected trees. As a prophylactic measure, spray 1% Bordeaux mixture or two gram Copper oxychloride with stickers at 40-45 days interval.
Nutmeg	Leaf fall	As a prophylactic measure, spray 1% bordeaux mixture to manage leaf fall during rainy season.
Ginger	Shoot borer	There is a chance of shoot borer in ginger and turmeric. Spray 20 g <i>Beauveria</i> per one litre of water to control stem borer.
	Rhizome rot	During rainy season, apply mixture of 15 gram bleaching powder and 250 gram lime in to the basin of three meter square bed to avoid the spreading of rhizome rot in ginger.
Turmeric	Leaf Blotch (Taphrina maculans)	As a prophylactic measure, spray 2ml hexaconazole (Contaf) <b>or</b> 1ml Propiconazole (Tilt) <b>or</b> 2.5 g copper oxychloride (Blitox or Blue copper) <b>or</b> 2 gram SAAF dissolved in one litre of water. Spraying can be continued at fortnightly intervals depending upon the intensity of the disease.
Animal Husbandry	Don't allow the animals to graze in water logged areas to avoid foot lesions. Give foot and mouth disease vaccination (F M D) to the animal. (caadeccs, kvasu, Mannuthy).	

(Information given by RRS Vyttila)