



Agromet Advisory Bulletin

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A. Weather Summary of preceding four days

Rainfall, mm	Max. temp., °C	Min. temp., °C	R. H., %	Wind speed, Km/h
00	35.5 - 36.4	26.0 – 28.0	68 - 87	00 - 10

B. Weather forecast for next five days

Parameters	09-04-2022	10-04-2022	11-04-2022	12-04-2022	13-04-2022
Rainfall, mm	15	11	4	0	0
Max. Temp, °C	36	36	36	36	36
Min. Temp, °C	26	26	26	27	27
Max. Relative Humidity, %	70	70	70	70	70
Min. Relative Humidity, %	60	60	60	60	60
Wind speed, km/h	2	2	4	3	3
Wind direction, degrees	360	320	320	290	290
Total cloud cover, octa	6	6	8	7	8

C. Agrometeorological Advisories

Crop	Stages	Problems	Agro-meteorological advisories	
	Isolated light to moderate rainfalls			
General conditions	The sky will be cloudy or partially cloudy. High atmospheric temperature and relative humidity will be experienced. There will be light to moderate rainfalls with lightning and thunderstorm in isolated places.			

General Recommen dations	Harvest all the ripened fields quickly. Do not heap the harvested products in the field itself. Take care while drying the harvested rice directly under the sun, especially during the afternoon periods.				
	Take care while drying the harvested products like rice, rubber, copra, pulses, vegetable seeds, etc directly under sun.				
	Give popping to all soft slender stemmed crops like banana, vegetables, climbers etc. Clean the drainage channels in crop lowlands to enable proper drainage of excess water in case of exigencies if any.				
	Keep animal feeds, seeds, fertilizers etc. in termite free and moist free rooms on elevated platforms coated with wooden pannels.				
	Summer rains have prime role in coping up drought. Hence maximum water harvesting should be ensured in the fields. Clean the rain pits. Cover the soil with dried leaves, especially the basins of crops. The opened tree basins which are partially filled after fertilizer application, can act as very good water harvesting structures. Divert the runoff water to such tree basins by drawing furrows.				
	In rice fallows, organic manure seeds (Daincha, sunhemp, cowpea etc) can be sow time. These can be harvested at its 45 days of growth, just before flowering. This help in fixing nitrogen into the soil, but also control the weeds growth in the field sufficient soil moisture at the time of harvest, incorporate them into the soil ploughing. Other wise use it for preparation of composts.				
	temperature. Also	Avoid activities under open field conditions during 12 AM to 3 PM on the days with hig temperature. Also avoid activities under open conditions while there is lightning and heav winds. Also do not expose livestock to such unfavorable weather conditions.			
Paddy (Late sown Mundakan crop)	Harvesting	Harvest all the ripened fields quickly. Do not heap the harvested products in the field itself. Take care while drying the harvested rice directly under the sun, especially during the afternoon periods.			
Paddy (Viruppu: First crop	Land preparation for broadcasting	Summer showers are predicted. Immediately after attaining sufficient moisture level in soil, land preparations can be started in places where broadcasting is preferred.			
season)		In rice fallows where transplanting is practiced during the first crop, organic manure seeds (Daincha, sunhemp, cowpea etc) can be sown during this time. These can be harvested at its 45 days of growth, just before flowering. This will not only help in fixing nitrogen into the soil, but also control the weeds growth in the fields. If there is sufficient soil moisture at the time of harvest, incorporate them into the soil through deep ploughing. Other wise use it for preparation of composts.			
Black Pepper	Bearing	Scale insects Spray neem based insecticide or Thiomethoxam (@ 3g/litre of water)			

Cucurbitaceo us vegetables	All stages	Downy mildew	As a prophylactic measure apply 'Mancozeb'(@ 2g/l of water). If disease appeared, spray Akomin® (@3ml/L) on both surfaces of the leaves, thrice at 15 days intervals.
Arecanut	Bearing palms	Inflorescence die back and button shedding	Warm humid conditions may cause this disease. Spray Hexaconazole (Contaf) @ 1 ml/litre or Bordeaux mixture 1%. Repeat after 20-25 days.
Mammalian livestock	Various stages of growth	Ticks are the vectors of many severely damaging disease causing organisms like protozoa. Also tick infestation may cause anemia, bloody urine, jaundice etc.	Usually after feeding the ticks fall on the ground and live in small holes in the ground as well as on the walls of the cattle shed. Hence controlled flaming (with dried leaves), the floor and walls of the cattle shed and also the ground were cattle lie outside the shed is advised. At the time of flaming the cattle should be kept temporarily away from the location. Soak cotton clothes in dilute Cypermethrin (1ml per 2 litrres of water) solution and wipe the whole body of the cattle once in a week. Spray Cypermethrin (diluted @1ml per litre of water) on the ground and walls of the cattle shed, and also wherever the cattle is sheltered during day time.

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