



Agromet Advisory Bulletin for the District, Kozhikode

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A. Weather Summary of preceding five days






Rainfall, mm	Max. temp., °C	Min. temp., °C	R. H., %	Wind speed, Km/h
11.5	33.0 – 35.3	24.0 – 25.2	65.0 – 87.2	00 – 06





B. Weather forecast for next Three days

Parameters	18-12-2021	19-12-2021	20-12-2021	21-12-2021	22-12-2021
Rainfall, mm	0	0	0	0	0
Max. Temp, °C	34	34	34	34	34
Min. Temp, °C	25	24	23	23	23
Max. Relative Humidity, %	85	85	85	85	85
Min. Relative Humidity, %	65	65	65	65	65
Wind speed, km/h	6	6	6	5	5
Wind direction, degrees	230	290	250	250	270
Total cloud cover, octa	4	3	4	3	3

C. Agrometeorological Advisories

Crop	Stages	Problems	Agro-meteorological advisories
General conditions	No rain		
	The sky will be cloudy to partially cloudy. Low night temperature and high day temperature will be experienced. Hence there will be large difference between day time temperature and night temperature. The atmospheric humidity also will be high.		
	Fungal diseases like blight, leaf spots and wilt may spread in crops. Keep vigilance. Take control measures in the beginning stage of diseases.		
In plantation crops, water conservation measures should be adopted. Powdering the top soil uniformly spreading in the field, rain water harvesting pits (for which the bunds are strengthened by pineapple, vetiver etc.), cover cropping (especially with leguminous plants), coconut husk/coir pith drenching etc. will help to conserve the post monsoon rain water for a long period of time in the fields.			

Coconut	All stages	<p>Rhinoceros beetle</p>  <p>Dwarf varieties and young palms are more vulnerable to the attack.</p>	<p>Take out the beetles from the attacked palm crown using beetle hook. Swab the hole made by the beetles with Bordeaux paste to prevent entry of fungus through the cut surface.</p> <p>Old fishnets can be used for controlling the pest. Cut the nets into pieces of size 1m x 0.5m. Keep the middle portion of the net, lengthwise into the axils of 3rd and 4th leaf whirls of the palm. Push the net firmly with small stones into the axils. The hanging sides of the net should be kept open. The beetles will be trapped in the nets and get destroyed. Care should be taken to move the nets to upper leaf axils accordingly while fresh leaves are emerging.</p>
Black pepper	All stages	<p>Pollu disease</p> 	<p>Spray hexaconazole (@ 2ml/litre of water)</p>
Cashew	Seedlings (up to four years)	<p>Tea mosquito attack and associated fungal diseases</p> 	<p>Prophylactic spray of combination of Bordeaux mixture (1% strength) + quinalphos (2ml/litre of the Bordeaux mixture)</p> <p>If die back is seen apply combination of hexaconazole and malathione (@ hexaconazole 1ml + malathione 1ml per litre of water)</p>
Jack	Various stages	<p>Fruit fall due to fungal infections</p> 	<p>Spray Bordeaux mixture (1% strength)</p>
Mango	Flowering stage	<p>Mango hoppers</p> 	<p>Spray Azadirachtin (@5ml/litre Azadirachtin 3000pmm)</p>

Mango	Different stages	<p>Anthracnose disease</p> 	Spray copper oxy chloride or hexaconazole (@ 2ml/litre of water)
Pumpkin	All stages	<p>Pumpkin beetle</p> 	<p>Apply malathion 50 EC @ 2 ml / litre of water or malathion 50 EC @ 2 ml + neem oil 4ml per litre of water.</p> <p>After irrigation, drench the soil with malathion 50 EC @ 2 ml / litre of water. After the application of insecticide, with hold irrigation on next two days.</p>
Bitter gourd	All stages	<p>Downy mildew</p> 	<p>As a prophylactic measure apply 'Mancozeb'(@ 2g/l of water).</p> <p>If disease appeared, spray Saaf (2g/litre of water)</p>
Arecanut	Bearing stage	<p>Inflorescence die back and button shedding</p> 	Spray Mancozeb 2gm/litre or Bordeaux mixture 1%. Repeat after 20-25 days.