



# **Agromet Advisory Bulletin**

**Kozhikode District** 

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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 |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------|------------------|
| 90.1         | 28.8 - 33.4    | 24.0 - 26.0    | 78 - 98  | 00 - 06          |

#### B. Weather forecast for next five days

| Parameters                | 29-06-2022 | 30-06-2022 | 01-07-2022 | 02-07-2022 | 03-07-2022 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Rainfall, mm              | 10         | 14         | 12         | 9          | 6          |
| Max. Temp, °C             | 32         | 32         | 32         | 32         | 32         |
| Min. Temp, °C             | 25         | 25         | 25         | 25         | 25         |
| Max. Relative Humidity, % | 92         | 92         | 92         | 92         | 92         |
| Min. Relative Humidity, % | 82         | 82         | 82         | 82         | 82         |
| Wind speed, km/h          | 4          | 4          | 4          | 4          | 4          |
| Wind direction, degrees   | 250        | 250        | 250        | 250        | 250        |
| Total cloud cover, octa   | 8          | 8          | 8          | 8          | 8          |

### C. Agrometeorological Advisories

| Crop                           | Stages   | Problems | Agro-meteorological advisories |  |
|--------------------------------|--|----------|--------------------------------|--|
|                                | Isolated heavy rainfalls   |          |                                |  |
| General conditions             | There will be Isolated heavy rainfalls (upto 115.5 mm within a time span of 24 hours. As per the extended there will be rainfalls in the next week also.  The sky will be cloudy. High relative humidity will be experienced. The atmospheric temperature will drop. |          |                                |  |
| General<br>Recommen<br>dations | The increased temperature and humidity that was experienced during the last few days may cause the spread of fungal diseases like rots and wilts in coconut, arecanut, black pepper, rubber, ginger, banana etc.   |          |                                |  |
|                                | Keep hygiene in plantations. Infected nuts, leaves and tree parts should be removed from the fields and burnt.   |          |                                |  |
|                                | Give popping to all soft slender stemmed crops like banana, vegetables, climbers etc.  |          |                                |  |
|                                | Do not shelter the cattle in weak structures.  |          |                                |  |
|                                | Keep animal feeds, seeds, fertilizers etc. in termite free and moist free rooms on elevated platforms coated with wooden panels.   |          |                                |  |

|         | content in the soil.   | Planting of tree crops can be continued. The pits can be taken if there is sufficient moisture content in the soil. Ensure proper distance between the plants. The $^2/_3$ portions of the pits should be filled with the mixture of topsoil and powdered dry cow dung/compost. |   |  |  |
|---------|--|---|---|--|--|
|         | Care should be taken to keep the graft/bud unions above the ground while planting grafted/budded planting materials of tree crops        |   |   |  |  |
|         | Tree crops can be given fertilizers now  If possible keep a buffer stock of paddy seeds, for catch cop if any exigent conditions arises. |   |   |  |  |
|         |  |   |   |  |  |
| Paddy   | Tillering  | Stem borer  | Keep Trichogamma cards (@ 2 cards/ Acre of land)in the fields   |  |  |
|         |  |   | If attack is seen, apply Chlorantraniliprole 18.5% W/W SC @ 3ml per 10L of water  |  |  |
| Paddy   | Tillering  | Leaf folder   | If leaf folder attack is seen, unfold the leaves by rolling thorny wires/twigs over the canopy. If the attack is severe spot spraying of flubendiamide @ 1.0 ml/10L is recommended. Attack will be more in shaded conditions. Avoid excessive Nitrogenous fertilizers   |  |  |
| Coconut | All stages   | Stem bleeding   | Chisel out the affected parts and apply Bordeaux paste.  Drench the palm basin (2m radius) with 40 litres of 1% Bordeaux mixture or soil drenching of Hexaconazole (Contaf®) 25ml/25 litre of water once in 4 months.  After one month, apply 5 kg Trichoderma enriched neem cake and 500g of Ayar® (micro nutrient mixture)  As a prophylactic measure apply the Trichoderma enriched neem cake and Ayar to the surrounding palms also if stem bleeding is prominent in the locality |  |  |
| Coconut | All stages   | Bud rot   | Detection of disease at its early stage will help to adopt efficient corrective measures. Cut and remove the affected tissues from the crown and apply Bordeaux paste. After that cover the cut surface with polythene sheets to protect it from rain falls until new leaf emerges.  Burn the removed tissues immediately.  |  |  |
|         |  |   | As a prophylactic measure apply Trichoderma cakes of spray 1% Bordeaux mixture into the   |  |  |

|                               |                          |                        | axils of top leaves of the surrounding palms  |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Black<br>pepper               | Planting                 | Wilt disease           | As prophylactic measure, apply 150 gram of Trichoderma enriched neem cake - cow dung mixture in the basins of the vines and incorporate thoroughly with the soil.  If disease already appeared, Spray Redomil 0.2% (2g/litre of water) on the leaves and stem   |
| Cucurbitaceo<br>us vegetables | All stages               | Downy mildew           | 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.  |
| Ginger                        | Early growth stage       | Bacterial wilt disease | Use the seed materials which collected from the disease free places only. Dip the planting materials in streptocyclin (200mg/litre) solution for 30 seconds before sowing.  Apply lime @ 200 kg per acre of land and thoroughly mix with soil.  Use bio control agents, Trichoderma/Pseudomonas.  The affected plants if cut and kept in a glass of water, a white thread like bacterial oozing can be seen.  Pull out and destroy the affected plants immediately when the disease is noticed.  Drench the fields with 1% Bordeaux mixture |
| Banana                        | Various stages of growth | Sigatoka leaf spot     | There should not be any water stagnation in the basins of the crop.  As prophylactic measures spray Pseudomonas (@ 20g/litre) at fortnight intervals.  If disease appears:- Cut and burn all affected leaves.  Spray Carbendazim and Mancozeb (@ 2ml per litre) alternatively at fortnight interval   |

| Cashew    | Various stages | Fungal diseases  | Prophylactic spray of combination of Bordeaux mixture (1% strength) mixed with adhesive is recommended.  If die back is seen, cut and burn the affected parts. Apply Bordeaux paste (10% strength) mixed with an adhesive on the cut surface |
|-----------|----------------|------------------|--|
| Areca nut | All stages     | Crown rot/Mahali | Apply 1% Bordeaux mixture or 0.3% copper oxychloride solution.  Incorporate lime or dolomite @ 1 kg/palm to the basins of the palms. Apply borax @ 100g/palm and zinc sulphate @ 100g/palm and magnesium sulphate @250g/palm                 |

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