





#### **Agromet Advisory Bulletin for PALAKKAD District**

(Valid from 12.06.2024 to 16.06.2024)

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### A. Medium range weather forecast of IMD for next five days

| Weather parameters            | 12.06, 2024 | 13.06.2024 | 14.06. 2024 | 15.06. 2024 | 16.06.2024 |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Rainfall (mm)                 | 10          | 8          | 4           | 8           | 1          |
| Maximum temperature (°C)      | 32          | 32         | 34          | 34          | 34         |
| Minimum temperature (°C)      | 24          | 24         | 25          | 25          | 25         |
| Maximum Relative Humidity (%) | 95          | 95         | 95          | 95          | 95         |
| Minimum Relative Humidity (%) | 74          | 74         | 74          | 74          | 74         |
| Wind speed (kmph)             | 4           | 6          | 8           | 6           | 8          |
| Wind direction (deg)          | 250         | 250        | 250         | 250         | 230        |
| Total cloud cover (octa)      | 8           | 8          | 8           | 8           | 8          |

Weather summary / Alert: Thunderstorm with lightning is very likely to occur at one or two places in Kerala on 11 th & Dune 2024.

SMS: - As per the forecast of IMD, there is a chance of Moderate rainfall is expected in isolated places of the district. Normal rainfall is expected in Kerala.

# B. Agrometeorological Advisories for crop protection & management

#### C. General and Agro meteorological Advisories

Special crop management is required for agricultural crops before monsoon season. Proper drainage facilities have to be ensured. If the soil is more acidic, add lime as per soil testing. Pesticides should not be applied during rainy period. Provide supports for the bananas. Make the vegetable pandals stronger. Avoid standing in open areas to protect farmers and livestock from lightning and thunder.

| Crop           | Pest/ Disease            | Crop/ Animal Advisory  |  |
|----------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| Rice (virippu) | Sowing/Transp<br>lantig  | Time of land preparation in paddy fields, 140 kg of lime can be applied per acre. During rainy period, there is a chance of sheath blight, sheath rot, leaf spot disease etc. As a prophylactic measure, either soak one kg of paddy seeds or dip root of seedlings in a solution of Pseudomonas culture @10gram of Pseudomonas culture per one litre of water for 30 minutes. |  |
| Banana         | Rhizome rot disease      | I drainage tacilities have to be ensured. As a precaution, drench the basin  |  |
| Nutmeg         | Organic fertilization    | One year old plants can be given 10 kg of manure or compost per plant.   |  |
| Pepper         | Organic<br>fertilization | At the beginning of the rainy season the first dose of fertilizer can be applied to pepper plants. A basin of 10 to 15 cm depth and 30 to 40 cm. diameter should be taken. 10 kg of manure or compost can be applied per plant and add some soil.  |  |

Animal Husbandry: - Deworm the animals after dung examination. Take precautions to avoid ecto parasitic infestation. Care should be taken to prevent rat breeding in the premises of cattle shed to prevent leptospirosis..