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**PALAKKAD DISTRICT**

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**The Agricultural advisory of this bulletin is not applicable in flood-affected areas.**

**CURRENT SYNOPTIC SITUATION:**

A cyclonic circulation lies over North Bay of Bengal and adjoining Bangladesh . A cyclonic circulation lies over southeast Tamil Nadu and neighbourhood at 7.6 km above mean sea level . A cyclonic circulation lies over Lakshadweep area and neighbourhood at 4.5 km above mean sea level .

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

Weather parameters	24.08.2018	25.08.2018	26.08.2018	27.08.2018	28.08.2018
Rainfall (mm)	2	2	2	10	12
Maximum temperature (°C )	32	32	32	32	32
Minimum temperature (°C )	24	24	24	24	24
Total cloud cover (octa)	6	6	7	7	7
Maximum Relative Humidity (%)	95	95	95	95	95
Minimum Relative Humidity (%)	75	75	75	75	75
Wind speed (kmph)	005	005	005	005	005
Wind direction (deg)	290	290	290	290	290

**Below normal rainfall is expected in Kerala for the coming week.**

**Light rainfall is expected in Palakkad district for coming days.**

**AGRO-METEOROLOGICAL ADVISORIES:**

Crop	Crop stage	Pest/ Disease	Advisories
Paddy	Milky stage	Rice bug	To control rice bug in paddy, spray 2 ml malathion per 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.
Banana	Bunching stage	Sigatoka disease	Due to monsoon showers, there is a chance of Sigatoka disease in banana. As a precaution, Spray <i>Pseudomonas</i> 20g/litre. In case of severe attack, spray 2 ml <i>hexaconazole</i> or 1 ml <i>propiconazole</i> per one litre of water by mixing it with a sticker and spray on both the surface of the leaf.
Pepper	-	Foot rot	Due to continous rain, there is a chance of foot rot in pepper. Add 2 kg Trichoderma to a mixture of 90 kg FYM and 10 kg Neemcake and kept for two weeks with sufficient moisture. Add 2.5 kg of this mixture to each matured vine to control foot rot of pepper. Severly affected pepper vines should be sprayed with and soil should be drenched with 1% Bordeaux mixture or 20 g <i>Pseudomonas fluorescens</i> or 2.5 g copper oxychloride or 2 g copper hydroxide in one litre of water.
Animal Husbandry	Avoid grazing of the animals in waterlogged areas. Farmers should be aware of leptospirosis (CAADECCS, KVASU, Mannuthy)		