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**THRISSUR DISTRICT**

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**SIGNIFICANT WEATHER FOR THE PRECEDING WEEK AT VELLANIKKARA:**

The total rainfall received 0.0 mm. The maximum temperature ranges from 35.9C to 38.2C, minimum temperature ranges from 20.6°C to 23.6°C. Morning relative humidity ranges from 64% to 93% and afternoon relative humidity ranges from 27% to 34%. Wind speed ranges from 2.1 to 5.8 km/h. Bright sunshine hours range from 8.9 to 10.2 hours. Evaporation ranges from 4.4 to 6.8 mm.

**CURRENT SYNOPTIC SITUATION :** A cyclonic circulation lies over Comorin area and adjoining Sri Lanka extending upto 0.9 km above mean sea level.

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

Weather parameters	10.03.2021	11.03.2021	12.03.2021	13.03.2021	14.03.2021
Rainfall (mm)	1	3	1	1	0
Maximum temperature(°C )	38	38	37	36	36
Minimum temperature (°C )	23	23	23	23	23
Maximum Relative Humidity (%)	80	80	80	80	80
Minimum Relative Humidity (%)	57	57	57	57	57
Wind speed (kmph)	8	4	10	2	6
Wind direction (deg)	230	70	230	20	70
Total cloud cover (octa)	7	8	7	2	1

Very light rainfall is forecasted in isolated places of the district by IMD & KAU. Below normal rainfall is expected in Kerala

**AGRO-METEOROLOGICAL ADVISORIES:**

Crop	Pest/ Disease	Advisories
<b>General Advisories:</b> Precaution should be taken during drying of agricultural products and spraying of pesticides.		
Rice (Mundakan) Harvesting stage	Brown Plant Hopper (BPH)	There is a chance of brown plant hopper attack in rice. Spray 2gram Thiamethoxam per ten litre of water.
	Rice bug	There is a chance of rice bug attack in paddy. To control, keep the field and bunds free of weeds and grasses. Avoid over lapping cultivation in an area. Spray fish jaggery extract (20 ml/litre of water) or spray chitin based <i>Pseudomonas fluorescens</i> 20 gram in one litre of water. If the attack was severe, spray Azadirachtin 10 ml or Malathion 2 ml 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. Spraying should be in spiral manner, beginning at the field bunds and progressing towards the field centre.
	Lakshmi disease	There is a chance lakshmi disease attack in paddy, destruction of straw and stubble from infected plant is recommended. If the attack is severe spray 1.5 gram Copper hydroxide (Kocide) in one liter of water at 50% flowering stage.
	Glume discolouration	During the 50% panicle emergence stage, there is a chance of glume discolouration in rice. To control this, spray 2 gram Kocide per one litre of water.
Cucumber	Pumpkin Beetle	Sowing of cucumber can be done. Apply neem cake at the base for preventing pumpkin beetle.
Animal Husbandry		Give 30g sodium bicarbonate with one tea spoon yeast mixed in feed to avoid indigestion and acidity.