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Observed weather during last week (Dated 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 to 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024)								Weather Parameters		Weather Forecast Valid for 23 <sup>rd</sup> March to 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2024				
16/03	17/03	18/03	19/03	20/03	21/03	22/03	Date		23/03	24/03	25/03	26/03	27/03	
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Rainfall (mm)		0.2	0.1	0	0	0	
35.9	36.0	36.2	37.2	38.2	36.8	38.0	T <sub>max</sub> ( <sup>0</sup> C)		39	39	39	39	39	
25.4	25.0	25.4	24.9	25.6	26.2	26.7	$T_{min}(^{0}C)$		27	26	25	25	25	
Partially cloudy	Cloudy	Partially cloudy	Partially cloudy	Partially cloudy	Partially cloudy	Cloudy	AM	Cloud	Cloudy	Partially	Partially	Partially	Partially	
Partially cloudy	Partially cloudy	Partially cloudy	Partially cloudy	Cloudy	Partially cloudy		PM	cover	Cloudy	cloudy	cloudy	cloudy	cloudy	
89	89	89	87	87	69	86	RH-I (%)		79	79	79	79	79	
57	54	50	33	51	30		RH-II (%)		61	61	61	61	61	
2.3	2.0	2.5	2.3	2.2	3.4	3.9	Wind Speed (km/hr.)		4	2	2	3	3	
C	C	C	C	NNE	ENE	ESE	AM	Wind	WNW	W	WCW	W	W	
SW	SSE	NNW	SW	WSW	NNE		PM	direction	VV IN VV	VV	WSW	VV	VV	
Rainfall (mm) in last week				Rainfall (mm) from 01/01/2024 to till dated					Rainfall (mm) from 01/03/2024 to today					
0.0				132.2					0.0					

Weather summary / Alert: Maximum temperatures are very likely to be around 39C in Thrissur district during 22.03.2024 to 26.03.2024.

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

## General and Agrometeorological Advisories for Thrissur District

The following are immediate steps to be followed to protect farmers, plants, and birds from the summer heat. Drink plenty of clean water from time to time to prevent dehydration. Avoid going out in hot weather to get rid of sunburn while going. Try to use a hat or an umbrella to prevent direct sunlight. Since dry and hot weather is prevailed, crops can be irrigated to ensure adequate soil moisture. Crops should not be irrigated during strong sunlight. Drip irrigation can reduce water loss to some extent.

Crop	Pest/ Disease	Crop/ Animal Advisory
Puncha rice (Panicle emergence stage	-	As a prophylactic measure to fungal diseases and to boost immunity, spray 20 grams of Pseudomonas in one liter of water.
Coconut Tree	-	Since dry weather condition is prevailed, irrigate coconut palm as per requirement. It is a desirable practice to bury fresh or dried coconut husk in the coconut basin to conserve soil moisture. Apply lime (white colour) on the coconut stem near the ground to protect from hot sun.
Pepper	-	Pepper plants can be irrigated once a week. The water should be kept in basins of one and a half meter diameter around the plants. It is also good to mulch with dry leaves or something.

Animal Husbandry: - To avoid indigestion and acidity in cattle's, give 30g sodium bicarbonate with one tea spoon yeast mixed with cattle feed. (CAADECCS, KVASU, Mannuthy).