

## Agromet Advisory Bulletin for the District, Kozhikode (Valid from 08.11.2023to 12.11.2023)



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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 |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------|------------------|
| 85.4         | 30.2 - 34.0    | 24.4 - 26.2    | 69 – 96  | 00 - 06          |

## B.Weather forecast for next five days

| Parameters                | 08-11-2023 | 09-11-2023 | 10-11-2023 | 11-11-2023 | 12-11-2023 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Rainfall, mm              | 4          | 4          | 2          | 2          | 0.1        |
| Max. Temp, °C             | 34         | 34         | 34         | 34         | 34         |
| Min. Temp,°C              | 25         | 25         | 25         | 25         | 25         |
| Max. Relative Humidity, % | 96         | 92         | 92         | 92         | 92         |
| Min. Relative Humidity, % | 76         | 70         | 70         | 70         | 70         |
| Wind speed,km/h           | 2          | 2          | 2          | 2          | 2          |
| Wind direction, degrees   | 270        | 320        | 320        | 250        | 290        |
| Total cloud cover, octa   | 8          | 8          | 8          | 8          | 8          |

## C. Agrometeorological Advisories

| Crop                              | Stages   | Problems | Agro-meteorological advisories |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|--------------------------------|--|--|
|                                   | Light to Moderate rainfalls **   |          |                                |  |  |
| <u>General</u>                    | The sky will be cloudy. High relative humidity will be experienced.  |          |                                |  |  |
| <u>conditions</u>                 | Low night temperature and high day temperature will be experienced. Hence there will be distinct difference between day time temperature and night temperature.  |          |                                |  |  |
|                                   | There will be light rainfalls (from 2.5mm to 15.5 mm within a time span of 24 hours) in most places from November 07 <sup>th</sup> to November 11 <sup>th</sup> .  |          |                                |  |  |
| General                           | Ensure sufficient drainage in crop fields.   |          |                                |  |  |
| <u>Recommen</u><br><u>dations</u> | The weather is favorable for the spread of fungal diseases like bud rot of coconut, mahali in arecanut, quick wilt in black pepper, rhizome rot diseases in ginger and turmeric.   |          |                                |  |  |
|                                   | Maintain hygiene conditions in crop fields. Infected and fallen nuts, leaves and tree parts should be removed from the fields and burnt.   |          |                                |  |  |
|                                   | Provide propping to tender stem crops like banana, tomato etc. Ensure sufficient drainage in crop<br>fields. Beware of lightning. Give popping to slender stemmed and easily lodging crops lik<br>banana, vegetables etc. Take care while drying the harvested produces like rubber, cashew nut<br>copra etc., directly under the sun. |          |                                |  |  |

| Vegetables   | Transplanting/ sowing | <ul> <li>While preparing the land, incorporate lime @ 4kg/cent to the soil. Use Trichoderma enriched farm yard manure/compost. This will check the spread of wilt diseases.</li> <li>Before transplanting, dip the roots of the seedlings in slurry of pseudomonas (20g pseudomonas/litre of water) for 30 minutes. This will help the seedlings to grow vigorously.</li> <li>Also the seedlings can be sprayed with diluted pseudomonas culture solution (@20ml dissolved in one litre of water).</li> </ul> |   |  |
|--------------|-----------------------|---|---|--|
| Coconut      | All stages            | Bud rot   | Detection of disease at its early stage will<br>help to adopt efficient corrective<br>measures. Cut and remove the affected<br>tissues from the crown and apply<br>Bordeaux paste. After that cover the cut<br>surface with polythene sheets to protect it<br>from rain falls until new leaf emerges.<br>Burn the removed tissues immediately.<br>As a prophylactic measure spray 1%<br>Bordeaux mixture into the axils of top<br>leaves of the surrounding palms   |  |
| Coconut      | All stages            | Red palm weevil   | The palms can be saved only if the attack<br>is diagnosed at an early stage. Hence<br>more frequently inspect the palms. The<br>attack can be diagnosed by the presence<br>of yellowing of upper and middle whirls<br>of leaves and holes at the jointing region<br>of leaf petioles to the trunk. Insect<br>excrement, pupal cases etc. may also be<br>seen in the crown or basins of the palms.<br>Control: Prepare Imidachlorprid solution<br>(@ 1ml/litre of water) and fill in the<br>holes. Adopt field sanitation. |  |
| Coconut      | All stages            | Leaf/inflorescence rot  | Apply 1% Bordeaux mixture or 0.3% copper oxychloride solution in the heart of the crown. Apply lime. Spray borax also on leaves @ 5g/l. Also adopt all the basal management practices as described for the yellowing, above.  |  |
| Black pepper | All stages            | Foot rot  | As prophylactic measure, apply 150 gram<br>of Trichoderma enriched neem cake -<br>cow dung mixture in the basins of the<br>vines and incorporate thoroughly with the<br>soil.If disease already appeared, drench<br>soil in the plant basins with Redomil<br>0.2% (2g/litre of water). Spray the same<br>on the leaves also.  |  |

| Banana       | All stages   | Pseudostem weevil     | Adopt good field sanitation.<br>Apply Beauveria bassiana @ 20 g/l at 5, 6<br>and 7 month after planting.  |
|--------------|--|-----------------------|---|
| Cashew       | Pre-bearing stages   | Tea mosquito bug      | Prophylactic measures:<br>1) The fungal biological control agent,<br><i>Beavaria bassiana</i> can be sprayed @<br>20g/L<br>Or<br>2) Spray 1% Bordeaux mixture mixed<br>with quinalphos (2ml/litre of Bordeaux<br>mixture) |
| Bitter gourd | Early growth stage   | Bacterial wilt        | Keep the field clean and spray antibiotic strepto cycline 1 capsule per 2 litre.  |
| Brinjal      | Flowering and fruit<br>setting<br>our codes of rainfall (for dis | Shoot and Fruit borer | Remove and destroy affected fruits and<br>shoots. Spray chlorantraniliprole (coragen<br>3ml per 101 of water) 2-3 times at weekly<br>interval.  |

\*\* Warning colour codes of rainfall (for disaster management)

| Warning (Take actions) | Alert (Be prepared) | Watch (Be updated) | No warning (No actions) |
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