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AGRO-ADVISORY BULLETIN FOR KODAGU DISTRICT

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Past Weather Data

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Parameter	13.08.2024	14.08.2024	15.08.2024	16.08.2024			
Rainfall (mm)	22.5	20	2.5	1			
Max. Temp. (°C)	33.3	30.9	31.1	31.3			
Min. Temp. (°C)	20.7	19.7	21.8	22			
Sky condition (Octas)	-	-	-	-			
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	100	99	100	85			
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	99	94	99	82			
Wind Speed (km/h)	-	-	-	-			
Wind Direction	-	-	-	-			

Weather forecast for the next five days (From 17-08-2024 to 21-08-2024)						
Parameter	17.08.2024	18.08.2024	19.08.2024	20.08.2024	21.08.2024	
Rainfall (mm)	7	5	4	4	4	
Max. Temp. (°C)	29	29.7	30.5	32.9	32.3	
Min. Temp. (°C)	18.4	19.1	19.3	20	19.3	
Sky condition (Octas)	8	8	8	8	8	
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	97	96	96	93	95	
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	78	70	68	62	68	
Wind Speed (kmph)	7	5	5	4	5	
Wind Direction	292	290	225	225	135	

Forecast Summary

As forecast received from IMD, cloudy sky with light rainfall may be expected from 17.08.2024 to 21.08.2024 in Kodagu district. The day temperature is expected to be $29-32.9^{\circ}$ C & night temperature is expected $18.4-20^{\circ}$ C. The relative humidity in the morning hours is expected to be 93-97% & afternoon relative humidity is expected to be in the range of 62-78%. Wind speed expected to be 4-7 km/hr.

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Recommen	dations to	the farmers:
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Crop	Pest/Disease	Damage symptoms	Control measures

General Advisory

General recommendations for agricultural activities based on the given rainfall forecast:

- Since light rainfall is expected, monitor soil moisture levels and provide supplemental irrigation if necessary, especially for crops in critical growth stages like flowering and fruit development.
- Ensure proper drainage in fields to prevent waterlogging, particularly for crops sensitive to excess moisture, like tomato and banana.
- Apply fertilizers based on crop requirements, focusing on nutrients that support current growth stages (e.g., potassium for fruit development in banana and nitrogen for vegetative growth in paddy).
- Regularly inspect crops for signs of pests and diseases, and apply appropriate control measures if needed. Humid conditions can promote disease outbreaks, so preventive fungicide application may be necessary.
- Use organic mulches to conserve soil moisture, suppress weeds, and regulate soil temperature, benefiting crops like turmeric, ginger, and tomato.
- For crops ready for harvest, like tobacco and sunflower, plan harvesting activities during dry periods to ensure quality and ease of operation.
- Provide support to crops prone to lodging or falling over, such as tomato and chilli, to maintain plant health and fruit quality.
- For crops like coffee, ensure adequate shade is provided to protect plants from heat stress during sunny periods.
- Store harvested produce in cool, dry conditions to maintain quality and prevent spoilage.

Crop	Stage	Weather-based Advisory
Banana	Fruit development	Ensure proper drainage to prevent waterlogging. Apply potassium-rich fertilizers to support fruit growth. Monitor for pest and disease outbreaks.
Tomato	Fruit development	Mulch around plants to conserve moisture. Support plants with stakes or cages. Apply fungicides if necessary to prevent blight.
Paddy	Transplanting to vegetative	Maintain proper water levels in fields to support transplanting. Apply nitrogen fertilizers to boost vegetative growth.
Tobacco	Harvesting	Harvest mature leaves in the morning to maintain quality. Cure harvested leaves under controlled conditions.
Pulses (Black gram, Green gram, Cowpea)	Flowering	Ensure adequate soil moisture during flowering. Monitor for pests like pod borers and apply necessary controls.
Chilli	Transplanting	Transplant in the evening to reduce transplant shock. Ensure soil is well-drained and apply a balanced fertilizer to promote root establishment.
Sunflower	Harvesting	Harvest when the back of the sunflower heads turn yellow. Dry seeds thoroughly before storage.
Turmeric and Ginger	Rhizome development	Ensure consistent soil moisture to support rhizome growth. Apply organic mulches to conserve moisture and suppress weeds.
Coffee	Berry development	Provide shade to protect berries from heat stress. Maintain soil moisture through irrigation if necessary. Monitor for pests like berry borer.

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Tomato		Caterpillar bore the flower buds and fruits. Infested flower buds
Fruit borer		with hole and drops off, fruit with a hole, water enter through the
		hole leads to rotting.
		Trap crop: For every 25 rows of tomato grow one row of
	Fruiting	marigold cultivar African tall. The marigold seedlings about 35-
		40 days old. If borer problems exceeds 10 per cent spray 4 per
		cent. NSKE or 100 LE, Ha. NPV. If infestation in severe form
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		spray 1.0 g. Methomil 40 SP. in a lit. water
		Remove the adult beetle from crown of the palm by means of
		iron hook.
		Quinalphos 1.5 D.
	Rhinoceros	OR
Coconut		Malathion 5 D. mix with equal quantity of sand and plug the hole
	beetle	with mixture.
		Avoid FYM pits in and around coconut garden
		OR
		Mix 350 g.Quinalphos 1.5 D/ 3 m2 of FYM.
		> Seed treatment: Treat the seeds @ 4 g. Carbendazim 50 WP. or
		Tricyclazole 75 WP. @ 0.6 g./kg. seed.
		Nursery spray
		> When seedlings are 10 -12 days old spray any one of the
	Transplanting	following fungicides to a lit. water.
Paddy leaf and	to	a) Carbendazim 50 WP 1.0 g.
neck blast		b) Tricyclazole 75 WP 0.6 g.
	Vegetative	c) Edifenphos 50 EC 1.0 ml.
		d) Kitazin 48 EC 1.0 ml.
		20 - 25 days after transplanting if disease incidence above 5 per
		cent sprays any one fungicide mention above. If necessary spray
		at flowering stage. 200 - 300 lits. spray solution/acre.
Maize	Vegetative	Use chlorantraniliprole or Emamectin benzoate for fall
Fall army worm	stage	armyworm. Regular monitoring.
	stage	· ·
Avare pod borer	Pod	Dust 10 kg. Fenvalrate 0.4 D.
	development	OR
	- F	Malathion 5 D. per acre during morning hours.
Ginger rhizome		Plant disease free seed material
rot		Treat the planting materials in 4.0 g.Mancozeb 75 Wdiv. in a lit.
		water.
	Rhizome	On notice of the disease spray 2.0 g. Captan 50 Wdiv.
	development	OR
	_	2.0 g. Metalaxyl - MZ 72Wdiv. in a lit. water.
		Before store of seed material soak them in 3.0 g. Mancozeb 75
		Wdiv. in a lit. water for 30 min then dry in shade and store.
Bean pod borer	Pod	II with water for 50 min then dry in blidde did blote.
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	development	A 11/2 A 12 A C 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Coconut		Addition to application of recommended NPK add 1 kg.
Eriophyid mites		Gypsum, 50 g. Boran, 5 kg. neem oil cake/palm.
		Spray 80 WP. Sulphur @ 4 g./lit. water on 2 - 6 months old
	-	tender nuts.
		Root feeding the mixture of 7.5 ml. Neemzol.
		OR
		10 ml. Econeem with equal quantity of water.
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Block level weather forecast (From 17-08-2024 to 21-08-2024)							
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Parameter 17.08.2024 18.08.2024 19.08.2024 20.08.2024 21.08.2024							
Rainfall (mm)	26	8.1	15.1	33.2	3.9		
Max. temp (°C)	29.3	28.1	30.1	30.6	29		
Min.Temp (°C)	21	21.3	21.5	21.3	20.9		
Sky condition (Octas)	8	8	7	8	8		
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	99	99	97	97	97		
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	74	77	72	64	75		
Wind Speed (kmph)	4	4	4	6	8		
Wind Direction	246	315	63	161	204		

Somvarpet						
Parameter	17.08.2024	18.08.2024	19.08.2024	20.08.2024	21.08.2024	
Rainfall (mm)	25.4	7.7	12.9	27.2	5.8	
Max. temp (°C)	28.2	28.5	28.6	28.7	27.4	
Min.Temp (°C)	18.9	19.3	19.7	19.2	19	
Sky condition (Octas)	8	8	8	8	8	
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	98	98	97	95	97	
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	68	71	69	63	75	
Wind Speed (kmph)	6	6	6	7	9	
Wind Direction	248	293	105	158	238	

Virajpet						
Parameter	17.08.2024	18.08.2024	19.08.2024	20.08.2024	21.08.2024	
Rainfall (mm)	16.2	11.4	9.3	23.4	2.4	
Max. temp (°C)	29.2	28.6	31.6	30.8	28.2	
Min.Temp (°C)	21.9	22.1	22.3	21.7	21.5	
Sky condition (Octas)	8	8	7	7	8	
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	98	97	95	97	97	
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	65	70	63	62	76	
Wind Speed (kmph)	5	4	4	5	8	
Wind Direction	246	252	65	171	204	

- Download "DAMINI" app to get early warning on lightening and take precautions based on the alert given by the application.
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- This information is available in the website: mausam.imd.gov.in

For any information farmers can contact **Dr. C. Ramachandra**, Senior Farm Superintendent/ **Dr. Sumanth Kumar.G.V**, Technical officer over phone No. 0821-259126/9535345814.

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