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**West Central Table Land Zone**

**Balangir**

According to medium range weather forecast of IMD, MC, Bhubaneswar, there is a chance of occurrence of very light rainfall along with partly to generally cloudy sky is expected at the middle of upcoming week. The maximum and minimum temperature is likely to be ranges between 39-40<sup>0</sup>C and 24-25<sup>0</sup>C respectively during this week. The maximum and minimum relative humidity may vary between 32-40% and 13-16% respectively. The SW/SE/S wind with a speed of 10-12 km/hr is predicted during upcoming days.

Date	29-03-2024	30-03-2024	31-03-2024	01-04-2024	02-04-2024
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	4	3	0
Max Temperature (° C)	39	39	40	40	40
Min Temperature (° C)	24	25	25	25	24
Total cloud cover (okta)	0	0	4	5	4
Max Relative Humidity (%)	38	40	36	32	32
Min Relative Humidity (%)	15	16	16	13	13
Wind speed (km/h)	10	11	12	11	12
Wind direction (deg)	248	135	248	180	180

For further information, contact the IMD, Bhubaneswar, Tel. # 0674-2596116

**General Advisory**

- As there is a chance of dry weather condition along with increase maximum temperature is expected during upcoming week so farmers are advised to apply need based irrigation in crop field and conduct fertilizer application and spraying operations during that period. But due to chance of occurrence of cloudy weather along with very light rain at the middle of upcoming week farmers are advised to take proper care during spraying operations and keep the harvested produce in safe place. Mulching should be done with crop residue, straw /polythene to conserve soil moisture as well as maintain soil temperature.
- Present weather condition is favourable for increasing the population of different diseases and insects in crop field so its regular monitoring should be advised.
- Avoid grazing of animal during noon hours in open place because there is a chance of increase in maximum temperature in upcoming days.

**Crop and livestock Specific Agromet Advisory**

Name of the crop	Crop Stage	Agromet Advisories
<b>Green Gram (Summer)</b>	<b>Vegetative / flowering stage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To control aphids attack in pulse crop, spraying of imidacloprid @ 0.3 ml or Thiamethoxam @ 0.3 g per liter of water and for yellow mosaic virus (transmitted through white fly) spraying of Acetamiprid 20% SP @ 40 g/acre in 200-250 liters of water should be advised under clear weather. Yellow sticky traps or cards @ 10/ac. may reduce the whitefly population.</li> </ul>
<b>Maize</b>	<b>Vegetative stage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Farmers should apply top dressing of nitrogen fertilizer under proper soil moisture condition at this stage.</li> <li>To control stem borer in Maize field, spraying of Fipronil 5% SC or Profenophos 50% EC @ 2ml and for fall army worm, Emamectin Benzoate @ 0.4 g per liter of water should be advised.</li> </ul>
<b>Mango</b>	<b>Fruiting stages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To control mango hopper in Mango tree, spraying of insecticides like Acephate (1g/L) or Chloropyriphos (0.5 ml/L) or Thiomethoxam (0.3-0.4 g/L) and for powdery mildew disease, spraying of soluble</li> </ul>

		<p>sulphur (2 g/ L) should be advised under clear weather condition.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spraying of Planofix @ 1ml /4.5 liters of water should be advised at Mango with pea size fruit stage to reduce fruit drops.</li> <li>• Farmers shouldn't apply hormone and insecticide at same time. There should be at least one week gap between their applications.</li> </ul>
<b>Vegetable crops</b>	<b>Vegetative stage / flowering/ Fruiting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper monitoring against root and fruit rot disease infestation in vegetable crops should be advised.</li> <li>• To control leaf eating caterpillar and fruit borer / shoot and fruit borer in <b>Tomato, Brinjal and Okra</b> spraying of Emamectin Benzoate @ 0.4 g per liter of water should be advised under clear weather.</li> <li>• Early (Alternaria) blight infection is observed in some <b>tomato</b> fields so spraying of Tebuconazole 50% + Trifloxystrobin 25% @ 0.4g per liter water should be advised.</li> <li>• In vegetative stage of tomato, <b>leaf minor and white fly</b> attack observed in some farmers field so application of NSKE 5% with a sticker found to be effective. Leaf minor population may boost up due to excess use of nitrogen fertilizer so its judicious use should be advised.</li> <li>• Spraying of Tebuconazole 50% + Trifloxystrobin 25% @ 0.4g per liter water should be advised to control <b>purple blotch</b> disease in <b>Onion</b> and in case of thrips attack, spraying of imidacloprid @ 0.3 ml or Thiamethoxam @ 0.3 g per liter of water or Acetamiprid 20% SP @ 1g per 4 liters of water should be advised.</li> </ul>
<b>Cow/Buffalo</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To protect the animal from heat, farmers should make provision to provide fresh clean and cold drinking water to the animal along with salt because temperature is expected to be increased in upcoming days. Keep animals in shade and don't make them work between 11 am to 4 pm. Cover the shed roof with straw, paint it white or plaster with dung-mud to reduce temperature.</li> </ul>

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