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## District – Khordha (East and South-Eastern Coastal Plain Agroclimatic Zone)

The mean maximum daily temperature was 42.3°C and mean minimum daily temperature was 27.3°C of the Khordha district during the last week. The district received no rainfall during the last week. Sowing of vegetables are also under progress. Harvesting stage of Green gram and Black gram. Harvesting and planting of Sugarcane is under progress. Crop coverage till date is 99.6 % of the total programme area. Overall crop condition is Normal.

## <u>Forecast (Up to 28.04.2024)</u> <u>Given by Met. Centre, IMD, Bhubaneswar</u>

**DISTRICT: KHORDHA** – As per the forecast received from IMD, dry weather may prevail over the district of Khordha for the next five days. The sky condition may remain clear to mainly clear for the next five days. In the next 5 days, the wind speed will remain within 13-19 km/h. The daily maximum and minimum temperature are likely to remain 41-43°C and 27-28°C respectively for next five days.

DISTRICT		KHORDHA				
Date	24/04/2024	25/04/2024	26/04/2024	27/04/2024	28/04/2024	
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0	
T-MAX (C)	43	41	42	42	43	
T-MIN (C)	27	27	27	28	28	
Cloud Cover	2	2	0	0	1	
Rh Max (%)	57	53	72	65	57	
Rh Min (%)	19	25	25	32	23	
Wind speed (kmph)	13	14	18	19	17	
Wind Direction (deg)	216	238	204	208	216	

For further information, contact the Met. Centre, Aerodrom Area, IMD, Bhubaneswar, Tel. # 0674-2596116.

### Agromet Advisory

- \* The increasing day temperature may cause bacterial wilt disease in tomato and brinjal. Spray 1gm Streptocycline in 10 litre water in the root zone.
- Farmers are advised to frequently irrigate the crops like sugarcane, summer maize, pulses and vegetables to avoid high temperature stress.
- Resort to drip and sprinkler irrigation practices wherever possible in the event of limited water availability particularly for commercial crops including fruit orchards and widely spaced vegetables. Sprinkler irrigation brings down the heat effect. For row crops alternate rows may be irrigated.
- Apply mulches to maintain high moisture status in the soil. Use straw, dry leaves and saw dust for mulching.
- Mulch coconut leaves 1.8 m around a coconut tree to reduce water loss.
- Mulching of leaves around newly planted cashewnut plants to conserve moisture. Irrigate 20 to 25 lit per plant.
- Use temporary shade net to protect the fruit plants from high temperature.

PADDY (Summer): <u>Neck Blast -</u> High variation of temperature between day and night leads to infestation of Neck Blast disease. To control blast disease spray Hexaconazole 5 % SC @ 400 ml/acre or Azoxystrobin 18.2% + Difenoconazole 11.4 % S.C @ 200ml/acre or Tebuconazole 50%+ Trifloxystrobin 25 % WG @ 80 gram/acre.

Panicle Mites-To control panicle mite in paddy spray Diafenthiuran @ 400 g/acre or Spiromesifen @ 200 ml/ac or Fenpyroximate @ 400 ml/ac with 200 litres of water.

## MAIZE:

## <u>Fall army worm</u>

Prolonged dry spell followed by rain may increase the infestation of fall army worm in maize. To control this spray 80 gm Emamectin benzoate 5% SG or 80 ml Chlorantraniliprole 18.5% AC in 200 liter water per acre.

### SUGARCANE:

#### Early shoot borer

In case of early shoot borer infestation in sugarcane crop, collect and destroy the egg masses manually. In furrow, apply Fipronil 0.3% GR @ 10 kg/acre at the time of first earthing up. In case of severe infestation spray Fipronil 5 % SC @ 600 ml/acre or Profenophos 50% EC @ 400ml/acre by mixing it in 200 litre of water.

### CHILLI:

### Fruit rot and die back

Spray Propineb 70 % WP @ 500 g/acre or Difenoconazole 25 % EC m@ 100 ml/acre or Azoxystrobin 23 % SC @ 200 ml/acre to control this disease. The fungicide should be sprayed first just before flowering and second at fruit formation stage.

#### COCONUT: Black headed caterpillar

To manage black headed caterpillar in coconut, install Bracon card in the frond of the plant. Cut the affected leaves and burn it. Spray Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 % SC@ 4 ml/ 10litre of water or Emamectin Benzoate 5 % SG @ 4g/10 litre of water.

**ANIMAL HUSBANDRY:** Due to severe heat there is reduction of growth rate and milk production in animals and if the treatment is not provided in time then the animal may die. During scorching heat the animals should be tied under tree shed. If the roof the animal shed is made up of tin or asbestos, then put straw over it and sprinkle water on it from time to time. Cover the windows and doors of the shed with wet gunny bag and remove it after sun set. Do white washing over walls and the roof of the house. If you are keeping high producers then install fans, water sprinklers and other heat reducing instruments. If the animal is succumbed due to heat stress then apply ice and wet clothes over its head and call a Veterinarian as soon as possible.

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