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Significant past weather for the preceding week (Period –30/03/2019 to 05/04/2019)							Weather Parameters	Weather forecast until 08.30 hrs of 10/04/2019				
30/03	31/03	01/04	02/04	03/04	04/04	05/04		06/04	07/04	08/04	09/04	10/04
0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	-	-	Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0
31.8	32.0	32.4	-	-	-	-	Maximum temperature (°C)	38	38	38	38	38
20.8	23.4	20.2	-	-	-	-	Minimum temperature (°C)	25	24	23	23	23
0	0	0	-	-	-	-	Cloud cover (Octa)	1	0	0	0	1
88	93	84	-	-	-	-	Relative Humidity Max. (%)	69	64	69	73	68
59	61	68	-	-	-	-	Relative Humidity Min. (%)	33	29	27	26	27
3.1	4.9	2.7	-	-	-	-	Wind speed (Km/hr)	5	5	4	5	5
NNW	NNW	NNW	-	-	-	-	Wind direction	203	152	133	242	100
Rainfall (mm) in last week							Rainfall (mm) from 01/01/2019 to till dated	Total Rainfall (mm) in last year				
0.0							0.0	2359.6				

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There will be increase in maximum and minimum temperature from 6th to 10th April, 2019.

Crop	Stage	Agro Advise
Summer rice	Panicle development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rice crop is in panicle development stage hence maintaining optimum water level of 10 cm. in the field.
Mango	Fruiting (Arecanut to egg stage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is possibility for incidence of powdery mildew disease on mango, if incidence is noticed spray Hexaconazole 5% @ 5 ml or wettable Sulphur 80% @ 20 gm per 10 liter of water. There is possibility of incidence of thrips on the fruits of mango, if incidence is noticed spray Spinosad 45% SC @ 2.5 ml or Thiamethoxam 25% WG @ 2 gram per 10 liter of water. (Insecticide is not under label claim). Due to variation in temperature there is possibility of fruit drop of mango hence, provide irrigation for alphonso mango @ 150 to 200 lit. of water at fortnight interval to reduce fruit drop and increase the size of fruits. To protect the mango fruit from the incidence of fruit fly, install 'Rakshak fruit fly trap' developed by University @ 4 traps per hectare. Provide irrigation to newly planted mango orchard @ 30 liters of water twice in week (1 years old), twice in 15 days interval (2 years old) and twice in month (3 years old). New growth below graft union should be removed regularly.
Cashewnut	Fruiting and maturity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If nuts are ready for harvesting, harvest the mature nuts and dry in the sun for 7 to 8 days to bring down the moisture content. Prepare different processed product from cashew apple as per recommended by Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli. Use straw or polythene mulch in cashew orchard to reduce evaporation losses. Provide irrigation to newly planted cashew orchard @ 15 liters of water once in week. New growth below graft union should be removed regularly.
Coconut	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to increase in rate of evaporation, provide irrigation to coconut orchard at 5 to 6 days interval. Provide support and shade to newly planted coconut orchard. For control of eriophyid mite on coconut, neem based insecticide Azadirachtin 5% @ 7.5 ml be mixed in equal quantity of water apply through root feeding three time in year during April-May, October-November and January- February. Harvesting of nuts is avoided at least 45 days after treatment. In addition spray 1 % neemazal @ 4 ml per liter of water on to the bunches of nuts. Collect and destroyed all infected nuts and branches and inflorescence before spraying. Apply 50 kg compost, 10 kg neem cake and zinc, boron, molybdenum and copper micronutrient mixture 200 gms per year per tree for management of eriophyid mite.
Sapota	Flowering and Fruiting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is possibility for incidence of budworm in sapota, if incidence is notice spray any one of the insecticide viz., Emamectin benzoate 5% SG @ 4.5 gm or Deltamethrin 2.8% EC @ 10 ml or Lambda cyhalothrin 5%EC @ 10 ml or Profenophos 40% EC @ 10 ml per 10 liter of water, three spray at an interval of one month i.e. in month of March, April and May. Install blue light trap for monitoring insect. Due to increase in rate of evaporation, provide irrigation to sapota orchard at 5 to 6 days interval also use straw mulch to reduce evaporation.
Vegetables/ Fruit crop nursery	flowering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To control the incidence of white flies in summer okra, place yellow sticky cards @ 8 per acre in field. Due to increase in rate of evaporation, provide irrigation regularly to fruit crop nursery, new planted fruit crops and vegetable crops.
Milch animal /goat/poultry	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide clean, hygienic and plenty amount of drinking water to farm animals and poultry birds. To protect animals from heat, sprinkle cold water on animals during the afternoon, it will help to maintain the body temperature. To reduce the stress of heat in farm animals, provide roughages by mixing with solution of 1% gaggery and 0.5% salt separately. There is forecast for increase in temperature, hence protect animals and poultry birds from heat by covering roof of the shed with insulating materials such as paddy straw, dry coconut leaves and make arrangement for sprinkle cold water on the roof of shed during afternoon time. Use wet gunny bags as side curtains to protect animals and poultry birds from direct hot winds. Vaccination against foot and mouth disease in farm animals and Ranikhet disease in poultry birds under supervision of veterinary officers is advocated.

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