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Sig	gnificant (Per	past wea		_	_	eek	Weather Parameters	Wea	Weather forecast until 08.30 hrs of 17/03/2019			
06/03	07/03	08/03	09/03	10/03	11/03	12/03		13/03	14/03	15/03	16/03	17/03
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0
29.4	28.0	31.4	32.0	32.2	35.0	32.2	Maximum temperature (°C)	32	31	32	33	33
16.0	12.0	14.0	13.0	14.0	13.5	15.0	Minimum temperature (°C)	21	21	20	20	22
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	Cloud cover (Octa)	1	0	0	0	0
90	90	91	89	91	91	90	Relative Humidity Max. (%)	61	59	55	54	59
69	69	65	60	63	65	-	Relative Humidity Min. (%)	48	45	43	41	42
4.6	5.5	4.6	4.1	4.1	4.5	5.7	Wind speed (Km/hr)	21	22	22	9	6
calm	calm	Calm	Calm	Calm	Calm	Calm	Wind direction	328	248	241	292	67
	Rainf	all (mm)	in last w	veek			Rainfall (mm) from 01/01/2019 to till dated		Total Rainfall (mm) in last year			
0.0							0.0	3071.8				

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There will be increase in maximum and minimum temperature from 13th to 17th March, 2019. It is wind velocity range

		from 8 to 22 km/h from 13 th to 17 th March, 2019
Crop	Stage	Agro Advise
Groundnut	Pegging	• There is possibility for incidences of leaf miner in groundnut, if incidence is notice spray
		Quinalphos 25%EC @ 20 ml. or Lambda cyhaothrin 5%EC @ 6 ml per 10 liter of water.
Mango	Fruiting	 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 for 3 to 4 times to reduce fruit drop and increase the size of fruits. Also use straw mulch to reduce evaporation. The pre harvest bagging with News paper bag at marble stage increases the fruit weight, pulp weight, produce spongy tissue free fruit, controls incidence of mealy bug on fruits and produces spotless fruits of mango. Provide support to newly planted mango graft, as there is forecast of high wind velocity. Provide irrigation to newly planted mango orchard and new growth below graft union should be
		removed regularly.
Cashewnut	Fruiting and harvesting	 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. Provide support to newly planted cashew graft, as there is forecast of high wind speed. Provide irrigation to newly planted cashew orchard and new growth below graft union should be removed regularly.
Coconut	-	• Due to increase in maximum temperature, provide irrigation to coconut orchard at 5 to 6 days interval.
		Provide support and shade to newly planted coconut orchard.
		• For control of adults and grubs of rhinoceros beetle spray the FYM pits with Chlorpyriphos 20 ml in 10 lit of water at two months interval.
Arecanut	-	• Due to increase in maximum temperature, provide irrigation to arecanut orchard at 4 to 5 days interval.
Spice crop	Harvesting	• Cinnamon bark can be harvested first time from three year old tree, entire tree should be cut down. The outer bark is peeled off, cut and dried in shed for 4-6 days and then for 2 hrs in sunlight. One to two years after pruning, the side stems of 1 to 1.25 meter length and 1 to 2 cm thickness which have attained brown color selected for cutting.
Vegetables/	Fruiting	Provide irrigation to summer okra vegetable crops.
Fruit crop		Carry out harvesting of brinjal and green chilli when fruit at tender stage.
nursery		Provide irrigation to fruit crop nursery, vegetable crops.
Milch animal /goat/poultry	-	 Provide clean and hygienic drinking water to farm animals. The temperatures during day are increasing hence protect poultry birds from heat.

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