

Agromet Advisory Service Bulletin for Raigad District (Issued jointly by IAAS, Dr. B.S. Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth, & Regional India Meteorological Department, Mumbai) (02358) 282387



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Si	gnificant (Per		ather for 03/2019 t			eek	Weather Parameters	Weather forecast until 08.30 hrs of 20/03/2019				
09/03	10/03	11/03	12/03	13/03	14/03	15/03		16/03	17/03	18/03	19/03	20/03
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Maximum temperature (°C)	30	31	29	29	28
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Minimum temperature (°C)	20	20	20	20	19
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Cloud cover (Octa)	0	0	1	1	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Relative Humidity Max.(%)	37	46	44	50	68
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Relative Humidity Min. (%)	18	19	18	17	21
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Wind speed (Km/hr)	6	4	5	2	3
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Wind direction	164	108	74	92	85
	Rainfall (mm) in last week						Rainfall (mm) from 01/01/2019 to till dated	Total Rainfall (mm) in last y		st year		
0.0						•	0.0	•	3558.3			

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There will be decrease in relative humidity from 16th to 20th March, 2019. According to NDVI, Agriculture vigour is moderate and according to SPI, mildly wet condition experienced in Raigad district.

Crop Agro Advise Stage rice crop is in panicle imitation stage hence maintain optimum water level of 5 to 10 cm. in the field. Summer rice **Panicle**

	initiation	
Summer moong and Moth bean	Sowing	After 8 to 10 days of sowing, if gaps are observed, do gap filling.
Mango	Fruiting	 There is possibility of incidence of powdery mildew on Mango, therefore it is advised to spray Hexaconazole 5% @ 5 ml or wettable Sulphur 80% @ 20 gm per 10 liters of water. 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 butter paper or news paper bag at marble stage increases the fruit weight, pulp weight, produce spongy tissue free fruit, controls attack of fruit fly on fruits and produces spotless fruits of mango.
Cashewnut	Fruiting and harvesting	 There is possibility of incidence of thrips on the nuts of cashewnut, 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) 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.
Coconut	-	• Due to increase in maximum temperature, provide irrigation to coconut orchard at 5 to 6 days interval.
Arecanut	-	• Due to increase in maximum temperature, provide irrigation to arecanut orchard at 4 to 5 days interval.
Onion	Vegetative	• For control of weeds in onion crop, do weeding operation at 8 -10 days interval also provide irrigation as per requirement.
Vegetables/ Fruit crop nursery	Fruiting	 If incidence of shoot and fruit borer is noticed on brinjal, collect and destroy all infected shoots and fruit and spray Fenvalerate 10 ml per 10 liters of water. Provide irrigation to summer okra vegetable crops. Carry out harvesting of brinjal and green chilli when fruit are at tender stage. 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. Provide 1 to 1.5 kg concentrate + 15 to 20 kg green fodder + 4 to 5 kg roughages per day for milch animals. Young goats provide 3 to 4 kg green fodder + 2 to 2.5 kg dry fodder + 300 g concentrate.

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