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Significant past weather for the preceding week (Period –24/04/2019 to 30/04/2019)						eek	Weather Parameters	Weather forecast until 08.30 hrs of 05/05/2019				
24/04	25/04	26/04	27/04	28/04	29/04	30/04		01/05	02/05	03/05	04/05	05/05
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0
32.0	34.0	31.0	32.0	34.0	35.0	-	Maximum temperature (°C)	38	37	35	34	34
24.0	24.0	24.0	25.0	26.0	27.0	-	Minimum temperature (°C)	26	25	25	25	25
0	0	0	0	0	0	-	Cloud cover (Octa)	3	5	7	7	4
70	88	81	83	85	82	-	Relative Humidity Max. (%)	71	85	80	83	84
62	53	61	62	57	68	-	Relative Humidity Min. (%)	30	30	32	39	42
3.7	3.6	3.1	2.6	3.2	3.4	-	Wind speed (Km/hr)	5	8	7	10	7
WSW	W	Е	WSW	NNW	NNW	-	Wind direction	201	210	197	213	236
Rainfall (mm) in last week					Rainfall (mm) from 01/01/2019		Tota	Total Rainfall (mm) in last				
` '					to till dated			year				
0.0					0.0			2359.6				

Agro-met Advisory
Sky will be cloudy from 1st to 5th May, 2019.

Crop	Stage	Agro Advise
Summer rice	Maturity	Drain out water from the field where rice crop are in maturity stage.
		• Harvest the matured rice crop and thresh it immediately. Dry the threshed grains in sun for 2
		to 3 days.
Mango	Fruiting (Egg to maturity stage)	 Harvest the mature fruits before 10 hours in the morning and after 16 hours in the evening with the help on Nutan mango harvester at 80 to 85% maturity immediately which will help to reduce spongy tissue. Keep the harvested fruits in shade to prevent from heat and spongy tissue. To prevent incidence of post harvest diseases on fruits, place the fruits in hot water of 52°C for 10 minutes and then keep for ripening. Use C.F.B. (corrugated fiber box) for packing developed by B. S. Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli. Transport of harvested fruits should be done preferably during night hours. Do not spray any insecticides/fungicides 8 days before harvesting of mango fruits. Due to forecast of cloudy weather, there is possibility of incidence of anthracnose disease and fruit fly incidence on mango. For control of anthracnose spray Carbendazim 12% + Mancozeb 63% @ 10 g per 10 liter of water. For control of fruit fly incidence, install 'Rakshak fruit fly trap" developed by University @ 4 traps per hectare. Collect and destroy fallen fruits and keep orchard clean.
Coconut	-	• To control the attack of red palm weevil on coconut, collect and destroy the grubs from whole appear on infected trunk. Prepare a slanting hole with the help of screw drill about 1 m height from ground level on tree trunk and pour about 20 ml of 36% Monocrotophos with the help of plastic funnel in the hole and close the hole with the help of cement.
Banana	Fruiting	 provide irrigation to banana orchard and use straw mulch to reduce evaporation losses. Provide support to banana tree which is in flowering stage also cover the bunches with gunny cloth or leaves to protect the fruits from sunburn and hot wind.
Vegetables/ Fruit crop nursery	-	 There is possibility of incidence of shoot and fruit borer on okra, if incidence is noticed spray cypermethrin 25%EC @ 3ml or Lambda cyhalothrin 5%EC @ 6ml per 10 liter of water. 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	-	 Provide clean, hygienic and plenty amount of drinking water to farm animals and poultry birds. To reduce the stress of heat in farm animals, provide roughages by mixing with solution of 1% gaggery and 0.5% salt separately. To 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. To protect animals from heat, sprinkle cold water on animals during the afternoon, it will help to maintain the body temperature. Avoid grazing of farm animals during afternoon hours. In poultry shed, increase the water pot and provide adequate and clean water for drinking. Also, feed should be given in the morning or evening hours.

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