



**Agromet Advisory Service Bulletin for Thane District**  
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Significant past weather for the preceding week (Period –14/10/2020 to 20/10/2020)							Weather Parameters	Weather forecast until 08.30 hrs of 25/10/2020				
14/10	15/10	16/10	17/10	18/10	19/10	20/10		21/10	22/10	23/10	24/10	25/10
13.4	78.0	15.0	2.0	0.0	-	-	Rainfall (mm)	20	44	18	8	0
34.0	33.0	31.8	32.0	33.0	-	-	Maximum temperature (°C)	33	35	33	33	33
25.0	24.0	25.0	24.0	23.0	-	-	Minimum temperature (°C)	25	26	26	26	26
4	5	3	4	4	-	-	Cloud cover (Octa)	6	7	7	4	4
85	94	84	92	80	-	-	Relative Humidity Max. (%)	90	86	84	80	71
85	70	81	81	-	-	-	Relative Humidity Min. (%)	67	67	59	50	42
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	-	-	Wind speed (Km/hr)	3	5	4	5	5
Calm	Calm	Calm	Calm	SW	-	-	Wind direction	ESE	E	E	E	E

**Weather summary**

<b>Weather forecast</b>	<b>As per the forecast received from Regional Meteorological Centre Mumbai, there is possibility of light to moderate rainfall from 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2020 at a few places over Thane district. Also, sky will remain cloudy.</b>
<b>Warning</b>	<b>No warning for Thane district.</b>
<b>ERFS</b>	<b>As per ERFS products above normal rainfall may occur in Konkan division during 21<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2020.</b>

Crop	Stage	Agromet Advisory based on weather forecast
<b>Kharif rice</b>	<b>Grain filling (late varieties), maturity (early and midlate)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain the optimum water level of 5 cm in late rice varieties field.</li> <li>• There is forecast of light to moderate rainfall, harvest the matured rice varieties during clear weather (no rainfall), keep harvested produce in protective shed for threshing and after immediate threshing, keep threshed grains in protective shed for drying.</li> </ul>
<b>Finger millet/ Proso millet</b>	<b>Maturity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to forecast of light to moderate rainfall, harvest the matured varieties of finger millet crop during clear weather (no rainfall) by cutting of ear head with sickle and dry in the safe and protective shed. Follow threshing after drying.</li> </ul>
<b>Mango</b>	<b>Vegetative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to cloudy rainy weather, there is possibility for incidence of anthracnose fungal disease on new vegetative flush of mango, to control the disease spray, 1% bormixture or Carbendazim 12% + Mancozeb 63% combination fungicide @ 10 gms per 10 liter of water during clear weather (no rainfall).</li> <li>• As there is possibility of moderate rainfall till 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2020 and onward there may be decrease in rainfall and increase in temperature, comparative reduction in humidity and sufficient available soil moisture create condition for pruning in old unproductive and high-density mango orchard. After 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2020, undertake the central opening and pruning operation.</li> <li>• In the old unproductive mango orchard, for penetration of solar radiation into canopy carryout central opening and pruning operation. While performing operation, old tall mango trees should be prune at 2/3rd height from base. In younger mango trees, pruning operation should be done at 12-15 ft height from base. After pruning spray chloropyriphos insecticide 5 ml per liter of water on to whole tree also pour solution into base of stem. After that apply bavistin 5 gm by mixing with 1 liter of coltar to the cut portion of branches. Provide irrigation 150-200 liter of water at 10-15 days interval immediately after pruning. Thin excess sprouting after two months of pruning.</li> <li>• In high density (5X5 m or 6X4 m) mango orchard carryout pruning operation regularly, it includes detopping, pruning of cross branches and removing of dead wood. The height of tree in high density orchard should be maintained at 80% of row distance.</li> </ul>
<b>Coconut</b>	<b>Fruiting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to intermittent rainfall and increase in temperature, there is possibility of incidence of rugose spiraling white fly on coconut, Nymphs and adults suck the sap from lower surface of leaves and produce honey dew sugary substance which develop growth of sooty mould fungus. If incidence is noticed spray 50 ml Neem oil 0.5% @30 ml per 10 liters of water.</li> </ul>

<b>Sapota</b>	<b>Fruiting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is possibility of incidence of seed borer in sapota, for management of seed borer, collect and destroy all infected fruits and dried leaves. Follow central opening operation. If incidence is noticed, spray of profenophos 50% EC @ 15 ml or Indoxacarb 14.5 SC@ 5 ml or Deltamethrin 2.8%EC @ 10 ml insecticide per 10 liter of water. Install blue light trap in orchard for monitoring insect.</li> </ul>
<b>Okra</b>	<b>Sowing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As there is possibility of moderate rainfall till 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2020 and onward there may be decrease in rainfall, undertake sowing of okra crop after 23<sup>rd</sup> October,2020. At the time of ploughing mix 6 tonne of well decomposed FYM into soil. prepare ridges and furrow having spacing of 60 x 60 cm. Apply 28 kg urea, 125 kg single super phosphate and 33 kg muriate of potash per acre. Provide light irrigation immediate after sowing.</li> </ul>
<b>Vegetable nursery</b>	<b>Nursery</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apply 50 grams of urea per bed 15 days after sowing of rabi vegetable nursery during clear weather (no rainfall).</li> </ul>
<b>Aster</b>	<b>Nursery</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As there is possibility of moderate rainfall till 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2020 and onward there may be decrease in rainfall, undertake nursery sowing of aster crop after 23<sup>rd</sup> October,2020. For the nursery of aster flower crop, carryout primary tillage operation. Prepare raised bed of 2m length x 1m width x 10 cm height. Mix 8 to 10 kg fine FYM and 50 to 60 grams of mixed fertilizer into bed. Sow the seeds in rows 10-12cm apart at 1 cm depth and cover with mixture of fine soil and FYM. Provide light irrigation after sowing.</li> </ul>
<b>Marigold</b>	<b>Nursery</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As there is possibility of moderate rainfall till 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2020 and onward there may be decrease in rainfall, undertake nursery sowing of marigold crop after 23<sup>rd</sup> October,2020.</li> <li>• For the nursery sowing of marigold flower crop, carryout primary tillage operation. Prepare raised bed of 2m length x 2m width x 10 cm height. Mix 8 to 10 kg fine FYM and 50 to 60 grams of mixed fertilizer into bed. Sow the seeds in rows 4-5 cm apart at 1 cm depth and cover with mixture of fine soil and FYM. Provide light irrigation after sowing.</li> </ul>
<b>Poultry</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For boiler poultry bird upto three-week-old bird, provide boiler starter and 4 to 6-week-old bird provide boiler finisher as per their daily requirement.</li> <li>• Vaccination against Newcastle disease (Ranikhet) to 4 -10 days old chicks under supervision of veterinary officers is advocated.</li> </ul>
<p>Note : Spray insecticide or fungicide solution and apply fertilizers during clear weather (no rainfall). Mix sticker into spraying solution.</p>		
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