Agromet Advisory Bulletin for Virudhunagar district (From 6th February to 10th February)

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Significant past weather data for the preceding week (2.2.16-10.2.16)

Rainfall (mm)	0.0
Maximum Temperature (°C)	32- 33
Minimum Temperature (°C)	20
Cloud cover (Octa)	6- 7
RH at 08:30 hrs (%)	61- 77
RH at 17:30 hrs (%)	35-45
Wind speed (kmph)	5- 11
Wind direction (deg)	50- 90

Weather forecast until 08:30 hrs of 10.2.16

Parameters	Ensemble forecast				
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
	6.2.16	7.2.16	8.2.16	9.2.16	10.2.16
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	1
Max. Temperature (°C)	33	33	33	32	32
Min. Temperature (°C)	21	21	21	21	21
Cloud cover (Octa)	6	6	6	7	7
Relative humidity (%)	40- 69	41- 70	42- 71	58- 79	60- 80
Wind (kmph) (dd)	8/ E	8/ E	8/ E	8/ E	8/ E

E - East

Agromet advisories in relation to the anticipated weather having high cloud cover and moderate humidity

Crop/ Farming	Stage / Activities	Advisories
system		
Cotton	Boll opening	In the prevailing weather condition incidence of mealy bug is
	stage	noticed in cotton. Collect and destroy the infested plant parts.
		Spray chlorpyriphos 2 ml/ l based on the intensity of the pest.
		The incidence of boll worm is also noticed in cotton. Spray
		chlorpyriphos 2 ml/ 1 or chlorantraniliprole 150 ml/ ha based on
		the intensity of the pest.

Chilli	Flowering	In order to conserve the soil moisture create dust mulch through
	and fruiting	manual hoeing and apply crop residues in the inter-row space.
	stage	In the prevailing weather condition incidence of yellow muranai mite and gall fly are noticed in chilli. Spray ethion 2 ml/ l based on the intensity of the pest.

SMS: Rain: 10.2.16: 1 mm. Chilli- Yellow muranai mite& gall fly: Spray ethion 2 ml/ l based on the intensity of the pest.

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