Agromet Advisory Bulletin for Virudhunagar district (From 8th June to 12th June) (Issued jointly by AAS Unit, Agricultural Research Station, Kovilpatti, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University & India Meteorological Department)

Significant past weather data for the preceding week (3.6.16- 6.6.16)

| Rainfall (mm) | 2.3 |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Maximum Temperature (°C) | 37-40 |
| Minimum Temperature (°C) | 27 |
| Cloud cover (Octa) | 4- 7 |
| RH (%) at 07:00 hrs LMT | 52- 67 |
| RH (%) at 14:00 hrs LMT | 43- 49 |
| Wind speed (kmph) | 9- 13 |
| Wind direction (deg) | 180- 340 |

Weather forecast until 08:30 hrs of 12.6.16

| Parameters | Ensemble forecast | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 |
| | 8.6.16 | 9.6.16 | 10.6.16 | 11.6.16 | 12.6.16 |
| Rainfall (mm) | 5 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 3 |
| Max. Temperature (°C) | 39 | 39 | 38 | 38 | 38 |
| Min. Temperature (°C) | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 |
| Cloud cover (Octa) | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Relative humidity (%) | 48- 55 | 48- 55 | 48- 52 | 48- 52 | 48- 52 |
| Wind (kmph) (dd) | | | | 10/ | |
| | 10/ SW | 10/ SW | 10/ SW | SW | 10/ SW |

SW- Southwest

Agromet advisories in relation to the anticipated weather having moderate cloud cover, light rainfall and moderate humidity

| Stage / Activities | Advisories |
|-----------------------|---|
| Fruiting stage | As moderate cloud cover and light rainfall is expected in the |
| | coming days, fruit fly incidence is noticed in guava. For |
| | controlling this pest spray Quinalphos 25 EC or Malathion 50 EC @ |
| | 1 ml/lit four times at 15 days interval. |
| Fruiting stage | As moderate cloud cover and light rainfall is expected in the |
| | coming days, fruit fly incidence is noticed in mango. For |
| | controlling this pest plough the interrow space to expose |
| | pupae. Prepare bait with methyl eugenol 1% solution mixed |
| | with malathion @ 2.0 ml/ lit. Take 10 ml of this mixture per |
| | trap and keep them in 25 different places in one hectare |
| | between 6 am to 8 am. Collect and destroy the fallen fruits. |
| | Spray neem oil @ 3.0 ml as need based. |
| | Activities Fruiting stage |

| Banana and | Flowering | As winds with more speed are expected in the coming days |
|------------|--------------|--|
| | stage | give stake for banana and do propping for sugarcane to |
| | | prevent the crops from damage. |
| Sugarcane | Grand growth | |
| | stage | |

SMS: Rain: June 8 - 12: 5, 7, 3, 7& 3 mm respectively. Guava- control for fruit fly- spray Quinalphos 25 EC or Malathion 50 EC @ 1 ml/lit 4 times at 15 days interval.

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