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	District :	Dindigul	Forecast Period :	01/11/2023 to 05/11/2023	
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Significant past weather	From	27/10/2023	to	30/10/2023
Parameters	Past Weather			
Rainfall (mm)	8.0			
Maximum Temperature (°C)	31-34			
Minimum Temperature (°C)	23-25			
Sky Condition (Octas)	4-7			
Relative Humidity (%)	52-93			
Wind Speed (kmph)	4-9			

Ensemble Weather Forecast until 08:30Hrs of **05-11-2024**

Parameters	01-11-2023	02-11-2023	03-11-2023	04-11-2023	05-11-2023
	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Rainfall (mm)	40	20	12	45	45
Maximum Temperature (°C)	29	29	29	30	30
Minimum Temperature (°C)	23	23	23	24	24
Sky Condition (Octa)	7	7	7	6	6
Max. Relative Humidity (%)	90	90	90	88	88
Min. Relative Humidity (%)	88	88	88	86	86
Wind Speed (Kmph)	6	6	6	5	5
Wind Direction	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE

SMS Advisory	Chances of Rather heavy rain during 1, 4, 5 Nov & Moderate rain on 2, 3 Nov. Maximum temperature would be in the range of 29°C to 30°C and the minimum temperature would be between 23°C - 24°C. Generally cloudy sky will appear for the next five days. Wind expected with the speed of 5-6 Kmph from, Northeast direction.
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General Advisory:

Heavy rain is likely to occur at isolated places over the district during 1, 4 & 5 November 2023. Farmers are advised to act swiftly to repair the water channels, farm ponds and other water bodies to harvest the rain water. During these days farmers are advised to avoid irrigation, inter-cultural operations and application of plant protection measures to the standing crops, provide adequate drainage facilities in the fields to avoid water stagnation due to heavy rainfall, do not allow the animals to grazing outside, standing near the trees or electric poles & provide safe shelter.

Weather Based Agro-Advisories: (Tube Rose, Cotton & Animal Husbandry).

Tube Rose:

Kind attention to the farmers cultivating Tuberoses flower crops. To improve the quality of the tuberoses flower, farmers are advised to give a foliar spray of Zinc Sulphate @ 5gm/litre (0.5%) + Ferrous Sulphate @ 2gm/litre (0.2%) + Boric acid @ 1gm/litre (0.1%) of water, during the non-rainy days. Spraying activities should be carried out only on the non-raining days.

Cotton:

Since Heavy rainfall is expected for the coming days, proper drainage facilities have to be done for both rain-fed and irrigated cotton crops. To avoid the flower shedding, spray NAA @ 40 PPM in 60 - 90 days after sowing. (40 mg of NAA dissolved in 1 litre of water will give the concentration of 40 PPM). To arrest the terminal growth nipping of the terminal portion of the main stem beyond the 15th node should be done. Spraying activities should be carried out only on the non-raining days.

Animal Husbandry:

To protect the livestock from thunderstorms and lightning, farmers are requested to avoid grazing animals during rains, particularly grazing sheep and goats in flocks which are more prone to lightning shock.

Farmers should avoid tethering animals near barbed wire fencing posts and trees.

Trees near the animal sheds should be pruned to avoid accidental falls during heavy wind. Further trees like rain trees and vathanarayanan are more prone to uprooting.

More chance of lightning near hilly areas and undulated landscapes than in plains.

For fences with wooden poles and metal wires, it is advisable to check the condition of the buried parts at most once in 5 years and do the necessary replacement before the thunderstorm season begins.