

Agriculture:

Due to hot and humid conditions, discomfort weather is likely at isolated pockets over the district during next five days (01.05.2024 to 05.05.2024). Hence farmers are advised to plan their field activities during morning and evening hours and avoid working in the field during 12 noon to 4 Pm. Stay safe and take care. Drink adequate water.

Wind with the speed of 8 to 14 kmph is expected for the next five days. Hence farmers are advised to provide propping in sugarcane and to provide adequate support for crops like Banana, Papaya, Guava and Moringa, to prevent from lodging. For Gourds check the structures /pandhals for damages in the strings and poles and provide adequate support. Postpone the spraying activity.

Weather Based Agro-Advisories: (Sesame, Coconut & Animal Husbandry).

Sesame:

The incidence of Leaf Webber / roller and capsule borer is expected in Sesame Crop. In the early stage of infestation, the larvae feed inside the leaf and infested shoots stop growing.

At flowering, larvae feed inside the flowers, and on capsule formation, larvae bore into the capsule and feed on developing seeds.

To control spray Neem oil @ 40ml + Sticky agent @ 10ml with 10litres of water.

Coconut:

Kind attention to Coconut farmers. Button shedding is noticed in coconut fields.

To control button shedding, farmers are advised to go with the root feeding of Coconut Tonic of TNAU @ 200ml/Tree. This can be continued at 6 monthly intervals.

Animal Husbandry:

Livestock can be treated with summer feed mixed with 40 g of mineral salt, 50 g of dry yeast or 150 g of sodium bicarbonate.

This reduces the heat dissipation that appears in dairy cows and increases the amount of milk and fat and non-fat solids in the milk.