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	District :	<b>Dindigul</b>	Forecast Period :	<b>22/06/2024</b>	to	
	Bulletin No:	<b>MSSRF/ DGL /050/ 2024</b>	Release Date :	<b>21/06/2024</b>		

<b>Significant past weather</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>18/06/2024</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>20/06/2024</b>
		<b>4</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Parameters</b>	<b>Past Weather</b>			
Rainfall (mm)	13.5			
Maximum Temperature (°C)	37-39			
Minimum Temperature (°C)	25-26			
Sky Condition (Octas)	6			
Relative Humidity (%)	52-86			
Wind Speed (kmph)	4			

**Ensemble Weather Forecast**  
 until **08:30Hrs of 26-06-2024**

<b>Parameters</b>	<b>22-06-2024</b>	<b>23-06-2024</b>	<b>24-06-2024</b>	<b>25-06-2024</b>	<b>26-06-2024</b>
	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
Rainfall (mm)	10	35	36	36	12
Maximum Temperature (°C)	38	36	34	33	32
Minimum Temperature (°C)	25	22	20	20	20
Sky Condition (Octa)	8	8	8	8	8
Max. Relative Humidity (%)	70	90	90	80	80
Min. Relative Humidity (%)	60	60	60	60	70
Wind Speed (Kmph)	12	10	10	12	10
Wind Direction	W	SW	SW	SW	SW

<b>SMS Advisory</b>	Chances of Moderate rain during 22, 23, 26 Jun & Rather heavy rain on 24, 25 Jun. Maximum temperature would be in the range of 32°C to 38°C and the minimum temperature would be between 20°C - 25°C. Cloudy sky will appear for the next five days. Wind is expected with the speed of 10-12 Kmph from, West & Southwest directions.
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**General Advisory:**

**Extended range Forecast for next week (21<sup>st</sup> June to 04<sup>th</sup> July 2024):**

**Rainfall:**

As per extended range predictions, there is possibility of near normal to slightly above normal rainfall likely over the district during 21<sup>st</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

As per extended range predictions, there is possibility of generally normal to slightly above normal rainfall likely over the district during 28<sup>th</sup> Jun to 04<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

**Maximum Temperature:**

Maximum temperatures are likely to be near normal and are likely to be in the range 26°C to 32°C over the plains of the district during next week. 21<sup>st</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

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### **Minimum Temperature:**

Minimum temperatures are likely to be near normal to slightly above normal and are likely to be in the range 20°C to 24°C over the district during next week 21<sup>st</sup> Jun to 04<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

Heavy rain is likely to occur at isolated places over the district during 23, 24 & 25 June 2024. 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, intercultural 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.

### **Agriculture:**

Since some amount of rainfall has been received recently, and rainfall is expected for the coming days, farmers can plan for ploughing and land preparation activities.

Farmers are also advised to act swiftly to repair the water channels, farm ponds and other water bodies to harvest the rainwater.

Postpone the spraying activities for a short while.

### **Weather Based Agro-Advisories: (Moringa, Onion & Animal Husbandry)**

#### **Moringa:**

The occurrence of leaf caterpillars is seen in Moringa. The caterpillar larva feeds on the leaflets reducing them into papery structures. To control this, plough around trees to expose and kill pupae. Collect and destroy damaged buds along with caterpillars. Set up light trap @ 1No./ha. Spray insecticides like Fipronil @ 35ml per 10 litres of water. Spray after harvest or pick the fruits 10 days after spraying.

#### **Onion:**

The incense of Botrytis leaf blight is noticed in Onion. The symptoms are seen on the foliage with hundreds of white specks.

The disease then spreads very rapidly and tops of the entire crop may be killed. Light infections do not affect yields but heavy infections cause major yield reductions.

To control spray Propineb70%WP @ 15gm + 10ml sticky agent with 10litres of water.

#### **Animal Husbandry:**

To increase the SNF rate in cow milk, farmers are advised to add 2 to 3 grams of baking soda and 15 to 20gms of cooking salt with the routine daily feed of cows, this will help to increase the SNF rate in the milk.