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**PALAKKAD DISTRICT**

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**CURRENT SYNOPTIC SITUATION:** A well marked low lies over Southwest Madhya Pradesh and neighbourhood with associated cyclonic circulation extending upto 7.6 km above mean sea level tilting southwards with height. A feeble offshore trough at mean sea level lies off Karnataka- North Kerala coast.

**Heavy Rainfall warning:**

**Day1:** Heavy to very heavy rainfall is most likely to occur at one or two places in Kerala .

**Day 2 :** Heavy rainfall is most likely to occur at one or two places in Kerala.

**WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:**

Weather parameters	18.08.2018	19.08.2018	20.08.2018	21.08.2018	22.08.2018
Rainfall (mm)	30	20	10	10	10
Maximum temperature (°C )	26	28	29	30	30
Minimum temperature (°C )	22	22	23	23	23
Total cloud cover (octa)	7	7	7	7	7
Maximum Relative Humidity (%)	95	95	95	95	95
Minimum Relative Humidity (%)	80	80	80	80	80
Wind speed (kmph)	010	010	010	010	010
Wind direction (deg)	250	250	250	250	250

**Above normal rainfall is expected in Kerala for the coming week.**

**Intensity of rainfall may decrease in Palakkad district in the coming days.**

**AGRO-METEOROLOGICAL ADVISORIES:**

Crop	Crop stage	Pest/ Disease	Advisories
Coconut	-	Bud rot	There is a chance of bud rot disease in coconut palm, due to continuous rain. Small-perforated sachets (3 nos.) containing 5 g each of mancozeb may be tied to the top crown portion and leaf axil. When it rains, a small quantity of the fungicide is released from the sachets to the leaf base thus protecting the palm. Also apply 1% Bordeaux mixture or 0.2% Kocide along with a sticker on the crown.
Banana	Bunching stage	Sigatoka disease	Due to monsoon showers, there is a chance of Sigatoka disease in banana. As a precaution, Spray <i>Pseudomonas</i> 20g/litre. In case of severe attack, spray 2 ml <i>hexaconazole</i> or 1 ml <i>propiconazole</i> per one litre of water by mixing it with a sticker and spray on both the surface of the leaf.
Vegetables (cowpea)	Fruiting stage	Damping off and Rhizoctonia root rot	There is a chance of Damping off, due to continuous rain and water stagnation. <i>Rhizoctonia</i> root rot is also noticed at times in vegetables. Drench the soil with 1.5 g copper hydroxide or 2.5 g copper oxychloride per one litre of water to control damping off and drench with 1 g carbendazim or 2 g SAAF per one litre of water to control Rhizoctonia root rot.
Animal Husbandry	Ensure sufficient supply of clean drinking water to the animals. Take measures for preventing mosquito breeding in the premises. (CAADECCS, KVASU, Mannuthy)		