





Agromet Advisory Bulletin for PALAKKAD District

(Valid from 08.03.2025 to 12.03.2025)

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A. Medium range weather forecast of IMD for next five days

Weather parameters	08.03.2025	09.03.2025	10.03.2025	11.03.2025	12.03.2025
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0.2
Maximum temperature (°C)	38	38	38	38	38
Minimum temperature (°C)	26	26	26	26	26
Maximum Relative Humidity (%)	80	80	80	80	80
Minimum Relative Humidity (%)	40	40	40	40	40
Wind speed (kmph)	3	3	3	8	8
Wind direction (deg)	360	200	250	70	90
Total cloud cover (octa)	5	4	3	4	8

Weather summary / Alert: -. During 7th to 9th March 2025, maximum temperature is very likely to be around $38\,^{\circ}$ C and there is a chance of humid weather due to high temperature except in hilly areas.

SMS:-There is a chance of light rainfall in isolated places of the district. Normal to above normal rainfall is expected in Kerala.

B. Agrometeorological Advisories for crop protection & management

General and Agrometeorological Advisories for Thrissur District

General Advisory: - The following are immediate steps to be followed to protect farmers, plants and birds from the summer heat. Drink plenty of clean water from time to time to prevent dehydration. Avoid going out in hot weather, to avoid sunburn. While working in the farm, try to use a hat or an umbrella to prevent direct sunlight. As the climate is hot and dry, irrigate the crops as required to ensure adequate soil moisture. Avoid irrigation during strong sunlight. Drip irrigation can reduce water loss to some extent.

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Crop	Pest/ Disease, Crop Management	Agromet Advisory		
Rice(Mundakan) Maturity stage	Glume discolouration	There is a chance of glume discolouration in rice. To control this, spray 2 gram Copper Hydroxide (Kocide) per one litre of water.		
Puncha rice (Tillering stage)	Management	The micronutrient deficiency of paddy can be managed by spraying 10 gram of paddy sampoorna in one litter of water.		
Pumpkin	Viral disease	There is a chance of viral disease in pumpkin plants. Remove and destroy infected plants from the field as early as possible.		
Brinjal	White fly	There is a chance of white fly attack in brinjal. Apply 2% neem oil garlic emulsion or spray 20g <i>Lecanicillium lecanii</i> per one litre of water in ten days intervals.		

Animal Husbandry: Ensure sufficient supply of clean drinking water to the animals. Allow the animal to graze early in the morning or in the evening to avoid direct sunlight. (CAADECCS, KVASU, Mannuthy).