



Agromet Advisory Bulletin

Date : 02-02-2024

Weather Forecast of District NAGPUR(Maharashtra) Issued On : 2024-02-02(Valid Till 08:30 IST of the next 5 days)

Parameter	2024-02-03	2024-02-04	2024-02-05	2024-02-06	2024-02-07
Rainfall(mm)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tmax(°C)	29.9	29.8	30.2	30.4	30.6
Tmin(°C)	16.8	17.4	17.2	17.6	17.6
RH-I(%)	69	65	64	61	60
RH-II(%)	54	53	50	48	44
Wind Speed(kmph)	5	4	5	4	5
Wind Direction(Degree)	38	49	87	132	236
Cloud Cover(Octa)	2	2	1	1	1

Weather Summary/Alert:

• In Nagpur district, as per the district level value added forecast given by, IMD, RMC, Nagpur, sky will be clear to partly cloudy during next five days i.e., 03rd to 07th, February, 2024. • Weather is very likely to be dry on 03rd, 04th, 05th, 06th and 07th, February, 2024. • Maximum temperature will be in the range from 29.8 to 30.6 degree Celsius whereas minimum temperature will be in the range from 16.8 to 17.6 degree Celsius. • Morning relative humidity will be in the range of 60.0 to 69.0 per cent whereas afternoon relative humidity will be in the range from 44.0 to 55.0 per cent. • No large change in maximum and minimum temperature during next 5 days over the Vidarbha.

General Advisory:

• Considering the dry weather forecast, it is advised to continue harvesting of matured Arhar, early sown chickpea and other rabbi season matured crop. • Seasonal crops, fruit crops and vegetable crops should be irrigated lightly by drip irrigation/sprinkler irrigation method. Crops should be mulched for orchards and vegetable crops it helps to conserve soil moisture. • Collect and destroy the boll rot and diseased crop debris outside the field. • In seasonal crops, orchards, vegetable crops, intercultural operations (weeding, hoeing etc.), spraying of agrochemicals for pest and disease management should be continued during next 5 days.

SMS Advisory:

• it is advised to give the priority for harvesting and threshing of matured pigeon pea and ensure safer storage of harvested produce.

Crop Specific Advisory:

Crop (Stage)	Crop Specific Advisory
SUNFLOWER	Summer sunflower sowing should be done till the 7th, February. Prior to sowing, the seeds should be treated with Trichoderma viride at the rate of 4 g / kg of seed.
SESAME (GINGELLY/TIL)	Sowing of summer sesame should be done by 15th February. Prior to sowing, the seeds should be treated with Trichoderma viride at the rate of 4 g / kg of seed.
PIGEON PEA (RED GRAM/ARHAR)	• It is advised to complete the harvesting of matured pigeon pea crop and store the harvested and threshed produce in safe and dry places.
BENGAL GRAM/ CHICK PEA	• For optimum yield in gram crop, the second irrigation should be given 60 to 70 days after sowing i.e. in the pod filling stage. • For integrated management of Gram Pod Borer 20 bird perches per hectare should be installed in the field. For control of gram pod borer install pheromone traps (Hexalure) two per acre or five per hectare. If eight to ten moths are found in the trap for three consecutive days, recommended management measures should be taken. In case of pest infestation by observing the crop or when the crop is in 40 to 50 % flowering stage, preference should be given to botanicals or biological pesticides. For this, first spraying should be taken of neem extract 5% or Azadirachtin 300 ppm 50 ml per 10 liters of water with Knapsack sprayer pump. If spraying should be done with a power sprayer, apply three times the amount of pesticide. If Gram Pod Borer has reached the ETL, spraying should be done with Quinalphos 25 % EC 20 ml or Emamectin

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	benzoate 5 % SG 3 gm or Flubendiamide 20 % WG 5 gm or Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 SC 2.5 ml per 10 liters of water. At Wafsa condition hoeing and weeding must be carried out twice; first at 20 and second at 30 days old plants to ensure weed free environment during the critical period of crop weed competition for better water and nutrient use efficiency.
WHEAT	• Under the availability of adequate irrigation facility, third irrigation should be apply at late jointing stage (45 to 50 days after sowing), fourth irrigation should be apply at the flowering stage (65 to 70 days after sowing), the fifth irrigation should be apply at the milky stage of the grain (80 to 85 days after sowing) to the wheat crop.
WHEAT	• In case of infestation of aphids in wheat crop is notice due cloudy weather, spray with Thiamethoxam 25% WG @ 10 to 15 gm or Quinalphos 25 % EC 40 ml per 10 liters of water for management. In wheat crop due to cloudy weather, in case of infestation of rust and leaf blight disease is notice spraying should be done of Mancozeb 75 % WP @ 20 to 25 gm per 10 liters of water. Toxic bait should be used for rat management in wheat crop. To make a poisonous bait, mix 49 parts of cereal flour, a little bit of edible oil and 1 part of bromadiolone 0.25 % CB. Spoon the bait into a plastic bag and place it in a live field bin or near the bin.
MUSTARD	• Cloudy weather and lowering night temperature favours aphid incidence in mustard. For control of aphid incidence undertake spray of Thiometon 25 EC 8 ml per 10 lit of water or Dimethoate 30 EC 10 ml per 10 lit of water.Undertake need based irrigation for higher productivity in mustard. In case of availability of one irrigation schedule it at flowering stage, for availability of two irrigations schedule it at 30 days and flowering stage, for availability of three irrigations schedule it at 25 to 30 days interval.
SAFFLOWER	• Considering the dry weather forecast, undertake need based irrigation for optimum productivity in safflower. In case of availability of one irrigation schedule it at 50 days crop stage, for availability of two irrigations schedule it at 30 and 50 days crop stage, for availability of three irrigations schedule it at 30, 50 and 65 days crop stage. • Due to cloudy weather condition, monitor for incidence of sap sucking aphids particularly in irrigated/late sown safflower crop and for above ETL level incidence (30% infested plants) undertake spray with dimethoate 30 % EC @ 13 ml/10 litres of water.
CITRUS	• Nagpur mandarin & Sweet orange: The water requirement in this month is 7-30, 44-72, and 82-102 litres per day for tree of age 1-4, 5-7, 8 years old and above, respectively should be met with drip system. Use double ring method if there is no drip system. Mulching should be done in tree basin if not done earlier. For mulching grass, wheat husk near the tree trunk can be utilized start irrigation to the orchard for initiation of Ambia bahar as per the type of soil & stress received by the trees. • Infestation of citrus psylla occurs with the outburst of new leaves in Ambia bahar. The pest can cause 100 per cent flower drop if not controlled. The pest causes die back and “Greening” disease in affected trees causing slow decline. It can be controlled by spraying Dimethoate 30 EC 2 ml or Acephate 2 g or Imidacloprid 17.8 SL 0.5 ml per litre water at bud burst stage. Second spray should be carried after 10 days interval. Change the pesticides in subsequent sprays. • Spray gibberellic acid 1.5 g with 1 kg urea in 100 litres water at the time of initiation of Ambia flush.For controlling Phytophthora diseases scrap out gum oozing portion by sharp knife, wash with potassium permanganate solution (10 gms in one litre water) from the infected tree trunk and apply Mefenoxam M Z - 68 (Metalaxyl M 4% + Mancozeb 64 % WP) or fosetyl-Al paste.

Horticulture Specific Advisory:

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OKRA/ LADYFINGER	For summer okra planting use ridge and furrow layout with 45x30 cm spacing with seed rate of 10 to 15 kg/ha. Recommended varieties include Pragati, Arka Anamika, Pusa Makhamali, Parbhani Kranti and Phule Vibhakta.
WATER MELON	• Sugar Baby, Asahi Yamato, Arka Jyoti, Arka Manik should be selected for watermelon cultivation in summer season. Apply 40 kg N, 40 kg P and 40 kg K at the time of planting. Apply 40 kg N 30 days after planting.
MUSKMELON	• Hara Madhu, Pusa Sharbati, Punjab Sunhari, Arka Rajhans, Arka Jeet, Pusa Madhuras should be cultivated for muskmelon crop in summer season.Apply 40 kg N, 40 kg P and 40 kg K at the time of planting. Apply 40 kg N 30 days after planting.
LINSEED	• Due to continuous cloudy weather condition, sucking pests can be observed, it controlled by spraying thiamethoxam 25% WG 10 to 15 gram or Quinalphos 25% EC 40 ml in per 10 liters of water. • The linseed crop should be light irrigated at seed formation and seed development stage.
MANGO	• If the infestation of Jassids on mango trees is notice and crossing ETL then, spraying should be done of Buprofezin 25 % SC 10 ml or Deltamethrin 2.8 EC 5 ml or Imidacloprid 17.8 % SL 4 ml or Lambda cyhalothrin 5 % EC 5 ml or or Dimethoate 30 EC 16.5 ml per 10 liters of water and spraying should be done on stems, branches, tops and inflorescences of mango. • At flowering stage of mango tree, In case of symptoms of powdery mildew disease shows on trees spraying should be done of water soluble sulfur 80 % WP 30 gm or Tetraconazole 3.8 % EW w/w 12.5 ml or Hexaconazole 5% EC 10 ml mix with per 10 liters of water.

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CHILLI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cool, humid condition and moderate temperature favours the disease. If the incidence of leaf spot disease is observed on chilli crop, it is advised carry out the spraying of Copper oxychloride 50 % WP @ 1000 gm per acre mix with in 300-400 litre of water or Mancozeb 75 % WP @ 600-800 gm per acre mix with in 300 litres of water or Hexaconazole 75 % WG @ 27 gm per acre mix with in 200 litres of water or Kresoxim-methyl 15% + Chlorothalonil 56% WG @ 400 gm per acre mix with in 200 litres of water or Carbendazim 12% + mancozeb 63% WP @ 300 gm per acre mix with in 200 litres of water during the clear weather condition.
TOMATO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the symptoms of Late Blight of tomato was noticed due to the previous cloudy weather, spraying should be done with Mancozeb (2.0 g/l) or Copper oxychloride (3.0 g/l) or Bordeaux mixture (1%) or Copper hydroxide (2.0 g/l) or Fosetyl-Al (2.0 g/l) or Dimethomorph (2.0 g/l) combination of Pyraclostrobin + Metiram (2.0 g/l) or Mefenoxam + Copper hydroxide (2.0 g/l) or Metalaxyl 8% + Mancozeb. 64% (2.0 g/l) during clear weather condition.

Live Stock Specific Advisory:

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BUFFALO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To protect livestock from cold weather, keep the animals indoor during night hours. Provide suitable bedding like paddy straw, wheat straw, saw dust etc. of 4-6-inch thickness to protect the animals from cold. The floor of the animal shed should be kept clean and dry. Provide clean and potable drinking water to animals round the clock. Clean the water trough (once in a week) regularly in livestock. Provide mineral mixture @ 30-40 g/day to cattle for improving the milk production and reproduction efficiency.
COW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animals should be vaccinated against foot and mouth disease.

Poultry Specific Advisory:

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BIRD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Screens on both sides of the bird shed should be closed at night and early morning during cool weather and open in the afternoon during hot weather. The aviary should have temperature control facility. The temperature in the poultry house should be controlled between 21 and 30 degrees Celsius, so light bulbs, grates or brooders should be used in sheds. Electrolytes, vitamins etc. should be used in their diet to avoid stress due to climate change. Due to extreme cold, the humidity in the air increases and fungi grow in the bird's bedding and food, and there is a high possibility of respiratory diseases in the birds, so care should be taken to keep the bedding in the bird house clean and dry. Warm water should be provided to the parties for drinking. Due to increased energy requirements, food should be prepared as per the advice of a nutritionist. Get vaccinated as per schedule. Adequate stock of medicines, saline solutions and vitamins should be kept.

Others (Soil / Land Preparation) Specific Advisory:

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GENERAL ADVICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It should be noted that the validity of the dates mentioned in the Weather Based Advisory Bulletins will be valid up to 08:30 AM of the mentioned date. *Based on a research trial that was not included in the CIBRC label claim. # Under label claim.
GENERAL ADVICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per recommendation this month okra, cluster bean, cowpea, cucumber, pumpkin, bottle gourd, bitter gourd, dhense, watermelon, muskmelon, spinach, radish, fenugreek and coriander should be planted. Use drip or sprinkler irrigation management.