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Agro-met Advisory Bulletin for the State of Himachal Pradesh Bulletin No. 21/2024 Dated: 12.03.2024

Valid for 12.03.2024 to 16.03.2024

Past 24 hrs. Significant Weather Condition

Light rain/snow occurred at isolated places over the state during last 24 hours. Hailstorm was observed at Shillaro and Thunder storm was heard at Bhuntar.

No large change in minimum temperatures and maximum temperatures during last 24 hours. Average Minimum and Maximum temperatures were normal.

Today the Lowest temperature was recorded at Kukumseri = -4.1 °C. Yesterday's Highest temperature was recorded at Una=27.6 °C.

State rainfall forecast (for the next 72 hrs) (valid till 08:30 ist of the next day)

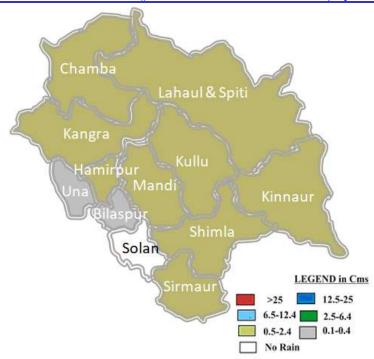
Date	12 th March	13 th March	14 th March
Plains/	DRY.	Rain/Snow at most places	DRY
Low hills			
Middle	Rain/Snow at isolated places	Rain/Snow at most places	Rain/Snow at isolated places
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High	Rain/Snow at isolated places	Rain/Snow at most places	Rain/Snow at isolated places
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Warning: Thunderstorm with lighting and hail at isolated pockets of the district.

Outlook for next 2 days (from 15.03.2024 to 16.03.2024)

Forecast: Dry.
Warning: NIL

Rainfall forecast for the next five days from 0830 of 12.03.2024, up to 0830 of 16.03.2024



Agriculture and Horticulture related Advisory

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			recommended chemicals can be done. Monitoring of mustard crop against attack of white rust.
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Pulse and oilseeds	Plant protection		This time is also suitable for sowing of sunflower in low and mid-hill areas. Sowing of EC-68415 variety can be done by keeping row to row distance of 60 cm and plant to plant distance of 25-30 cm. In lower regions sowing of green gram and black gram can be done in second fortnight of march For pod borer in the gram crop, installation of Pheromone trap @ 3-4 traps per acre is advised if flowering has reached 10-15%. "T" shaped bird perches in and around crop field to be installed for controlling insect population.
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			trap @25 per hectare Infected crop should be
			uprooted and buried in the soil.
Radish and turnip,onion & Peas	Plant protection		In lower regions, start sowing of Cucurbits crops in this week. Seed should be treated with captan or thiram @ 2 gram/kg of seed before sowing. Use well decomposed FYM 10-12 ton/acre in the field at the time of ploughing. Sowing of early crop of ladies finger advised. Seed rates should be 10-15 kilogram per acre. In onion crop against attack of thrips Spraying of
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			Thrips attack in onion sown earlier is expected for control spraying of Imidacloprid @ 0.5 ml per litre of water with sticky material (Tipol 1.0 gram /litre) should be done when sky remains clear
Ginger, Turmeric, calcocasia and elephant foot and leafy vegetables	Intercultural operations &weed control		For the control of downy mildew in garlic spray Diathane M 45 2.5 g or Bavistine 1 g per litre.
Potato	Vegetative&Fruiting		Infection of blight may occur in potato and tomato. Constant monitoring is advised. If symptoms appears than spray of Carbandizam @ 1.0 gm / litre of water or Dithane-M-45 @ 2.0 gm / litre of water is recommended. Do weeding in potato
Poly house Agriculture	Vegetative stage		Cucurbits plantation may be done in polytubes under the polyhouse Sowing of green coriander, raddish turnip
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Sheep and Goat etc.		ticks and mites	shed.Ensure cleanliness in cows having advanced pregnancy to avoid mastitis. Monitor the animals for FMD and advised Vaccination. Deworming of calves should be continued against ascaris with piperazine liquid 4ml/10 kg body weight.
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			grits for calcium for layers.
Horticulture	Nutrient management		If the stem borer problem is there in spray
	of plantsLeaf minor		insecticide or control them with applying kerosene
	in Citrus		oil. Keep the basins of the plants free from weeds.
			Wrapping of plastic sheets around mango trunk
			should be done for preventing climbing of young
			mealy bugs. Apply grease to seal any cracks in the
			polythene sheets. The weather is conducive for the
			attack of leaf minor in Citrus. For its control, spray
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			water. Remove the shoots below the graft or bud
			unions.
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Kullu		
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Apple	Field Preparation/Planting	 Add fertilizers to the full-grown tree (above ten years) MOP (Murite of Potash): 1 kg/tree; SSP (Single Super Phosphate): 1kg 800 gm/tree, when weather is clear. To control Sanjose scale and attack of mite spray horticulture mineral oil

		 (TSO) @ 4 lt in 200 L of water. Apply Bordeaux paste on the cut ends of broken or pruned branches to avoid fungal infection and heal wounds.
Pomegranate	Field Preparation/Planting	 Destroy infected plant parts and dress off cut ends Apply 20 kg FYM, 1.5 kg SSP and 1 kg of MOP while preparing the basins, when the weather is clear. Spray Bordeaux Mixture (2 Kg white Wash + 2 kg Copper Carbonate in 200 ltr water) immediately after Pruning to prevent Fungal infection at the cut ends, when the weather is clear.
Stone Fruits	White Bud to Full bloom	• Do not spray any insecticides and fungicides on full bloom of stone fruit plants.
Tomato	Field Preparation/ Nursery	 In mid hills of Kullu district, farmers are advised to prepare fields and sow nursery of tomato. Seed Rate: 35-40 gm/Bigha Spacing: 90 x 30 cm In areas where seedling of vegetable seedling is ready for transplanting treat them with bijamrit or Dithane M -45 @ 2.5g + Bavistin @ 1g/ liter of water than go for transplanting in well prepared fields.
Capsicum	Field Preparation/ Nursery	 In mid hills of Kullu district, farmers are advised to prepare fields and sow nursery of capsicum. Where nursery is of 7 to 10 days' spray Dithane M45 (2.5 gm) + Bavistein (1 gm) per litre to control damping off disease in capsicum or tomato. Dead plant should be scooped off with soil.
Potato	Vegetative	 With relative humidity, infection of blight may occur in potatoes and tomatoes. Constant monitoring is advised. If symptoms appear then spray of Carbandizam @ 1.0 gm/litre of water or Dithane-M-45 @ 2.0 gm/litre of water is recommended. As per the forecast of thunderstorms, lightening along with heavy rainfall at isolated places, farmers are advised to drain out the excess amount of water stagnated in the field.
Garden Pea	Flowering	 For control of powdery mildew in peas, spray Karathane @5 ml per 10 litre of water. If so required, the practice may be repeated after 10-15 days, when the weather is clear. For pod borer in pea, installation of pheromone traps @ 3-4 traps per acre is advised.
Onion/Garlic	Vegetative	• The crop should be monitored continuously to prevent the attack of Stemphylium causes yellowing and dieback of leaf tips. In the case of disease attack spray of Dithane M45 @ 2.5 gram per L of water.
Wheat/Barley	Tillering	• Framers are advised to monitor yellow rust disease in the crop due to present weather conditions. For the control of this disease spray Tilt @ 1ml/litre of water with the appearance of the symptoms.
Apiculture		 Maintain proper hygiene of the bee colonies. Insert empty frame /combs for egg laying for the queen as the population starts builds up.

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