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AGRO-ADVISORY BULLETIN FOR CHAMARAJANAGARA DISTRICT

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Past Weather Data								
Parameter	22.03.2025	23.03.2025	24.03.2025	25.03.2025				
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0				
Max. Temp. (°C)	35.5	34.6	33.4	34.9				
Min. Temp. (°C)	20.9	19.5	20.3	19.9				
Sky condition (Octas)	-	-	-	-				
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	79	80	81	80				
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	-	-	52	-				
Wind Speed (km/h)	-	-	-	-				
Wind Direction	-	-	_	-				

Weather forecast for the next five days (From 26-03-2025 to 30-03-2025)							
Parameter	26.03.2025	27.03.2025	28.03.2025	29.03.2025	30.03.2025		
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0		
Max. Temp. (°C)	35	35	36	36	33		
Min.Temp. (°C)	20	20	20	21	21		
Sky condition (Octas)	3	3	3	3	3		
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	81	82	83	82	80		
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	52	20	51	52	52		
Wind Speed (kmph)	4	4	4	4	4		
Wind Direction	169	90	259	200	189		

Forecast Summary

As forecast received from IMD, partially cloudy sky with no rainfall may be expected from 26.03.2025 to 30.03.2025 in Chamarajanagara district. The day temperature is expected to be 35-36°C & night temperature is expected 20-21°C. The relative humidity in the morning hours is expected to be 80-83% & afternoon relative humidity is expected to be in the range of 20-52%. Wind speed expected to be 4 km/ hr.

SMS Advisory

A forecasted temperature for the next five days is 35-36°C. Farmers should irrigate crops adequately and use mulching to conserve soil moisture. Provide shade and sufficient drinking water for livestock to prevent heat stress. Very light rainfall aids in minimizing heat-related damage for crops.

Recommendations to the farmers:-							
Crop	Pest/Disease	Damage symptoms	Control measures				
General Advisory	v :						

- No rainfall; retain soil moisture, providing irrigation at proper intervals is essential to prevent drought stress.
- **Mulching** with straw, dry leaves, or plastic mulch will help retain soil moisture and reduce evaporation losses.
- **Pest and Disease Monitoring**: Dry conditions favor **thrips, mites, aphids**, and other sucking pests—regularly monitor crops and use biological or recommended chemical controls if necessary.
- **Drip Irrigation or Sprinkler System**: Efficient water management through **drip or sprinkler irrigation** is advised to optimize water usage.
- For harvested Crops: Proper drying and moisture management should be ensured before storage to prevent fungal and insect infestations.

Weather based advisory							
Crop	Stage	Advisory					
Paddy	Vegetative stage	Provide regular irrigation to maintain soil moisture. Monitor for stem borer and apply necessary pest control. Maintain proper weed control.					
Maize	Tasseling stage	Ensure sufficient moisture to support grain formation. Avoid moisture stress by irrigating fields. Monitor for fall armyworm and use pheromone traps or biological control if needed.					
Finger millet	Vegetative stage	Irrigate based on soil moisture. Keep the field weed-free. Apply necessary nutrients for proper growth.					
Tomato	Vegetative stage	Water at regular intervals to prevent stress. Monitor for pests like thrips and diseases like early blight. Use mulch to conserve soil moisture.					
Chilli	Fruit formation stage	Regular irrigation is essential to avoid flower and fruit drop. Monitor for thrips and mites. Apply organic mulching to retain soil moisture.					
Banana	Fruit development stage	Provide irrigation at regular intervals. Ensure proper nutrient supply, especially potassium for better fruit development. Protect plants from sunburn by using organic mulch.					
Vegetable crops	Various stages	Maintain adequate soil moisture. Protect crops from pest attacks due to dry weather. Mulching can help conserve moisture and regulate soil temperature.					

Livestock, Poult	ry, and Sericulture Advisory (Very light Rainfall & High Temperature
Sector	Weather-Based Advisory
Livestock	Ensure proper shade and ventilation in animal sheds. Provide ample clean drinking
	water. Avoid grazing during peak heat hours. Provide mineral supplements to prevent
	heat stress.
Poultry	High temperatures may lead to heat stress, affecting egg production and bird health.
	Maintain proper ventilation in poultry sheds. Provide cool drinking water with
	electrolytes. Reduce feed quantity in the daytime and provide more during cooler
	hours.
Sericulture	High temperatures can stress silkworms. Maintain humidity by sprinkling water in
	rearing rooms. Provide proper aeration and shade to protect mulberry plants from heat
	stress.

Moisture Conservation Practices and Summer Ploughing Advisory					
Practice	Weather-Based Advisory				
Mulching	Apply dry leaves, paddy straw, or organic waste around plants to reduce				
	evaporation losses and soil temperature.				
Summer Ploughing	Since rainfall is absent, conduct deep summer ploughing to expose soil-borne				
	pests and improve aeration. It also helps in better moisture retention for the				
	next season.				
Irrigation	Follow drip irrigation or sprinkler irrigation to conserve water. Irrigate during				
Management	early morning or evening hours to minimize evaporation losses.				
Shading Measures	For young plants and nurseries, use shade nets or temporary structures to				
	reduce direct heat impact.				

Sugarcane trash management

- **Composting:** Convert trash into organic manure.
- ➤ **Mulching:** Use as mulch to conserve moisture and suppress weeds.
- ➤ **Bio-decomposer:** Spray bio-decomposers (e.g., *Trichoderma*, *Pseudomonas*) on trash piles to accelerate decomposition.
- **Soil Incorporation:** Shred and plow trash into the soil.
- **Vermicomposting:** Use in vermiculture for nutrient-rich compost.
- > Animal Bedding: Use for livestock, later as manure.
- > Avoid Burning: Opt for sustainable disposal methods.

Recommendation	n to farmers	
Crop specific adv	visory:	
Crop	Stage	Advisory
Maize fall army worm	Vegetative stage	 ✓ Handpick and destroy egg masses and larvae. ✓ Use predators like <i>Trichogramma pretiosum</i> or parasitoids like <i>Telenomus remus</i>. ✓ Apply <i>Metarhizium anisopliae</i> or <i>Beauveria bassiana</i>. ✓ Spray Chlorantraniliprole 18.5% SC @ 0.4 ml/l or Emamectin benzoate 5% SG @ 0.4 g/l. Avoid excessive nitrogen application.
Coconut rugose whitefly	Vegetative stage	 ✓ Prune and burn infested leaves. ✓ Release Encarsia guadeloupae parasitoids. Conserve natural predators like ladybird beetles (Cryptolaemus montrouzieri). ✓ Spray Neem oil 1% or use Acephate 75 SP @ 1 g/l as a spot application if infestation is severe.
Chilli leaf curl virus	Vegetative stage	 ✓ Use virus-free seeds and resistant varieties. Maintain proper spacing and avoid overlapping. ✓ Remove and destroy infected plants. Use yellow sticky traps to monitor whitefly populations. ✓ Spray Imidacloprid 17.8% SL @ 0.5 ml/l or Thiamethoxam 25 WG @ 0.3 g/l.
Cabbage diamond back moth	Head stage	 Spray DDVP 76 EC. @0.5 ml./lit water in nursery. 15 days before transplanting around the main field and every 25 rows of cabbage one row of mustard sowing, 15 to 20 days after cabbage planting another row of mustard sowing. Mustard as trap crop. Spray on mustard with 0.5 ml. DDVP in a lit. water. During head formation, spray 5 per cent NSKE. Birdpurches may be provided to attract predatory birds.

Bean Pod borer	Pod formation stage	Spray 2.0 ml. Malathion 50 EC./ lit. water.
Tomato Early and late blight of tomato	Fruiting stage	For late blight of tomato 15 days prior to transplanting Trichoderma and Pseudomonas enriched compost may be incorporated to the soil. For early blight control spray 2.0 g. Mancozeb 75 WP OR 2.0 g. Maneb OR 2.0 g. Metalaxyl- MZ 72WP. OR 2.0 g. Dimethomorph + polyram/lit. water. For control of late blight spray 2.0 g. Metalaxyl - MZ 72WP. OR 2.0 g. Fosetyl al 80 WP OR 2.0 g. Dimethomorph + polyram in a lit. water, 5 weeks after transplanting. Repeat the spray 7th, 9th and 11th weeks after transplanting. 200- 250 lit. spray solution required/acre/spray.
Banana Leaf spot (Cigatoka)	Fruit development	In endemic areas grow resistant banana variety - Sakkare bale. At the time of planting the rhizomes may treated with any one of the Fungicides /lit. water a)Propiconozole 25 EC 1.0 ml. b)Theiophenate methyl 70 Wdiv 1.0 g. c)Carbendazim 50 Wdiv 1.0 g. d)Metham Sodium (Vapom) - 1.0 g. In Mashy area provide drainage.
Field bean pod borer	Pod development	Dust 10 kg. Fenvalrate 0.4 D. OR Malathion 5 D. per acre during morning hours.

Block level weather forecast (From 26-03-2025 to 30-03-2025)								
Chamarajanagara								
Parameter 26.03.2025 27.03.2025 28.03.2025 29.03.2025 30.03.2025								
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0			
Max. temp (°C)	32.1	32.7	32.4	33.5	34.6			
Min.Temp (°C)	20.6	20.5	21.7	21.9	21.7			
Sky condition (Octas)	2	2	3	4	3			
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	81.2	80.3	74.2	82.1	82			
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	36.9	40.7	38.4	33.1	25			
Wind Speed (kmph) 5.6 3.4 1.8 2.3 2.6								
Wind Direction	153.5	148	281.3	308.7	164.1			

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Parameter	26.03.2025	27.03.2025	28.03.2025	29.03.2025	30.03.2025		

Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0
Max. temp (°C)	32.4	32.6	32.5	33.5	34.1
Min.Temp (°C)	20.2	20.5	21.2	21.4	21.5
Sky condition (Octas)	2	2	2	3	2
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	82.1	77.2	76.1	77.3	71.8
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	34.1	38.3	40	36.1	25.9
Wind Speed (kmph)	4.2	3.3	3.4	1.8	1.8
Wind Direction	160.1	186.3	238	258.7	191.3

Kollegala								
Parameter	26.03.2025	27.03.2025	28.03.2025	29.03.2025	30.03.2025			
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0			
Max. temp (°C)	34	34.2	34.4	34.9	36.2			
Min.Temp (°C)	21.8	22	23	22.8	22.7			
Sky condition (Octas)	2	2	3	4	2			
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	74	76.6	73.5	70.1	67.7			
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	30.6	33.5	34.9	27.2	21.2			
Wind Speed (kmph)	4	4.4	3.8	3.6	1.8			
Wind Direction	153.5	170.6	253.3	275.7	233.1			

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Parameter	26.03.2025	27.03.2025	28.03.2025	29.03.2025	30.03.2025		
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0		
Max. temp (°C)	33.9	34.2	34.2	34.7	36.1		
Min.Temp (°C)	21.5	21.7	22.7	22.6	22.6		
Sky condition (Octas)	2	3	3	4	3		
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	76.6	78.3	73.3	73.5	72.3		
Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	32.2	36.4	36.1	28.5	21.9		
Wind Speed (kmph)	4.3	4.5	3.4	3.2	1.8		
Wind Direction	155.6	166	251.6	200	216.8		

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Parameter	26.03.2025	27.03.2025	28.03.2025	29.03.2025	30.03.2025			
Rainfall (mm)	0	0	0	0	0			
Max. temp (°C)	32.4	33.1	33.4	34.2	35.1			
Min.Temp (°C)	20.7	20.9	21.8	22.1	22			
Sky condition (Octas)	2	3	3	3	3			
Relative humidity (%) 0830 hours	77.9	76.6	73	68.5	61.9			

Relative humidity (%) 1730 hours	33.8	35.5	34.8	26.6	21.6
Wind Speed (kmph)	3.7	3.7	2.5	2.7	2.3
Wind Direction	151	168.7	261.9	293.2	198.4

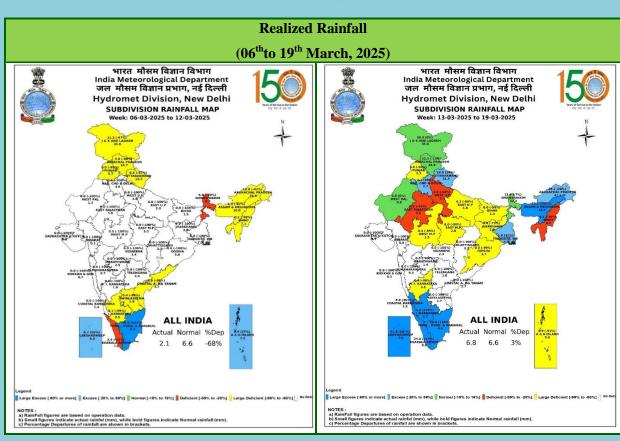
- Download "**DAMINI**" app to get early warning on lightening and take precautions based on the alert given by the application.
- Kindly download "MAUSAM" APP for location specific forecast & warning &"MEGHDOOT" APP for Agromet advisory
- This information is available in the website: mausam.imd.gov.in

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वास्तविकवर्षातथाविस्तारितअवधिपूर्वानुमान Realized Rainfall and Extended Range Forecast (वर्षाऔरतापमान)

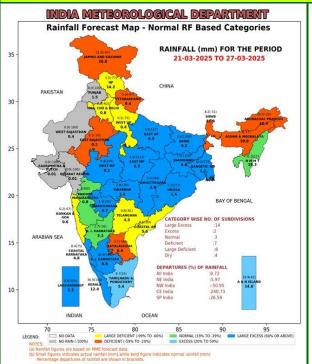
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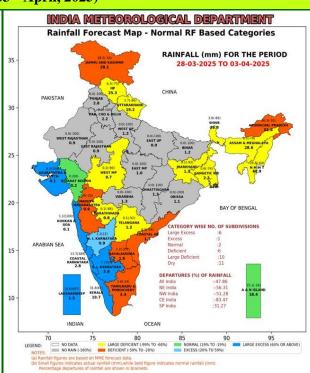


Extended Range Forecast System

Rainfall forecast maps for the next 2 weeks (IC- 19thMarch,2025)

(21st Marchto 03rd April, 2025)

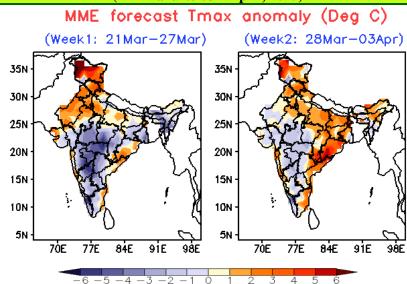




- Week1(21.03.2025 to 27.03.2025):Rainfall is likely to be above normalover Kerala, Karnataka, Gangetic West Bengal and Jharkhand.Rainfall activity is also likely over many parts of East and North East India, Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, some parts of Tamil Nadu and Chhattisgarh.
- Week 2 (28.03.2025 to 03.04.2025):Rainfall is likely to be above normalover Keralaand Karnataka.Rainfall activity is also likely over North East India, Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh.

Maximum and Minimum temperature anomaly (°C) forecast for the next 2 weeks (IC- 19thMarch,2025)

(21st Marchto 03rd April, 2025)

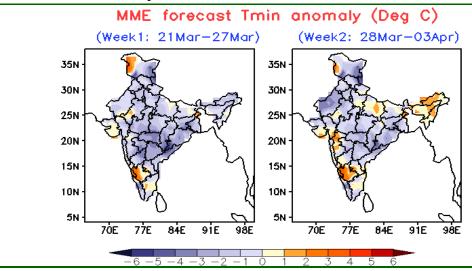


Maximum Temperature (Tmax)

• Week 1 (21.03.2025 to 27.03.2025): Maximum temperature is likely to be above normal over North West India, Konkan-Goa, Odisha, coastal regions of Coastal Andhra Pradesh

and Tamil Nadu. However, it is likely to be below normal over Central India, many parts of West India and South India.

• Week 2 (28.03.2025 to 03.04.2025): Maximum temperature is likely to be above normal over North West India, East India, North East India, Konkan-Goa, Chhattisgarh, Coastal Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu. However, it is likely to be below normal over many parts of Central India and parts of South India.



Minimum Temperature (Tmin)

- Week 1 (21.03.2025 to 27.03.2025): Minimum temperature is likely to be below normal over most parts of the country and below normal over parts of Karnataka.
- Week 2 (28.03.2025 to 03.04.2025): Minimum temperature is likely to be below normal over many parts of the country. However, it is likely to be above normal over North East India and parts of East Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Maharashtra, Karnataka and Gujarat.