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Weekly Status Report on Insects Pests & Diseases of Crops

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Crop	Crop Stage	Location (with GPS)	Major Insect Pests		Major Plant Diseases		Other Pests (Nematodes, Rat, etc.) (Scientific Name)	Pest Advisories
			Name (Scientific Name)	Status (Low, Medium & Severe)	Name (Scientific Name)	Status (Low, Medium & Severe)		
Black pepper	**Nursery/spike setting**	Idukki, Kozhikode, Wayanad (Kerala), Kodagu (Karnataka), Tamil Nadu	**Mealybug** (*Planococcus* sp., *Ferrisia virgata*) (Nursery) **Scale insect** (*Protopulvinaria longivalvata*) (Nursery)	Low to Medium Low	**Slow decline** (*Meloidogyne incognita*., *Radopholus similis*) **Anthracnose** (*Colletotrichum* spp.) **Stunt disease** (*Cucumber mosaic virus*, *Piper yellow mottle virus*) **Mealybug** (*Planococcus* sp., *Ferrisia virgata*) **Anthracnose (***Colletotrichum* spp.**)** (Nursery) **Basal wilt** (*Sclerotium*	Low Low Low Medium Low Low	**Nematodes** (*Radopholus similis, Meloidogyne incognita*) (Nursery)	**Field:** **Slow decline** Remove and destroy severely affected vines. Apply neem cake @ 500g/vine and biocontrol agents like *Pochonia chlamydosporia* or *Trichoderma harzianum* @ 50 g/vine and metalaxyl-mancozeb (0.125%) may also be applied. **Anthracnose** Spray leaves of the affected vines with carbendazim - mancozeb (0.1%). **Stunt disease** Regular monitoring. Remove infected vines and destroy by burning or burying deep in soil. Control the vector (mealy bugs) by drenching neem oil (0.5%). **Mealybug** Drench neem oil (0.5%) or chlorpyriphos (0.075%).

					rolfsii) (Nursery) **Viral infection** (Nursery)	Low		**Nursery:** **Anthracnose** Spray Bordeaux mixture (1%). **Basal wilt** Remove and destroy affected cuttings along with defoliated leaves. After periodic sanitation, the cuttings should be drenched with carbendazim (0.2%) or Bordeaux mixture (1%). **Viral infections** Regular inspection and removal of infected plants. Regular monitoring for insects and spray with neem oil (0.5%) whenever infestation is noticed. **Mealy bug and scale insects** Spray neem oil (0.5%), once infestation is noticed. **Nematodes** Apply *Pochonia chlamydosporia* @ 1g/bag.
Cardamom	**Capsule maturation and harvesting**	Idukki, Wayanad (Kerala), Kodagu (Karnataka)	**Thrips** (*Sciothrips cardamomi*) **Shoot borer** (*Conogethes punctiferalis*)	Medium to Severe Medium	**Leaf blight** (*Colletotrichum* spp.) ***Katte*/Mosaic** (*Cardamom mosaic virus*) **Chlorotic streak** (*Banana bract mosaic virus*)	Low to Medium Low to medium Low		**Leaf blight** Maintain optimum shade level by providing 40-60% filtered light. Spray carbendazim - mancozeb (0.1%) or carbendazim (0.2%) which may be repeated at 30 days interval depending on disease severity. ***Katte*/Mosaic and Chlorotic streak** Prompt inspection of plantation, detection and rouging of virus sources (infected plants/ volunteers). The removed plants may be burnt or buried deep in soil. Removal of

								natural hosts like *Colocasia* and *Caladium* to destroy breeding sites and check population build-up of the vector. **Shoot borer** Spray quinalphos (0.075%). **Thrips** Spray quinalphos 25% EC (0.075%) after undertaking thrashing.
Ginger	**Vegetative**	Karnataka, Kerala	**Leaf roller** (*Udaspes folus*) **Shoot borer** (*Conogethes punctiferalis*)	Low Medium	**Leaf spot** (*Phyllosticta zingiberi*)	Medium		**Leaf spot** Spray Bordeaux mixture (1%) or mancozeb (0.2%) or carbendazim (0.2%). **Leaf roller** Spray malathion (0.1%) at 21 days interval. **Shoot borer** Prune and destroy freshly infested pseudostems and spray malathion (0.1%).
Turmeric	**Vegetative**	Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Odisha	**Leaf roller** (*Udaspes folus*)	Low	**Leaf spot** (*Colletotrichum capsici*)	Medium		**Leaf spot** Spray carbendazim or mancozeb (0.2%). **Leaf roller** Spray malathion (0.1%) at 21 days interval.
Vanilla	**Vegetative/Bean maturing**	Karnataka			**Leaf spot** (*Colletotrichum vanillae*) **Stem rot** (*Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *vanillae*) **Viral diseases** (*Bean common*	Low Medium Low		**Leaf spot** Spray Bordeaux mixture (1%) at 15 – 20 days interval. **Stem rot** Remove and destroy infected plant parts. Apply *Trichoderma harzianum* and *Pseudomonas fluorescens* (cfu 10^8) 50 g per vine. **Viral diseases**

					mosaic virus, *Bean yellow mosaic virus*, *Cucumber mosaic virus*, *Cymbidium mosaic virus*)			Regular inspection and removal of infected plants. The removed plants may be burnt or buried deep in soil. Control of vector (aphids) by spraying neem oil (0.5%).
Nutmeg	**Bearing**	Kerala	**Borer** (*Xylosandrus* spp.)	Low	**Leaf fall and fruit rot** (*Diplodia natalensis* and *Phytophthora* sp.)	Low		**Leaf fall and fruit rot** In endemic regions, spray Bordeaux mixture (1%) covering both foliage and fruits. **Borer** Adopt strict phytosanitation and crop hygiene measures. Prune and destroy severely affected plant parts.