

CRIDA : HYDERABAD

Answer to the Lok Sabha priority starred question dairy No. 9346 dated 4-12-2014

a) The details of the current status of District Agro-Meteorological Advisory Service (DAAS) to offer advices to farmers of various states

India Meteorological Department (IMD), through its Agrometeorological Field Units (AMFUs), which are operated in collaboration with State Agriculture Universities and other Institutes, issues Agrometeorological advisory service.. This contains advisories for all the weather sensitive agricultural operations from sowing to harvest. It also includes advisories for horticultural crops and livestock.. These weather based advisories are disseminated to the farmers through mass media dissemination, Internet etc as well as through district level intermediaries. The advisories will be communicated through multi-channel dissemination system.

b) The extent to which the service is benefitted to farmers of the country

The detailed information will be available with IMD agrimet division, Pune

c) Whether Government has established any district Agro-meteorological Advisory Services (DAAS) in Idukki & Ernakulam districts of Kerala ?

Yes.

d) If so, the details thereof ?

Based on the district-level weather forecast issued by IMD, New Delhi, the Cardamom Research Station of Kerala Agricultural University situated at Pampadumpara issues Agromet Advisory bulletins for Idukky district.

District level agromet advisory services bulletin for Ernakulam district is issued by Dept. of Agricultural Meteorology, College of Horticulture, Kerala Agricultural University, Vellanikkara, Thrissur.