State: **KERALA**

Agriculture Contingency Plan for District: KANNUR

			1.0 District Ag	griculture profil	e			
1.1	Agro-Climatic/Ecological Zone	Northern 2	Zone					
	Agro Ecological Sub Region (ICAR)	Konkan, k	Konkan, Karnataka and Kerala Coastal plain, hot humid to perhumid eco-subregion (19.3)					
	Agro-Climatic Region (Planning Commission)	West coas	t plains and ghat	region (XII)				
	Agro Climatic Zone (NARP)	Northern 2	Northern Zone (KE-1)					
	List all the districts or part thereof falling under the NARP Zone	Kannur, K	Kannur, Kasargod and Kozhikode					
	Geographic coordinates of district		Latitude		Longit	ude	Altitude	
		11° 52' 0" N			75° 21' 55" E		344 m	
	Name and address of the concerned ZRS/ZARS/RARS/RRS/RRTTS		icode, Kasarago niyur, Kanhirang				<u>I</u>	
	Mention the KVK located in the district	Krishi Vig	gyan Kendra, Par	nniyur, Kanhiran	agad, Kannur, Pin- 670	142		
1.2	Rainfall	Normal RF(mm)	Normal Rainy days (number)	Normal Onset		Normal Cessation		
	SW monsoon (June-Sep)(average)	686	105	June first weel	k	September second	week	
	NE Monsoon(Oct-Dec): average	200	20	October First	week	November second	week	
	Winter (Jan- March) average	3.3	2 -		-		-	
	Summer (Apr-May) average	176	10		-		-	
	Annual	3698.	127		-		-	

1.3	Land use pattern of the district (latest	Geographical Area ('000 HA)	Forest area ('000 ha)	Land under non- agricultural use	Permanent pastures	Cultivable wasteland	Land under Misc. tree crops and	Barren and uncultivable land	Current fallows	Other fallows
	statistics)						groves			
	Area ('000 ha)	296.6	18.9	21.7	0.011	4.6	1.1	9.9	3.5	

1. 4	Major Soils (common names like shallow red soils etc.,)	Area ('000 ha)	Percent (%) of total
	1. Red Laterite soils	217.7	75
	2. Alluvial Soil	8.9	2
	3. forest soil	18.9	7
	4. Hydromorpic saline	11.7	6
	5. Riverine alluvium	32.9	10
	Others (specify):		
1.5	Agricultural land use	Area ('000 ha)	Cropping intensity %
	Net sown area	228.9	
	Area sown more than once	10.1	108
	Gross cropped area	247.0	

1.6	Irrigation	Area ('000 ha)	Area ('000 ha)					
	Net irrigated area	49.5	49.5					
	Gross irrigated area	19.9						
	Rainfed area	199.6	199.6					
	Sources of Irrigation	Number	Area ('000 ha)	Percentage of total irrigated area				
	Canals		1.3	6.6				
	Tanks	-	1.7	8.9				
	Open wells	-	8.3	41.8				

Bore wells	-	5.0	0.01
Lift irrigation	-	0.2	1.2
Micro-irrigation		0.7	3.5
Other sources	-	7.4	37.0
Total Irrigated Area		24.6	
Pump sets		295.9	
No. of Tractors	60		
Groundwater availability and use* (Data source: State/Central Ground water Department /Board)	No. of blocks/ Tehsils	(%) area	
Over exploited	-		
Critical	-		
Semi- critical	-		
Safe	-		
Wastewater availability and use	-		
Ground water quality		623.13cm	

1.7 Area under major field crops & horticulture etc. (2006-07)

1.7	Major Field Crops cultivated		Area ('000 ha)							
		K	Kharif		Rabi	Summer	Total			
		Irrigated	Rainfed	Irrigated	Rainfed					
	Coconut				-	-	96.5			
	Rubber			-	-	-	62.1			
	Cashew			-	-	-	42.0			
	Arecanut				-	-	13.4			
	Pepper			-	-	-	12.3			
	Paddy		5.362		5.964		11.326			

Banana	-	-	-	-	5.4			
Horticulture crops - Fruits	Total area							
Jack				-				
Mango				12.0				
Banana				-				
Plantain				3.5				
Pineapple				0.27				
Horticultural crops - Vegetables	Total area							
Turmeric				0.15				
ginger				0.15				
tapoica				2.60				
Food crops				115.7				
Bitterguard				-				
Medicinal and Aromatic crops	Total area Nil							
Nil								
Sesamum				1				

Plantation crops	Total area
Rubber	62.11
Cashew	42.0
coco	0.18
Fodder crops	Total area
Fodder grass	-
Total fodder crop area	
Grazing land	
Sericulture etc	

1.8	Livestock			Male ('000)		Female ('000)	T	otal ('000)
	Non descriptive Cattle (local low	yielding)		-		22.0		22.0
	Crossbred cattle			-		112.7		112.7
	Non descriptive Buffaloes (local	low yield	ing)	-		0.995		0.995
	Graded Buffaloes		Ĵ					
	Goat							90.17
	Sheep							0.664
	Others (Camel, Pig, Yak etc.)							0.259
	Commercial dairy farms (Number	er)						
1.9	Poultry			No. of farms		Tota	al No. of birds ('000)	
	Commercial		٦				151.764	
	Backyard		}				23.701	
1.10	Fisheries (Data source: Chief Plane	anning Of	ficer)		I			
	A. Capture							
	i) Marine (Data Source: Fisheries Department)	No. o	No. of fishermen B		nts		Nets	Storage facilities (Ice plants etc.)
	Tisheries Department)			Mechanized	Non- mechanized	Mechanized (Trawl nets, Gill nets)	Non-mechanized (Shore Seines, Stake & trap nets)	(rec plants etc.)
		Mai	rine: 6024	273	169	T Net-128	Shore Seine-32	18
		Inla	and: 1813			G Net- 11	Stake Net-577	
	ii) Inland (Data Source:	N	o. Farmer ow	vned ponds	No. of R	eservoirs	irs No. of village tanks	
	Fisheries Department))		1200		
	B. Culture							
			Water S	Spread Area (ha)		Yield (t/ha)	Produc	tion ('000 tons)
	i) Brackish water (Data Source: MPEDA/ Fisheries Department)		300	0.7 t/ha		210		

ii) Fresh water (Data Source: Fisheries	80	3.0 t/ha	240
Department)			
Others			

1.11 Production and Productivity of major crops (Average of last 5 years: 2004, 05, 06, 07, 08)

1.11	Name of crop		Kharif	R	Rabi	Sui	mmer	Т	otal	Crop
		Production ('000 t)	Productivity (kg/ha)	Production ('000 t)	Productivity (kg/ha)	Production ('000 t)	Productivity (kg/ha)	Production ('000 t)	Productivity (kg/ha)	residue as fodder ('000
Maior	 - Field crops (Cro	 ns to be identi	 fied based on total	acreage)						tons)
1.1.101	Tiesa erops (ero)	ps to 50 1401101		uer euge)						
	Paddy							20.8	1.7	
	Ginger							0.5	3.1	
	Coconut							0.6	6.2	
	Coco							0.08	0.35	
	Pepper	1.5	0.24					4.7	0.18	
	Cashew								0.92	
			Major Horticult	tural crops (Ci	rops to be ident	ified based or	total acreage)			
	Banana	2.0	4.0	5.0	7.0	0.70	0.25	2.29	8.86	
	Coconut	0.44	7.8					0.64	6.26	
	Plantain	12.2	5.8					16.22	4.74	
	Pineapple							1.60		
	Pappaya									
	Mango							88.88		
	Arecanut							14.74		

1.	Sowing window for 5 major field crops (start and end of normal sowing period)	Paddy	Coconut	Arecanut	Vegetable
	Kharif- Rainfed	June 1 st -Sept.30	June 1 st -Sept.30	June 1 st - Nov.30	June 1 st -Sept.30
	Kharif-Irrigated	-	-	-	-
	Rabi- Rainfed	Oct Jan.30	-	-	Oct Jan.30
	Rabi-Irrigated	-	-	-	-

1.13	What is the major contingency the district is prone to? (Tick mark and mention years if known during the last 10 year period)	Regular	Occasional	None
	Drought			
	Flood	V		
	Cyclone	V		
	Hail storm	,		
	Heat wave			
	Cold wave			
	Frost		V	
	Sea water intrusion			
	Pests and diseases (specify) BPH, Leaf roller, Mite, Bud rot, Mahali	V		

1.14	Include Digital maps of the district for	Location map of district within State as Annexure I	Enclosed: No
		Mean annual rainfall as Annexure 2	Enclosed: No
		Soil map as Annexure 3	Enclosed: No

2.0 Strategies for weather related contingencies

2.1 Drought

2.1.1 Rainfed situation

Condition				Suggested Contingency measur	res
Early season drought (delayed onset)	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Change in crop/cropping system	Agronomic measures	Remarks on Implementation
Delay by 2 weeks (June 3 rd Week)	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam	Rice-Rice Rice-Vegetables Rice -Pulse Arecanut + Pepper Coconut + Pepper Rice -Pulse Coconut + Banana Arecanut + Banana + Pepper Coconut + Pepper	Rice-Rice Rice-Vegetables Rice -pulse	 Direct seeding for the first crop Prefer short duration varieties Prepare mat nursery and adopt community nursery Adopt closer spacing and increase the number of seedlings to 3-4 numbers/hill and give additional N @5 kg/ha Spray of B and K increases drought tolerance. Apply silica Mulching organic manuring Sprinkler Irrigation/micro irrigation/supplemental irrigation. 	Capacity building of padasekhara samithy. Micro Irrigation Scheme and RKVY SHM

Condition				Suggested Contingency measures	
Early season drought (delayed onset)	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	cropping crop/cropping Agronomic measures		Remarks on Implementation
Delay by 4 weeks (July first Week)	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam soils	Rice-Rice Rice-Vegetables Rice -Pulse Arecanut + Pepper Coconut + Pepper Rice -Pulse Coconut + Banana Arecanut + Banana + Pepper Coconut + Pepper	Rice-Rice Rice-Vegetables Rice -pulse	 Direct seeding for the first crop Prefer short duration varieties Prepare mat nursery and adopt community nursery Adopt closer spacing and increase the number of seedlings to 3-4 numbers/hill and give additional N @5 kg/ha Spray of B and K increases drought tolerance Apply silica mulching organic manuring Sprinkler Irrigation/micro irrigation/supplemental irrigation. Wet seeding of short duration varieties Adopt single crop of long duration variety 	Capacity building of padasekhara samithy. Micro Irrigation Scheme and RKVY SHM

Condition	Suggested Contingency measures					
Early season drought (delayed onset)	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Change in crop/cropping system	Agronomic measures	Remarks on Implementation	
Delay by 6weeks (July third Week)	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam			Not Applicable		

Condition		Suggested Contingency measures					
Early season drought (delayed onset)	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Change in crop/cropping system	Agronomic measures	Remarks on Implementation		
Delay by 8 weeks (August first Week)	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam soils			Not Applicable			

Condition			Suggested Continger	ncy measures	
Early season drought (Normal onset)	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Crop management	Soil nutrient & moisture conservation measures	Remarks on Implementation
Normal onset followed by 15-20 days dry spell after sowing leading to poor germination/crop stand etc.	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam soils	Rice-Rice Rice-Vegetables Rice -pulse	 If transplanting is delayed, adopt closer spacing, increase the number of seedlings to 3-4 numbers/hill and give additional N @5Kg/ha Practice appropriate seed hardening techniques. Under semidry situation, wherein sowing is already over, practice thinning of crop stand, reduce plant population and use the biomass as mulch and do interculture using dry land weeder. Life saving irrigation with available water. Supply the fertilizer nutrients through foliar application Seed treatment with micronutrients. 	P and K as basal, Reduce N dose, Apply bulky organic manures. Application of soil	Capacity building of padasekhara samithy. RKVY SHM

Condition			Suggested Contingency measures			
Mid season drought (long dry spell, consecutive 2 weeks rainless (>2.5 mm) period)	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Crop management	Soil nutrient & moisture conservation measure	Remarks on Implementati on	
At vegetative stage	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam	Rice-Rice Rice-Vegetables Rice- Sesamum Pepper + arecanut	Suppresses weed growth, Make Shelterbelts, spraying potassium chloride, thinning of 33–50% population anti-transpirant spray. mulching	 Irrigate at 1 to 4 days after disappearance of ponded water, Insitu rainwater conservation, Application of P and K as basal, Reduce N dose, Apply bulky organic manures. Collection and conservation of rain water, Intermittent flooding, maintaining the soil in subsaturated condition, Alternate drying and wetting. 		
			 Suppresses weed growth, Make Shelterbelts Establishment of leguminous cover crop, Shading the young plants, white washing the main stem, Antitranspirant spray 	 Zero tillage, Mulching, Sub-surface storing of ground water, Less exploitation of ground water, Drip irrigation, Terracing, Husk burial, leaf cutting. 		

At flowering/ fruiting stage	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam	Rice-Rice Rice-Vegetables Rice- Sesamum Pepper + arecanut	Formation of Shelterbelts. Antitranspirant spray	 Irrigate at 1 to 4 days after disappearance of ponded water, Insitu rainwater conservation, Collection and conservation of rain water, Intermittent flooding, maintaining the soil in subsaturated condition, alternate drying and wetting.
			 Sprinkler irrigation (especially for pepper), Suppresses weed growth, Formation of Shelterbelts, Antitranspirant spray 	 Mulching, Sub-surface storing of ground water, Less exploitation of ground water, Drip irrigation, Terracing,
Terminal drought	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam	Rice-Rice Rice-Vegetables Rice- Sesamum Pepper +	 Terminate the irrigation 14 to 17 days before harvest, Harvesting at physiological maturity, 	 Maintaining the soil in subsaturated condition, Alternate drying and wetting.
		arecanut	 Establishment of leguminous cover crop, Shading, Pruning of coffee, Antitranspirant spray 	 Sub-surface storing of ground water, Less exploitation of ground water, Drip irrigation, Terracing, Husk burial, Leaf cutting.

2.1.2 Irrigated situation

			Suggested Contingency measures			
Condition	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Change in crop/cropping system	Agronomic measures	Remarks on Implementation	
Delayed release of water in canals due to low rainfall	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam	Rice-Rice	Rice (SD)-Rice (SD)	Mulching,Strip cropping,	NREGS Seed village program for SD varieties.	
		Rice-Vegetables	Rice(SD)-Vegetables	Selection of suitable cropping systems		

		Suggested Contingency measures			
Condition	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Change in crop/cropping system	Agronomic measures	Remarks on Implementation
Limited release of water in canals due to low rainfall	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam	Rice-Rice	Rice (SD)-Rice	 Mulching, Strip cropping, Selection of suitable	NREGS, RKVY Seed village program for SD
		Rice-Vegetables	Rice(SD)-Pulses	cropping systems,Reduce the area under cultivation,Increase spacing	

			Suggested Contingency measures			
Condition	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Change in crop/cropping system	Agronomic measures	Remarks on Implementation	
Non release of water in canals under delayed	Sandy clay loam Clay loam Sandy loam	Rice-Rice	Rice (single crop)/Pulses	Rain water harvesting,Direct sowing,	NREGS, RKVY	

			Suggested Contingency measures				
Condition	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Change in crop/cropping system	Agronomic measures	Remarks on Implementation		
onset of monsoon in catchment		Rice-Vegetables		Delayed sowing			

			Suggested Contingency measures			
Condition	Major Farming situation	Normal Crop/cropping system	Change in crop/cropping system	Agronomic measures	Remarks on Implementation	
Insufficient	Sandy clay loam	Rice-Rice	Rice-Rice	• Check dams,		
groundwater recharge due to low rainfall	Clay loam Sandy loam	Rice-Vegetables	Rice-Vegetables	 Percolation pits, Rain water harvesting, Water conservation measures 	NREGS, RKVY	

2.2 Unusual rains (untimely, unseasonal etc) (for both rainfed and irrigated situations)

Condition			easure	
Continuous high rainfall in a short span leading to water logging	Vegetative stage	Flowering stage	Crop maturity stage	Post harvest
Rice	Improve drainage facility	Improve drainage facility	 Improve drainage facility, Cultivation of varieties having seed dormancy, Harvest the crop at physiological maturity. 	Improve storage facility/godowns
Horticulture				
Coconut Improve drainage facility, Cover crops, Strip cr grasses, Collection and conservation of rainwat			Improve storage facility/godowns	
Pepper				

Banana				
Arecanut				
Heavy rainfall with high speed winds in a short span				
Rice	Shelter belts, alley cro	pping, Improve draina	ge facility	Improve storage facility/godowns
Horticulture				
Coconut	Propping of banana pl lopping of pepper stan		e facility, shelter belts,	
Pepper				Improve storage facility/godowns
Banana				improve storage facility/godowns
Arecanut				

Condition		Sugg	ested contingency measure	
Outbreak of pests and diseases due to unseasonal rains	Vegetative stage	Flowering stage	Crop maturity stage	Post harvest
Rice	Cultivation of Application of bio-co disease free seeds, P with biocontrol agents, of fertilizers, Phyto-sar	roper seed treatment Balanced application	Harvest the crop at physiological maturity.	
Horticulture				
Coconut	Crown clearing to com % BM before the onse test based nutrient man	t of monsoon. Apply s	Improve storage facility	
Pepper	Remove and burn all is system to reduce the bushoots or tie back to leaves and shoots of vibio-control agents. App	uild up of the inoculum vines before the onse nes to a height of 2 fee		

	management.
Banana	Remove and destroy severely infected and completely dried leaves, Use disease free healthy planting material. Avoid any sort of root injury through intercultural operations or by nematode infestation, Provide better drainage, Apply soil ameliorants and adopt soil test based nutrient management.
Arecanut	Grow cover crops in the garden and apply <i>in situ</i> . Avoid water stagnation in the garden by providing drainage facilities. Prophylactic spray of 1% Bordeaux mixture with stickers once before the onset of south west monsoon followed by second and third applications at 40-45 days interval. Collect and destroy all fallen and infected nuts. Apply soil ameliorants and adopt soil test based nutrient management.

2.3 Floods

Condition	Suggested contingency measure				
Transient water logging/ partial inundation	Seedling / nursery stage	Vegetative stage	Reproductive stage	At harvest	
Rice	River embankments, Improve cultivation flood tolerant varieties	Harvest the crop at physiological maturity, Cultivation of varieties having seed dormancy			
Horticulture					
Coconut.					
Pepper	J C,	deepening of natural water reserv		*	
Banana		ments, ring bunds and other bund e which reduces the chances of lo		be constructed which can be	
Arecanut			1 6 6		
Continuous submergence					
for more than 2 days					
Rice	Cultivation flood tolerant varieties(especially used in deep water rice cultivation) Crop insurance Improve drainage facility,				
Horticulture					
Coffee	Timely cleaning, de-silting and	deepening of natural water reserv	voir and drainage channels, o	Construction and protection of	

Pepper	all the flood protection embankments, ring bunds and other bunds. Dams and levees can also be constructed which can be
Banana	used as temporarily storing space which reduces the chances of lower plains getting flooded.
Arecanut	

2.4 Extreme events: Heat wave / Cold wave/Frost/ Hailstorm /Cyclone

Condition	Suggested contingency measures
Heatwave	NA
Coldwave	NA NA
Frost	NA
Hailstorm	NA NA
Cyclone	NA NA

2.5 Contingent strategies for Livestock, Poultry

2.5.1 Livestock

	BEFORE THE EVENT	DURING THE EVENT	AFTER THE EVENT
DROUGHT LIVESTOCK	Cultivation of drought resistant fodder varieties like Andropogon and Guinea grass in the fodder plots Preservation of fodder available as silage or hay for feeding during the drought Identification of tree fodders in the locality which can be utilized for drought season Identification of unconventional feed and fodder resources in the locality which can be used in the	 Feeding straw, hay and silage and at least one third of green fodder Feeding available tree fodders and other unconventional feed stuffs. Restrict grazing of animals to cool hours of the day Provide clean, cool drinking water adlibitum or at least four times daily. Improve the ventilation of existing animal sheds Spraying of water to large animals during hot hours of the day Spreading insulatory materials over the roof of the animal sheds Provide most of the feed and fodder during the cool 	1. Flushing of all the stock 2. Gradual switch over to normal diet

	 drought 5. Cultivating cereal fodder like maize and sorghum in the now available irrigated tract and preserving it as silage for the drought. 6. Identification of fallow wet lands in the area and to go for grass cultivation as to get fodder even during the drought with existing moisture in the soil. 7. Conservation and storage of water in rain harvesting facilities for the drought season. 	hours of the day. 9. Use the waste water from the sheds for irrigating the fodder plots 10. Use the stored water for cooling the animal and washing and restrict the use of good potable water for drinking.	
Health and disease management	Vaccination of animals Planting of trees should be done around the shed	Shed should be clean. Allow cool air to flow inside shed. Proper ventilation of shed.	Construction of sheds with proper ventilation-cleaning of shed everyday.

Heat wave and cold wave	When heat wave is more cold water spraying. When cold wave is more light full covering of shed.					
Shelter/environment management	Construction of sheds with proper ventilation. Planting trees around sheds.		Dung should be removed Cleaning of surroundings.	from pits.		
Health and disease management	Vaccination providing adequate feed for animals	Mineral mixture and feed additives can be given	Proper feeding of animals			

2.5.2 Poultry

	Before the event	During the event	After the event
Drought – poultry	Preventive vaccinations against Raniket disease, Fowl pox and infectious bronchitis Deworming of all the birds	Addition of anti-stress agents and antioxidants in the feed Protection from direct sunlight by curtains on the sides of sheds and otherwise ensuring maximum ventilation Insulating material spread over roof Supplementation of minerals and vitamins in the feed	
Storage of feed ingredients	Storing of feed and ingredients	Provide kitchen waste and feed additives vitamin mineral mixtures	Cultivation of maize and other feed ingredients
Drinking water	Storage of clean drinking water	Provide cold clean water	Digging of bore wells for drinking water
Health and disease management	Vaccination of birds	Medicated water and Balanced feed should be given	Provide clean coops for shelter
Floods			
Storage of feed ingredients	Storing of feed and ingredients	Provide balanced feed	Cultivation of maize and fodder
Drinking water	Storage of clean drinking water	Provide clean water	Construction of tanks and wells
Health and disease management	Vaccination of birds	Provide medicated water and feed additives	Provide clean coops for shelter
Cyclone			
Storage of feed ingredients	Storing of feed and ingredients	Provide feed and clean water	Cultivation of maize and other fodder
Drinking water	Storage of water	Provide clean feed and water	Construction of wells

Health and disease management	Vaccination of birds	Medicated water and feed additives	Provide clean shelter
Heat wave and cold wave			
Shelter/environment management	Planting of trees around shed. Exhaust fan should be fitted on the hoof.	Put gunny bags dipped water in the direction of wind.	Provide proper ventilation
Health and disease management	Vaccination of birds. Provide water and feed	Close the door and ventilation when cold wind comes, during day and night	Provide clean coops and balanced feed
Floods			
Feed and fodder availability	Storage of feed and fodder in air tight containers fungal attack.	Feeding good quality feed and fodder with	Feed and fodder - dry in sunlight
Drinking water	Storage of clean drinking water	Provide hot water for drinking	Storage of clean water - digging of wells.
Health and disease management	Provide balanced feed and vaccination of animals at proper time.	Provide dry atmosphere for the sheds.	Mineral mixture feed additives should be given.
Cyclone			
Feed and fodder availability	Storage of feed and fodder	Use the conserved fodder.	Provide balanced feed and fodder
Drinking water	Storage of water	Provide clean water for drinking	Construction of tanks for storing water