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Weekly Status Report on Insects Pests & Diseases of Crops

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			Major Insect Pests		Major Plant Diseases		Other Pests	
Сгор	Crop Stage	Location (with GPS)	Name (Scientific Name)	Status (Low, Medium & Severe)	Name (Scientific Name)	Status (Low, Medium & Severe)	(Nematodes, Rat, etc.) (Scientific Name)	Pest Advisories
Black pepper	Vegetative	Idukki, Kozhikode, Wayanad (Kerala), Kodagu (Karnataka)	Scale insects (Lepidosaphes piperis, Marsipococcus marsupialis) Mealybug (Planococcus sp., Ferrisia virgata)	Medium to Severe Medium	Yellowing (due to slow decline) – Nematodes Stunt disease (Cucumber mosaic virus, Piper yellow mottle virus)	Medium to Severe Medium to Severe	Nematodes (Radopholus similis, Meloidogyne incognita)	Scale insects Clip off and destroy severely infested plant parts. Spray dimethoate (0.1%) after harvest. Repeat spraying after 21 days to control the infestation completely. (Initiate control measures during early stages of pest infestation). Mealy bug Mealybug infestation on aerial portion can be controlled by spraying dimethoate (0.1%) on affected vines. Yellowing Maintain adequate shade. Provide irrigation.

Cardamom	Vegetative	Kodagu	Shoot fly	Medium	Leaf blight	Medium	Stunt disease Regular monitoring. Remove infected vines and destroy by burning or burying deep in soil. Control the vector (mealy bugs) by drenching with chlorpyrifos (0.075%). Shoot fly
		(Karnataka)	(Formosina flavipes)	to High	(Colletotrichum gloeosporioides)		Remove and destroy the affected shoots at ground level.
		Kodagu (Karnataka)	Panicle/Shoot borer (Conogethes punctiferalis)	Low	Katte/Mosaic (Cardamom mosaic virus)	Medium	Spray quinalphos (0.05%). Panicle/Shoot borer Spray quinalphos (0.075%) coinciding with emergence of panicles and new shoots.
		Idukki, Wayanad (Kerala), Kodagu (Karnataka)	Thrips (Sciothrips cardamomi)	Medium	Chlorotic streak (Banana bract mosaic virus)	Low	Thrips Under Karnataka conditions, spray Fipronil (0.005%) or Spinosad (0.0135%) after undertaking thrashing. Ensure irrigation after thrashing. Leaf blight Maintain optimum shade level by providing 40-60% filtered light. Katte/ Mosaic Prompt inspection of plantation, detection and rouging of virus sources (infected plants/ volunteers) to reduce re-infection. 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. Chlorotic streak Prompt inspection of plantation, detection and rouging of virus sources (infected plants/ volunteers) to reduce re-infection. The removed plants may be burnt or buried deep in soil.
Vanilla	Vegetative/ flowering/ bean formation	Karnataka	Premature yellowing and bean shedding (Colletotrichum vanillae) Viral diseases (Bean common mosaic virus, Bean yellow mosaic virus, Cucumber mosaic virus, Cymbidium mosaic virus)	Medium	Premature yellowing and bean shedding Provide 50% shade in the plantation. Provide mist irrigation (4 – 6 hours during pollination). Spray carbendazim – mancozeb (0.25%) at 15 – 20 days interval. Viral diseases Regular inspection and removal of infected plants. The removed plants may be burnt or buried deep in soil. Control of vector (aphids) may be undertaken by spraying dimethoate (0.05%).