

TIPS OF THE DAY

TIPS 1:

To control Rhinoceros Beetle in coconut, 5 kg cowdung and 1kg Castor can be mixed in water and kept in pots at the 4 corners of the Farm. This will attract the Beetles in to the pots. The beetles can be collected and destroyed.

TIPS 2:

Keep 5 numbers of honeybee hive boxes/acre of coconut to improve the pollination and also to get additional profit from honey

TIPS 3:

Palm leaves can be cut into small pieces and spread over the saline soil, 2-3 times to reduce salinity and to make the soil fertile.

TIPS 4:

For storing the seeds buy a new mud pot and rinse with cow urine and dry it under shade for one day. Sundry the pots for 2-3 days. The seeds can be filled in pots for storage. This method can be followed for long term storage of up to 2 years without reduction of germination rate.

TIPS 5:

Spraying Acephate 75 sp (2g/lit water) at the infested roots gives effective and long lasting control for sugarcane woolly Aphid.

TIPS 6 :

For successful crop rotation, non- leguminous crop should be followed by leguminous crop or vice- versa.

TIPS 7:

Foliar spray of 2% DAP will increase the yield of pulses.

TIPS 8:

To avoid Anemia intake of Iron along with Vitamin C rich foods, is essential.

TIPS 9:

Slatted floor type method of Goat rearing is better than normal method as it reduces the incidence of parasites and collection of dung is also easy.

TIPS 10:

Pulse crops like Horse gram, peas can be stored effectively by treating seeds with mustard oil.

TIPS 11:

Sundried seeds of Pumpkin, Bittergourd, Ridgegourd and other gourds can be treated with Ash and stored for next season planting for good plant establishment.

TIPS 12:

Rice beethes can be avoided by adding 10-15 dry chillies / gunng bag for safe storage.

TIPS 13:

Pulses seeds can be protected from storage pest by adding salt at the bottom of the storage bin.

TIPS 14:

The concentrate feed for cattle will provide all the nutrients. But still cattle will not get satisfied with concentrate alone. They may get indigestion problems. So green fodder is also needed for good digestion and dry fodder is needed for more milk production.

Hence cattle feed management should contain all (concentrate, green and dry fodder) the three.

TIPS 15:

The Solenopsis mealy bug, *Phenacoccus solenopsis* was found to be the predominant mealy bug species of cotton. For reducing the population, spray biopesticides, *Verticillium lecanii* (10gm/lit) and *Beauveria bassiana* (10ml/lit) during August-October (High humid months).

TIPS 16:

Do not water your lawn regularly, shallow roots will be formed.

Less water gives strong roots.

TIPS 17:

Do you know? One turkey fowl can harvest 100 litre of rain water in a year due to its burying nature.

TIPS 18:

Rice ear head bug can be controlled by spraying water with 10 kg of cowdung and 100ml of Babul / Gum Arabic / Karuvel Aacacia nilotica leaf extract.

TIPS 19:

Leaf curl virus in brinjal and bhendi can be controlled by applying a mixture of got from (8months conceived cow) and water in 1:10 ratio.

TIPS 20:

Coconut: trees growing closer to house holds, cattle shed, compost pits and other favourable conditions to be avoided for mother palm selection.

TIPS 21:

Phenomene traps should not be placed in direct sunlight because it will be vaporized and attraction of insect would be reduced.

TIPS 22:

Seed rate of about 3kg/acre is enough for rice cultivation under SRI method.

TIPS 23:

Turfing is the quickest way of lawn making.

TIPS 24:

In pig farming, it is better to remove the canine teeth in piglets to avoid wounding of the sow's teat.

TIPS 25:

Boiled juice obtained from bark of Sita Ashoka (*Savaca indica*) tree is a cure for some ailments in Women (hip pain).

TIPS 26:

The mango varieties like Alphonso, Banganapalli and Totapuri are suitable for processing.

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Alphonso, Banganapalli and Sendura are the suitable mango varieties for export.

TIPS 28:

Green manuring increases soil fertility and productivity.

TIPS 29:

Fastest growing woody plant on the planet? – Bamboo

TIPS 30:

Burying old gunny bags and hay in the soil will increase termite's population which acts as protein rich feed for poultry.

TIPS 31:

Horse gram can be cultivated in land highly infested with weed three times continuously to reduce weed growth in future.

TIPS 32:

Grow Khuskhus (Vettiver) in the border of the land to reduce the soil erosion.

TIPS 33:

Use TNAU Coconut Tonic to reduce the button shedding and increase the yield.

TIPS 34:

Ploughing during summer season enables the destruction of weeds, insects and pest caterpillars.

TIPS 35:

In coconut, Rhinoceros beetle attack can be controlled by keeping Rhinolure pheromone trap @ 1/ha to attract male and female beetles.