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Important Message for Fruit Growers of Jammu Division.

The fruit growers of Jammu Division are hereby advised to adopt the following Cultural and Protective measures during the month of JUNE 2019 for better management of their orchards.

GENERAL:-

- (1) Complete digging & refilling of pits for rainy season plantation.
- (2) Remove water sprouts / off shoots from young plants.
- (3) Provide regular irrigation to the young plants plants.
- (4) Whitewash exposed trunks/stems with mixture of Slaked lime & Copper Sulphate.
- (5) Use insect traps such as light traps, yellow pan sticky traps and pheromones to check insect-pests attack.
- (6) Follow Integrated Nutrient Management / Integrated Pest Management practices especially in bearing orchards.
- (7) Protect the young plants from hot winds by covering with shadenet or thatching material.

MANGO

- (1) Spray Dimethoate @ 1ml/litre of water against Hopper, if necessary.
- (2) For the control of Mango Malformation, remove the vegetative and floral mals from Mango trees alongwith 20-25 cm healthy portion and then spray Carbendazim @ 1gm/litre of water.
- (3) Spray Borax @ 6gm/litre of water against Black tip of Mango if problem is observed.

CITRUS

- (1) Spray Dimethoate @ 1ml/litre against Citrus Psylla, Leaf Miner and Lemon Butterfly.
- (2) To control Citrus Decline:-
 - (a) Spray Copper Oxychloride @ 3gm/litre of water at 15 days interval.
 - (b) For Control of insects like Aphids and Psylla, spray Dimethoate @ 1ml/litre of water as they spread the diseases associated with Citrus Decline.
- (3) To check fruit drop in Kinnow:-
 - (a) Drench the plants with Copper Oxychloride @ 3gm per litre of water, repeat after 15 days.
 - (b) Thinning of fruits to maintain optimum number of fruits per tree i.e. 200-250 nos for (13-15 yrs) old plants.

GUAVA

(1) Spray the plants with Zinc Sulphate (300g) + Unslaked Lime (150g) in 100 litres of water against Zinc deficiency at fortnight interval.

ANAR

- (1) Destroy fruits infested with with Anar butterfly
- (2) Give spray of Dimethoate @1ml/litre of water against anar butterfly.

LITCHI

- (1) Spray Methyl Parathion 50 EC @ 1ml/litre of water against Nut Borer.
- (2) Spray Zinc Sulphate @ 3gm/litre of water and provide frequent irrigations to avoid fruit cracking.
- (3) Harvest mature Litchi fruits in bunched along with portion of stalk

APPLE/PEAR

- (1) Spray against Scab with Mencozeb 75 WP @ 300gms/100 Itrs of water or Ziram 80WP @ 200gms/100 litres of water at Peanut stage of fruit development.
- (2) After 3-4 days of spray against Scab, spray Dicofol 18.5 EC @ 108ml in 100 litres of water or Methyl Dimeton 25EC @ 80ml/100 litres of water or Chloropyriphos 20 EC @ 100ml/100 litres of water against Mite, Leaf Miner, Aphids, Orchips.
- (3) Spray against Powdery Mildew with Dinocap @ 50ml/100 litres of water or Triadimefon @ 50gms/ 100 litres of water after 7 days of insecticidal spray.

STONE FRUITS (PEACH, PLUM, APRICOT)

- (1) Staking of fruit ladden branches to avoid limb cracking due to heavy weight of the fruit .
- (2) Harvesting of stone fruits viz. Apricots.
- (3) Post harvest spray of Copper Compound @ 300gms/100 litres of water to be ensured.

FRUIT PLANT NURSERY

- (1) Removal of tied material in case of grafted plants.
- (2) Stone extraction of wild Apricot and Peach to preserve it for seed sowing.
- (3) Weeds should be removed from nursery beds.
- (4) Budding of Stone fruits should be started from last week of the month.
- (5) Procure the layering material like moss gross root promoting chemicals and alkathene
- (6) Keep the grafted plants fit for sale under shade net
- (7) Apply mulch made from fallen dried leaves to maintain soil moisture
- (8) Avoid hoeing during the summer months

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