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With reference to the letter cited on the subject mentioned above, I am to furnish herewith the Weekly Report for the period ending 08-12-2017. This is for your kind information.

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To

The Secretary to Govt. (Agriculture),  
Chief Secretariat,  
Puducherry.

**WEEKLY REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOR THE WEEK ENDING 08-12-2017**

1. Name of the Officer : Director of Agriculture,  
Department of Agriculture,  
Puducherry.
2. Departments under the Charge of the Officer : Department of Agriculture
3. Field Inspection

<b>Date</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Subject Matter</b>
08-12-2017	Field visit to Bahour and Madagadipet	The Director of Agriculture visited Seed Processing Unit and Orchard-cum-Nursery, Government Horticulture Farm, Madagadipet and visited Bahour and surrounding villages and inspected the fields.
06.12.2017	Field inspection at Karaikal	A joint field visit was conducted with the Dr. Jayalakshmi, Prof. (Pathology) and Dr. M. Kandiban, Asst. Prof. (Entomology), PAJANCOA & RI, Dr. R. Jayanthi, DPD, ATMA, Thiru. R. Ganesan, Deputy Director of Agriculture (Inputs), Thiru. K. Kumaran, Agricultural Officer (FTP) and Agricultural Officer (Uzhavar Udhaviyagam) concerned and inspected the Paddy fields at Nedungadu, Thirunallar Commune and taken stock of the field level problems and recommended technical solutions to the farmers.

**4. Review Meetings held**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Subject Matter</b>
04.12.2017	Seed Treatment Demonstration Conducted at Sellipet Village	The Agricultural Officer of Thirukkanur & Sorapet Uzhavar Udhaviyagam Organized a Demonstration program along with the Students of PAJANCOA & RI who have visited Puducherry for Rural Agricultural Working Experience (RAWEX) as a part of their Course Schedule. Demonstration on Seed Treatment of Groundnut and Pulses to the farmers of Sellipet Village was conducted.
04.12.2017	Apiary Demonstration Conducted at Sompel Village	Demonstration on Apiary was conducted for the Farmers of Sompel Village by the Agricultural Officer of Thirukkanur & Sorapet Uzhavar Udhaviyagam along with the Students of PAJANCOA & RI.
04.12.2017	Farmers Advisory Committee Meeting	❖ This meeting was conducted to discuss the Group performance, Extension activities required by the farmers, training and

	was conducted at Melakasakudy FIAC at Karaikal	<p>demonstration to be conducted for this season.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ This meeting was organised by the BTM (Agri), and Agricultural Officer (U.U.), Melakasakudy.</li> <li>❖ The DPD, ATMA, Karaikal, The AO, (UU) - Cum-BTT, Convenor, Melakasakudy, BTM (Agri.) &amp; (AH), FAC Members of Melakasakudy representing 3 CIGs' participated</li> </ul>
05.12.2017	World soil day celebration held at Farmers Training Hall, Thattanchavady.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Soil Day programme is celebrated every year on 5<sup>th</sup> December.</li> <li>• This year the program was organised by PKKV, Puducherry in co-ordination with the Department of Agriculture,</li> <li>• The Hon'ble Agricultural Minister Inaugurated the program. The Programme Coordinator, PKKV welcomed the Officials and farmers. Soil Health cards were distributed to farmers and lectures on the importance of soil and measures to maintain soil health were given.</li> <li>• The Director of Agriculture, Additional Directors, Deputy Directors, Agricultural Officers and farmers participated.</li> </ul>
05.12.2017	<p><u>World Soil Day</u></p> <p>The Department of Agriculture and the KVK, Karaikal jointly celebrated the World Soil Day and conducted a training to the farmers at Nedungadu Uzhavar Udhaviyagam, Karaikal and distributed the Soil Health Cards to the Farmers.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The DDA (Chem.) -cum- Programme Coordinator, KVK, enlightened the importance of World Soil Day and explained the World Soil Day under the theme "Caring for the planet starts from the Ground".</li> <li>➤ The ADA explained that the soil is the essential resource and vital part of the natural environment and sensitized the farmers that organic agriculture is the need of the hour and hence the soil health should be monitored periodically.</li> <li>➤ Dr. R. Mohan, Prof. (Agro.), PAJANCOA &amp; RI detailed the importance of soil quality for food security and healthy ecosystem. He further added that this day as a means to focus attention on the importance of healthy soil and insisted for the sustainable management of soil resources. The organic carbon in the soil should be protected and healthy soil is rich in organic matter. Further, he trained the farmers to use the soil health card and asserted the yearly updation of the soil health cards.</li> <li>➤ The ADA, distributed the soil health cards to the Farmers.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The DD (AE), DDA (Inputs) felicitated the programme.</li> <li>➤ The Deputy Project Director (ATMA) i/c, Agricultural Officers, Subject Matter Specialist, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, 10 Nos. of Students of PAJANCOA &amp; RI under RAWE, and 67 Nos. of Farmers were participated</li> </ul>
06.12.2017	Farmers Advisory Committee Meeting was conducted at Ambagarathur FIAC, Karaikal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ This meeting was conducted to discuss the Group performance, Extension activities required by the farmers, training and demonstration to be conducted for this season.</li> <li>❖ This meeting was organised by the BTM (Agri), and Agricultural Officer (U.U.), Ambagarathur.</li> <li>❖ Awareness meeting on conservation of soil health, prophylactic measures to be taken for the expected outbreak of pest &amp; diseases during this season was conducted.</li> <li>❖ The Students under RAWE conducted a demonstration on the use of botanical and organics and also explained the IFS.</li> <li>❖ 25 Farmers participated</li> </ul>
07-12-2017	Video Conference on the progress of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana	The Deputy Director of Agriculture (Info.), Agricultural Officer (Tech -I) and Senior Manager (Agri.) and LBO, zonal office, Indian Bank participated in the Video Conference conducted by the Credit Division, Ministry of Agriculture, Co-operation and Farmers Welfare, New Delhi. The issues on settlement of claims by AIC of India Ltd., and approval for State Level User for Mobile App (CCE-Agri) were discussed in the Video Conference.
08-12-2017	Field Day Programme on Organic farming at Silukaripalayam	A field day was organized on the harvest day of traditional paddy variety Kichili Samba and Sorna Masuri cultivated by the organic farmer Thiru. Subramaniam of Silukaripalayam village. The Director of Agriculture attended the programme and around 20 farmers participated and witnessed the harvest of organic paddy.
07-12-2017	Review Meeting on the progress of expenditure for CSS / Plan Schemes	The Director of Agriculture attended the meeting.

	Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Planning)	
07.12.17	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monitoring Cum selection committee meeting constituted under National Mission for Protein Supplements (NMPS).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The meeting was conducted in the chamber of the Director of Fisheries, Puducherry regarding Selection of beneficiaries towards grant of 40% subsidy for construction of new ponds under NMPS Scheme.</li> <li>• The Addl. Director of Agriculture (T&amp;V) attended the meeting.</li> </ul>
07.12.2017	REIS for the month of December was conducted at PAJANCOA & RI, Karaikal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Thiru. R. Ganesan, DDA (I) appraised the crop prospect report upto the month of November 2017.</li> <li>✓ The Prof. (Ento.) informed about the pest &amp; diseases noticed during the field visit held on 06.12.2017 and recommendation for the same were discussed.</li> <li>✓ The scope of aerobic transplanting of Paddy recommended by TRRI, Aduthurai to combat the scarcity of water, the nutrient management, weed control and plant protection measures to be followed were discussed.</li> <li>✓ The significance of the agro-bio diversity hot spots – “Cauvery” u/s 45 of the protection of plant varieties and farmers rights act 2001 was discussed.</li> <li>✓ The scope of Paddy seed pelleting was discussed.</li> <li>✓ Finally the suitable recommendation were given for the field problems raised by the Agricultural Officers.</li> <li>✓ The Scientists of PAJANCOA &amp; RI, JDA, AOs and BTM &amp; ATM of ATMA participated</li> </ul>

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