

Use and Relevance of Climate Information to Agriculture

Agriculture the most weather-dependent sector



The Philippines is primarily an agricultural country. Agriculture sector employed 11.06 million persons and this comprised 27 percent of the national employment.

Information on weather and climate condition could make the sector more productive and disaster-resilient.



Factors that affect plant growth



Climatic Factors

- Temperature
- Solar radiation
- Wind
- Relative Humidity
- Rainfall

Temperature

- Regulates most plant processes germination, flowering, photosynthesis, transpiration, respiration, etc.
- Each crop has its own optimum, maximum and minimum temperature conditions



Sunshine

- More sunny days increase the yield potential of crops
- Cloudiness reduces light intensity and continued cloudiness during flowering affects crop yield potential
- **Cloudiness** also creates conditions favorable to the multiplication of pest and diseases
- Duration of sunshine controls flowering in many plants
- Short-day plants flower when nights are relatively longer
- Long-day plants flower mostly in summer

Relative Humidity



- most plants prefer a relative humidity range of 40 to 80%
- High air humidity increases growth of shoots and leaves at the expense of yield of crops

Wind

- Gentle wind (2-5 kph) is beneficial to plant growth
- Continued strong wind (20-100 kph) reduces photosynthesis and enhance the spread of bacterial leaf diseases in rice
- Strong wind at pollination time induces sterility
 - Strong wind cause mechanical damage to crops such as breaking and lodging



Use and Relevance of PAGASA's Climate Information and Services (CIS) to Agriculture

PAGASA 10-day regional agri-weather Information



Farm Advisories

- Describes agro meteorological situation and prognosis
- Recommends farm activities, e.g. nutrient management, fertilizer application

Farm Level Information

10 Day Weather Outlook per Municipality

Regular farm weather forecast on

- Agro-climatic information (rainfall, relative humidity, temperature and other weather data)
- Analysis on how it will affect farmers

Information on monitoring of pests and diseases

	6 Sep							CLASSIFICATION		AMOUNT OF BAIN TO EXPECT		
Project Areas	Ave. Temperature (*C)		Rainfall(mm/day)	Total Cloud Cover	Rel. Humidity (%)	Wind						
	Min	Max	Mean	Description	Description	Mean	Mean Speed (mps)	Mean Direction	yer.			
Tayum (Abra)	23	29	26	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	86	2	5		NO RAIN	NO RAIN IS EXPECTED	
Bucay (Abra)	22	28	25	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	88	2	5	m		WITHIN THE DAY	
Pilar (Abra)	23	30	27	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	86	2	SSE 🛌				
Tineg (Abra)	20	28	24	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	90	2	sw			LESS THAN 2.5mm RAIN Observed in 1 hour and expected to continue in the	
Langiden (Abra)	24	30	27	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	83	3	SSE				
Daguioman (Abra)	19	26	22	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	94	1	sw	C. C. C.	LIGHT RAINS	next 2 hours OR LESS THAN 60mm of	
Malibcong (Abra)	19	27	23	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	93	1	sw	3 34			
Peñarrubia (Abra)	22	29	26	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	87	2	5			RAIN WITHIN 24 hours	
Villaviciosa (Abra)	22	29	26	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	87	2	SSE		1	2.5 - 7.5 mm RAIN Observed in 1 hour and	
Dolores (Abra)	22	28	25	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	87	2	5			expected to continue in the	
Bangued (Abra)	23	30	26	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	85	2	SSE	Carpen	MODERATE RAINS	OR	
San Quintin (Abra)	24	30	27	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	84	2	SSE	3/3-		60mm - 180mm of RAIN WITHIN 24 hours	
Pidigan (Abra)	24	30	27	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	85	2	SSE		<i>_</i>	OPPATED THAN 7 5mm of	
San Juan (Abra)	22	28	25	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	87	2	SSW			RAIN	
Tubo (Abra)	19	29	24	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	91	2	SSW			Observed in 1 hour and expected to continue in the next 2 hours OR	
Manabo (Abra)	22	29	25	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	89	2	s S		- HEAVT RAINS		
Lacub (Abra)	19	28	24	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	92	2	sw	2/3/32		RAIN WITHIN 24 hours	
San Isidro (Abra)	23	29	26	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	86	2	SSE				
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La Paz (Abra)	23	29	26	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	85	2	5				
Bucloc (Abra)	20	27	24	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	91	1	SSW			V DNE	
Lagayan (Abra)	22	29	25	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	86	3	SSW		270° W	row sow sse sse	
Luba (Abra)	21	29	25	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	89	2	5	SUN	NY V		
Lagangilang (Abra)	21	28	25	LIGHT RAINS	CLOUDY	88	2	SSW		sw		

10-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR FARM OPERATIONS

Farm Level Information

Application of Weather Data in Disaster Risk Reduction Management

- Development of Local Flood Early Warning System



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CROPPING PATTERN AND CALENDAR PLAN

	First Paddy	Crop V Rice			Second C	Crop	Third Crop					
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Crop -	Corn/H	7 /	/egetables	, peanut		First C	rop - Ri	ce /H	7		Second	

Climatological Normals Information

Crop and Water Requirement analysis

CROPPING PATTERN AND CALENDAR PLAN



Thank you.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work for it and take care of it. (Gen. 2:15)

