

## XXVI. 2 : CROPPING SEASON FOR MAJOR AGRICULTURAL CROPS

Crop	Season	Month	Districts
<b>Millets</b>			
<b>1. Maize</b>			
	Adipattam	July - August	All Maize Growing districts
	Purattasipattam	September - October	
	Thaipattam	January - February	
<b>2. Sorghum</b>			
	Thaipattam	Jan. – Feb.	All Sorghum Growing districts
	Chithirai pattam	April - May	
	Adipattam	June - July	
	Purattasipattam	Sept. – Oct.	
<b>3. Ragi</b>			
Irrigated	Marghazipattam	Dec - Jan	All Districts
	Chithirai pattam	April - May	All Districts
Rainfed	i. Adipattam	June - July	All Districts
	Purattasipattam	(September - October)	All Districts
<b>4. Cumbu</b>			
IRRIGATED	i. Chithirai pattam	(March-April)	
Rainfed	i. Adipattam	June-July	
	ii. Purattasipattam	September -October	
<b>5. Varagu</b>		June-July	
Rainfed		b) July-August	
<b>6. Panivaragu</b>			
Rainfed	September-October		Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Tirunelveli & Thoothukudi
Irrigated	February-March		Vellore, Tiruvannamalai, Salem, Namakkal, Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri,
<b>7. Samai</b>	June - July		Hill slopes of Coimbatore and Erode districts
	July-August		Dharmapuri
	September-October		
<b>8. Tenai</b>			
Rainfed	a) June-July		Hill slopes of Coimbatore and Erode Districts
	b) September-October		Coimbatore and Southern districts
Irrigated	a) February-March		
	b) September-October		

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<b>Blackgram</b>	Adipattam	June-August	All districts except Kanyakumari and Nilgiris
	Puratasipattam	September-November	Vellore, Tiruvannamalai Dharmapuri, Salem, Namakkal, Perambalur, Erode, Coimbatore, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Pudukkottai,, Sivagangai, Ramanathapuram, Virudhunagar, Thoothukudi and Tirunelveli.
	Markazhi – Thaipattam (Winter Irrigated)		All districts except Kanyakumari and Nilgiris
	Rice fallows	January	Thanjavur, Tiruvarur, Nagapattinam, Cuddalore, Villupuram and Kanchipuram
<b>Greengram</b>	Chithiraipattam (Summer Irrigated)		Thanjavur, Tiruvarur, Nagapattinam, Cuddalore, Villupuram, Tiruchirappalli, Perambalur, Thiruvallur, Kancheepuram
	Adipattam	June - July	All districts except Kanyakumari and Nilgiris
	Puratasipattam	September - October	Kanchipuram, Tiruvallur, Dharmapuri, Vellore, Tiruvannamalai, Salem, Namakkal, Cuddalore, Villupuram, Tiruchirappalli, Perumbalur, Erode, Coimbatore, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Pudukkottai, Pudukkottai, Sivagangi, Ramanathapuram, Virudhunagar, Thothukudi and Tirunelveli, Vellore and Tiruvannamalai,
	Margazhi-Thai Pattam	December – January	All districts except Kanyakumari and the Nilgiris
<b>Cowpea</b>	Rice fallows	January - February	Thanjavur, Tiruvarur, Nagapattinam, Cuddalore,
	Summer	February - March	Thanjavur, Tiruvarur, Nagapattinam, Cuddalore, Villupuram, Tiruchirappalli, Perambalur, Thiruvallur, Kanchipuram
	Adipattam	June-August	For all districts except Kanyakumari and Nilgiris
	Purattasipattam	September - November	Vellore, Thiruvannamalai, Dharmapuri, Salem, Namakkal, Perembalur, Erode, Coimbatore, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni and Virudhunagar
	Margazhi - Thaipattam	December – February	Kanchipuram, Thiruvallur, Vellore, Thiruvannamalai, Dharmapuri, Salem, Namakkal, Coimbatore, Erode, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Tiruchirappalli, Perambalur, Ariyalur, Karur, Pudukkottai, Tirunelveli and Thoothukudi
	Vaigasi Pattam	May-June	Krishnagiri, Dharmapuri, Salem, Erode, Coimbatore Dindigul, Theni and Madurai
	Adi/Avanipattam	June - August	Vellore, Thiruvannamalai, Salem, Namakkal, Perumbalur, Ariyalur, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Pudukkottai and Sivagangai June 15th to July 15th sowing July 15th to August 15th sowing
	Purattasipattam	September – October	Vellore, Tiruvannamalai, Dharmapuri, Salem, Namakkal, Erode, Coimbatore, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni Pudukkottai, Sivagangai, Perumbalur, Ariyalur
	Markazhipattam	Winter Irrigated	All districts except The Nilgiris and Kanyakumari
	Chithiraipattam	Summer Irrigated	All districts except The Nilgiris and Kanyakumari Wetland bunds

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<b>Horsegram</b>	Winter season (Rainfed)	November	All districts except The Nilgiris and Kanyakumari
<b>Groundnut</b>	Chithiraipattam	April-May	Coimbatore, Thiruppur, Villupuram
	Margazhipattam	Dec- Jan	Erode,Theni,Dindigul, Karur, Pudukkottai, Madurai, Virudhunagar, Thiruvallur, Kancheepuram, Perambalur, Ariyalur, Thiruchirapalli, Thanjavur, Thiruvarur, Nagapattinam, Thanjavur, Nagapattinam
	Anippattam	June- July	Coimbatore,Thiruppur, Erode, Theni, Dindigul, Karur, Pudukkottai, Madurai, Sivagangai, Thiruvallur, Cuddalore, Vellore, Perambalur, Ariyalur, Thanjavur, Nagapattinam
	Thaipattam	Jan- Feb	Ramanathapuram, Thirunelveli
	Ayppasipattam	Oct- Nov	Sivagangai, Cuddalore
	Adippattam	July-Aug	Virudhunagar, Kancheepuram, Perambalur, Ariyalur
	Purattasipattam	Sep- Oct	Ramanathapuram, Thirunelveli, Thiruvannamalai
	Karthigaipattam	Nov- Dec	Salem, Krishnagiri, Villupuram, Vellore, Thiruvannamalai, Thoothukudi
	Vaigasipattam	May- June	Namakkal, Dharmapuri
<b>Sesame (Gingelly)</b>	Masipattam	Feb- March	Coimbatore, Thiruppur, Erode, Thiruvannamalai, Salem, Perambalur, Ariyalur, Thanjavur, Thiruchirapalli
	Anippattam	June- July	Coimbatore, Thiruppur, Erode, Dindigul, Salem, Namakkal, Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri
	Karthigai	Nov- Dec	Theni, Ramanathapuram, Sivagangai, Thirunelveli, Thoothukudi, Villupuram
	Chithiraipattam	Apr- May	Thirunelveli, Karur, Villupuram, Thiruvarur
	Margazhi	Dec- Jan	Pudukkottai, Kancheepuram, Cuddalore, Vellore, Namakkal
	Anipattam	June-July	Madurai, Thiruvallur, Vellore, Thiruvannamalai
	Adippattam	July-Aug	Virudhunagar, Pudukkottai, Kancheepuram, Cuddalore, Perambalur, Ariyalur
	Purattasipattam	Sep- Oct	Karur, Thiruvallur, Thiruchirapalli
	Thaipattam	Jan- Feb	Thanjavur, Thiruvarur, Nagapattinam

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<b>Sunflower</b>			
<b>Rainfed</b>	1. Adipattam	Jun-July	Coimbatore, Erode, Salem, Namakkal, Tirunelveli, Dindigul, Dharmapuri, Tiruchirapalli, Perambalur, Karur
	Karthigaipattam	Oct- Nov	Cuddalore, Villupuram, Virudhunagar, Sivagangai, Ramanathapuram, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Tiruchirapalli, Perambalur, Karur, Tirunelveli
<b>Irrigated</b>	Adipattam	June-July	Coimbatore, Erode, Salem, Namakkal, Tirunelveli, Dindigul, Dharmapuri, Tiruchirapalli, Perambalur, Karur
	Karthigaipattam	Oct - Nov	Cuddalore, Villupuram, Virudhunagar, Sivagangai, Ramanathapuram, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Tiruchirapalli, Perambalur, Karur, Tirunelveli
	Margazhipattam	Dec-Jan	Salem, Namakkal, Dharmapuri, Erode, Coimbatore, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Tirunelveli, Thoothukudi
	Chithiraipattam	April - May	Coimbatore, Erode, Dharmapuri, Salem, Namakkal, Tiruchirapalli, Perambalur, Karur
<b>Cotton</b>			
<b>Irrigated (Main)</b>	Winter Irrigated	Aug – Sep	Coimbatore, Erode, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Dharmapuri, Salem, Namakkal, Cuddalore, Villupuram
	Summer – Irrigated	(Feb – Mar)	Erode, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Ramanathapuram, Virudhunagar, Sivagangai, Tirunelveli, Thoothukudi
<b>Rainfed</b>		(Sep – Oct)	Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Ramanathapuram, Virudhunagar, Sivagangai, Tirunelveli, Thoothukudi, Dharmapuri
<b>Rice Fallow</b>			Thanjavur, Tiruvarur, Nagapattinam, Parts of Trichirapalli, Perambalur, Karur, Cuddalore and Villupuram
<b>Sugarcane</b>	1. Main season		
	Early	Dec - Jan	All Sugarcane growing districts
	Mid	Feb - March	
	Late	April - May	
	2 Special season	June - July	Parts of Tiruchirapalli, Perambalur, Karur, Salem, Namakkal and Coimbatore