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MONTHLY REPORT FORWARDED IN THE MONTH OF MARCH 2024 **DETAILS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2024**

01. Planting District : **NILGIRI WYNAAD**
02. Production in the month of FEBRUARY'24 : 0.508 M.kg
03. Current month production compared to the same month of the previous year : High/Same/**Low**
04. Reasons for increase or decrease in production : Un favourable weather.
05. Likely output in the current month and next two months : Mar-24. –0.520 M.kg*
Apr . –0.530 M.kg*
May. –0.580 M.kg*
06. **Actual rainfall for the month of FEBRUARY 2024**

Date	M.M.	Date	M.M.	Date	M.M.
01	0.0	11	0.0	21	0.0
02	0.0	12	0.0	22	0.0
03	0.0	13	0.0	23	0.0
04	0.0	14	0.0	24	0.0
05	0.0	15	0.0	25	0.0
06	0.0	16	0.0	26	0.0
07	0.0	17	0.0	27	0.0
08	0.0	18	0.0	28	0.0
09	0.0	19	0.0	29	0.0
10	0.0	20	0.0	30	0.0
				31	0.0
Total for the month					0.0
B/F from January					29.2
TOTAL TO DATE					29.2

*Estimated crop

07. Weather - Any special climatic features like temperature, relative humidity, sunshine hours, drought, wind, frost etc. : The month February this year was cold and warm and dry spell experienced. Thick fog appears from the late evening to mornings. Rains continued to be elusive and the drought effect was felt during the month. The rainfall deficit and scorching sun have resulted in acute shortage of water.

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Weather for the month of FEBRUARY 2024 vs 2023

Period	Mean Temperature (°C)				Mean Relative Humidity (%)				Total Rainfall	
	2024		2023		2024		2023		2024	2023
	Min	Max	Min	Max	0830 h	1430 h	0830 h	1430 h	mm	mm
1 – 10	11.4	29.6	12.0	28.0	87.0	48.0	84.0	59.0	0.0	1.0
11 - 20	12.0	30.0	9.6	29.0	89.0	54.0	84.0	44.0	0.0	0.0
21 – 28	15.5	30.0	11.0	30.0	88.0	49.0	74.0	50.0	0.0	0.0

08. Incidence of pests and diseases : The red spider mite was seen crossing the ETL in Deverashola zone and at ETL level in Pandalur zone.
09. Meetings/Training :
 1. Mr. M .A. Subair, Sr. Advisory Officer, conducted a field oriented training and demonstration on the “method of harvesting practices and importance of leaf addition, using Battery Operated Harvesters (BOH)” to the Sr. Manager and supervisors and pluckers of Sussex estate on 8th February 2024. A total of 10 pluckers were the beneficiaries.
 2. A day was spent along with the Asst. General Manager, Terrace estate for preparing the budget minimum requirement for developing the garden during the lean season and same minimum requirement for the current year 2023/2024 and financial year 2024/2025. Also a short visit was made to correct the left over fields as such after pruning and appropriate advice was given.
- 10 Major issues (Give details of major and significant issues) : NIL

11. Major events (Give details of sports / visitors etc.) : Nil
12. Labour situation like go-slow, strike, closure etc : Nil
13. Power supply : Inadequate
1. Input availability : In-Adequate.
15. Information on other plantation crops, if any : Coffee picking continues due to shortage of picking workers.

Date: 04.03.2024

SR.ADVISORY OFFICER