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MONTHLY REPORT FORWARDED IN THE MONTH OF APRIL 2026

DETAILS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2026

- 1 Planting District : Nilgiri - Wynaad
- 2 Production in the month of **MARCH** 2026 : 0.500 M. Kg
- 3 Production compared to the same month last year : **High/Same/Low**
- 4 Reasons for increase or decrease in production : On par with last year.
- 5 Likely Output
April 2026 : 0.570
May : 0.650
June : 0.625
- 6 Rainfall for the Month of **MARCH** 2026 : 12.0 MM

Date	Mm	Date	Mm	Date	Mm
01	0.0	12	0.0	22	0.0
02	0.0	13	0.0	23	3.6
03	0.0	14	0.0	24	0.0
04	0.0	15	0.0	25	0.0
05	0.0	16	0.0	26	0.0
06	0.0	17	3.2	27	0.0
07	0.0	18	0.0	28	0.0
08	0.0	19	0.0	29	0.0
09	0.0	20	0.0	30	5.2
10	0.0	21	0.0	31	0.0
11	0.0				
TOTAL FOR THE MONTH:					12.0
B/F FROM JANUARY:					12.8
TOTAL TO DATE:					24.8

7. Weather (Any special climatic features : like, temperature, relative humidity, sunshine hours)

Dry spell and during the second fortnight of March, scattered drizzles to light rains were reported in some parts of the district. The short span of summer rains was not much effective for improving the growth of tea. Few days the overcast ends up with mere thunders, lightning and windy. Although the SW monsoon started early this year and vigorous till end of October, the excess water accrued during SW

monsoon seen rapidly drying up during March due to the rising temperature and the NE rains were not effective this year.

METEOROLOGICAL DATA										
March 2026	Temperature °C				Relative Humidity (%)				Rainfall	
	2026		2025		2026		2025		2026	2025
	Min	Max	Min	Max	0830h	1430 h	0830 h	1430 h	Mm	Mm
1-10	14.1	28.4	15.5	31.0	89	49	93	50	0.0	0.0
11-20	15.1	29.3	17.8	28.1	88	62	81	67	3.2	12.4
21-30	16.1	30.0	17.9	26.9	93	63	85	78	8.8	40.2

8. Incidence of pests and diseases : The incidence of RSM noticed above the ETL in most of the estates during the month of March.
- 9 Power supply :
- 10 Labour situation like go-slow, strike, closure etc : Acute shortage of workers
- 11 Input availability : Normal
- 12 Meetings : Nil
- 13 Major issues (Give details of major and significant issues) : Nil
- 14 Major events (Give details of sports / visitors etc.) : Nil
- 15 Information on other plantation crops, if any : Due to dry spell seasonal vegetables and chillies were not planted much this year.

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