

4. AGRICULTURE

4.1. Rainfall : Month-wise

	(mm)					
Month	Normal level	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
South-West Monsoon	316.1	360.7	308.5	250.9	341.6	333.5
June	41.9	45.9	29.5	54.4	56.0	46.3
July	71.2	61.2	80.6	20.3	75.9	77.5
August	90.2	35.7	82.0	66.6	132.4	139.4
September	112.8	217.9	116.4	109.6	77.3	70.3
North-East Monsoon	431.1	472.1	828.8	497.5	515.4	552.7
October	180.9	273.6	292.0	256.3	218.6	228.1
November	165.1	182.4	370.9	213.7	81.2	274.8
December	85.1	16.1	165.9	27.5	215.6	49.8
Winter Season	35.3	14.4	15.9	10.9	46.6	7.7
January	21.0	3.1	15.8	5.3	13.2	7.7
February	14.3	11.3	0.1	5.6	33.4	0.0
Hot - Weather Season	129.1	231.7	150.9	100.4	261.2	129.2
March	19.5	25.8	54.5	0.9	175.4	29.5
April	42.6	133.6	34.4	55.8	31.0	35.2
May	67.0	72.3	62.0	43.7	54.8	64.5
Total Annual Rainfall	911.6	1078.9	1304.1	859.7	1164.8	1023.1

With reference to the 'Normal', the following classification is made.

- 'Excess' : (+) 20.0 per cent and above:
- 'Normal' : (-) 19.9 per cent to (+) 19.9 per cent.
- 'Deficit' : (-) 20.0 per cent to (+) 59.9 per cent.
- 'Scanty' : (-) 60.0 per cent and less.

Source : Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Chennai - 6.