

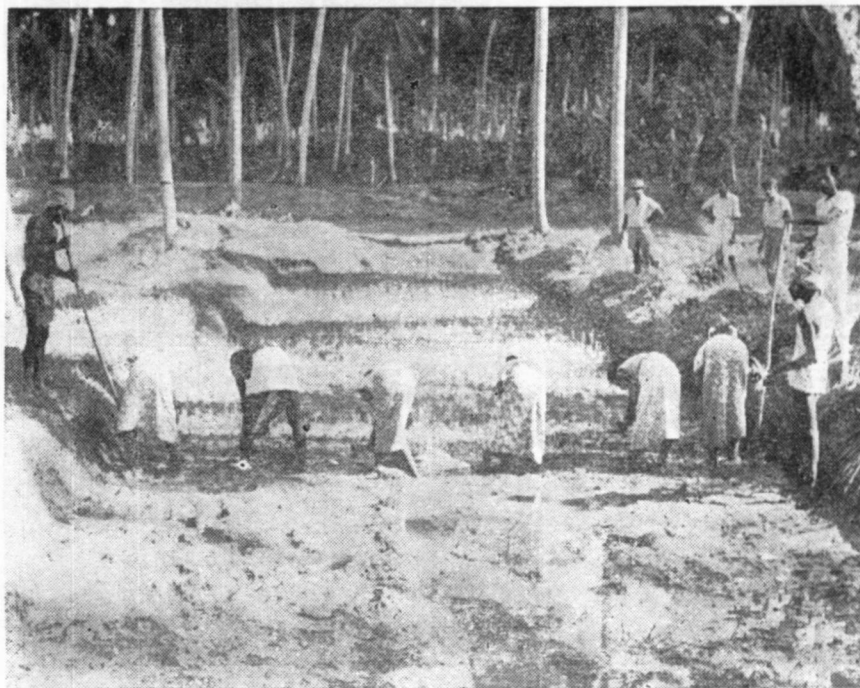
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Field Day at Heenpannawa Group, Bingiriya

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A Field Day to demonstrate transplanting of paddy organized by Mr. Primson Fernando, was held on 10th October 1968 at Heenpannawa Group, Bingiriya.

Mr. Primson Fernando is a pioneer in growing IR 8 paddy under coconut palms. Eight acres of low-lying coconut land have now been brought under paddy cultivation by him.



Paddy transplanted in progress between rows of coconut palms.

The Field Day was attended by paddy cultivators in the area, Superintendents of coconut estates, officials of the Department of Agriculture and the Divisional Revenue Officer.

A labour force of 50 men and women completed all the work involved in the preparation of land, uprooting and transplanting of seedlings in a two acre area within a period of seven hours. Mr. Fernando's efforts are outstanding and a visit to this plantation will be rewarding to all those who are interested in the project.



Mr. Primson Fernando (*left*) with the D. R. O. watching paddy transplantation

CROP INTELLIGENCE

TABLE 1

G. KARUNASENA

1st, 2nd and 3rd Crops of 1968 in different localities

LOCALITY	CROP	Nuts per bearing palm			Copra Outturn		
		Average	This Crop	% Departure from Average	Average	This Crop	% Departure from Average
Gonawila (1) ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	6.1	6.9	+13	1257	1318	-5
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	8.0	8.7	+9	1240	1262	-2
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	10.3	11.5	+12	1249	1255	-0.5
Gonawila (2) ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	7.5	8.5	+13	1184	1174	+1
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	9.3	11.6	+25	1139	1218	-7
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	12.9	13.0	+1	1167	1262	-8
Giriulla ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	6.2	8.1	+31	1220	**	-
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	8.3	9.5	+14	1193	**	-
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	14.2	12.7	-11	1254	**	-
Kurunegala (1) ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	5.2	7.6	+46	1359	1336	+2
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	7.7	10.1	+31	1398	1359	+3
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	12.2	12.5	+2	1409	1476	-5
Kurunegala (2) ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	5.9	9.2	+56	1196	1222	-2
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	5.9	7.7	+31	1196	1264	-6
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	11.1	13.1	+18	1271	1299	-2
Lunuwila ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	7.7	9.8	+27	1215	1410	-16
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	11.6	9.9	-15	1217	1372	-13
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	15.3	*	-	1267	*	-
Nattandiya ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	6.4	7.9	+23	1202	1227	-2
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	13.0	11.1	-15	1227	1272	-4
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	15.7	12.7	-19	1289	1360	-6
Kudawewa ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	7.9	10.5	+33	987	1082	-10
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	11.3	11.5	+2	988	1104	-12
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	17.1	16.2	-5	1051	1180	-12
Chilaw ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	10.2	10.0	-2	-	**	-
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	13.0	12.6	-3	-	**	-
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	12.5	10.0	-20	-	**	-
Bingiriya (1) ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	7.3	8.0	+10	-	**	-
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	10.4	10.0	-4	-	**	-
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	17.3	12.0	-31	-	**	-
Bingiriya (2) ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	7.9	9.6	+22	1245	1644	-32
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	13.2	10.4	-21	1346	1384	-3
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	14.8	12.5	-16	1365	*	-
Rajakadaluwa ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	10.3	10.5	+2	1151	1330	-16
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	12.5	*	-	1135	*	-
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	17.1	*	-	1182	*	-
Madurankuli ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	8.9	8.1	-9	1063	1200	-13
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	10.8	8.1	-25	1066	1210	-14
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	13.2	10.5	-20	1119	1230	-10
Negombo ...	1st Crop (Jan-Feb. 1968)	6.7	6.6	-1	1097	1191	-9
	2nd Crop (Mar-April 1968)	7.5	8.2	+9	1085	1166	-7
	3rd Crop (May-June 1968)	12.8	10.7	-16	1132	1145	-1

** Copra not cured

* Returns not received

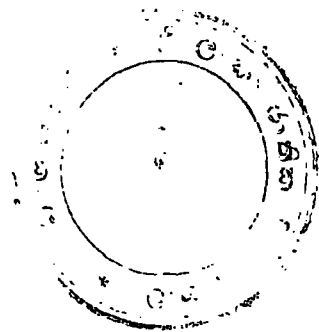


TABLE 2

Rainfall of different localities in the first half of 1968

<i>Month</i>	<i>Gonawila</i>	<i>Giriulla</i>	<i>Kurunegala</i>	<i>Lunuwila</i>	<i>Nattandiya- & Kuda- wewa</i>	<i>Chilaw</i>	<i>Bingiriya</i>	<i>Rajakada- luwa</i>	<i>Maduran- kuli</i>	<i>Negombo</i>
JANUARY ...	0.71	0.31	1.39	0.26	0.43	0.77	1.43	—	—	0.36
FEBRUARY ...	1.13	2.85	1.19	2.35	1.57	0	0.06	—	0	2.38
MARCH ...	2.07	—	5.33	3.42	2.26	1.87	8.45	1.20	4.68	3.49
APRIL ...	10.78	18.94	12.91	9.53	13.45	10.74	6.47	—	9.35	8.29
MAY ...	2.81	3.69	2.15	2.78	3.77	1.07	0.84	—	0.37	5.72
JUNE ...	12.88	15.42	12.38	11.71	10.97	4.52	4.38	7.34	5.52	8.85
TOTAL FOR SIX MONTHS ...	30.38	41.21	35.35	30.05	32.45	18.97	21.63	8.54	19.92	29.09

PRICE TRENDS AND SALES OF COCONUT PRODUCTS

By
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TABLE 1

Average prices of coconut products for the first half of 1968

Month	Week	Estate Copra Market Price per candy	Oil Price per ton	Poonac Price per ton	Desiccated Coconut Price per pound
		Rs. cts.	Rs. cts.	Rs. cts.	Rs. cts.
JANUARY	1st	227.50	1,366.67	380.00	0.59
	2nd	233.65	1,395.00	380.00	0.61
	3rd	238.38	1,410.00	380.00	0.62
	4th	243.42	1,452.50	370.83	0.64½
FEBRUARY	1st	239.40	1,419.00	330.00	0.63
	2nd	236.55	1,410.00	315.00	0.63
	3rd	240.35	1,425.00	344.00	0.65
	4th	236.40	1,425.00	340.00	0.65
MARCH	1st	238.30	1,425.00	340.00	0.68
	2nd	256.20	1,510.00	346.00	0.86
	3rd	260.80	1,550.00	344.00	0.87
	4th	253.25	1,525.00	340.00	0.87
APRIL	1st	251.10	1,515.00	348.00	0.79
	2nd	250.17	1,483.33	350.00	0.81
	3rd	252.42	1,505.00	350.00	0.84
	4th	256.50	1,521.00	350.00	0.86
MAY	1st	252.38	1,507.50	350.00	0.86
	2nd	252.75	1,506.00	357.50	0.84
	3rd	246.42	1,487.00	358.33	0.80
	4th	245.20	1,479.00	358.00	0.82
JUNE	1st	248.20	1,475.00	353.00	0.82
	2nd	247.29	1,480.00	350.00	0.83
	3rd	249.70	1,510.00	350.00	0.85
	4th	249.80	1,520.00	349.17	0.87

TABLE 2

Monthly sales of coconut products for the first half of 1968.

Month	Copra in tons	Oil in tons	D. C. in pounds
JANUARY	11483.0	2571	9,279,970
FEBRUARY	9354.0	3375	10,855,250
MARCH	8050.7	5915	11,505,000
APRIL	5168.5	5582	11,067,965
MAY	7202.5	3747	14,708,030
JUNE	8542.2	4081	13,539,535

(Figures obtained from the Ceylon Coconut Board)

FREE ADVISORY SERVICE

Please remember we are at your service to help in growing your coconuts well. For your convenience a list of Advisory Field Officers' stations and areas of operation are given below.

If you have any problems on coconut cultivation, please write to the Advisory Field Officer of your area or to the Chief Advisory Officer, Coconut Research Institute, Lunuwila.

<i>DISTRICT</i>	<i>AREA OF OPERATION</i>	<i>PRESENT STATION</i>
Jaffna District & Mannar District	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Delft Division 2. Islands Division 3. Jaffna Division 4. Valikamam West Division 5. Valikamam North Division 6. Valikamam East Division 7. Temmaradchchi Division 8. Vadamaradchchi Division 9. Pachchilappali—Aarachchi 10. Punakari—Tunukkai 11. Mantai Division 12. Mannar Island Division 13. Musali Division 	Mr. V. Arunasalam, Advisory Field Officer, Vannankerney Estate, Pallai.
Vavuniya District	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vavuniya South (Tamil) 2. Vavuniya South (Sinhalese) 3. Vavuniya North 4. Maritime Pattu 	Mr. S. Mahesan, Advisory Field Officer, C.R.I. Demonstration Cen- tre, Alampil.
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	Pitigal Korale South	Mr. D.P.R.N. Edirisinghe, Advisory Field Officer, C. R. I. Lunuwila.
Puttalam District	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Puttalam Pattu & Gravets 2. Kalpitiya Division 3. Demala Hathpattuwa 	Mr. E. N. Ratnam, Advisory Field Officer, Mundelwatte, Mundel.

<i>DISTRICT</i>	<i>AREA OF OPERATION</i>	<i>PRESENT STATION</i>
Kurunegala District	Wewdawili Hathpattuwa Dewamedhi Hathpattuwa	Mr. C. A. Fernando, Advisory Field Officer, Co-operative Mills, Station Road, Kurunegala,
	Dambadeniya Hathpattuwa	Mr. R. M. A. P. Ratnayake, Advisory Field Officer, "Manel", Kegalle Road, Polgahawela
Kurunegala District	1. Hiriya Hathpattuwa 2. Wannu Hathpattuwa	Mr. L. S. Karunagoda, Advisory Field Officer, Ibbagamuwa.
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	Katugampola "C"	Mr. M. A. S. Perera, Advisory Field Officer, Giriulla.
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	1. Siyane Korale West—Meda- pattu 2. Siyane Korale West—Adikari- puttu	Mr. P. A. Wijewickrama, Advisory Field Officer, No. 46, Siyane Rd., Gampaha W.P.
	Siyane Korale East	Mr. K. M. Francis, Advisory Field Officer, Ellalamulla, Pasyala.
	1. Aluthkuru Korale North "A" 2. Aluthkuru Korale South 3. Colombo Mudaliyar's Division 4. Aluthkuru Korale North "B"	Vacant at Present*
Kalutara District	1. Hewagam Korale 2. Salpiti Korale 3. Rayigam Korale 4. Panadura Thotamune 5. Kalutara Thotamune 6. Pasdun Korale West 7. Pasdun Korale East	Mr. P. A. H. Gomes, Advisory Field Officer, "Jayalath", Kolamune, Piliyandala.

* In the event of requests for visits from vacant ranges, arrangements could be made to send the Advisory Field Officer from the nearest range.

<i>DISTRICT</i>	<i>AREA OF OPERATION</i>	<i>PRESENT STATION</i>
Galle District	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bentota Walalawita Korale 1. Wellaboda Pattu 3. Four Gravets 4. Talpe Pattuwa 5. Gangaboda Pattuwa 6. Hinidum Pattuwa 7. Weligam Korale in Matara District 	Mr. W. L. H. M. Wijegunaratne, Advisory Field Officer, 287, Morriss Road, Labuduwa, Galle
Matara District	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Morawak Korale 2. Kandaboda Pattuwa 3. Gangaboda Pattuwa 4. Wellaboda Pattuwa & 4 Gravets 	Mr. P. D Wijesinghe, Advisory Field Officer, No. 16, Browns Lane, Pallimulla, Matara.
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