

ADVISORY for the month of August 2026 for the management of apple diseases

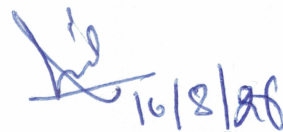
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As there are wide spread rains, the epidemiological conditions (temperature, humidity and wetness) are congenial for occurrence and spread of Marssonina blotch in apple. In the orchards where these diseases were prevailing during last year, the spray of fungicides as per spray schedule given by the University and Directorate of Horticulture should be followed. Farmers are advised to continuously monitor the status of these diseases and need based application of fungicides should be done as per the recommendations in the spray schedule. Therefore, the following advisory is issued to the farmers:

- **Remove the weeds in and around the orchards.**
- **For the management of Marssonina leaf blotch**, the farmers are advised to spray if the need be of **metiram** (600gm / 200L of water) or **ziram 80%WP** (600gm / 200L of water) as the protectant. If the symptoms start appearing, the spray of **Dodin O Fil** (150ml/200L of water) is recommended. **BUT** when the disease becomes severe, alternatively the formulations consisting of **Cabrio Top 60WG** (200gm/200L of water) or **Shamir** (500ml/200L of water) or **Luna Experience** (126ml/200L of water) or **Avtaar** (500gm/200L of water) or **Nativo 75%WG** (80gm/200L of water) or **Kavach Flo** (160ml/200L of water) or **Lustre 5% SE** (160ml/200L of water) or **Laurel** (700gm/200L of water) is recommended. *These fungicides also manage the Alternaria leaf spot / blight.*
- **For the management of Fly speck**, give a pre-harvest spray (20-25 days before harvest) with **captan** (600gm / 200L of water) or **ziram 80%WP** (600gm / 200L of water) as the protectant.
- **For the management of canker disease**, spray within 24 hours after harvest with **Cuprofix DISPRESS** (1200gm/200L of water).
- **Do not mix any other pesticide/chemical/micro-nutrient/growth regulator/hormone with the recommended pesticides to avoid phototoxic effects, russetting and other disorders.**
When necessary, these may be sprayed separately.

Farmers are also advised to report the symptoms of the diseases with photographs and queries, if any on hodmpp@uhf.ac.in


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