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Advisory for the Farmers in view of Expected Snowfall

1. Clear water channels and drains to ensure complete drainage from the orchards/fields.
2. Prune the fruit trees ideally during dormant season when temperature is above freezing point.
3. Shake trees to remove snow immediately from their branches and crotches.
4. Provide support/staking to trees/limbs which are not strong enough to stand without support.
5. Stake newly planted trees to prevent damage to new roots as they take a couple of years to anchor firmly in the soil.
6. If the fruit trees tilt, reduce the canopy load by pruning, and provide proper support.
7. If the trees get partially uprooted, slowly pull back the trees to the original position after heavy pruning and provide proper support/staking to the main trunk.
8. If roots become exposed/naked, immediately cover the roots with soil to avoid further damage.
9. For protected structures (Green houses/polyhouses), carefully remove the snow to avoid damage to the structures.

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