

## **September, 2016 – Advisories for Oil Palm Cultivation**

- ❖ Basin area of oil palm represents active root zone. Hence it must be kept clean and weed free to avoid competition for nutrients and water.
- ❖ Inter crops selected for inter cropping in oil palm should be compatible with oil palm and should not compete for light, water and nutrients.
- ❖ While raising inter crops in oil Palm, recommended quantity of irrigation and fertilizers should be given to oil Palm and Inter Crops separately.
- ❖ In oil palm, Practice ablation by removing inflorescences emerging from leaves during first, second and third year after planting. Ablation will enable the plant to gain adequate stem girth, vigour and develop adequate root growth.