Kerala

For counting day



Central Industrial Security Force personnel guarding the strong room at Mar Thoma Higher Secondary School, Chungathara, where the polled voting machines of the Nilambur Assembly byelection have been kept. Counting of votes will take place on Monday.

Stray dog menace: three shelter homes to be set up in Kannur

Decision follows public outcry after a spate of dog bite incidents reported in the district. To prevent a potential rabies outbreak, stray dogs within the city limits will be captured, vaccinated, and relocated to the shelters

The Hindu Bureau KANNUR

n the wake of the growing stray dog menace in Kannur, Minister for Registration, Museums, and Archaeology Kadannappally Ramachandran has announced the setting up of three shelter homes-two within the **Kannur Corporation limits** and one in the Cantonment area.

The Minister was addressing the media after a high-level meeting at the collectorate attended by officials of the district panchayat, Corporation, Cantonment Board and the Police, Animal Welfare and Health departments. The decision follows mounting public concern after a spate of dog bite incidents reported across the district. The move was prompted by a report of the Animal Husbandry department indicating that a few stray dogs involved in recent attacks could show symptoms of rabies within two weeks, the Minister

Child critical To prevent a potential ra-

bies outbreak, all stray dogs within the city limits will be captured, vaccinated, and relocated to the shelter homes. A child bitten by a stray dog at Payvambalam and subsequently vaccinated is reportedly in a critical condition due to rabies.

Veterinary support

The Minister said those who wished to continue feeding stray dogs could do so at the shelter but not on streets or roadsides. The Animal Husbandry department has been tasked with capturing, vaccinating, and sterilising stray dogs, with trained dog catchers deployed exclusively within the municipal limits for

Veterinary support will

be provided by doctors from the Padiyur Animak Birth Control centre. The Cantonment Board chief executive officer (CEO) has been directed to take steps to capture aggressive dogs in the area and shift them to the shelter.

District Collector Arun K. Vijayan will oversee the operation under the Disaster Management Act.

LDF walks out

Meanwhile, Left Democratic Front (LDF) representatives walked out of an allparty meeting convened by the Corporation to discuss stray dog menace. The walkout followed heated exchanges after United Democratic Front (UDF) representatives C. Sameer and Eramulla came down on the State government and the district panchayat for alleged inaction.

The LDF accused the Corporation of shifting blame to the district panchayat without offering any concrete measures to address stray dog menace. Mayor Musliah Madathil chaired the meeting.

"People are suffering, but the Opposition is playing politics," he said, adding that the government and the district panchayat were trying to avoid responsibility.

Fake currency case: NIA arrests accused

The Hindu Bureau KOCHI

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Friday arrested an accused in the 2013 Kasaragod fake currency case after securing his extradition from the UAE, where he had been in custody since 2015.

Moideenabha Ummer Beary, who was wanted in four cases, was taken into custody by an NIA team on his arrival at the Mumbai airport from Dubai on Friday. He was subsequently taken to Kochi and produced before the NIA Special Court, Ernakulam.

The NIA had secured the revocation of the accused's Indian passport and had also got an Interpol Red Notice issued against him in 2013 soon after the recovery of fake currency notes from Kasaragod, said a communication issued by the agency.

Investigations revealed that Moideen, a native of Udupi district in Karnataka, had conspired with the co-accused to procure high-quality fake currencies with face value of ₹31 lakh from the UAE.

Ban on single-use plastic: food sector flags concerns

The Hindu Bureau KOZHIKODE

The ban on single-use plastics, recently imposed by the Kerala High Court at major tourist destinations as well as weddings, hotels, and eateries, has raised concerns in the hotel, restaurant and food catering sectors across the State over its practicality.

While the ban on plastic containers and pouches is regarded as a minor concern, the prohibition on water bottles with a capacity of less than five litres and soft drink bottles under two litres is being flagged as the most pressing issue.

"No one would buy fivelitre water bottles as they are heavy and difficult to carry. While this adversely

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The Kerala State Human

Rights Commission (SHRC)

has taken up a suo motu

case after it was revealed

that a man was wrongly

jailed for 39 days on charges of possessing deer meat,

which forensic tests later

mistaken identity by auth-

orities, Sujesh Kannan, a

native of Chalakudy, was

arrested by Forest depart-

ment officials on October 1

last year, accused of selling

wild meat (believed to be

sambar deer). However, a

forensic report later clari-

fied that the meat was in fact beef, and not from any

wild animal.

In yet another case of

confirmed to be beef.

THRISSUR

affects travellers, the ban could drive some small eateries out of business," said G. Jayapal, president, Kerala Hotel and Restaurants Association (KHRA).

The food catering sector

has also expressed concern over the ban. "This move will not be effective unless the public is properly educated on plastic reuse and recycling. There must also be viable alternatives available in the market," said Badusha Kadalundi, patron, All Kerala Caterers' Association (AK-CA). He described the ban as a crisis for caterers as small plastic water bottles were commonly provided at weddings.

Welcomes ban

SHRC intervenes in arrest

The tourism sector, on the other hand, has welcomed

for possession of 'deer meat'

Commission member V.

Geetha intervened after

media reports brought the

case to light. The Chalaku-

dy Divisional Forest Officer

has been directed to con-

duct an inquiry and submit

Sujesh, who was working

as a head-load worker at

the time of arrest, was re-

manded in the Irinjalakuda

sub-jail. After a prolonged

legal battle, he was finally

granted bail by the Kerala

The incident has since

upended his life. "The

meat I gave to someone

else was just beef. But they

arrested me like a criminal.

I was seen as an offender

by society. My wife left me

a report within 15 days.

Legal battle

High Court.

the ban, viewing it as an opportunity to enhance the industry's image. "A hotel with 100 rooms disposes of at least 200 plastic water bottles a day. We have already taken steps to eliminate this waste by providing glass bottles in the rooms," said Sajeer Padikkal, president, Malabar Tourism Council (MTC).

"It is cost-effective. All we need is a purifier," added Rajish Raghavan, secretary, MTC. However, all the organisations have emphasised the need for proper research and development of alternative products and urged the government to actively promote them.

Meanwhile, the KHRA is planning to approach the court seeking a practical solution to the issue.

while I was in jail. No one

wants to give me a job. I

now drive an autorick-

shaw, but have to visit the

police station every Satur-

day to sign in. That means I

can't even work full days,"

two children and elderly

brink. At one point, I even

thought of ending my life,"

he added, recounting the

mental trauma he en-

dured. Forced to seek

psychological help, Sujesh

said the false case has shat-

tered his livelihood and

The commission has

stated it will consider

further action after review-

ing the official report.

He now lives with his

"I was pushed to the

Sujesh said.

parents.

image.

HC seeks State's stance on proposal for law against superstition

The Hindu Bureau

A Division Bench of the Kerala High Court has asked the State government to file an affidavit stating its present stand on its earlier proposal to enact a legislation to eradicate superstitious practices such as sorcery and black magic.

The Bench passed the order recently on a public interest litigation filed by the Kerala Yukthivadi Sanghom seeking a directive to the State government to take a decision on the State Law Reform Commission's recommendation to enact a law in this regard.

Laws in two States

The petitioner pointed out that Karnataka and Maharashtra had enacted laws prohibiting such evil prac-

The petitioner alleged that the State government was reluctant to take steps to enact such a piece of legislation despite incidents of human sacrifice and other black magic being reported in the State.

The petition was filed in the wake of the murder of two women allegedly as part of a human sacrifice at Elanthoor in Pathanamthitta district in 2022.

'File affidavit'

The Bench noted that when the petition came up for hearing in October 2022, State Attorney N. Manoj Kumar had submitted that the State government was contemplating legisla-

"Let an affidavit be filed by the senior Secretary of the department concerned as to the stand of the State in respect of the above position," the court said.

UST Trivandrum Marathon on Oct. 12

The Hindu Bureau THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

The second edition of the UST Trivandrum Marathon, organised by informa-

tion technology company UST in collaboration with NEB Sports, will be held on October 12 this year. The event will comprise a full marathon, half marathon,

10K run and 5K fun run, similar to the previous year's event.

Those interested may register online via the link bit.ly/3ZnARUv. .

KERALA STATE CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD. **REGIONAL OFFICE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM**

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditor, the Constructive/Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Kerala State Co-Operative Bank Ltd. (secured creditor), will be sold below date "As is where is" and "As is what is" for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Kerala State Co-Operative Bank Ltd. from the below mentioned Borrower(s) & Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

1 Branch: Jagathy; Loan No. 103564362000242

Total Liabilities: Rs. 19,11,019/- (Rupees Nineteen lakh eleven thousand and nineteen only) as on 31-12-2024 plus further interest from 01-01-2025 plus cost thereon

Details of properties: All that part and parcel of land (1.40 & 03.40 Ares) 11.85 Cents of land in Re Sy. No. 320/9, 327/2-1, Thandaper No. 18737 & 26268 of Malayinkeezhu Village Kattakada Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District. Boundaries: Re Sy. No. 320/9: East: Property of Neelakandan, South: Tar Road; North: Property of Baiju; West: Property of Bai

Reserve Price: Rs. 20.00.000/-Account number to amount should be paid: 10352200503601, IFSC: KSBK0001035

2 Branch: Thirumala; Loan No. 108660357000133 Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor: Sri. John Stephen, Lilly Cottage, Kurishumuttam, Valiyottukonam, Perukavu P.C

Total Liabilities: Rs. 24,91,058/- (Rupees Twenty four lakhs ninety one thousand and fiftyeight only) as on 31-12-2024 plus further interest from 01-01-2025 plus cost thereon.

<u>Details of properties:</u> All that part and parcel of land 4.05 Ares (10 Cents) of land in Sy. No. 138/1-4-2, Thandaper No. 34604 of Vilavoorkkal Village, Kattakada Taluk Thiruvananthapuram District. <u>Boundaries:</u> North: Road; South: Property of Mohandas; East: Property of John Stephen, West: Road.

Reserve Price: Rs. 40,00,000/-Account number to amount should be paid: 10862200503601, IFSC: KSBK0001086

Branch: Kadakkavoor; Loan No. 103660357000219

Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor: Mr.Nujum Khan.A, North Bungalow, Mananak, Perumkulam P.O. Total Liabilities: Rs. 24,83,055/- (Rupees Twenty four lakhs eighty three thousand and fifty five only) as on 31-01-2025 plus further interest from 01-02-2025 plus cost thereon.

All that part and parcel of land 5.46 Ares (13.50 Cents) of land in Re.Sy. No. 487/A, Thandaper No. 17487 of Vakkam Village Thiruvananthapuram District. Boundaries: North: Property of Kalam; South: Property of Thushara; East: Property of Gafoorkhan, West: Property of Smadkhan.

Reserve Price: Rs. 25,00,000/-EMD: Rs. 2,50,000/-Account number to amount should be paid: 10362200503601, IFSC: KSBK0001036

4 Branch: Balaramapuram Evening; Loan No. 102964362001122 Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor: Pradeepkumar.S, Kumaramangalam, Nadukkad, Eruthavoor, Balaramapuram

Total Liabilities: Rs. 19,02,911/- (Rupees Nineteen lakhs two thousand nine hundred and eleven only) as on 31-01-2025 plus further interest from 01-02-2025 plus cost thereon. Details of properties: All that part and parcel of land 19.96 Ares (49.30 Cents) of land in Sy. No. 300/3-2, 301/2-1, Thandaper No. 19007 of Malayinkeezhu Village, Kattakkada Taluk Thiruvananthapuram District. Boundaries: North: Property of Bhadran, Panchayath Pond; South: Property of Krishnan, Thodu; East: Property of Bhadran, Somasekharan 8

Reserve Price: Rs. 21,25,000/-

Account number to amount should be paid: 10292200503601, IFSC: KSBK0001029 5 Branch: Kanjiramkulam; Loan No. 104160357002779

Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor: (1) Smt. Pushpam.L, Ishtar Nivas, Nellikkakuzhi, Kanjiramkulam P.O. (2) Mr. Abhilash N.P, Ishtar Nivas, Nellikkakuzhi Kanjiramkulam P.O. (3) Mrs. Akhila, Ishtar Nivas, Nellikkakuzhi, Kanjiramkulam P.O.

Total Liabilities: Rs. 9,84,323/- (Rupees Nine lakhs eighty four thousand three hundred and twenty three only) as on 28-02-2025 plus further interest from 01-03-2025 plus Details of properties: All that part and parcel of land 10.40 Ares (25.68 Cents) of land in Re.Sy. No. 308/24-1, Thandaper No. 18621 of Thirupuram Village, Neyyattinkara Taluk

Thiruvananth of Pushpam.

Reserve Price: Rs. 19,27,500/-EMD: Rs. 1,92,750/-

Account number to amount should be paid: 10412200503601, IFSC: KSBK0001041

6 Branch: Kovalam; Loan No. 104960454000095

Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor: Mr. Dileep K. Jayan, Beena Bhavan, Nedumon, Malavila, Kovalam P.O

Total Liabilities: Rs.9,22,301/- (Rupees Nine lakhs twenty two thousand three hundred and one only) as on 31-12-2024 plus further interest from 01-01-2025 plus cost thereon

Details of properties; All that part and parcel of land 2.03 Ares (5 Cents) of land in Re.Sy. No. 18/9-1-2, 18/9-2-2, 18/9-1-4, Thandaper No. 26655 of Venganoor Village, Thiruvananthapuram Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District. Boundaries: North: Property of Beena; South: Property of Biju; East: Property of Biju; West: Road.

Reserve Price: Rs. 12,50,000/-Account number to amount should be paid: 10492200503601, IFSC: KSBK0001049

7 Branch: Vithura; Loan No. 110360357002391 Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor: (1) Smt. Simla Basheer, Simla Manzil, Maruthumood, Chettachal P.O. (2) Smt. Soudath, Simla Manzil, Maruthumood, Chettachal P.O.

Total Liabilities: Rs.12,82,845/- (Rupees Twelve lakhs eighty two thousand eight hundred and forty five only) as on 28-02-2025 plus further interest from 01-03-2025 plus cost thereon. <u>Details of properties:</u> All that part and parcel of land 12.55 Ares (31 Cents) of land in Re.Sy. No. 3128/1-2, 3128/3, Thandaper No. 2124 of Thennoor Village, Nedumangadu Taluk Thiruvananthapuram District. <u>Boundaries:</u> North: Chettachal River; South: Property of Soudath; East: Property of Sulaiman Kunju; West: Thadam, Thodu.

Reserve Price: Rs. 15,50,000/-EMD: Rs.1,55,000/-Account number to amount should be paid: 11032200503601, IFSC: KSBK0001103

8 Branch: Kanjiramkulam; Loan No. 104160357000383

Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor: Mr. Vinod R.L, Karthika, Maniyankal, Arumanoorkada, Poovar P.O Total Liabilities: Rs.23,60,710/- (Rupees Twenty three lakhs sixty thousand seven hundred and ten only) as on 31-01-2025 plus further interest from 01-02-2025 plus cost thereon

Details of properties; All that part and parcel of land 4.43 Ares (10.95 Cents) of land in Re.Sy. No. 38/11-1, 38/11-2, 38/10-4, Thandaper No. 15089 of Thiruppuram Village, Neyyattinkara Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District. Boundaries: North: Property of Sarasamma Pilla; South: Property of Indira; East: Property of Shajahan; West: Property of Sivakumar & Vinoc

Account number to amount should be paid: 10412200503601, IFSC: KSBK0001041 9 Branch: Vithura; Loan No. 110360357000925

Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor: Smt. Pushpalatha.K, Sriragam, Kaleekkal, Vithura P.O.

Total Liabilities: Rs.15,80,686/- (Rupees Fifteen lakhs eighty thousand six hundred and eighty six only) as on 28-02-2025 plus further interest from 01-03-2025 plus cost thereon <u>Details of properties:</u> All that part and parcel of land 20.24 Ares (50 Cents) of land in Re.Sy. No. 555/2-8-1-1, Thandaper No. 9356 of Vithura Village, Nedumangadu Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District. <u>Boundaries:</u> North: Property of Rajan, Sulochana, Ambika & Sasi; <u>South:</u> Property of Omana; <u>East</u>: Pallanchira Thadam; <u>West</u>: Property of Jagadha.

Reserve Price: Rs. 16,00,000/-

Account number to amount should be paid: 11032200503601, IFSC: KSBK0001103

10 Branch: Mangalapuram; Loan No. 105560357000261

Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor: Mr. Suresh Babu.B, SusheelaMandiram, Kailathkonam, Kurakkada P.O. Total Liabilities: Rs.23,03,048/- (Rupees Twenty three lakhs three thousand and forty eight only) as on 31-01-2025 plus further interest from 01-02-2025 plus cost thereon. Details of properties: All that part and parcel of land 06.07 Ares (15 Cents) of land in Re.Sy. No.225/17-A, Thandaper No. 16425 of Pulimath Village, Chiravinkeezhu Taluk

hapuram District. Boundaries: North: Property of Vamadevan, Thadam; South: Property of Sarojam; East: Property of Sujith; West: Property of Sarojam Reserve Price: Rs. 12,00,000/-EMD: Rs.1,20,000/-

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