

Unabated influx of banned SUPs challenge 'Nava Keralam'

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DESPITE entering its second year, the Malinya Muktham Nava Keralam campaign is facing challenges in curbing the influx of banned single-use plastics into the state. Launched with the objective to transform Kerala into a garbage-free state, the campaign is yet to take any significant step to curb the availability of banned single-use plastics. Interestingly, the state government had banned the manufacture, sale, storage and transportation of single-use plastic in January 2020 even before the Government of India brought the nationwide ban on 19 single-use plastic items, including plates, cups, straws, trays, and polystyrene on July 1, 2022.

The aggressive campaign launched by the Local Self Government Department (LSGD)

has failed to curb the flow of single-use plastic to the state. In connection with the campaign, the LSGD has formed special enforcement squads to prevent various violations relating to waste management. As per estimates, the state generates around 633 tonnes of plastic waste per day at a rate of 18.5gm of plastic per person every day.

During 2023-24, the Clean Kerala Company Ltd (CKCL) lifted around 47,548.701 tonnes of non-biodegradable waste from across the state. It is learned that lack of border checking and enforcement activities are the reasons for the unabated flow of banned single-use plastic to the state.

Though the campaign is nearing its target of achieving 100 per cent door-to-door waste collection, the persistence of single-use plastics in the state

BANNED ITEMS

- Garbage bags (plastic) except for Bio-medical wastes
- Non-woven bags, plastic flags
- Pet bottles of drinking water of capacities less than 500 ml
- Plastic-coated items like paper carry bags, bowls, paper cups
- Plastic-coated leaves used as plates
- Plastic packets in retail outlets
- Plastic sapling bags
- Plastic table spread
- Plastic water pouches, non-branded plastic juice packets
- Earbuds
- Balloon sticks
- Candy and icecream sticks
- Cutlery items - plates, cups, glasses, forks, spoons, knives, tays
- Sweet boxes
- Cigarette packs
- PVC banners under 100 microns
- Polystyrene for decoration

underscores the difficulty in achieving the campaign's goals. According to officials, the LSGD has built a solid system during the first year of the campaign for scientific and sustainable waste

management. "This year, our aim is to make the activities of the enforcement squads more effective. We didn't get the assistance of the police as expected. There are cognizable

offenses related to waste management, including polluting waterbodies and as per law, the police can arrest the violator from the spot. We have learned the shortcomings from the initial year of the campaign and all those things will be fixed now," said an official source.

According to sources, the LSGD is gearing up to tie up with the Motor Vehicle Department and Police department to prevent the flow of banned plastic products to the state. Executive director U V Jose of Suchitwa Mission told *TNIE* that the LSGDs and the enforcement squads will tighten its noose on wholesale dealers in the state distributing single-use plastic and banned items. "The state managed to curb the use of single-use plastic until before Covid-19. After the pandemic, the usage of these items has increased exponentially. One of

our key priorities now is to curb the flow of these banned items to the state," said U V Jose.

Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives (GAI) India coordinator K N Shibu said that the ban by the Centre is ineffective across the country because of conflicting policies of the Central government. "The export of plastic is still happening and the Centre is allowing new investments from such companies. The ban remains ineffective and the implementation of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) has not been properly implemented in the country," said K N Shibu. He added that the availability of alternative items is yet to be made available.

"The government is yet to come up with interventions to fix the price gap between alternative items and single use plastics," said Shibu K N.

EXPRESS READ



Dhaneesh Chandran Joshi Basu

KVVES district meeting held

T'Puram: Kerala Vyapari Vyavasayi Ekopana Samithi (KVVES) state president Raju Apsara has urged the government to resolve the issues faced by traders in licence renewal. The committee asked the government to consider the demands it submitted to LSG Minister M B Rajesh recently. Dhaneesh Chandran was elected as the new president, Joshi Basu as general secretary, Shiras Khan as treasurer, Vellarada Rajendran as working president, and V Vijayan as chairman.

Infant undergoes liver transplant at KIMSHEALTH



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DOCTORS at KIMSHEALTH successfully performed a complex liver transplant on 9-month-old Kashinath, hailing from Thiruvananthapuram. Weighing only 4kg during the surgery, Kashinath became one of Kerala's youngest and lightest infants to undergo a successful liver transplant. Initially admitted for jaundice, further examinations revealed Kashinath suffered from biliary atresia, a rare condition affecting one in 70,000 newborns worldwide.

Dr Shabeerali T U, chief coordinator & senior consultant of the Department of Hepatobiliary, Pancreatic & Liver Transplant Surgery, said that due to the severity of the condition, a liver transplant was the only viable option to save the child's life. Facing the challenge of finding a suitable donor, Kashinath's father volunteered despite having an incompatible blood group (B Positive). Under strict medical guidance, he successfully lost 10kg within a month to qualify as a donor.

Dr Shiraz Ahmad Rather, senior consultant and clinical chair of Transplant Services, highlighted the complexities of the procedure, including managing Kashinath's age, weight, and small blood vessels, which required administering blood thinners to minimise clotting risks. The surgery lasted for 10 hours, and the baby was discharged after a month of hospital stay. Kashinath celebrated his first birthday at the hospital.

Dr Varghese Yeldho, consultant, Department of Hepatobiliary Pancreas and Liver Transplant, Dr Hashir A, Dr Prijith and Dr Hari Kumar G, consultants, Department of Anesthesia, Dr Madhu Sashidharan, senior consultant, Department of Gastroenterology, Dr Manish Kumar Yadav, senior consultant, Department of Interventional Radiology, Dr Manoj K S, senior consultant, Department of Imaging and Interventional Radiology, Dr A Rajalakshmi, senior consultant and Dr Muhammed Niyaz, consultant, Department of Infectious Diseases and Dr Shiju Kumar, Department of Pediatric Critical Care, were also part of the medical team.

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Support for Maharaja: Vijay Sethupathi thanks Kerala audience

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"I HAVE heard 500 scripts and have chosen to act in only 50. Some turn out to be classics, hits, averages, or flops, but the effort that both the crew of the movie and I put into these movies remains the same," remarked actor Vijay Sethupathi during a press meeting at the Thiruvananthapuram Press Club on Friday.

He expressed heartfelt gratitude to the Kerala audience for making the movie *Maharaja* a huge success here. Vijay Sethupathi was in the city to celebrate the success of the Tamil blockbuster *Maharaja* and to attend the success party of the



Actor Vijay Sethupathi arrives at the Press Club in Thiruvananthapuram on Friday as part of a success meet of his latest movie *Maharaja* | B P DEEPU

Many have told me that the structure of this film resembles Malayalam movies. The movie has received heartwarming acceptance from across Kerala. Perhaps it's because I draw inspiration from watching a lot of Malayalam films - Nithilan Swaminathan, director of *Maharaja*

movie at Lulu Mall, Thiruvananthapuram. The film has received an excellent audience reception and house-full shows across Kerala. Initially released in 100 theatres, the film has expanded its screening to over 175 theatres in its second week.

Maharaja, featuring Anurag Kashyap in a key villain role, is both written and directed by Nithilan Swaminathan. The film's ensemble cast includes Malayalam actress Mamta Mohandas, Natarajan Subramaniam, Divya Bharti, Abhirami, Aruldoss, and more. Produced by Sudhan Sundaram and Jagadish Palanisamy under the banners of Passion Studios, The Route,

and Think Studios, the film's music is composed by B Ajaaneesh Loknath. Dinesh Purushothaman cranked the camera.

Director Nithilan Swaminathan shared, "Many have told me that the structure of this film resembles Malayalam movies. The movie has received heartwarming acceptance from across Kerala. Perhaps it's because I draw inspiration from watching a lot of Malayalam films." *Maharaja* marks Vijay Sethupathi's 50th movie. He explained that he chose to do this project because of its narrative flow. Producer Sudhan Sundaram, Kerala distributor Harindran, and PRO Pratih Shekhar were present.

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of GIC Housing Finance Ltd. (GICHFL), under Securitization & Reconstructions of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued Demand Notice to following Borrowers/Mortgagors calling upon them to repay the outstanding due amount mentioned in the said notices. However, The Borrower/Mortgagor having failed to repay the said due amount, the undersigned has taken PHYSICAL POSSESSION of the following property in exercise of powers conferred U/s 13(4) and U/s 14 of the said Act read with the Rule 8 of the said Rules.

Sl. No.	Loan File No./ Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower	Property Address & Area of Property	Demand notice issued date	Date of Physical Possession	Total Outstanding as on 12.06.2024 (Incl.POS, Interest and Other charges) (In Rupees)	Reserve Price (In Rupees)
1	KL0140110001099 Mangalan S / Vimal M	Independent House Property Situated at Varkala beach Sy no.558,Varkala Village Chirayinkeezhu Taluk, Trivandrum District- Pin Code 695141 (6 cent land + 4500 sq ft Bld. Area (Gr. + 2 Fir. Building))	17.05.2019	03.01.2024	1,30,89,119/-	90,00,000/-
2	KL0140110001185 Mangalan S / Vimal M	Independent House, Property Situated at Janardhanaswami Temple, Sy no.645/1,Varkala Village Chirayinkeezhu Taluk, Trivandrum District- Pin Code 695141 (13 Cents land area + 1300 Sft (Gr. Fir. Building))	17.05.2019	01.03.2024	1,18,67,493/-	85,80,000/-
3	KL0140610001375 Bipu Krishnankutty	Independent House Property Situated at Near by Kozhachery Temple M.P 13/656, Kottarakonam Kuvallaseri, Maranalloor P.O, Thiruvananthapuram District Re Sy No.37/21, Block-11, Maranalloor Village, Kattakada Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District- Pin Code 695512 (17.78 Cents land + 950.00 Sft (Gr. Fir. Building))	04.08.2021	07.10.2022	17,90,636/-	24,49,100/-

DATE OF E-AUCTION & TIME : 26-07-2024 at the Web-Portal (<https://www.bankauctions.in>) from 3.00 PM TO 04.00 PM. with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each.
Last date of submission of Tender/Sealed Bid in the prescribed tender form along with EMD & KYC either through online mode or at the above mentioned GICHFL Office at 24-07-2024 before 5.00 PM.
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- E-Auction is being held on 'As is where is Basis', 'As is what is Basis', 'Whatever there is' And 'Without Any Recourse Basis', and will be conducted "Online". The E-Auction will be conducted through GICHFL approved E-auction service provider 'M/s.4 closure'
- The intending bidders should register their names at portal <https://bankauctions.in/> and get their user-id and password free of cost. Prospective bidders may avail online training on E-Auction from the service provider M/s.4 closure, # 605 A, 6th Floor Maitrivanam, Ameerpet, Hyderabad-500038, Telangana. Office Land Line No: 040-23736405; Backend team : 8142000062 / 66, Mr. Prakash - 8142000064 / 8142000725, Mail id: prakash@bankauctions.in, Mr. Dinesh - 8142000735, Mail id: dinesh@bankauctions.in, Property enquiries, CONTACT DETAILS : 04712330272 - 04712332068 Mob.: 9895364039, 9447246145 | Branch Mail id: trivandrum@gichfindia.com
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- Every bidder is required to have his/her own email address in order to participate in the online E-auction.
- Once Intending Bidder formally registers as a qualified tenderer before authorized officer of GICHFL, will have to express his/her interest to participate through the E-auction bidding platform, by submitting document. It shall be the tenderer's/online bidder's sole responsibility to procure his/her login ID and password from the E-auction service provider.
- The aforesaid properties shall not be sold below the reserve price mentioned above.
- Intending bidders are required to deposit Earnest Money Deposit/s (EMD) @ 10% of the abovesaid respective reserve prices, by way of DD/RTGS/NEFT favouring GIC Housing Finance Ltd. Bank details are as follows: Bank Name: UNION BANK OF INDIA, A/c No: 005111010000039 - A/c Name: GIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD AUCTION A/C, Branch Name : LCB, FORT ADDRESS : UBI, 238 BACKBAY RECLAMATION NARIMAN POINT MUMBAI MAHARASHTRA PINCODE 400021. IFSC Code - UBIN0800511.
- The said Deposit/s shall be adjusted in the case of successful bidder/s, otherwise refunded. The said earnest money deposit/s will not carry any interest.
- The offer/s along with the aforesaid Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) can be submitted either "online" through the portal <https://bankauctions.in/> along with the EMD and scanned copy of KYC documents including PAN Card & address proof, to the service provider or through submitting sealed cover comprising bid form, EMD and KYC documents and it should reach the respective branch offices of GIC Housing Finance Ltd., mentioned above on or before EMD Submission due date.
- That, after opening the tenders, the intending bidders who have submitted their bids for not less than the reserve price will be given an opportunity at the sole discretion of the Authorized Officer to increase the bidding amount.
- The successful bidder/s shall deposit 25% of the amount of sale price, adjusting the EMD paid already, immediately on acceptance of offer by the Authorized officer in respect of the sale, failing which the earnest money deposited shall be forfeited. The balance 75% of the sale price is payable within 15 days from the date of confirmation of the sale solely at the discretion of the Authorized Officer. In case of failure to deposit the balance amount within the prescribed period, the amount deposited shall be forfeited. The Authorized Officer shall not be required to give any further notice of forfeiture to the successful bidder.
- Bidders are bound by the principle of "caveat emptor" (Buyer Beware) and advised to conduct their own due diligence to find any encumbrances, statutory liabilities, arrears of property tax, Income Tax, Excise Duty, Labour Dues, electricity and maintenance dues etc., of the firm or Secured Asset. The Successful bidder shall have to bear all outgoing i.e., municipal taxes, maintenance/society charges, electricity charges, water charges, stamp duty, registration charges, (if applicable), if any and all other incidentals charges, cost including all outgoing relating to the respective properties other than the sale price...
- The successful bidder should bear the charges/fees payable on sale certificate, such as registration fees, stamp duty, taxes, or any other duties payable for getting the secured asset transferred in his/her name.
- The Sale Certificate will be issued only in the name of the successful bidder and only after receipt of the entire/sale price.
- The notice is hereby given to the Borrower/s, Mortgagor/s and Guarantor/s that they can bring the intending buyer/purchaser for purchasing the properties mentioned above, as per the terms and Conditions of the E-Auction Sale.
- Inspection of the above said properties can be given on request and as per convenience of Authorized Officer.
- The Authorized Officer is not bound to accept the highest offer or any or all offers and reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason thereof.
- GICHFL is not responsible for any liabilities whatsoever pending upon the properties as mentioned above. The property shall be auctioned on "As is where is", "As is what is", "Whatever there is" and without any recourse Basic.

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Date : 22.06.2024
Place : Thiruvananthapuram
Sd/-, Authorised Officer
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EMPALEMENT OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT FIRMS AS INTERNAL AUDITOR

Ref No. KSWDC/ACcts/Int. Audit/2024-25

The KSWDC Ltd. invites proposals from Chartered Accountant firms/LLPs empanelment as Internal Auditor for conducting internal audit of Head office, Regional offices, other offices and institutions of the Company. The CA firms should be empanelled with Comptroller and Auditor General of India. Interested firms are requested to go through the eligibility criteria, fees and other terms and conditions and submit application in prescribed format. Format can be downloaded from the Company website. For further details about the empanelment please visit www.kswdc.org.

Sd/-, Managing Director
Last date of submission of application : 02.07.2024

UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-34

No.1865/U/Adv-33/2024/PR No.13718E/S/2024/UOK(g)

NOTIFICATION

It is hereby notified under Statute 13 of the Kerala University (Conduct of Elections to various Authorities or Bodies) First Statutes, 1974, that the electoral rolls of the members of the Senate and Syndicate for election of one member each from the said bodies to the Statutory Finance Committee (Under Section 31 (2) (c) and (d) of the Kerala University Act, 1974), will be published in the University Office, Thiruvananthapuram on 23.07.2024.

For details please visit Election Notification in www.keralauiversity.ac.in

University Buildings Thiruvananthapuram Date: 22.06.2024

By Order of the Vice-Chancellor Sd/- Prof. (Dr.) K S Anil Kumar Registrar

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Department of Electronics & IT, Government of Kerala.
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TENDER NOTICE

- Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) of Firewall devices at State Data Center
Tender ID 2024_KSITM_675118_1
- Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) of IT/Network devices at State Data Center
Tender ID 2024_KSITM_675233_1
- Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) of IT/Network devices (Radware make) at State Data Center
Tender ID 2024_KSITM_675193_1

Tender Reference No. SDC/15/2019-KSITM
Detailed Notification and RFP documents may be downloaded from <https://etenders.kerala.gov.in/>

Government of Karnataka
KARNATAKA FOREST DEPARTMENT
KARWAR DIVISION, KARWAR

Detailed Notification for e-Tender cum Auction of Timber in Hattikeri Depot of Karwar Division, Karwar

No: A6/Depot/e-Auction/July-2024/CR-04/2024-25 Date: 19-06-2024

It is hereby notified for the general information of the public that, timber and other forest produce stocked and lotted in the Hattikeri Government Timber Depot of Karwar Division, Karwar will be sold through the public e-tender cum auction method in one or more sessions on 22-07-2024 & 23-07-2024 (All Four Sessions) from 10.00A.M till the bidding for all lots is completed. The Sale conducting officer will be the Deputy conservator of Forests, Karwar Division, Karwar.

For any Clarifications, you can contact:
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The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Karwar Division, Karwar:
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Sd/- (Ravishankar C. IFS.)
Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Karwar Division, Karwar

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