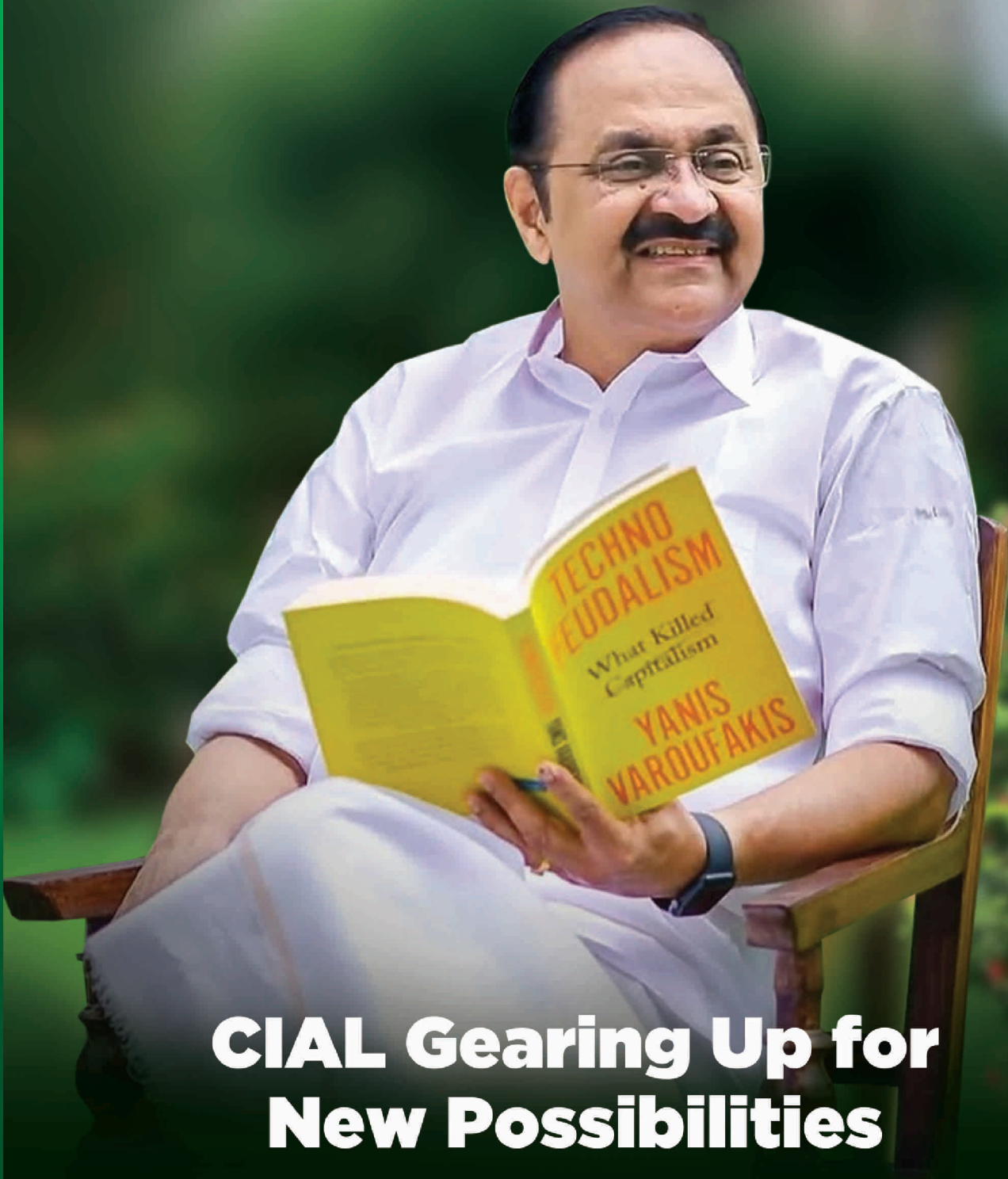


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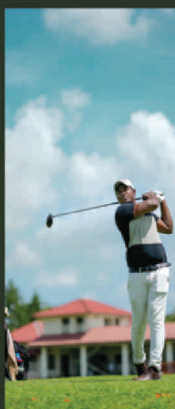


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CIAL : Nurturing Culture, Connectivity & Community

At CIAL, every year is a reminder that progress is not defined by scale alone, but by resilience, responsibility, and the people who make it possible.

As we look back on the past year, what stands out most is not just the milestones we achieved, but the collective spirit with which we moved forward together.

Globally, the aviation sector continues to operate in a rapidly changing environment. Ongoing geopolitical tensions, particularly the uncertainties surrounding the Middle East crisis, have affected international mobility, logistics, airline operations, and supply chains across regions. In times like these, the role of airports extends beyond transportation. Airports become critical spaces of connection, continuity, and confidence. At CIAL, our focus has remained steady: ensuring safe, efficient, and dependable operations while adapting responsibly to a changing world.

Over the past year, CIAL continued to strengthen its position as one of India's leading airport operators. We successfully maintained the milestone of handling 10 million passengers for the third consecutive year, while also recording our highest-ever revenue and profit performances. These achievements are not merely numbers; they reflect the trust placed in us by passengers, airlines, stakeholders, and the wider community.

Our efforts in sustainability and innovation also gained meaningful recognition. The Indian Green Building Council Net Zero Energy recognition for our terminal and cargo buildings reaffirmed our long-standing commitment to environmentally responsible growth. The progress of our green hydrogen initiatives, renewable energy projects, and upcoming hydrogen-powered airport transport systems further demonstrate our belief that the future of aviation must be sustainable as well as efficient.

At the same time, this year reinforced the importance of preparedness and operational excellence. From emergency response drills and anti-hijack exercises to advanced passenger screening systems and upgraded cargo infrastructure, every initiative reflected a larger commitment, to strengthen safety, resilience, and public trust in airport operations.

These efforts are possible only because of the seamless coordination among multiple agencies, departments, and teams working together with professionalism and dedication.

Equally important are the steps we have taken to improve the experience of those who form the backbone of CIAL; our employees and stakeholders. The inauguration of new employee welfare facilities, sports and fitness infrastructure, parking facilities, and other stakeholder amenities reflects our continued emphasis on wellbeing, inclusion, and workplace support. An institution grows stronger when its people feel supported, respected, and connected to a shared purpose.

What gives me the greatest confidence about the future is the unity I continue to witness across the CIAL family. Every department, every stakeholder, every frontline worker, every support team — all contribute to the smooth functioning of an organisation that operates round the clock, every single day. Much of this work happens quietly, away from public attention, but its value is immense.

As Kerala enters a new administrative chapter under the leadership of Hon. Chief Minister Shri. V. D. Satheesan, we look forward to continued guidance and support in strengthening CIAL's journey ahead. Having maintained a long-standing association with CIAL and consistently shown keen interest in the welfare of its employees and development initiatives, his leadership gives us confidence as we navigate new opportunities and challenges in the aviation sector.

As we move ahead, the aviation industry will continue to evolve with new opportunities and new challenges. Technology, sustainability, security, and passenger expectations will reshape the way airports, function. Yet amidst all this change, one thing remains constant: our commitment to working together with integrity, responsibility, and mutual trust.

Thank you for your dedication, your professionalism, and your continued contribution to the journey of CIAL.



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1 Crore Passengers Four Years in a Row!



Despite service disruptions arising from operational constraints and ongoing geopolitical developments in the Middle East, CIAL has handled over 1 crore passengers for the fourth consecutive financial year.

പഞ്ചായത്തുകൾക്കായി സിയാലിന്റെ മൂന്ന് പാലങ്ങൾ

കൊച്ചി അന്താരാഷ്ട്ര വിമാനത്താവളത്തിന്റെ സമീപ പഞ്ചായത്തുകളിലെ പുളിയാമ്പിള്ളി, മംത്തി മുല, ചൊവ്വര പ്രദേശങ്ങളിൽ സിയാൽ പണികഴിപ്പിക്കുന്ന പാലങ്ങളുടെ നിർമ്മാണം 18 മാസങ്ങൾക്കുള്ളിൽ പൂർത്തിയാക്കുമെന്ന് മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി പിണറായി വിജയൻ. പാലങ്ങളുടെ നിർമ്മാണാർഹാടനം നിർവഹിക്കുകയായിരുന്നു മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി.

ചെങ്ങമനാട്, ശ്രീമൂലനഗരം, കാഞ്ഞൂർ, കാലടി പഞ്ചായത്തു കളിലുള്ളവർക്കാണ് പാലം കൊണ്ട് പ്രയോജനം ലഭിക്കുക. 40 കോടി രൂപയാണ് നിർമ്മാണ ചെലവ്. വിമാനത്താവളത്തിന്റെ പരിസര പ്രദേശങ്ങളെ വെള്ളപ്പൊക്ക ഭീഷണിയിൽ നിന്നും സംരക്ഷിക്കുക എന്ന ലക്ഷ്യത്തോടെ നടപ്പിലാക്കുന്ന ഓപ്പറേഷൻ പ്രവാഹിന്റെ ഭാഗമായാണ് പദ്ധതി നടപ്പിലാക്കുന്നത്. ഇരുവശങ്ങളിലും നടപ്പാത, അനുബന്ധ റോഡുകൾ എന്നിവയും നിർമ്മിക്കുന്നുണ്ട്.

പുളിയാമ്പിള്ളി പാലത്തിന് 200 മീറ്ററും ചൊവ്വര പാലത്തിന് 114 മീറ്ററും മടത്തിമൂല പാലത്തിന് 177 മീറ്ററുമാണ് നീളം. ഓരോ മേഖലയിലെയും ഗതാഗത, അടിസ്ഥാന സൗകര്യങ്ങൾ മെച്ചപ്പെടുത്താനുതകുന്ന രീതിയിലാണ് പദ്ധതി രൂപകൽപ്പന ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ളത്.

‘വിമാനത്താവളത്തിന്റെ വളർച്ചയുടെ ഗുണഫലം നാട്ടുകാർക്ക് ലഭിക്കത്തക്ക വിധമാണ് സിയാൽ അതിന്റെ ഒരോ പദ്ധതിയും ആസൂത്രണം ചെയ്യുന്നത്. സിയാലിന്റെ ലാഭത്തിന്റെ വലിയൊരു പങ്ക്, പരിസര മേഖലയുടെ അടിസ്ഥാന സൗകര്യ വികസനത്തിനും പൊതുജനങ്ങളുടെ ക്ഷേമത്തിനുമാണ് ഉപയോഗിക്കുന്നത്. പാലങ്ങൾ നിലവിൽ വരുന്ന തോടെ വർഷകാലത്തിൽ ചെങ്ങൽ തോടിലെ നീരൊഴുക്ക് സുഗമമാക്കുക എന്ന ലക്ഷ്യത്തിന് പുറമെ, ഈ മേഖലയിലുള്ള ആയിരക്കണക്കിന് നാട്ടു

കാർക്ക് മെച്ചപ്പെട്ട ഗതാഗത സൗകര്യമൊരുക്കുക എന്ന ലക്ഷ്യവും സാക്ഷാത്കരിക്കപ്പെടും’ മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി പറഞ്ഞു.

മന്ത്രി പി. രാജീവ് അധ്യക്ഷത വഹിച്ചു. അൻവർ സാദത്ത് എം.എൽ.എ, ബെന്നി ബെഹനാൻ എം.പി, റോജി.എം.ജോൺ ചീഫ് ചീഫ് സെക്രട്ടറി ഡോ. എ.ജയതിലക്, എം.എൽ.എ, സിയാൽ മാനേജിങ് ഡയറക്ടർ എസ്.സുഹാസ് ഐ.എ.എസ്, എയർപോർട്ട് ഡയറക്ടർ മനു ജി. കാഞ്ഞൂർ പഞ്ചായത്ത് പ്രസിഡന്റ് പ്രിയ രഘു, കാലടി പഞ്ചായത്ത് പ്രസിഡന്റ് ഷൈജൻ തോട്ടപ്പിള്ളി, ശ്രീമൂലനഗരം പഞ്ചായത്ത് പ്രസിഡന്റ് വി. എം ഷംസുദ്ദീൻ, ചെങ്ങമനാട് പഞ്ചായത്ത് പ്രസിഡന്റ് ജയ മുരളീധരൻ, വാർഡ് അംഗങ്ങളായ വി. എസ് വർഗീസ്, ചന്ദ്രമതി രാജൻ, അംബിക ബാലകൃഷ്ണൻ, സിനി ജിജോ, ഷാജൻ എബ്രഹാം, നിഷ പൗലോസ്, ടി. വി സുധീഷ് എന്നിവർ പങ്കെടുത്തു.

എയർപോർട്ട് റിംഗ് റോഡ് ഒന്നാം ഘട്ടം ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്തു

കൊച്ചി അന്താരാഷ്ട്ര വിമാനത്താവളത്തിന്റെ സമീപ പ്രദേശങ്ങളിൽ ഈ സാമ്പത്തിക വർഷം സിയാൽ നടപ്പാക്കുന്നത് 100 കോടി രൂപയുടെ വികസന പ്രവർത്തനങ്ങളാണെന്ന് മന്ത്രി പി. രാജീവ്. വിമാനത്താവളത്തിന്റെ തെക്ക്-വടക്ക് പ്രദേശങ്ങളെ തമ്മിൽ ബന്ധിപ്പിക്കാൻ ഉദ്ദേശിച്ച് സിയാൽ ആസൂത്രണം ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ള എയർപോർട്ട് റിംഗ് റോഡിന്റെ ഉദ്ഘാടനം നിർവഹിക്കുകയായിരുന്നു മന്ത്രി. റിങ് റോഡിന്റെ ആദ്യ ഘട്ടമായ ഗേറ്റ് 6 മുതൽ കല്ലുംകുട്ടം വരെയുള്ള റോഡാണ് നാട്ടുകാർക്കായി തുറന്നുകൊടുത്തത്.

വിമാനത്താവളത്തിന്റെ ഓപ്പറേഷണൽ മേഖലയുടെ തെക്ക് ഭാഗത്തുള്ള ഗേറ്റ് 6 മുതൽ കാഞ്ഞൂർ പഞ്ചായത്തിലെ കല്ലുംകുട്ടം വരെയുള്ള 600 മീറ്ററോളം ഭാഗത്താണ് ആദ്യ ഘട്ടമായി റോഡ് പണികഴിപ്പിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളത്. 1.6 കോടി രൂപയാണ് ചെലവ്. വിമാനത്താവളത്തെയും പരിസര പ്രദേശത്തെയും വെള്ളപ്പൊക്ക

ക്കത്തിൽ നിന്ന് സംരക്ഷിക്കുന്നതിന്റെ ഭാഗമായാണ് തെക്ക്-വടക്ക് മേഖലകളെ തമ്മിൽ ബന്ധിപ്പിക്കുന്ന റിംഗ് റോഡ് നിർമ്മിക്കുന്നത്. സുരക്ഷാ വേലി, പേവ് ബ്ലോക്കുകൾ എന്നിവയും പദ്ധതിയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. സിയാലിന്റെ സമഗ്ര വെള്ളപ്പൊക്ക നിവാരണ പദ്ധതിയായ ഓപ്പറേഷൻ പ്രവാഹിന്റെ ഒരു പ്രധാന ഭാഗമാണ് റിംഗ് റോഡ്. റണ്വേയുടെ തെക്ക് വശത്തുള്ള ഡൈവേർഷൻ കനാലിന്റെ കരയിലൂടെയാണ് റിംഗ് റോഡിന്റെ ആദ്യ ഘട്ടം പണി കഴിപ്പിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളത്.

‘സിയാൽ വളരുന്നതിനൊപ്പം ചുറ്റുമുള്ള പ്രദേശങ്ങളും വളരണമെന്ന നയമാണ് സർക്കാർ സ്വീകരിക്കുന്നത്. ഈ സാമ്പത്തിക വർഷം സമീപ പഞ്ചായത്തുകൾക്കായി നൂറ് കോടി രൂപയുടെ വികസന പ്രവർത്തനങ്ങളാണ് സിയാൽ നടപ്പിലാക്കുന്നത്. റെയിൽവേ സ്റ്റേഷൻ, മെട്രോ കണക്ടിവിറ്റി, ജലമെട്രോ എന്നിവ

യാഥാർഥ്യമാകുന്നതോടെ രാജ്യത്തെ തന്നെ ഏറ്റവും മികച്ച കണക്ടിവിറ്റിയുള്ള വിമാനത്താവളമായി സിയാൽ മാറും കൂടെന്നൂർ - അങ്കമാലി ബൈപ്പാസിനെ വിമാന താവളത്തിലേക്ക് ബന്ധിപ്പിക്കാനുള്ള ശ്രമങ്ങൾ തുടങ്ങിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. 27ന് മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി നിർമ്മാണാർഹാടനം നടത്തുന്ന പാലങ്ങളിലേക്കുള്ള അപ്രോച്ച് റോഡ് പണി നിർമ്മിക്കുന്ന കാര്യവും ആലോചനയിലുണ്ട്. മന്ത്രി പി. രാജീവ് പറഞ്ഞു.

അൻവർ സാദത്ത് എം.എൽ.എ അധ്യക്ഷത വഹിച്ച ചടങ്ങിൽ, ബെന്നി ബെഹനാൻ എം.പി, റോജി.എം.ജോൺ എം.എൽ.എ, സിയാൽ മാനേജിങ് ഡയറക്ടർ എസ്.സുഹാസ് ഐ.എ.എസ്, കാഞ്ഞൂർ പഞ്ചായത്ത് പ്രസിഡന്റ് പ്രിയ രഘു, വാർഡ് അംഗങ്ങളായ വി. എസ് വർഗീസ്, ചന്ദ്രമതി രാജൻ, എന്നിവർ പങ്കെടുത്തു.



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Transshipment Expertise

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CIAL reports record revenue of Rs. 1,142 crore, profit of 490 crore; investors to get 50% dividend

Infra Projects worth ₹1,400 Cr. underway at CIAL

Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) has been implementing infrastructure development projects worth ₹1,400 Cr. during the current fiscal: said Hon. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, who is also the Chairman of CIAL. He was addressing the shareholders at the company's 31st Annual General Meeting (AGM). During the fiscal 2024–25, CIAL registered the highest-ever revenue and profit in its history, with a total revenue of ₹1,142 Cr. and a net profit of ₹489.84 Cr. The AGM endorsed the Board of Directors' recommendation of a 50% dividend for the 30,000 shareholders from across 30 countries.

"This year has been remarkable for CIAL—not only in terms of financial growth but also operational excellence and passenger satisfaction," the Chief Minister said. "For the third consecutive year, Kochi Airport handled more than 10 million passengers, and managed 76,068 aircraft movements during this period." Large-scale infrastructure projects at CIAL are progressing rapidly. The international terminal expansion is advancing, with 50% of the new apron construction completed and terminal works underway. New facilities—including the Import Cargo Terminal, Animal Quarantine Facility, 0484 Aero Lounge, and the Taj Hotel at Kochi Airport—are

expected to commence operations shortly. In addition, CIAL has launched CIAL 2.0, a comprehensive program for the full digitization of airport operations.

Non-aeronautical initiatives are also moving ahead at pace. A commercial zone aimed at boosting revenue and a Golf Tourism project are under development. CIAL's renewable energy achievements, with a total installed capacity of 50 MW, have earned international recognition. Excess solar power produced during the day is supplied to the grid, while a battery energy storage system (BESS) project for nighttime utilisation of solar energy is underway and expected to be commissioned within the current fiscal year. Meanwhile, the green hydrogen production project, implemented in collaboration with BPCL, has entered its final stage. "The growth of the aviation sector will create significant opportunities across employment, tourism, hospitality, and infrastructure development," the Chief Minister added.

The AGM, conducted online, was attended by Minister P. Rajeeve, Chief Secretary Dr. A. Jayathilak IAS, CIAL Directors, Managing Director S. Suhas IAS, and Company Secretary Saji K. George



Emirates SkyCargo Opens Operations Centre at Cochin Airport



Kochi: Emirates SkyCargo opens Operations Centre at Cochin International Airport, marking a significant boost to international cargo operations from Kochi. The presence of Emirates SkyCargo is expected to further strengthen cargo connectivity to the Middle East and Europe. This development represents a significant step toward transforming Kochi into a major cargo hub.

Alongside this, several international courier services and additional freight forwarders are also planning to commence operations at the airport. Discussions were held between CIAL and Emirates SkyCargo regarding the development of CIAL as a central hub for textile exports from Tamil Nadu and Kerala. The collaboration aims to enhance cargo and trade facilities, increase cargo volumes, and promote economic growth in the region.

Emirates SkyCargo Manager Ameer Al Zarouni and CIAL Managing Director S. Suhas IAS jointly inaugurated the event. SkyCargo Operations Lead Hassan Abdullah, CIAL Head of Cargo Satheesh Kumar Pai, Head of Commercial Manoj P. Joseph, and Customs Deputy Commissioner E. Vikas were also present on the occasion.



CIAL Managing Director S. Suhas IAS presents memento to Emirates SkyCargo Manager Ameer Al Zarouni after the inauguration ceremony.

കൊച്ചി വിമാനത്താവളം അടിയന്തിര സാഹചര്യം നേരിടാൻ സജ്ജം; എമർജൻസി മോക്ക് ഡ്രിൽ വിജയകരം

കൊച്ചി: അടിയന്തിര സാഹചര്യം നേരിടാൻ സജ്ജമാണോയെന്ന് പരിശോധിക്കാനുള്ള ഫുൾ സ്കെയിൽ എമർജൻസി മോക്ക് ഡ്രിൽ കൊച്ചി വിമാനത്താവളത്തിൽ നടത്തി. വിമാനത്താവളത്തിലെ സുരക്ഷാ സജ്ജീകരണങ്ങൾ കാര്യക്ഷമമായി പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നുണ്ടെന്ന് ഉറപ്പുവരുത്താൻ, രണ്ടുവർഷത്തിൽ ഒരിക്കലാണ് വിമാന അപകടത്തിന് സമാനമായ സാഹചര്യം കൃത്രിമമായി സൃഷ്ടിച്ച് സമ്പൂർണ്ണ മോക്ക്ഡ്രിൽ നടത്തുന്നത്. സിയാലിന്റെ മേൽനോട്ടത്തിൽ, വിവിധ എയർലൈനുകൾ, ദുരന്ത നിവാരണ സേന, ഇന്ത്യൻ നേവി, ജില്ലാ ഭരണകൂടം, എയർപോർട്ട് അതോറിറ്റി, കോസ്റ്റഗാർഡ്, സി.ഐ.എസ്. എഫ്, കേന്ദ്ര കാലാവസ്ഥാ വകുപ്പ്, എയർപോർട്ട് ഹെൽത്ത് ഓർഗനൈസേഷൻ, ആശുപത്രികൾ തുടങ്ങി മുപ്പതോളം ഏജൻസികൾ മോക്ക്ഡ്രിൽ

പങ്കെടുത്തു. ഇൻഡിഗോ എയർലൈനാണ് മോക്ക് ഡ്രിൽനായി സിയാലിനൊപ്പം കൈകോർത്തത്. എ567, ആൽഫാ എയർലൈൻസ് എന്ന സാങ്കല്പിക വിമാനമാണ് എമർജൻസി മോക്ക് ഡ്രിൽ ഉപയോഗിച്ചത്. ആറ് ജീവനക്കാർ ഉൾപ്പെടെ 113 പേർ വിമാനത്തിൽ ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നു. വിമാനം ടേക് ഓഫ് ചെയ്ത് കഴിഞ്ഞ്, ഉച്ചയ്ക്ക് 2:11ന്, എൻജിനിൽ തീപിടിത്തമുണ്ടായതായി പൈലറ്റ് ഇൻ കമാൻഡ്, എ.ടി.സി.യെ അറിയിച്ചു. റൺവെയിൽ വിമാനം ഇറക്കാൻ സാധിക്കാതെ സിയാൽ ഗോൾഫ് ക്ലബിന് സമീപം വിമാനം തകർന്നു വീണതായിട്ടാണ് മോക്ക് ഡ്രിൽ ചിത്രീകരിച്ചത്. ഇതോടെ വിമാനത്താവളത്തിൽ ഫുൾ സ്കെയിൽ എമർജൻസി പ്രഖ്യാപിക്കപ്പെട്ടു. സിയാൽ അഗ്നി ശമന രക്ഷാവിഭാഗം (എ.ആർ.എഫ്.എഫ്) അത്യധു

നിക ഉപകരണങ്ങളുമായി വിമാനത്തിന് അരികിലെത്തി. അപകടത്തിൽ പരുക്കേറ്റവരേയും കൊണ്ട് ഇരുപതോളം ആംബുലൻസുകൾ കുതിച്ചു.

കമാൻഡന്റ് നാഗേന്ദ്ര ദേവ്രാരിയുടെ നേതൃത്വത്തിൽ സി.ഐ.എസ്.എഫ്. സുരക്ഷാ ചുമതല ഏറ്റെടുത്തു. രക്ഷാ പ്രവർത്തനത്തിന്റെ ഏകോപനം എയർ പോർട്ട് ഡയറക്ടർ മനു ജി നിർവഹിച്ചു. കാര്യക്ഷമമായ രക്ഷാപ്രവർത്തനം ഉറപ്പു വരുത്താൻ എമർജൻസി കൺട്രോൾ റൂം, അംസംബ്ലി ഏരിയ, സർവൈവേഴ്സ് റിസപ്ഷൻ ഏരിയ, മീഡിയ സെന്റർ എന്നിവയും പ്രവർത്തനം തുടങ്ങി. ജില്ലാ ഭരണകൂടത്തിന്റെ ദുരന്തനിവാരണ സംഘവും രക്ഷാദൗത്യം ഏകോപിപ്പിക്കുന്നതിൽ പങ്കുവഹിച്ചു. മൂന്നരയോടെ രക്ഷാ ദൗത്യം അവസാനിച്ചതായുള്ള പ്രഖ്യാപനം വന്നു.





'ചൊവ്വാഴ്ച നടന്ന മോക് ഡ്രില്ലിലൂടെ സിയാലിന്റെ സുരക്ഷാ തയ്യാറെടുപ്പുകൾ പരീക്ഷിക്കപ്പെടുകയും വിജയം കാണുകയും ചെയ്തു. ഇതിനായി പ്രവർത്തിച്ച എല്ലാവരെയും അഭിനന്ദിക്കുന്നു'. സിയാൽ മാനേജിങ് ഡയറക്ടർ എസ്. സുഹാസ് ഐ.എ.എസ് പറഞ്ഞു.

സിയാൽ എമർജൻസി ടാസ്ക് ഫോഴ്സ്, കേരള പോലീസ്, പോസ്റ്റൽ ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെന്റ്, കേരള ഫയർഫോഴ്സ്, ബി.പി.സി.എൽ, എന്നീ ഏജൻസികൾക്ക് പുറമെ രാജഗിരി, മെഡിക്കൽ ട്രസ്റ്റ് ഹോസ്പിറ്റൽ, ലിറ്റിൽ ഫ്ലവർ അപ്പോളോ, സി.എ ഹോസ്പിറ്റൽ, നജാത് ഹോസ്പിറ്റൽ, കാരോത്തുകുഴി ഹോസ്പിറ്റൽ, ആംബുലൻസ് സർവീസുകൾ എന്നിവ മോക് ഡ്രില്ലിൽ പങ്കെടുത്തു.



സിയാലിൽ നടന്ന ഫുൾസ്കെയിൽ എമർജൻസി മോക് ഡ്രില്ലിൽ നിന്ന്

CIAL wins National Net Zero Energy Rating recognition

Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) has marked another major achievement in its sustainability journey with its Terminal (T1, T2 and T3) and Cargo Buildings (Import and Export) being awarded the prestigious IGBC (Indian Green Building Council) Net Zero Energy (Operations Pre-Certified) Rating. The recognition was conferred at the 23rd Green Building Congress, organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in association with the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC), at the Jio World Convention Centre, Mumbai.

The IGBC Net Zero Energy (Operations Pre-Certified) Rating is one of India's top recognitions for buildings that use energy efficiently and rely on renewable sources. A net zero energy building produces as much energy as it consumes over a year. The

'operations pre-certified' status shows that CIAL's terminal and cargo buildings already meet strict standards and are on track to achieve full net zero energy operations. This means the airport uses significantly less power while depending on clean, renewable energy, reducing carbon emissions and environmental impact. The certification involved a thorough evaluation of energy use, passenger comfort, advanced air-conditioning, smart lighting, and high-efficiency equipment, ensuring both sustainability and a comfortable experience for passengers and airport operations.

The award was received by S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director, CIAL, along with Manu G., Airport Director, in the presence of representatives from Green Think Certification Services (GTCS) Green

Certification Consultants, Deepa Ganesh and Shreeganesh V. Nair.

Upon receiving the award, CIAL Managing Director said, "This recognition is a motivation for the future as CIAL aims to further strengthen its sustainability initiatives with a clear objective of achieving the IGBC Net Zero Energy Platinum Rating, setting even higher benchmarks for environmental performance". CIAL's achievements are driven by its innovative renewable energy initiatives, including large-scale solar power projects, efficient building operations, and sustainable design practices. The airport is also set to become the world's first airport to produce green hydrogen, further strengthening its position as a global leader in sustainable aviation.



S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director, CIAL and Airport Director Manu G., receiving the IGBC Net Zero Energy (Operations Pre-Certified) award at the 23rd Green Building Congress, Mumbai. Representatives from GTCS, IGBC, CII are also seen.



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എയർ ഇന്ത്യ എക്സ്പ്രസ്സിന് സുരക്ഷിത ലാൻഡിംഗ് സൗകര്യമൊരുക്കി സിയാൽ

160 യാത്രക്കാരുമായി ജിദ്ദയിൽ നിന്ന് കോഴിക്കോടേക്ക് പുറപ്പെട്ട എയർ ഇന്ത്യ എക്സ്പ്രസ്സ് വിമാനത്തിന് സാങ്കേതിക തകരാറിനെത്തുടർന്ന് കൊച്ചി വിമാനത്താവളത്തിൽ സുരക്ഷിത ലാൻഡിംഗ്. എയർ ഇന്ത്യ എക്സ്പ്രസ്സ് കത 398 വിമാനം രാവിലെ 9:08-ഓടെയാണ് സിയാലിന്റെ സുരക്ഷിതമായ സംവിധാനത്തിൽ സുരക്ഷിത ലാൻഡിംഗ് നടത്തിയത്. വിമാനത്തിലുണ്ടായിരുന്ന യാത്രക്കാരും ജീവനക്കാരും സുരക്ഷിതരാണ്. ആർക്കും പരിക്കില്ല. ടയറുകളിൽ തകരാർ കണ്ടെത്തിയതിനെത്തുടർന്നാണ് വിമാനം കൊച്ചിയിലേക്ക് തിരിച്ചു വിട്ടത്.

കൊച്ചി അന്താരാഷ്ട്ര വിമാനത്താവള ലിമിറ്റഡ് (സിയാൽ) ഈ സുരക്ഷിത ലാൻഡിംഗ് വിജയകരമായി ഏകോപിപ്പിച്ചു. തകരാറിനെ തുടർന്നുള്ള ലാൻഡിംഗ് വിവരം രാവിലെ 08:35-ഓടെയാണ് സിയാലിന് ലഭിച്ചത്. ഉടൻ തന്നെ എയർപോർട്ട് റെസ്ക്യൂ & ഫയർ ഫൈറ്റിംഗ് (എ.ആർ.എഫ്.എഫ്), സി.ഐ.എസ്.എഫ്, ഗ്രൗണ്ട് ഹാൻഡ്ലിംഗ് ഏജൻസികൾ, ഇതര

റെസ്ക്യൂ സർവീസുകൾ എന്നിവയുൾപ്പെടെയുള്ള സിയാൽ സംഘവും ഒപ്പം സംസ്ഥാന അഗ്നിശമന, പോലീസ് സേനകളും പൂർണ്ണ സജ്ജരായി എമർജൻസി സേവനങ്ങൾ മുൻകൂട്ടി സജ്ജീകരിച്ചു. ലാൻഡിംഗിന് ശേഷം നടത്തിയ പരിശോധനയിൽ വലത് ഭാഗത്തുള്ള രണ്ടു ടയറുകളും പൊട്ടിയതായി സ്ഥിരീകരിച്ചു. റൺവേയിലെ ടെസങ്ങൾ മാറ്റിയ ശേഷം 09:45-ഓടെ വിമാനം പ്രവർത്തനസജ്ജമായി. 09:48 ന് ആദ്യ വിമാനം ടേക്ക് ഓഫ് ചെയ്തു. അതേസമയം, കൊച്ചിയിലെ 6 ആഗമനം, 5 പുറപ്പെട്ടത് വിമാനങ്ങൾ വൈകി. ലാൻഡിംഗ് വൈകിയ 3 വിമാനങ്ങൾ മറ്റ് വിമാനത്താവളങ്ങളിലേക്ക് തിരിച്ചു വിട്ടു.

മികച്ച ഏകോപനത്തിലൂടെ സുരക്ഷിത ലാൻഡിംഗിനു സൗകര്യമൊരുക്കാൻ സിയാലിന് കഴിഞ്ഞതായി സിയാൽ മാനേജിംഗ് ഡയറക്ടർ എസ്. സുഹാസ് പറഞ്ഞു. “സിയാലുമായി സഹകരിച്ചു

വരുന്ന എല്ലാ ഏജൻസികളും സ്റ്റോക്ക് ഹോൾഡർമാരും തമ്മിലുള്ള ധാരണയുടെ അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിൽ ഈ സാഹചര്യം പ്രൊഫഷണലായി നമ്മൾ കൈകാര്യം ചെയ്തു. എല്ലാ യാത്രക്കാരും സുരക്ഷിതരായി അവരുടെ സ്ഥലങ്ങളിലേക്ക് എത്തിച്ചേരുന്നു എന്നറിയാതെ ആശ്വാസകരമാണ്”, അദ്ദേഹം കൂട്ടിച്ചേർത്തു. ജിദ്ദ വിമാനത്താവളത്തിലെ റൺവേയിൽ വച്ച്, ഏതോ ബാഹ്യ വസ്തു മൂലം ടേക്ക് ഓഫിനിടെ വിമാനത്തിന്റെ ടയറിന് കേടുപാടുണ്ടായി എന്ന് സംശയമുണ്ടായതിനാലാണ് മുൻകരുതൽ ലാൻഡിംഗ് നടത്തിയതെന്ന് എയർ ഇന്ത്യ എക്സ്പ്രസ്സ് അറിയിച്ചു. “വിമാനം കൊച്ചിയിൽ സുരക്ഷിതമായി ലാൻഡ് ചെയ്തു. എല്ലാ അതിഥികളെയും റോഡു മാർഗ്ഗം കോഴിക്കോട് എത്തിച്ചു കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുകയാണ്. യാത്രക്കാർക്കുണ്ടായ അസൗകര്യങ്ങളിൽ ഖേദിക്കുന്നു”, എയർ ഇന്ത്യ എക്സ്പ്രസ്സ് അറിയിച്ചു. സുരക്ഷിതമായ ലാൻഡിംഗും റൺവേ ക്ലിയറൺസിനും ശേഷം സിയാലിലെ എല്ലാ ഓപ്പറേഷനുകളും സാധാരണ നിലയിലായിട്ടുണ്ട്.



CIAL Hands Over Rs. 79.82 Crore Gross Dividend to State Government

Kochi: Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) has handed over a gross dividend of ₹79.82 crore to the Government of Kerala for the financial year 2024–25. The cheque was presented to Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri. Pinarayi Vijayan by Ministers and CIAL Directors Sri. P. Rajeeve and Sri. K. Rajan. CIAL Managing Director Sri. S. Suhas, IAS, and Company Secretary Sri. Saji K. George were also present on the occasion.

The financial year 2024–25 marked a historic milestone for CIAL, recording the highest revenue and

profit in the company's history. CIAL achieved a total revenue of ₹1,142 crore and a net profit of ₹489.84 crore during the period.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the company, held on 27 September 2025, approved the Board of Directors' decision to disburse a dividend payout of 50 per cent to investors. CIAL has a strong investor base of around 33,000 shareholders spread across 25 countries, with the Government of Kerala being the largest shareholder, holding 33.38 per cent equity.



NSG Conducts Comprehensive Real-Time Anti-Hijack Exercise at Cochin International Airport

The 52 Special Action Group (SAG) of the National Security Guard (NSG)—India's designated National Counter Hijack Force—successfully conducted a comprehensive, real-time anti-hijack exercise at Cochin International Airport, reaffirming its commitment to strengthening national aviation security and crisis response preparedness.

The multi-agency exercise commenced on 19 December 2025 and culminated in a high-intensity live night operation on 20 December 2025. During the final phase, 52 SAG commandos executed precision counter-hijack drills on an actual aircraft under realistic night-time conditions. The exercise was designed to validate operational readiness, response timelines, coordination mechanisms, and command-and-control structures during a hostile aviation security scenario.

The simulated situation involved a hijacked aircraft landing at Cochin International Airport, triggering the immediate activation of the Aerodrome Emergency Management Committee (AEMC). The drill comprehensively tested end-to-end emergency response protocols, including strategic decision-making, inter-agency coordination, negotiation procedures, medical preparedness, crisis communication systems, and passenger safety measures, with minimal to nil collateral damage as the highest priority.

Col. Amit Kumar, Group Commander, 52 SAG, NSG, has led the exercise. District Collector Priyanka G IAS, Airport Director G.Manu, DCP Mahesh S IPS enacted their procedural tasks through the effective coordination of various stakeholders.

The exercise witnessed exemplary

coordination among multiple stakeholders, involving Cochin International Airport Limited, the Kerala State Administration, Kerala Police and Traffic Police, Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), Bureau of

Civil Aviation Security (BCAS), Airports Authority of India (AAI), Health Department and designated city hospitals, Fire and Emergency Services, Air Traffic Control (ATC), Indigo Airline, ground handling



agencies, and other aviation partners. .

Specially trained NSG negotiators were deployed to engage with the simulated hijackers to achieve a peaceful resolution. Upon the 'simulated failure of negotiations', the 52 Special Action Group undertook swift, precise, and controlled intervention. The operation showcased advanced close-quarter battle techniques, aircraft intervention procedures, and hostage rescue capabilities. Following the exercise, Cochin International Airport, in coordination with all stakeholders,

conducted a detailed post-exercise debrief and evaluation to document key observations, best practices, and areas for further improvement.

CIAL Managing Director S.Suhas IAS said that "Aviation security is a top priority for Cochin International Airport. This real-time anti-hijack exercise conducted by the NSG's 52 Special Action Group, in close coordination with all stakeholders, validates our emergency preparedness and inter-agency coordination. CIAL remains committed to supporting national security

efforts and ensuring the highest standards of safety for all airport users."

The successful conduct of this exercise reaffirms the collective commitment of NSG (52 SAG) and Cochin International Airport to uphold the highest standards of aviation security, in strict compliance with International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) guidelines and Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) regulations, ensuring a safe, secure, and resilient aviation environment for passengers, crew, and all airport users under any eventuality.



CIAL Conducts Successful Mock Drill to Tackle Chemical Emergencies

Kochi: In a move to assess emergency preparedness and strengthen inter-agency coordination and response mechanisms, Cochin International Airport Limited, in coordination with the National Disaster Management Authority, conducted a chemical hazard mock drill on Tuesday. The drill was part of a two-day disaster management exercise held at CIAL. The Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA) and the district administration were also part of the exercise.

The drill was based on a simulated transportation accident involving a vehicle carrying liquid chlorine near Athani Junction, leading to a release of chlorine gas. As per the assumed meteorological conditions, the gas plume was projected to move towards the airport area, necessitating timely emergency response measures. The exercise was aimed at validating emergency preparedness, response coordination and decision-making mechanisms under the Incident Response System (IRS) framework.

The mock drill commenced at 2 p.m. at the T1 Arrival baggage area, a high-occupancy non-aviation zone, and involved coordinated actions by airport emergency services, Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) teams, CISF, medical responders and disaster response agencies. Key response actions included area isolation, regulated passenger movement, emergency medical triage, hazardous material handling and activation of communication and command structures.

The exercise is carried out with inter-agency coordination among CIAL, NDMA, NDRF, SDRF, SDMA, Kerala police, State Fire & Rescue Department, Health and Transport departments, KSEB, Airport Authority of India, APHO and various other PSU's. The drill tested the functionality of emergency operations protocols, warning systems and business continuity measures.

"Airports operate in a high-risk, high-responsibility environment where preparedness is non-negotiable. At Cochin International Airport, our Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting teams train continuously with next-gen equipment. From articulated boom lifts to multipurpose fire robots, we always ensure rapid, efficient emergency response. We also deploy advanced bomb detection, robotic threat containment systems and safe-detonation facilities to manage suspicious threats. In partnership with CISF, NDRF, SDMA and other agencies, this mock drill strengthens coordination across all agencies and validates our protocols so that passenger safety and operational continuity remain uncompromised. Preparedness today enables a safe, resilient and responsive airport every day," said CIAL Managing Director, S. Suhas IAS.

A review and debriefing session were held at 4.30 p.m., during which observations from the exercise were discussed and recommendations for further strengthening preparedness were recorded.





Cochin International Airport Inaugurates Extended Export Cargo Warehouse

Annual export cargo handling capacity increased to 1,25,000 metric tonnes

Kochi: In a move to enhance cargo handling facilities, Cochin International Airport Limited inaugurated the extended Export Cargo Warehouse. The expansion increases CIAL's annual export cargo handling capacity from 75,000 metric tonnes to 1,25,000 metric tonnes, enabling faster processing and improved handling of diverse cargo categories.

The upgraded facility is equipped with two additional X-ray machines and Explosive Trace Detection machines, a dedicated Dangerous Goods room, two Cold Rooms maintained at +2°C to +8°C, a Radioactive Cargo room, and a Valuables room, enhancing safety, security, and operational efficiency.

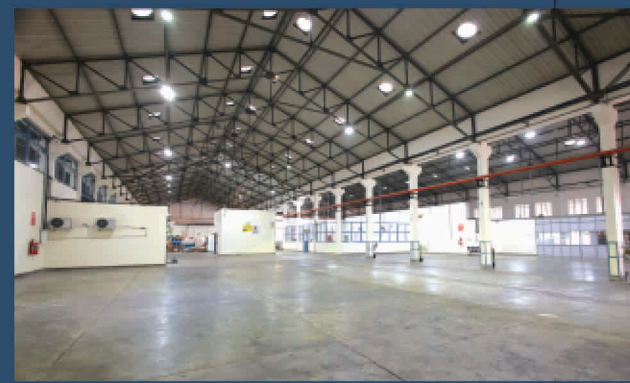
The facility was inaugurated by S. Suhas, IAS, Managing Director, CIAL. Also present were E. Vikas,

Deputy Commissioner of Customs, Satheesh Kumar Pai, General Manager & Head – Cargo, Manu G., Airport Director, senior departmental heads of CIAL.

Speaking on the occasion, the Managing Director said the expanded Export Cargo Warehouse would benefit exporters by improving turnaround times, strengthening cold-chain support, and enabling efficient handling of specialised cargo. The project reflects CIAL's continued focus on upgrading infrastructure in line with evolving trade and logistics requirements.

With this expansion, CIAL is equipped to handle a wide range of export cargo, including perishables, pharmaceuticals, dangerous goods, radioactive materials, and high-value consignments, while offering reliable and secure cargo services.





CIAL hosts Disaster Management Equipment Exhibition to enhance public preparedness

Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL), in coordination with the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), organised a Disaster Management Equipment Exhibition today at the International Terminal (T3) Arrival Area (City Side) of the airport, aimed at enhancing public awareness on emergency response and disaster preparedness. The exhibition featured live demonstrations and displays of advanced disaster management tools and technologies. This offered the visitors a first-hand understanding of modern rescue, relief and response mechanisms. Various frontline agencies, including CIAL's Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) team, Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA) and representatives from several PSUs, participated in the programme. The initiative underscored the importance of inter-agency coordination, preparedness and capacity building in managing emergencies effectively, especially in critical infrastructure environments such as airports. Through the creation of a unified interface between disaster response agencies and the public, CIAL foregrounded safety, resilience and forward-planned risk containment as core operational imperatives.

The exhibition was held from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm and witnessed encouraging public engagement, reflecting growing awareness and interest in disaster preparedness initiatives. As part of coordinated emergency preparedness initiatives, the Disaster Management Mock Drill is scheduled to take place tomorrow, 13 January 2026, from 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm, involving all designated stakeholder agencies.



One more addition to the CIAL Airside fleet!

CIAL Managing Director S. Suhas IAS, receiving the key of the newly inducted Runway Rubber Removal Vehicle (RRRV). With an 8,000-litre water capacity, the RRRV ensures continuous runway cleaning and effective rubber removal, strengthening airside safety and uninterrupted airport operations.



CIAL Celebrates 77th Republic Day

Kochi: Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) celebrated the 77th Republic Day with flag hoisting by Managing Director S. Suhas, IAS.

A platoon of the CIAL Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) wing and two platoons of the Airport Security wing, Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), participated in the parade. Demonstration exercises were conducted under the leadership of the CISF Quick Response Team and the Bomb Detection and Disposal Squad.

Cultural programmes, including dance and music performances presented by CISF, airlines, and various other agencies, were also staged as part of the celebrations.

CISF Senior Commandant Nagendra Devrari, Airport Director Manu G., Executive Directors Saji K. George and Jayarajan V, and Chief Financial Officer Saji Daniel, among others, were present on the occasion.













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Decoding A Tag Line

The Essence Within



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During the pre – television era, one would have come across umpteen advertisements on hoardings while traveling by road or rail. Needless to say, the purpose of these advertisements is aimed at influencing a potential buyer to try out the item / service on display. Also, newspapers & other magazines played a decent role in the promotion of various products & the establishments were required to pay a price to get the ads displayed in the different print media available. Fast forward to the present day & we still have the hoardings – perhaps more in number & we also have the print media but ever innovating digital media has evolved as a notable alternative mechanism for depiction of the commercial interests of the various firms in question. In fact, the limelight has shifted from the earlier conventional means to digital media, which has taken the centerstage with regard to luring the prospective end buyer to have a preference towards a particular product.

Marketing a product was never as complicated as it currently is. With increased foreign access to the regional markets & the competitive environment that has been subsequently created, selling one's product has become more challenging than before. Products which had near immunity within the ambit of a monopolistic set up have suddenly been subjected to intense (& not always healthy) competition with rivals hustling for space in the global market scenario. Every aspect of a product is viewed with a microscopic eye & with the wide range of equivalent options at the disposal of the prospective end customer, product innovation & reliability in after sales service has gained prominence.

Marketing a product is now a long-term feature which encompasses the trust put in by the customer towards the product & hence an imperfect product / service could easily result in the customer relinquishing the product for good. Recreating a trust once lost, is more cumbersome than creating or maintaining an impression about a particular product. Firms now need to deal with sharper seriousness, aware that complacency would be the quickest route to embarrassment.

This has resulted in most of the major organizations having incorporated a tag line associated with the quality of the end product or the process involved in the same. These tag lines serve to give an impression regarding uniqueness of the firm vis a vis other similar firms. It could sometimes indicate the integrity of the firm or quality assurance or perhaps better process / sophistication or whatever. In any case, firms that come out with a tag line eye value addition to the product being marketed. The pointer sought for is that the product is different or more beneficial when compared to other similar products.

A tag line is often confused with a mission statement. However, it may be noted that the two concepts aren't the same. A mission statement stresses upon the raison d'être for the particular organization & serves as an internal guideline within the organizational set up whereas, a tagline represents a concise phrase which is intended to render brand value for the product & is hence customer oriented. Taglines are more focussed towards consumers or the target market, while the mission statement ought to be intended for business partners. Firms that give undue significance to their



reputation try to nail both the tag line as well as the mission statement to perfection.

Tag lines of firms sometimes contradict those of others in a subtle way & the inner essence could target a similar product from a competitor - when this occurs, the concept of healthy competition goes for a toss. It becomes a case of survival of the fittest & not necessarily of the best. It also creates a tendency for bulldozing one's concept into the system in the process of out doing a rival entity.

Firms often put in a decent amount of energy in deciding upon the tag line to ensure that the end customer is inclined towards the product. The tag line indirectly creates an appeal towards the rendered sales / service & hence needs to be formulated with a lot of diligence. Tag lines often appear alongside the logo to explain the essence of the brand.

It is often necessary to revisit a tag line to ensure that changing trends & customer behaviour are incorporated. It is also essential to ensure that the tag line does not violate any of the pre-laid norms already in place or interfere with newly created regulations.

Customer behaviour often change very reluctantly – unless there's a compelling reason to do so. The above is even more pronounced for fast-moving consumer

goods where people continue to use a brand which has been proven to be suitable & effective for use over a period of time. So, in this backdrop, it becomes ever so challenging to introduce a new similar product into the market & then capture & retain the market share whilst having to contain or diminish the influence of an already established product. The exodus of allegiance from one brand to another usually takes time. Once a brand value has been created & market segments carved out for a particular product, the tag line serves the purpose of emphasizing the charm of utilizing the product on a continuous basis.

The pricing of the product plays a role in determining the market segment as well. For example, if one were to target the higher income group, the tagline could be worded to indicate the value addition of the product despite the higher cost. The pricing of the product does not necessarily need to be proportional to the cost of production. For example, if the affluent sections of society are targeted, a lower price for the item being marketed could raise eyebrows regarding the quality of the product in question.

A tagline is basically a concise & catchy expression that captures the essence, uniqueness, and personality of the concerned brand. A well-crafted tagline more or less defines the brand identity over a period of time. For example, Dettol's 'Be

100% Sure' – a tagline that was created with an eye to redefine hygiene in India, embodies trust in the brand as far as germ protection is concerned. So essentially, the brand 'Dettol' projects itself as a true icon of cleanliness!

Many of us would remember the tagline “ There are some things that money can't buy; for everything else, there's Mastercard “ . This tagline which was created over a quarter century ago became a blockbuster & captured the imagination of scores of users & catapulted the popularity of the brand “Mastercard “on to the global stage.

Not all brands have or need a tagline. Nevertheless, taglines have their own advantages.

By summarising the essence of a brand in just a few words, the tagline can help create a positive impression in the minds of people. A tagline therefore, is essentially the selling point of a firm & can serve the purpose of communicating the crux of a brand in a much more effective manner. So as far as major organisations are concerned, taglines will most certainly be formulated & this tagline would then be the symbol of trust & reliability of the firm. Success is about creating value & that's exactly what a tagline attempts to do. At the end of the day, a favourable vibe created for a brand certainly helps.



“Think different”



“Open happiness”



“Go further”

Kalangan - The Kerala Art Arcade reopens at CIAL

Kochi: The renovated and relocated Kalangan, The Kerala Art Arcade was inaugurated at the Domestic Terminal of Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL). Located near Gate 7 in the Domestic Security Hold Area, the cultural space enhances the terminal interior with traditional art installations reflecting Kerala's rich artistic heritage. The initiative has transformed an unused area into a vibrant art ensemble corner, adding visual appeal and cultural depth to the passenger experience. The installation features a temple-inspired setting with a depiction of Duryodhanavadham Kathakali, along with representations of prominent Kerala art forms such as Theyyam, Chakyar Koothu, Nangyar Koothu, and Ottamthullal, among others.

The facility was inaugurated by S. Suhas, Managing Director, CIAL, in the presence of Jayarajan V, Saji K. George Executive Directors, Saji Daniel, CFO, Manu G, Airport Director, P. Rajasekhar, Consultant for the project, and senior department heads of CIAL. Since its inauguration, Kalangan has been drawing strong interest from passengers and is fast emerging as a popular photography spot within the terminal.

12. CIAL maintains 10 million plus passenger milestone for the third consecutive year Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) has once again reaffirmed its position as Kerala's leading airport operator by handling over 10 million passengers for the third consecutive year, marking a significant milestone in its sustained growth trajectory. During the period from January to December 2025, CIAL handled a total of 1,15,19,356 passengers, registering a healthy year-on-year growth of approximately 4.85% over 2024, which recorded 1,09,86,296 passengers.. The increase of approximately 5.33 lakh passengers validates the airport's consistent ten-million-plus performance for the third consecutive calendar year and reflects balanced growth across both domestic and international sectors.

May 2025 emerged as the busiest month of the year, with passenger traffic crossing 11.07 lakh. Other high-performing months, notably January 2025 and December 2025 with 10.44 lakh & 10.06 lakhs respectively, further demonstrated CIAL's capacity to sustain robust passenger traffic across the calendar year. With regard to aircraft movements, CIAL recorded 74,689 movements in 2025 compared to 75,074

movements in 2024. The variation was attributable to a reduction in services by certain airlines. Yet, the passenger traffic continued to grow, reflecting improved load factors and more efficient operational management, despite the slight dip in aircraft movements. "The sustained growth in passenger traffic has been strongly supported by CIAL 2.0, the airport's comprehensive transformation initiative aimed at redefining the passenger experience. The initiative has brought about significant improvements in terminal transit and overall ease of movement, supported by faster processing through digitised systems. Enhanced terminal ambience, upgraded, technology-enabled passenger amenities, have collectively improved transit efficiency and elevated overall passenger satisfaction", said S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director, CIAL.

As part of its ongoing digitisation and security modernisation programme, CIAL is also set to introduce Full Body Scanners in the near future. This initiative is aimed at strengthening security screening standards while reducing physical checks, including frisking and enhancing passenger comfort, in line with global aviation security benchmarks.





Where the World's Best Brands Meet Kerala's Warmth



Saji K George
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Every airport tells a story. Some speak of transit, of queues, delays, and the nervous shuffle toward boarding gates. Cochin International Airport dares to tell a different one. Step past immigration and into Cochin Duty Free (CDF), and the narrative shifts entirely from journey to destination.

Driven by a singular mission to be the ultimate curated showcase for global brands CDF has orchestrated a run of bold campaigns, spectacular prize handovers, immersive seasonal displays, and a seamless digital leap that is already rewriting the rules of airport retail. Here is the story of how it all unfolded.

MEGA-PROMOTION CAMPAIGN WRAP-UP

Driveway Carnival: Where the Excitement Began

Cochin Duty Free set the stage for an extraordinary season of promotions with the Driveway Carnival a campaign that brought together premium energy, an irresistible product mix, and the thrilling promise of extraordinary vehicles waiting for their new owners.

The campaign concluded with a headline handover ceremony presided over by Mr. S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director, CIAL a moment that underscored the institutional weight behind every CDF promotion.

Mr. Sooraj T claimed the first prize, a Mahindra XEV 9E, while Mr. Arunlal Suseelan drove away in the second-prize Mahindra BE 6.



MEGA-PROMOTION CAMPAIGN WRAP-UP

Grand Wheels Festival: The Thrill Continued

There is a particular electricity in the air when someone realises they have just won a car and the Grand Wheels Festival harnessed that electricity, repeatedly, redefining what a duty-free experience could feel like.

Shoppers who browsed CDF's premium selection of chocolates, fragrances, spirits, and curated gifts were already getting exceptional value at duty-free prices. What they didn't expect was the chance to drive home in a brand-new Mahindra. Yet that is precisely what happened. Mr. Dinesh Babu KV claimed the top prize a Mahindra XEV 9E while Mr. Joy Jose K walked away with the second prize, a Mahindra BE 6.

"A handover ceremony is more than a prize presentation it is proof that extraordinary things happen to ordinary travellers here."

The handover ceremonies became events in their own right: moments of genuine joy that

rippled through the terminal, reminding every onlooker that the next life-changing moment could begin right here, in the duty-free aisle. Two campaigns. Four car keys. Dozens of smaller prizes. The message was clear: at Cochin Duty Free, every transaction carries the possibility of something remarkable.

SEASONAL CAMPAIGN

The Great Winter Shopping Festival: A Terminal Transformed

If mega-promotions are CDF's heartbeat, its seasonal campaigns are its soul. During the Great Winter Shopping Festival, the Duty Free underwent a stunning transformation towering Christmas trees, luminous installations, and festive décor that turned transit into theatre.

These weren't mere decorations. They were carefully designed engagement touchpoints, drawing travellers in, slowing the pace of the hurried airport shuffle, and inviting them to pause, browse, and celebrate. For many passengers, the displays became an experience in themselves a photo opportunity, a



memory made mid-journey.

DIGITAL INNOVATION

**www.cochindutyfree.com:
Shopping Before You Even
Land**

The most significant strategic development at Cochin Duty Free may be the one you experience before you ever reach the airport. With the launch of the revamped cochindutyfree.com, CDF has extended its retail floor into the digital world giving passengers the ability to browse, select, and reserve their favourite luxury products from the comfort of home, the office, or just 5 hours before they arrive in Cochin.

This “click and collect” model is more than a convenience feature; it is a strategic repositioning of the duty-free experience. By the time a passenger arrives at the terminal, their purchase is ready. There is no browse fatigue, no missing out on a sold-out item, no last-minute compromise. Only the

pleasure of collecting exactly what was chosen.

The Bigger Picture

Taken together, the Driveway Carnival, the Grand Wheels Festival, the Great Winter Shopping Festival, and the digital transformation of cochindutyfree.com tell a coherent story not just of a busy retail operation, but of a deliberate and evolving vision. Cochin Duty Free is building something that goes beyond transactions. It is building memories. At every stage of the passenger journey from browsing the website at home to lingering in a beautifully decorated terminal, from dropping a purchase into a bag at the counter to watching a car key change hands at a handover ceremony CDF is asking the same question: how do we make this moment matter?

So far, the answers have been very good indeed.



CIAL maintains 10 million plus passenger milestone for the third consecutive calendar year

Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) has once again reaffirmed its position as Kerala's leading airport operator by handling over 10 million passengers for the third consecutive calendar year, marking a significant milestone in its sustained growth trajectory. During the period from January to December 2025, CIAL handled a total of 1,15,19,356 passengers, registering a healthy year-on-year growth of approximately 4.85% over 2024, which recorded 1,09,86,296 passengers. The increase of approximately 5.33 lakh passengers validates the airport's consistent ten-million-plus performance for the third consecutive calendar year and reflects balanced growth across both domestic and international sectors.

May 2025 emerged as the busiest month of the year, with passenger traffic crossing 11.07 lakh. Other high-performing months, notably January 2025 and December 2025 with 10.44 lakh & 10.06 lakhs respectively, further demonstrated CIAL's capacity to sustain robust passenger traffic across the calendar year. With regard to aircraft movements, CIAL recorded 74,689 movements in 2025 compared to 75,074 movements in 2024. The variation was attributable to a reduction in services by certain airlines. Yet, the passenger traffic continued to grow, reflecting improved load factors and more efficient operational management, despite the slight dip in aircraft movements.

"The sustained growth in passenger traffic

has been strongly supported by CIAL 2.0, the airport's comprehensive transformation initiative aimed at redefining the passenger experience. The initiative has brought about significant improvements in terminal transit and overall ease of movement, supported

by faster processing through digitised systems. Enhanced terminal ambience, upgraded, technology-enabled passenger amenities, have collectively improved transit efficiency and elevated overall passenger satisfaction", said S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director, CIAL.



CIAL hits the 1 Crore mark Again!

Cochin International Airport handles 10 million+ passengers for the third consecutive year.

- 1,15,19,356 passengers handled in calendar year 2025
- 5 lakh+ increase in passenger traffic over 2024
- 74,689 aircraft movements

CIAL Commissions Full-Body Scanner in Trial Mode for Faster Passenger Screening

Kochi: With the objective of expediting passenger security screening, Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) has commissioned the trial run of Full-Body Scanners. An Automatic Tray Retrieval System (ATRS), designed to accelerate the movement of cabin baggage during security checks, has also been introduced. The new systems are aimed at reducing waiting time and easing congestion at security checkpoints while enhancing overall screening efficiency.

The equipment was formally commissioned at a function held at the security check area of the Domestic Terminal by S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director, CIAL. Saji Daniel CFO, Airport Director Manu G., Chief Technology Officer Santosh S., and Chief Aerodrome Security Officer (CASO) Nagendra Devrari, along with senior officials of CIAL, were also present at the event.

At present, passenger screening at both the Domestic and International Terminals is carried out through around 32 Door Frame Metal Detector (DFMD) points followed by manual frisking. With the inception of Full body scanners and upon receiving Regulatory approval from BCAS, the security checks could be fully automated, enabling completion of passenger screening without physical intervention. Currently, one Full Body Scanner is installed at Terminal 1 and Terminal 2.



Fly91 Airlines commences operations at CIAL; Kochi-Lakshadweep service launched

Kochi: Cochin International Airport Ltd. on Monday added a new airline to its network with regional carrier Fly91 commencing Kochi-Lakshadweep operations from the airport, further strengthening air connectivity between the mainland and the island territory. The new Fly91 service commenced, will operate on all days. The additional service further enhances Cochin International Airport's role as the primary aviation gateway to Lakshadweep, improving accessibility for island residents and tourists. IndiGo and Alliance Air already operate daily services on the Kochi-Lakshadweep sector.

The service was inaugurated by Manu G., Airport Director, Cochin International Airport, in the presence of Gautam Salaskar, Director – Ground Operations and Head, In-Flight Services, Fly91, Anup Vettiampkunnath, Head – Airport Services, Fly91, and Jerin C Joy, Station Manager, Fly91. Senior officers from the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS), the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), along with officials of CIAL, were also present. As part of the launch, the first passengers of the Kochi-Lakshadweep service were formally welcomed at the check-in area of the terminal.



Airport Director Manu G. hands over the boarding pass to the first passengers of Fly91, in the presence of Gautam Salaskar, Director – Ground Operations, Fly91.



CIAL International Cargo Business Summit 2026:

Kochi Strengthens 'Sea-to-Sky' Logistics Hub Status

Kochi: Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) highlighted Kochi's growing role in India's trade and logistics ecosystem on the first day of the International Cargo Business Summit (ICBS) 2026, which brought together industry leaders, policymakers and global experts to deliberate on the future of air cargo and multimodal logistics.

In the opening session of the summit, CIAL Managing Director S. Suhas, IAS, emphasised the critical role of air connectivity in driving economic growth. He noted that CIAL's 2.5 lakh sq. ft. cargo warehousing facilities handle a significant share of Kerala's exports, underscoring Kochi's importance in the State's logistics network.

During the thematic presentations, V. P. Nandakumar, representing FICCI, highlighted CIAL's investments in digital transformation aimed at improving efficiency and transparency in cargo operations. Dhaval Raut of KPMG observed that Kochi handles nearly 60 per cent of Kerala's air cargo, with perishables forming a major share, pointing to the need for strong cold-chain and time-sensitive logistics infrastructure. The technical sessions featured panel discussions on global trade dynamics, tariff regimes, the role of air cargo in India's export growth and the importance of multimodal logistics. Dr. Jose Paul, former Acting Chairman, JN Port, underlined the vast potential in agricultural exports and stressed the need for modern cargo infrastructure to address existing gaps. Experts reiterated Kochi's strength as a

multimodal hub integrating air, sea and rail connectivity, enabling cost-effective and scalable logistics solutions.

The 'Sea-to-Sky' logistics concept was highlighted by M. Afzal Malbarwala, Managing Director, Galaxy Freight Pvt. Ltd., who described CIAL as a critical link between maritime trade and air cargo operations. Burak Ozber, Regional Cargo Manager, Turkish Airlines, and Roopesh Nair, Regional Director, Saudi Cargo, noted steady growth in freight movement through Kochi and

emphasised the importance of technology adoption and process optimisation to meet rising demand.

Looking ahead, speakers including James J. Nedumpara of the Centre for Trade and Investment Law and Bui Trung Thuong, Trade Counsellor, Embassy of Vietnam, observed that emerging India-EU and India-ASEAN trade engagements present significant opportunities for Kochi to further strengthen its role as a regional logistics gateway.



സിയാലിനെ മൾട്ടിമോഡൽ കാർഗോ ശൃംഖലയുടെ കേന്ദ്രമാക്കും

രാജ്യാന്തര കാർഗോ ബിസിനസ് സമ്മിറ്റ് 2026

നെടുമ്പാശേരി: വ്യോമ, റോഡ്, റെയിൽ, ജല മാർഗങ്ങൾ സംയോജിപ്പിച്ച് മൾട്ടിമോഡൽ കാർഗോ ശൃംഖല സ്മാപിക്കുമെന്നും കൊച്ചി അന്താരാഷ്ട്ര വിമാനത്താവളത്തെ അതിന്റെ കേന്ദ്രമാക്കുമെന്നും മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി പിണറായി വിജയൻ.

കൊച്ചിൻ ഇന്റർനാഷണൽ എയർപോർട്ട് ലിമിറ്റഡ് (സിയാൽ) കാർഗോ വിഭാഗം 25 വർഷം പൂർത്തിയാക്കിയതിന്റെ പശ്ചാത്തലത്തിൽ, ഫിക്സിയുമായി ചേർന്ന് സിയാൽ സംഘടിപ്പിച്ച രാജ്യാന്തര കാർഗോ ബിസിനസ് സമ്മിറ്റിന്റെ പ്ലീനറി സെഷൻ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്ത് സംസാരിക്കുകയായിരുന്നു അദ്ദേഹം. ഉദ്ഘാടന വേദിയിൽ സ്മാപിച്ച കോക്ക്പിറ്റ് മാതൃകയിൽ ഗിയർ ചലിപ്പിച്ചാണ് മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്തത്.

വിമാനത്താവളം എന്നതിനപ്പുറം കേരളത്തിന്റെ സാമ്പത്തിക വളർച്ചയ്ക്ക് അനുകൂലമായ ബിസിനസ് അന്തരീക്ഷം സൃഷ്ടിക്കാനുള്ള പദ്ധതികളാണ് സിയാൽ നടത്തി വരുന്നതെന്ന് മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി പറഞ്ഞു. കഴിഞ്ഞ സാമ്പത്തിക വർഷം 65,000

മെട്രിക് ടണ്ണിലേറെ ചരക്കുകൾ കൈകാര്യം ചെയ്തു. നടപ്പ് സാമ്പത്തിക വർഷം ഇത് 74,000 ടണ്ണായി ഉയരുമെന്നും മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി പറഞ്ഞു. 50 ശതമാനം ലാഭവിഹിതമാണ് നിക്ഷേപകർക്ക് സിയാൽ നൽകിയത്. പ്രവർത്തനം കൊണ്ട് രാജ്യത്തിനാകെ മാതൃകയാണ് സിയാലെന്നും അദ്ദേഹം കൂട്ടിച്ചേർത്തു. നാല് പഞ്ചായത്തുകൾക്ക് ഗുണം ലഭിക്കുന്ന തരത്തിൽ മൂന്ന് പാലങ്ങളുടെ നിർമ്മാണം പുരോഗമിക്കുകയാണ്. ഫാർമസ്യൂട്ടിക്കൽ ഉൽപ്പന്നങ്ങൾ കൈകാര്യം ചെയ്യുന്നതിനുള്ള സർട്ടിഫിക്കേഷനായി സിയാൽ ശ്രമം തുടങ്ങിയിട്ടുണ്ട്.

ആഗോളതലത്തിൽ ശ്രദ്ധേയരായ കമ്പനികൾ സിയാലിന് സമീപം ലോജിസ്റ്റിക് പാർക്കുകൾ സ്മാപിക്കുന്നത് സിയാലിലെ കാർഗോ സാധ്യതകൾ കൂടുതലായി ഉപയോഗപ്പെടുത്താൻ കഴിയുമെന്ന് വ്യവസായ മന്ത്രി പി. രാജീവ് അധ്യക്ഷ പ്രസംഗത്തിൽ അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടു. വൻകിട കമ്പനികളുടെ സാന്നിധ്യം ചരക്ക് നീക്കത്തിലെ വളർച്ചാ നിരക്കിന്റെ പ്രതിഫലനമാണെന്നും അദ്ദേഹം പറഞ്ഞു.

സിയാൽ മാനേജിംഗ് ഡയറക്ടർ എസ്. സുഹാസ് ഐ. എ. എസ് ചടങ്ങിൽ സ്വാഗതം ആശംസിച്ചു.

കാർഗോ കയറ്റുമതി രംഗത്ത് മികച്ച പ്രകടനം കാഴ്ച വച്ച സ്മാപനങ്ങളെ ചടങ്ങിൽ മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി ആദരിച്ചു.

സിയാൽ കാർഗോ വിഭാഗം മേധാവി സതീഷ് കുമാർ ആർ. പൈ നന്ദി പറഞ്ഞു.

എം.എൽ.എ മാരായ അൻവർ സാദത്ത്, റോജി എം. ജോൺ, അങ്കമാലി മുനിസിപ്പൽ ചെയർപേഴ്സൺ റീത്താ പോൾ, നെടുമ്പാശേരി പഞ്ചായത്ത് പ്രസിഡൻ്റ് ജെസി ജോർജ്ജ്, സിയാൽ ഡയറക്ടർ വർഗീസ് ജേക്കബ്, എയർപോർട്ട് ഡയറക്ടർ ജി മനു എന്നിവരും പങ്കെടുത്തു.

ഇതോടെ, രണ്ട് ദിവസമായി സിയാൽ കൺവൻഷൻ സെന്ററിൽ നടന്നുവന്ന രാജ്യാന്തര കാർഗോ ബിസിനസ് സമ്മിറ്റ് 2026 സമാപിച്ചു.



PANEL DISCUSSION 5
REDEFINING THE ROLE OF ECOMMERCE PLAYERS & COURIER FREIGHT AGENCIES.



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PANEL DISCUSSION 3
MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT OPERATIONS



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CIAL to Become India's First Airport to Operate Hydrogen-Powered Buses

Kochi: Cochin International Airport Ltd. is set to become the first airport in the country to operate hydrogen-powered buses for passenger transportation, following the exchange of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Kerala Hydrogen Valley Innovation Cluster Foundation and CIAL on Sunday. The MoA was formally exchanged by Minister for Electricity Government of Kerala and Governing body chairman ANERT, Shri K. Krishnankutty, on behalf of the Kerala HVIC Foundation, and Minister for Industries, Coir and Law, and Director of CIAL, Adv. P. Rajeev, at a function held at the 0484 Aero Lounge, CIAL.

The agreement pertains to the procurement and operation of three hydrogen fuel cell electric buses at Kochi airport as part of the Kerala Hydrogen Valley initiative under the National Green Hydrogen Mission of the Government of India. Under the MoA, the K-HVIC Foundation will provide financial support for the procurement of the buses, with funding capped at ₹2.90 crore per bus and the overall project outlay limited to ₹8.7 crore, to be released in stages.

Procurement of the buses is scheduled to be completed within 12 months. Ownership of the buses will vest with CIAL, which will bear the operational and statutory expenses and decide the operational model and routes.

CIAL Managing Director S. Suhas IAS, Chairman and Managing Director of the Kerala HVIC Foundation Harshil R. Meena IAS, and Dr. Ranjith Krishna Pai, Senior Director and Scientist, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, were among the officials present at the event.

The project is expected to significantly enhance passenger convenience while reducing emissions from airport transport operations. With the green hydrogen plant constructed jointly by CIAL and BPCL set to commence operations, fuel supply for the buses will be ensured. With statutory approvals for hydrogen supply infrastructure already in place, the initiative is poised for early implementation.



കൊച്ചി വിമാനത്താവളത്തിലെ ശബരിമല ഇടത്താവളം ഉപയോഗപ്പെടുത്തിയത് 11,000 – തോളം തീർത്ഥാടകർ

കൊച്ചി: ശബരിമല തീർത്ഥാടകർക്കായി സിയാൽ ഒരുക്കിയ ഇടത്താവള സൗകര്യം ഉപയോഗപ്പെടുത്തിയത് 11,000-ത്തോളം പേർ. ദർശനത്തിനായി വിമാനമാർഗം കൊച്ചിയിലെത്തിയ തീർത്ഥാടകരാണ് സിയാൽ പ്രത്യേകം ഒരുക്കിയ ഈ സൗകര്യം പ്രയോജനപ്പെടുത്തിയത്. തമിഴ്നാട്, തെലങ്കാന, ആന്ധ്ര, കർണാടക എന്നീ സംസ്ഥാനങ്ങളിൽ നിന്നുള്ള യാത്രക്കാർക്ക് പുറമെ, മലേഷ്യ, സിംഗപ്പൂർ എന്നിവിടങ്ങളിൽ നിന്നുള്ള തീർത്ഥാടകരും സൗകര്യം ഉപയോഗപ്പെടുത്തി.

കൊച്ചി വിമാനത്താവളത്തിലെത്തുന്ന ശബരിമല തീർത്ഥാടകരുടെ യാത്ര കൂടുതൽ സൗകര്യപ്രദമാക്കുക എന്ന ലക്ഷ്യത്തോടെയാണ് ഇടത്താവളമൊരുക്കിയത്. ആഭ്യന്തര ആഗമന ടെർമിനലിന് സമീപമുള്ള പോലീസ് എയ്ഡ് പോസ്റ്റിനടുത്ത് 5,000 ചതുരശ്ര അടി വിസ്തീർണ്ണത്തിലാണ് ഇടത്താവളം സജ്ജീകരിച്ചിരുന്നത്. ഇടത്താവളത്തിനുള്ളിൽ തന്നെ ഫ്ലൈറ്റ് ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ ഡിസ്പ്ലേ സിസ്റ്റം, ഫുഡ് കൗണ്ടർ, പ്രീപെയ്ഡ് ടാക്സി കൗണ്ടർ, തിരുവിതാംകൂർ ദേവസ്വം ബോർഡിന്റെ ഹെൽപ്പ് ഡെസ്ക് എന്നിവ ഒരുക്കിയിരുന്നു. ഇതിന് പുറമെ കുറഞ്ഞ ചെലവിൽ താമസസൗകര്യം ലഭ്യമാക്കുന്ന 0484 എയ്റോ ലോഞ്ച് സംവിധാനവും തീർത്ഥാടകർ വലിയ തോതിൽ ഉപയോഗപ്പെടുത്തി.

ശബരിമല യാത്ര കൂടുതൽ സൗകര്യപ്രദമാക്കുന്നതിന്റെ ഭാഗമായി കൊച്ചി വിമാനത്താവളത്തിൽ നിന്ന് പമ്പയിലേക്ക് ദിവസേന പ്രത്യേക കെ.എസ്.ആർ.ടി.സി ബസ് സർവീസും പ്രവർത്തിച്ചിരുന്നു. തീർത്ഥാടകരുടെ എണ്ണത്തിനനുസരിച്ച് ചാർട്ടേർഡ് ബസ് സർവീസും അനുവദിച്ചിരുന്നു. ഡിസംബർ മാസത്തിൽ രാജ്യത്താകമാനം വിമാന സർവീസുകൾ പ്രതിസന്ധി നേരിട്ട സാഹചര്യത്തിൽ സിയാലിലെ ശബരിമല ഇടത്താവളം ഏറെ സഹായകരമായിരുന്നതായി തീർത്ഥാടകർ പറഞ്ഞു.



CEC unveils democracy installation at CIAL during Kerala visit

Kochi: In a move to highlight the importance of voter participation and democratic values, The Election Commissioners of India on Saturday unveiled an installation titled - A Tribute to Democracy - at Cochin International Airport.

The installation was unveiled by Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar, in the presence of Election Commissioners Dr. Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Dr. Vivek Joshi, during their visit to Kerala in connection with the review of preparedness for the upcoming Assembly elections. While addressing the gathering the CEC opined that the election in Kerala is going to set a model not only for India but for the entire world. The event was held in the presence of Rathan U. Kelkar, Chief Electoral Officer, Kerala, Priyanka G. IAS,

District Collector, Ernakulam, S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director, CIAL, and senior officials of CIAL.

Developed under the Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) initiative of the Election Commission, the installation symbolises the significance of voting in a democracy and aims to encourage citizens to actively participate in the electoral process. Located in the Domestic terminal the installation is expected to engage passengers and visitors while reinforcing the message that every vote matters. The unveiling took place as the Election Commissioners concluded their visit to Kerala to review electoral preparedness ahead of the Assembly elections.





Cochin Duty Free hands over Driveway Carnival Prizes

Kochi: Cochin Duty Free has handed over the prizes of the 'Driveway Carnival' campaign held from September to November 2025.

S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director of Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL), and Maya Chandran IRS, Customs, Cochin, handed over the keys to the winners at a ceremony held at Cochin Duty Free.

Saji K. George, Managing Director of CIAL Duty Free and Retail Services Limited (CDRSL), directors and senior staff members of CDRSL, and staff members of Alpha Kreol India Pvt Ltd and Mahindra Electric Automobile Limited (MEAL) were also present. The mega promotion was co-sponsored by Mahindra Electric Automobile Limited.



Sooraj Thachoth (Coupon No. 5200) won the first prize, a Mahindra XEV 9e,



Arunlal Suseelan (Coupon No. 3631) won the second prize, a Mahindra BE 6.





The DHC6-400 Twin Otter seaplane getting ready for its trial operations to Lakshadweep from Cochin International Airport. A significant step towards strengthening regional connectivity and supporting island tourism initiatives.

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CIAL Signs MoU for Airport Health Organization Office & Yellow Fever Vaccination cum Quarantine Centre

CIAL today signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the establishment of an Airport Health Organization (APHO) Office and a Yellow Fever Vaccination-cum-Quarantine Centre at the airport.

The MoU was signed in the presence of Sri. S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director, CIAL and Dr. Sujata Chowdhary, Additional Director General of Health Services, Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India.

The agreement was formally signed by G. Manu, Airport Director,

and Dr. Raphael Teddy, Airport Health Officer, Cochin International Airport.

Dr. S. Senthilnathan, Deputy Director General of Health Services (Public Health & International Health), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, also graced the occasion.

This initiative strengthens CIAL's public health infrastructure and enhances international travel health compliance, ensuring safer and more efficient passenger services.



The CIASL Business Centre.: Kerala's first dedicated Aviation Business Centre

Spread across 40,000 square feet of premium, tech-enabled workspace, it is designed to host 30 to 40 aviation-linked companies and over 400 professionals and freelancers. The centre includes private office cabins, co-working spaces, boardrooms, seminar halls, podcast studios, and corporate event and training halls—strategically located just opposite the International Terminal, within the Aero Park.



When Epics Take the Stage at CIAL!

Vipasya: the CIAL Knowledge Forum, hosted Kiratham, a powerful Kathakali performance that brought epic narratives and classical expressions vividly to life. Enhanced with on-screen narration, the performance resonated deeply and was warmly received by an appreciative audience. The programme was inaugurated with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp by Shri. S. Suhas IAS, Managing Director, CIAL.







CIAL Sports Complex

The CIAL Sports Complex was inaugurated on 23 February 2026 at 11:30 AM by Shri. S. Suhas, IAS, Managing Director, CIAL. The facility, comprising Turf, Half Court, and Indoor Court, has been developed as part of the Employee Welfare Programme initiated by the management. The Sports Complex aims to promote fitness, team spirit, and overall well-being among employees by providing quality sports infrastructure within the campus. All employees are encouraged to make active use of the facility and be part of this wellness initiative.







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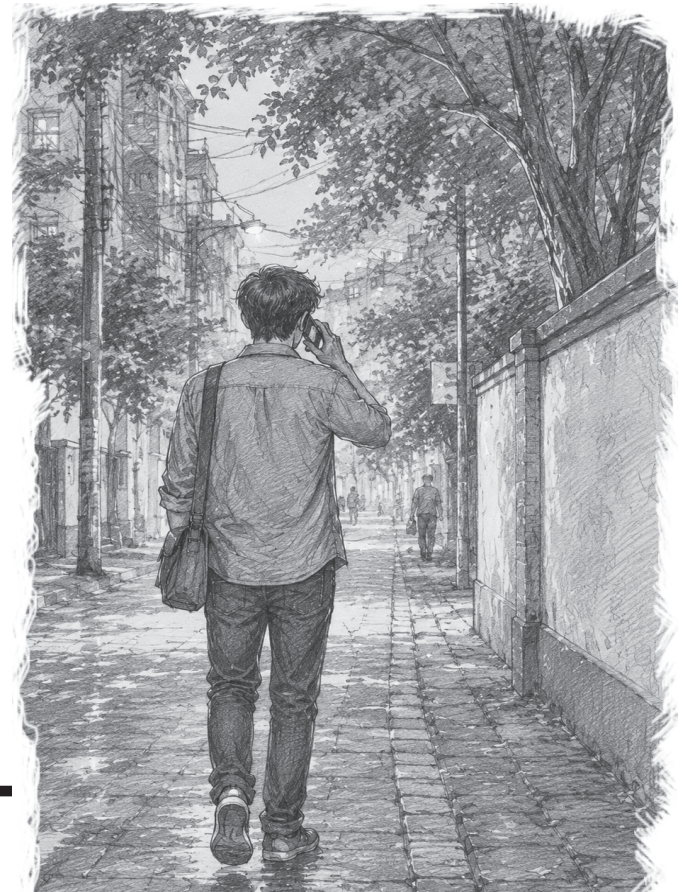


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Arun rushed into the metro, just like every other morning—breathing fast, mind already at work, fingers scrolling endlessly on his phone. Messages. Emails. Reels. News. The world outside the screen didn't exist. The metro doors opened at the next station. A small girl walked in with her mother and sat near him. "Amma... window seat!" she said, almost jumping with excitement. She pressed her face close to the glass. "Look! Birds... Amma, see the birds!" "And the cars... they're running so fast!" "Amma... the sun is coming with us!" Arun heard her voice faintly... but his eyes were still on his phone. Then suddenly—warm sunlight fell across his face. He instinctively looked up. The same sunlight was glowing on the little girl's face. Her eyes sparkled. She turned and caught him looking. She smiled. Not a practiced smile. Not for a photo. Just... a real one. "Chetta... see! The sun is following us!" she said, pointing outside. Arun paused... then slowly smiled back. "Yes... looks like it doesn't want to leave us," he replied. He locked his phone. "Do you travel every day?" she asked curiously. "Yes... to office." "Do you see the birds every day?" Arun hesitated... then softly said, "No... I think I forgot to look." She giggled. "You should look! They fly faster than the metro sometimes!" For a few minutes, they talked—about birds, clouds, and how the sun seemed to race them. Around them, dozens of people stood silently, heads bent... scrolling. When his station came, Arun stood up. "Bye, Chetta!" she waved with both hands. "Bye... keep watching the birds," he said, smiling wider than he had in days. The office swallowed him whole. "Arun, did you finish the report?" "Deadline is 2 PM." "Client call in 10 minutes." "Update the presentation."

His laptop screen glowed non-stop. Click. Type. Scroll. Reply. Hours passed. During tea break, he walked to the pantry. Five colleagues stood together. No one spoke. One was watching reels and laughing silently. Another was typing furiously. Someone else had earphones in. Arun tried, "Hey... how's the project going?" No response. One of them just nodded... without even looking up. He stood there, holding his tea. So many people... yet so quiet, he thought. By evening, Arun felt empty. Not tired—just... disconnected. He decided not to go home immediately. Instead, he walked into a nearby hotel for dinner. The place was crowded. "Sir, no seats available," the waiter said. Arun looked around. Every table was full—but strangely silent. Couples scrolling. Families looking at screens. Friends sitting together... but miles apart. Then he noticed an old man sitting alone at a table for two. Arun walked up slowly. "Sir... can I sit here?" he asked politely. The old man looked up, surprised, then nodded.



SHORT STORY

"Please... sit."

Arun sat down. For a moment, silence filled the space. Then he noticed—tears in the old man's eyes.

"Sir... are you okay?" Arun asked gently.

The old man gave a faint smile.

"You know... this is the first time today someone has spoken to me."

Arun leaned forward slightly.

The old man pointed to the empty chair opposite him.

"My wife used to sit there," he said, voice trembling.

"We used to come here every Friday... same table."

He paused, struggling.

"She passed away... a few months ago."

Arun's throat tightened.

"I'm... sorry, sir."

The old man nodded slowly.

"I still come here... out of habit, maybe... or memories."

He gave a small, broken laugh.

"But now... I just sit alone."

He looked around the hotel.

"So many people... but look at them."

"They are here... but not really here."

Arun followed his gaze. Everyone was on their phones.

"My son works in another city," the old man continued.

"He is busy... very busy. Calls me once a week."

He paused.

"Sometimes I wait near the phone... like a child... waiting."

His voice cracked.

"I don't need money... I don't need anything... just... a few words."

Arun felt a deep ache inside.

The old man looked at him with moist eyes.

"Today... at least I got someone to talk to while eating."

Arun slowly pushed his phone away.

"No, sir... today I got someone to talk to," he said softly.

The old man smiled through his tears.

They spoke for a long time.

About his wife.

About old memories.

About simple happiness.

For the first time that day, Arun felt something real.

That night, as Arun walked back, his phone buzzed again and again.

He stopped.

Took it out.

Looked at it.

Then... instead of opening any app, he scrolled to one contact.

"Appa ♥ "

His fingers trembled slightly as he pressed call.

"Hello?" his father's voice came from the other side, calm and warm.

"Appa..." Arun's voice softened.

"Yes, mone... everything okay?"

There was a pause.

"Appa... did I disturb you?"

"No, no... I was just sitting. Tell me."

Arun swallowed.

"I... I just wanted to talk."

A gentle silence followed.

"That itself is enough for me," his father said quietly.

Arun's eyes filled.

"Appa... I'm sorry... I've been busy... always saying I'll call later."

"It's okay, mone... work is important."

"No, Appa," Arun said firmly, voice breaking.

"You are more important."

There was silence on the other end.

"I'll call you every day... not just messages... I'll come home this weekend."

"Really?" his father asked, a smile hidden in his voice.

"Yes... we'll sit and talk... properly."

"Like old times?"

"Like old times," Arun whispered.

As he ended the call, Arun looked up.

The night sky felt different.

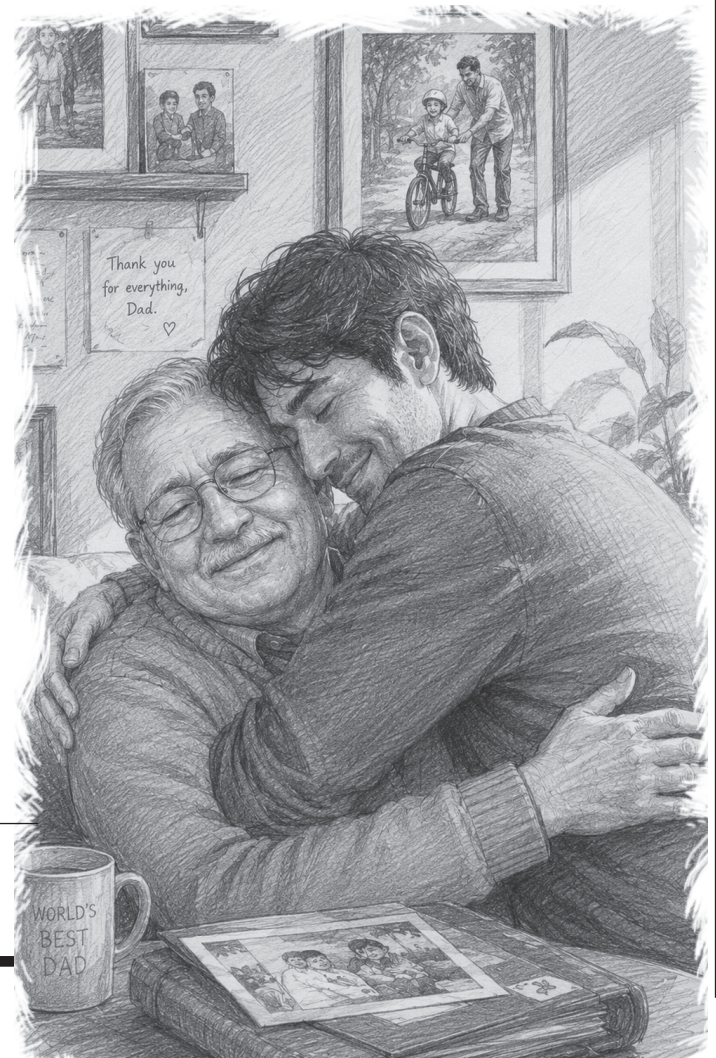
Alive.

He smiled.

The little girl had reminded him to look.

The old man had reminded him to feel.

And now... he chose to reconnect.



"Phones connect us to the world... but disconnect us from the people who matter most. Before it's too late look up, speak, and be present."



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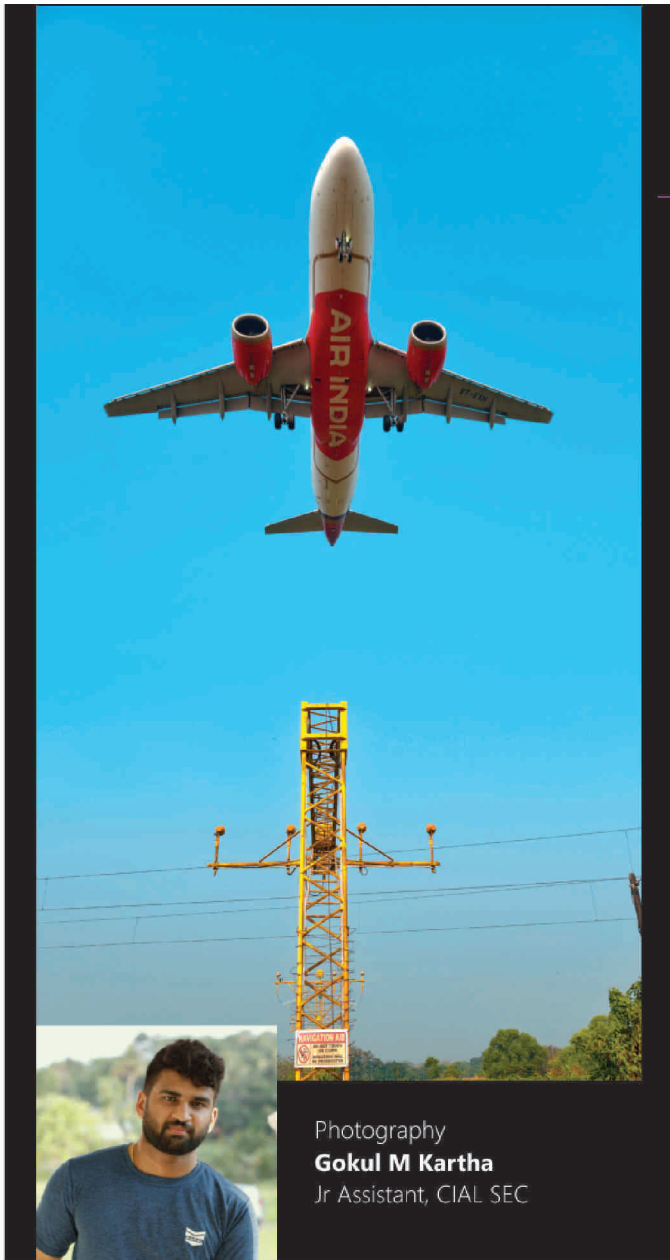
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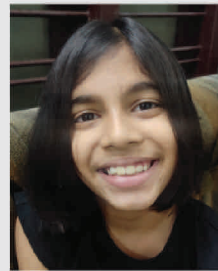
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 First runner up in 10K Run, Angamaly Marathon.



Adhwaid Deepak
 Age 17, S/o Deepak K P, Civil
 Won Silver Medal in
 Taekwondo junior
 Boys representing Idukki District.

മൈക്കിൾ ലഹരി



അമേരിക്കൻ പോപ്പ് സംഗീതത്തെ ഉൻമാദമാക്കി മാറ്റിയ കലാകാരനായിരുന്നു മൈക്കിൾ ജാക്സൺ. പാട്ടെഴുതി, സംഗീതം പകർന്ന് ചടുല നൃത്തച്ചുവടുകളുടെ അകമ്പടിയിൽ ജാക്സൺ പാടുമ്പോൾ സ്റ്റേഡിയം ഇളകിമറിയും. ജാക്സൺ സൃഷ്ടിക്കുന്ന വിഭ്രമ അന്തരീക്ഷത്തിൽ ആരാധന കൊടിയേറ്റും നടത്തുമ്പോൾ മോഹാലസ്യം വരുന്നവർ നിരവധി. വിചിത്രമായ ഇഷ്ടങ്ങളും കുട്ടികളുടെ കൗതുകങ്ങളുമുള്ള ജാക്സൺ തന്റെ സംഗീതജീവിതത്തിന്റെ ഉച്ചസ്ഥായിയിൽ നിൽക്കവെ 2009 ജൂണിൽ അമ്പതാം വയസ്സിൽ അന്തരിച്ചു. മൂന്ന് പതിറ്റാണ്ടു കാലം പോപ്പ് സംഗീതത്തിന്റെ തലവര നിശ്ചയിച്ച ജാക്സന്റെ സംഭവബഹുലമായ ജീവിതം, ലഹരി ഒട്ടും ചോരാതെ പകർത്തിവെച്ച 'മൈക്കിൾ' എന്ന ഹോളിവുഡ് സിനിമ പുറത്തിറങ്ങി. ജാക്സന്റെ സംഗീതം പോലെ ഓരോ നിമിഷത്തെയും ത്രസിപ്പിക്കുന്നതാണ് സിനിമയും.



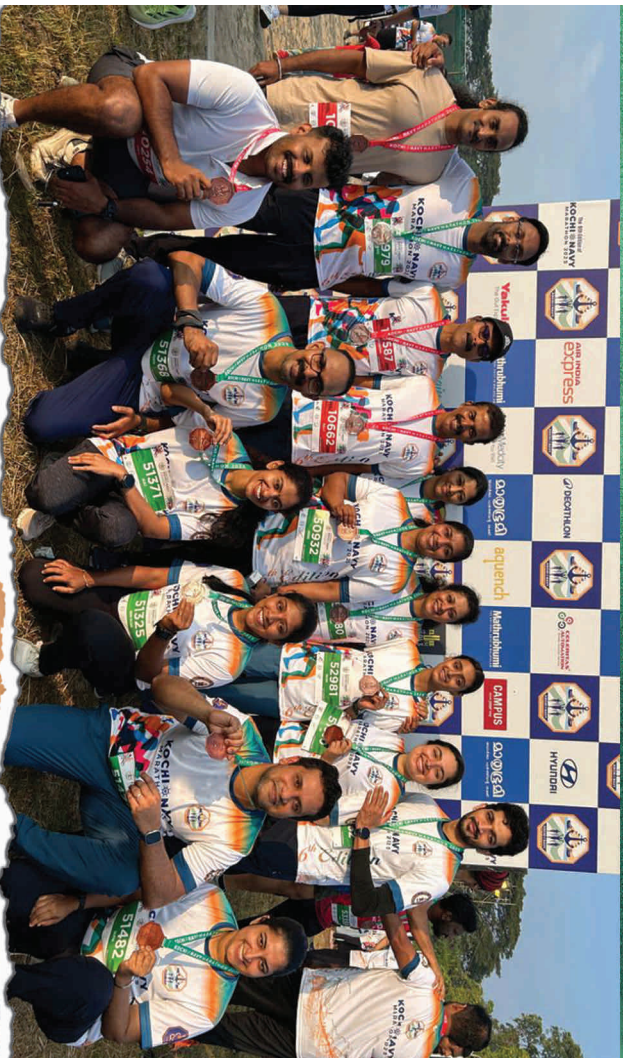
പടുകുറ്റൻ സ്റ്റേഡിയത്തിന്റെ ഒത്തനടുവിൽ, ഉറഞ്ഞുതുളളുന്ന ആസ്വാദകർക്കിടയിൽ, ജാക്സന്റെ സംഗീതം കേൾക്കുന്ന അനുഭവമാണ് ഈ സിനിമ സൃഷ്ടിക്കുന്നത്. പ്രോജക്ട് ഹെയ്ൽ മേരി, സൂപ്പർ മരിയോ, ഡെവിൾ വിയേർസ് പ്രാഡ തുടങ്ങിയ ബ്ലോക്ക്ബസ്റ്റർ സിനിമകളിലൂടെ 2026-ൽ ഹോളിവുഡ് നടത്തുന്ന ജൈത്രയാത്രയുടെ മുൻ നിരയിൽ ഇപ്പോൾ മൈക്കിളുണ്ട്. ഗ്ലാഡിയേറ്റർ, ഏവിയേറ്റർ, ജെയിംസ് ബോണ്ട് സിനിമകളായ സ്കൈഹോൾ, സ്പൈക്രൂ, കവനന്റ് തുടങ്ങിയ സൂപ്പർ ഹിറ്റ് സിനിമകളെഴുതിയ ജോൺ ലോഗനും ട്രെയിനിങ് ഡേ, ഈക ലൈസർ തുടങ്ങിയ ത്രില്ലർ സിനിമകളുടെ സംവിധായകർ അന്റോയിൻ ഫുക്വായമാണ് മൈക്കിൾ സിനിമയുടെ മുഖ്യശില്പികൾ.

അരാജകവും അനിശ്ചിതത്വവും നിറഞ്ഞ ശരാശരി അമേരിക്കൻ കുറുത്തവർഗക്കാരിൽ നിന്ന് ഉയർന്നുവന്ന പോപ്പ് താരമെ

ന്നാണ് ജാക്സനെക്കുറിച്ച് കരുതിയത്. എന്നാൽ ജാക്സന്റെ ജീവിതം അപ്രകാരമായിരുന്നില്ലെന്ന് ഈ സിനിമ പറഞ്ഞുതരുന്നു. സദാ ജീവിത വിജയത്തെക്കുറിച്ച് മാത്രം ചിന്തിച്ച ജോസഫ് ജാക്സൻ എന്ന കുശാഗ്രബുദ്ധിയുള്ള പിതാവിന്റെ കടുത്ത ശിക്ഷണത്തിൽ ജാക്സൺ 5 എന്ന മ്യൂസിക് ബാൻഡിലൂടെ ചിട്ടയായി പരിശീലിപ്പിക്കപ്പെട്ടതാണ് ജാക്സന്റെ സംഗീതം. അഞ്ച് സഹോദരങ്ങളുടെ മ്യൂസിക് ബാൻഡ്, അതിമോഹിയായ പിതാവിന്റെ പീഡനം, ഒടുവിൽ സ്വന്തം പാതവെട്ടിത്തുറന്ന് അതിപ്രശസ്തിയിലേയ്ക്കുള്ള ഉയർച്ച. ജിറാഫും ചിമ്പാൻസിയുമുൾപ്പെടെയുള്ള ഓമനമൃഗങ്ങളും മിക്കി മൗസ് പാവകളും, യുവാവായപ്പോഴും ജാക്സന്റെ കൂട്ടുകാരായിരുന്നു. എങ്കിലും തന്റെ ഓരോ നീക്കവും കൃത്യമായ ആസൂത്രണത്തോടെയായിരുന്നു ജാക്സൻ നടപ്പിലാക്കിയത്. ലോകത്തിലെ ഏറ്റവും പ്രശസ്തനും ധനവാനുമായ സംഗീതകാരനായി മാറുക എന്ന ലക്ഷ്യം ജാക്സൻ നേടിയെ വെറും ഇരുപത് വർഷംകൊണ്ടാണ്. ഈ ഉയർച്ച പോപ്പ് സംഗീതത്തിന്റെ ഭാവപ്രകാശങ്ങളിലൂടെയാണ് സിനിമയിൽ അവതരിക്കപ്പെടുന്നത്. പ്രമേയത്തിനുള്ളിൽ സംഗീതം എന്നല്ല മറിച്ച് സംഗീതത്തിനുള്ളിൽ ചേർത്തുവെച്ച പ്രമേയം എന്ന നിലയ്ക്കാണ് സിനിമയുടെ പുരോഗതി. ജാക്സൺ ഫൈവിലെ അംഗവും മൈക്കിളിന്റെ ചേട്ടനുമായ ജർമൈൻ ജാക്സന്റെ മകൻ ജാഫർ ജാക്സനാണ് മൈക്കിളായി അഭിനയിച്ചത്. നിൽപ്പും നടപ്പും നോട്ടവും പാട്ടും ആട്ടവുമെല്ലാം അസ്സലായി. അത്രയ്ക്കുണ്ട് സാമ്യം. ബോബ് ഡിലൻ, പ്രിൻസ്, വിറ്റ്നി ഹൂസ്റ്റൻ, മഡോണ, എൽട്ടൺ ജോൺ എന്നിങ്ങനെ പ്രതിഭാശാലികളുടെ വലിയ നിരയോട് നിരന്തരം മത്സരിച്ചാണ് ജാക്സൺ, 'കിംഗ് ഓഫ് പോപ്പ്' ആയത്. ജീവിതത്തിലെ ഉയർച്ചമാത്രമാണ് സിനിമയുടെ ആദ്യ ഭാഗത്തിൽ. അയാളുടെ കഥ തുടരും എന്ന ടാഗ് ലൈനോടെയാണ് സിനിമ അവസാനിക്കുന്നത്. ആ തുടർച്ചയിൽ ജാക്സന്റെ അവസാന നാളുകൾ കാണാം. അതിനു ശേഷവും സംഗീതം തുടരും!



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