



KCA Mangalapuram Ground a Major Boost to Kerala Cricket: Pinarayi Vijayan

The ultra-modern Mangalapuram Cricket Stadium in Thiruvananthapuram was officially inaugurated by the Honourable Chief Minister of Kerala, Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan, who marked the completion of this landmark project by switching on its advanced floodlight system. Developed by the Kerala Cricket Association (KCA) at a total cost of ₹45 crores across a sprawling 10-acre landscape, this is the first stadium in the state owned directly by the KCA to feature a comprehensive suite of international-grade amenities.



In his keynote address, the Chief Minister commended the KCA and noted that the state government provided crucial policy relaxations regarding land acquisition laws to ensure legal frameworks did not hinder sports development.

The high-profile ceremony was presided over by KCA President Adv. Sreejith V. Nair and attended by a distinguished panel, including Kadakampally Surendran MLA, KCA Secretary Vinod S. Kumar, Mangalapuram Panchayat President Sreechand S, Panchayat member Jeena Babu, Trivandrum District Cricket Association President Adv. K.K. Rajeev, and Secretary Adv. Rejith Rajendran. During the event, the foundation stone for the second phase of the project was officially laid by MLA Kadakampally Surendran. This upcoming phase features the KCA State Cricket Academy, dedicated

to scouting and providing youth with scientific coaching, alongside an Indoor Cricket Training Centre designed to allow uninterrupted practice during monsoons or extreme weather.

Architecturally conceptualized by the prominent designer Shibu Aboosali, the stadium seamlessly integrates an international-standard playing outfield with a modern pavilion complex to blend top-tier tournament hosting with a scientific training ecosystem. A crowning technical feature is its cutting-edge, night-match-ready LED floodlight system. To guarantee strict compliance with international broadcasting and player visibility standards, the entire lighting setup was completed under the direct supervision of the BCCI's official lighting consultants, Lighting Environment Designs. By combining elite match infrastructure with a weather-proof academy setup, the Mangalapuram facility serves as the official blueprint for the future of sports in the state, with the KCA intending to replicate this exact model across all districts to elevate local athletes to the global stage.



KCA Honoured Sanju Samson for outstanding World Cup Performance

The Kerala Cricket Association formally honoured Sanju Samson during the inauguration ceremony of the KCA Mangalapuram Cricket Ground in Thiruvananthapuram. The felicitation, led by Chief Minister Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan, was held in recognition of Samson's significant contribution to India's victory in the ICC Men's T20 World Cup and being named as the player of the tournament. Describing him as a shining symbol of the state's sporting talent and a source of immense pride for all Malayalis, the Chief Minister attributed Samson's success to his remarkable determination and composure under pressure.

In his response, Sanju Samson expressed his gratitude and emphasised that the new ultra-modern facility would serve as a major asset for the younger generation. It was noted during the event that Samson's achievements have established him as a prominent representative of Kerala in Indian cricket and a vital role model for aspiring cricketers across the state.



Prithviraj Sukumaran Inaugurated Ticket Sales for India-New Zealand T20I at Karyavattom as Stadium Readiness Reached Final Stages

The Kerala Cricket Association conducted the official ticket sale inauguration for the India-New Zealand T20 International match held at the Greenfield Stadium, Karyavattom. The high-profile launch event took place at the Hyatt Regency, Thiruvananthapuram, where renowned actor Prithviraj Sukumaran inaugurated the proceedings by presenting the first ticket to C.A. Sanil Kumar. This strategic engagement of local leadership and cultural icons served to maximise public interest and ensured a high-velocity start to the event preparations.

In anticipation of the match, KCA President Sreejith V. Nair, alongside Secretary Vinod S. Kumar and Treasurer Ajith Kumar, confirmed that the Greenfield Stadium underwent a comprehensive renovation. These works, which included the refinement of the pitch and spectator facilities to meet international standards, reached their final stages prior to the event.



KCA Successfully Conducted India-New Zealand International Match in Thiruvananthapuram

The Kerala Cricket Association (KCA) successfully hosted the international cricket match between India and New Zealand at the Greenfield International Stadium, bringing global cricket action back to the state's capital. The event began with the arrival of both squads on a special chartered flight, where they were officially received by a KCA delegation led by T. Ajith Kumar.



To ensure the smooth conduct of the high-profile fixture, the KCA coordinated extensive arrangements with local authorities, strengthening security at the airport, the stadium, and the team hotels. Strategic traffic management and various precautionary measures were implemented across the city to manage the influx of spectators. During their visit, the Indian national team was accommodated at The Leela Kovalam, while the New Zealand team stayed at the Hyatt Regency Trivandrum. The flawless execution of the match further reinforced Kerala's growing reputation as a premier destination for international cricket.



Kerala's Own Sanju Plays His First International Match in Front of Home Crowd at Greenfield Stadium

The Greenfield Stadium in Thiruvananthapuram served as the venue for the final T20 international between India and New Zealand ahead of the T20 World Cup. The match held special significance as it marked Sanju Samson's first international appearance on his home ground in Kerala. Although Samson was dismissed for six

runs, India concluded the series with a convincing 46-run victory over the visitors.

Batting first in a high-scoring encounter, India posted a formidable total of 271 for 5 in their allotted 20 overs. The innings was anchored by a spectacular century from Ishan Kishan, who struck 103 runs off just 43 deliveries, featuring six fours and ten sixes. Other notable contributions came from Suryakumar Yadav and Hardik Pandya, who scored 63 and 42 runs, respectively.

In response, New Zealand's chase ended at 225 runs in 19.4 overs. The New Zealand batting lineup struggled against Arshdeep Singh, whose five-wicket haul proved decisive in securing the win for the hosts. With this result, India claimed the five-match series with a 4-1 margin. Ishan Kishan was named Player of the Match for his century, while Suryakumar Yadav earned the Player of the Series honours.



Sachin Tendulkar Motivates Kerala Squad Ahead of Goa Fixture

Sachin Tendulkar made a surprise visit to the Kerala Ranji Trophy squad during their practice session at the Goa Cricket Association Academy Ground ahead of their match against the Goa cricket team.

During the visit, he interacted with the players and shared valuable insights on preparation, match awareness, and maintaining the right mindset. He encouraged the squad to remain confident, disciplined, and focused on their fundamentals.

The interaction served as a significant morale booster for the team, particularly for the younger players, as they prepared for the upcoming fixture. Tendulkar's presence added motivation and reinforced a positive atmosphere within the camp.



Mega Screening Electrified Greenfield Stadium

The iconic Greenfield International Stadium witnessed an electrifying night of cricket as the Kerala Cricket Association, in association

with Kazhakootam MLA Kadakampally Surendran, hosted a mega screening of the India vs New Zealand T20 World Cup Final. Thousands of fans gathered at the venue, turning the stadium into a vibrant sea of blue with enthusiastic support for Team India. The atmosphere was charged with excitement, highlighted by loud cheers for Sanju Samson and unwavering crowd energy throughout the event.

The event stood out as a memorable celebration of cricket, showcasing the passion and unity of fans at one of Kerala's premier venues.



Crowd at the mega screening of the India–New Zealand T20 World Cup Final at Greenfield International Stadium, Thiruvananthapuram.

Palakkad Sports Hub Poised to Revolutionise District's Sports Infrastructure



State Minister for Local Self-Governments and Excise Shri. M B Rajesh officially inaugurated the ground-breaking construction work for the new ₹30-crore Palakkad Sports Hub during a ceremony held at the project site located behind the NSS Engineering College in Akathethara. Presided over by KCA President Adv. Sreejith V Nair, the launch event was attended by various dignitaries including V K Sreekandan MP, Akathethara Grama Panchayat President P A Bindu, and Malabar Devaswom Board Commissioner T C



Biju, while the Chathankulangara Bhagavathy Temple Trust and former Palakkad Cricket Association officials were specially honored. Speaking at the venue, Minister M B Rajesh emphasized that this ultra-modern facility will completely transform the district's sporting landscape, driving extensive ancillary development in Akathethara and accelerating the city's commercial expansion. KCA officials also noted that the procedures for this venture originally commenced in 2018 but faced delays due to the pandemic.



This ambitious infrastructure expansion project by the Kerala Cricket Association (KCA) was designed to geographically rebalance cricket development in the state by bringing top-tier facilities to the northern Malabar region, which had historically lacked consistent access to elite venues. Spanning 21 acres, the multi-disciplinary high-performance facility operated under a design philosophy that integrated competitive sport, sports science, athlete recovery, and community participation within a single campus. The complex was planned to feature two full-sized cricket grounds complying with BCCI norms, complete with floodlight systems for day-night fixtures, professional training camps, and televised domestic matches, which officials stated will help bring more high-profile BCCI matches to the district. Additionally, the hub was designed to house a modern clubhouse, a swimming pool for athletic conditioning and recovery, and dedicated basketball and football courts.



To ensure long-term financial sustainability and avoid land acquisition disputes, the KCA secured the land from the Chathankulangara Bhagavathy Temple, a Malabar Devaswom-administered shrine-un-

der a 33-year lease agreement signed several months prior. Under this structured financial model, the temple management was set to receive an annual lease rent of ₹21.35 lakh along with a security deposit of ₹10 lakh. Funding for the ₹30-crore project was split equally: 50% of the cost was covered by a financial assistance subsidy from the BCCI, which significantly lowered the capital burden, while the remaining investment was mobilized by the KCA through structured funding mechanisms. The project was structured to be executed in two distinct phases, with the first phase covering the ground development, pavilion, and sprinkler systems scheduled for completion within the year, and the second phase targeted for final commissioning by April 2027, establishing Palakkad as the home of a state-of-the-art sports ecosystem.v

Status of S D College Ground Refurbishment

The floodlight installation at Alappuzha S D College Ground was completed.

Infrastructure Development

Thrissur District Cricket Association, with the support of the Kerala Cricket Association, initiated infrastructure development works at St. Thomas College Thope Ground, Thrissur. During the quarter, the construction of a twin astro turf wicket, along with practice nets, commenced.

Pre-Season Fitness Assessment Camp

The pre-season fitness assessment camp was conducted at KCA Ground, Mangalapuram, from 26 February 2026 to 01 March 2026, commencing on 26 February 2026.

KCA Under-23 Women's Players Shortlisted for the State Camp

Kerala U23 Women's state probables camp and selection matches were held at Wayanad and players were selected to the state camp for the One-Day 2025-26 season.

C K Nayudu State Team Preparatory Camp

The C K Nayudu State Team preparatory camp was held at St. Xavier's College, KCA Cricket Ground from 15th to 20th January 2026.

ACTIVITIES

- The Under-19 Men's Inter-District Matches (2026-27) were conducted at Conor Vayal Stadium, Thalassery.
- Senior Women's Probables Camp (2025-26) held at Wayanad.
- The Under-16 Men's Inter-District Matches (2026-27) were conducted at Conor Vayal Stadium, Thalassery.

- Kerala Senior Women’s Probables Camp and One-Day Selection Matches were held at Krishnagiri from 10 January 2026 to 19 January 2026.
- The Kerala U23 Men’s Team participated in the Inter-State Multi-Day Practice Matches against Andhra Pradesh held at KCA S D College Ground, Alappuzha from 03 January 2026 to 09 January 2026.
- The Kerala U14 Boys Camp was conducted at Rajagiri Ground from 19 January 2026 to 24 January 2026, with the participation of 18 players.
- The Kerala Ranji Trophy Final Phase State Preparatory Camp was conducted at KCA Ground, Mangalapuram, from 16 January 2026 to 19 January 2026, with the participation of 16 players.
- Players were shortlisted for the KCA Under-23 Women’s State Probables Camp for the One-Day 2025-26 season held at Wayanad.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Sanju Samson and Vishnu Vinod surpassed 2,000 runs in List A cricket, which reinforced their importance in Kerala’s cricketing journey.
- Sanju Samson delivered a historic performance in the ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026 that saw India crowned champions.
- Shani T, Pranavi Chandra, Sajana Sajeevan, and Akshaya A were selected for the South Zone Squad for the South Zone Senior Women’s Inter Zonal Multi-Day Trophy.
- Shani T, Asha S, and Akshaya A were selected for the South Zone team in the Senior Women’s Inter Zonal One Day Trophy.
- Sajana Sajeevan claimed her 100th wicket in Women’s List A matches during a game against Hyderabad in Ranchi.
- Asha Sobhana became only the second player to claim 100 wickets for Kerala in the Senior Women’s One Day Trophy, reaching a total of 165 wickets in Women’s List A matches.
- BCCI appointed former Kerala Cricket Association President Sajan K. Varghese as the BCCI Match Observer for the India-New Zealand match held in Indore on 18 January.
- Minnu Mani was selected for the Asia Cup Rising Star India A Women’s squad.
- Sajana Sajeevan represented the Mumbai Indians, while Minnu Mani played for the Delhi Capitals, with Delhi finishing as runners-up.

BCCI TOURNAMENTS

Kerala Narrowly Misses Knockout Qualification in Vijay Hazare Trophy

Kerala narrowly missed a place in the knockout stage of this season’s Vijay Hazare Trophy, finishing with four wins from seven matches and 16 points in Group A. The team began strongly with a commanding 145-run win over Tripura, highlighted by a century from Vishnu Vinod, an all-round performance by Baba Aparajith, and a six-catch effort from Vignesh Puthur. A major highlight of the campaign was the successful chase of 344 against Rajasthan, built on a 212-run opening partnership between Sanju Samson and Rohan Kunnummal, with Eden Apple Tom finishing the innings. Kerala also secured wins against Jharkhand and Puducherry. However, defeats to Karnataka and Madhya Pradesh proved costly, and their chances of qualification were ultimately ended by a loss to Tamil Nadu in the final group-stage match.

Kerala Finishes Fifth in C K Nayudu Trophy After Strong Comeback

Kerala concluded their C K Nayudu Trophy (Under-23) campaign with a fifth-place finish in Group A, securing 56 points from seven matches, including three wins. The team had a difficult start, losing to Punjab and conceding a first-innings lead against Gujarat. However, they made a strong comeback in the second half, registering consecutive wins against Jammu & Kashmir, Meghalaya, and Goa. In their final league match, Kerala also secured a crucial first-innings lead against Jharkhand. Varun Nayanar starred with the bat, scoring 677 runs, including three centuries, while J.S. Anuraj led the bowling unit with 29 wickets, including a five-wicket haul.

Kerala Secures Fourth Place in Women’s Under-15 One Day Championship

Kerala finished fourth in Group E of the Women’s Under-15 One Day Championship, securing three wins from five matches and earning 12 points. The team began the campaign on a strong note, winning by eight wickets against Mumbai, followed by a six-wicket win against Pondicherry. However, subsequent losses to Chhattisgarh (by 6 wickets) and Haryana (by nine wickets) impacted their progress. A century by Aryananda guided Kerala to a win over Chandigarh in the final group match. Despite this performance, Kerala did not qualify for the knockout stage, with Haryana and Mumbai advancing from the group.

Kerala Women Finish Third in Senior One-Day Trophy, miss knockout spot

Kerala's senior women's team put up a strong performance in this season's Senior Women's One-Day Trophy but narrowly missed out on a place in the knockout stage. Placed in Group C alongside Railways, Delhi, Punjab, Tripura, Goa, Hyderabad, and Saurashtra, Kerala won five of their seven matches to finish third with 20 points. Railways and Delhi secured the top two spots to qualify. Kerala began their campaign with a 131-run loss to Railways but bounced back impressively. They defeated Saurashtra by 111 runs and Hyderabad by 141 runs, followed by a 60-run win over Tripura and an eight-wicket victory against Punjab. A 98-run defeat to Delhi dented their qualification hopes, but Kerala ended their campaign on a high with a 102-run win over Goa. Akshaya led the batting with 302 runs, while S. Asha starred with the ball, taking 20 wickets in the tournament.

Kerala Concludes Under- 23 One-Day Trophy Campaign with solitary win against Odisha

In this season's Under-23 One-Day Trophy, Kerala was placed in Group D alongside Uttarakhand, Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha, and Gujarat. It proved to be a difficult campaign for the team, as they suffered four defeats in five matches and managed only a single victory. Consequently, Kerala finished at the bottom of the group standings with a total of four points. The tournament began with an eight-wicket loss to Uttarakhand, followed by a 52-run defeat against Gujarat. The struggles continued as Bengal secured a three-wicket win and Uttar Pradesh decisively defeated Kerala by ten wickets. However, the team managed to end their run on a positive note by clinching a two-wicket victory over Odisha in their final fixture. In a match where the top order failed to fire, Nithya Lourde played a match-winning innings, remaining unbeaten on 73 to secure Kerala's only win of the tournament.

Kerala Finishes Disappointing Ranji Trophy Season

Kerala endured a disappointing Ranji Trophy season, finishing fourth in Group B with 14 points and failing to qualify for the knockout stages. The team managed just one win, along with two defeats and four draws from seven matches. Although the bowlers provided promising starts in several games, Kerala failed to capitalise, conceding crucial first-innings leads against Maharashtra and Punjab. Their campaign suffered a major setback with an innings and 164-run defeat to Karnataka, followed by another innings loss against Chandigarh. Kerala showed some resilience by securing first-innings leads against strong sides like Saurashtra and Madhya Pradesh, but those efforts did not translate into outright victories. They concluded the season on a positive note with a convincing nine-wicket win over

Goa. Individually, Baba Aparajith was the leading run-scorer with 502 runs, including a century, while Nidheesh M.D. was the most effective bowler, claiming 12 wickets.

DISTRICTS

KASARAGOD

1. District Team Coaching Camps

The District Coaching Camp was held at KCA Stadium, Manya, under the supervision of Salim S.K and Diyu Das, with hundreds of young cricketers participating.

Annual General Body Meeting 2024-25

The Annual General Body Meeting for 2024-25 of the Kasaragod District Cricket Association was held on 16th February 2026 at the KCA Club House, Manya.



Adv. Bineesh Kodyeri, KCA Joint Secretary, addressing the Annual General Body Meeting 2024-25

KDCA Elects Executive Committee for 2026-30

The Kasaragod District Cricket Association elected its executive committee for the 2026-30 term at the General Body meeting held at the KCA Club House, Manya. The election was conducted in the presence of Bineesh Kodyeri, Joint Secretary of the Kerala Cricket Association, who attended as the official observer.

Elected via ballot:

- **President:** K.M. Abdul Rahman
- **Secretary:** T.M. Iqbal
- **Treasurer:** Salam Cherkala

Elected unopposed:

- **Vice Presidents:** N.A. Abdul Khader, K. Vinod Kumar, Faisal Kundil, Mahmood Kunjikkanam
- **Joint Secretary:** P.A. Mohammed Ansar
- **Assistant Secretary:** C.M.S. Khalilullah

Representatives:

- **KCA Representatives:** T.H. Mohammed Noufal, T.A. Mohammed Janish
- **District Sports Council Representative:** M.M. Muneer

Kasaragod District Teams

Under-19 Men's Inter-District Matches 2026-27

The Under-19 Boys Kasaragod District team participated in the North Zone Inter-District Tournament at KCA Conor Vayal Stadium, Thalassery, and KCA Stadium, Manya, Kasaragod, from 26 December 2025 to 5 January 2026.



Under-16 Boys Inter District Matches

The Under-16 Boys Kasaragod District team participated in the North Zone Inter-District Tournament at KCA Conor Vayal Stadium, Thalassery, and KCA Stadium, Manya, Kasaragod, from 16th to 27th January 2026.



League Tournament 2024-25

B Division



Winners: Jasmin Cricket Club



Runners-up: Theruvath Sporting Club

The trophies were distributed to the winners by Kasaragod DCA Development Committee Chairman Noufal Thayal in the presence of other DCA office bearers.

C Division



Winners: WASS Padinhar



Runners-up: Bedira Arts & Sports Club

Kasaragod DCA Assistant Secretary Faisal T S distributed the trophies to the champions in the presence of other DCA office bearers.

E Division



The E-Division District League Cricket Tournament 2024-25 was inaugurated by DCA Vice President K Vinod Kumar at the KCA Stadium, Manya, in the presence of other DCA office bearers.

Achievement

Amarnath K was selected to represent the Kerala Under-14 Men's Team in the U14 Men's South Zone Inter-State Tournament 2025-26, held at Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh.



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Ranji Trophy

Salman Nizar was selected to represent the Kerala Senior Team for the BCCI Ranji Trophy 2025-26.



Under- 14 State Team

| Mazhar Moidu was appointed as the Head Coach of the Under-14 Men's Team for the U14 South Zone Inter-State Tournament held in Andhra Pradesh.



Strength and Conditioning Coach



| Rahul Das A K was appointed as the Strength and Conditioning Coach of the Kerala Senior Women's Team for the BCCI Senior Women's One Day Trophy 2025-26 held in Jharkhand, and the Kerala Under-23 Women's Team for the BCCI Under-23 Women's One Day Trophy 2025-26 held in Pune.

BCCI Tournaments

Senior Women's One Day Trophy 2025-26

| Akshaya Sadanandan was selected to represent the Kerala Senior Women's Team for the tournament held in Jharkhand.



Col C.K. Nayudu Trophy 2025-26



| Varun Nayanar represented the Kerala Under-23 Men's Team in the tournament.

Under-23 Women's One Day Trophy 2025-26

| Nivedhya Mol was selected to represent the Kerala Under-23 Women's Team for the tournament held in Pune.



Kerala Veterans Premier League 2026

| The Kerala Veterans Premier League 2026 was held from February 13 to 15 at Conor Vayal Stadium.



A-Division League 2023-24

| The A-Division League 2023-24 restarted on 1 February, and BK 55 Cricket Club emerged as the champions.



Special General Body Meeting

| The Special General Body Meeting was conducted on 22 March 2026 at the Conor Vayal Cricket Stadium.

- Dweeth Mahesh, Aryadev Shimjith, Neil S. S., and Vivek Singh Rao were selected for the Under-14 Boys Inter-Group Team Matches (2025-26).
- The Under-19 Men's Inter-District Matches (2026-27) were conducted at Conor Vayal Stadium, Thalassery.
- Akshaya A. and Sourabhya P. participated in the Senior Women's Probables Camp (2025-26) held at Wayanad. They also took part in the Senior Women's Inter-State One-Day Quadrangular Practice Match held at Baroda.
- Neil S. S. and Vivek Singh Rao participated in the Under-14 Men's State Team Selection Matches held at Ernakulam.
- The Under-16 Men's Inter-District Matches (2026-27) were conducted at Conor Vayal Stadium, Thalassery.

DCA Activities

- Wayanad Under-19 Men's team participated in the North Zone Inter-District League matches held at Kasaragod and Thalassery from 26 December 2025 to 04 January 2026.
- Wayanad Under-16 Boys' team participated in the North Zone Inter-District League matches held at Kasaragod and Thalassery from 16 January 2026 to 25 January 2026.
- The 'A' Division League 2025-26 commenced on 10 February 2026 at Krishnagiri, while the 'B' Division matches were conducted on 08 and 09 February 2026; the 'C' Division League 2025-26 matches were held at WMO College Ground from 07 March 2026 to 19 March 2026, and the 'B' Division League 2025-26 matches were conducted at Krishnagiri and WMO College Ground from 22 March 2026 to 27 March 2026.



A Division Champions - Machans CA



A Division Runners Up 2025-26-Executive CC

Achievements

Machans Cricket Academy Clinch Wayanad A Division League 2024-25 Title

- Machans Cricket Academy became champions, while Executive CC were runners-up in the Wayanad A Division League 2024-25.
- Aleena M. P., Aleena Shibu, Niya Nazneen, and Nithya Loordh were selected for the Kerala U23 Women's team for the One-Day Trophy.
- Aahil Shayaan was selected for the Kerala U14 team.
- Unnimaya and Pavithra K. were selected for the Kerala U15 team.
- Jestin Fernandez was appointed as the Assistant Coach of the Kerala U23 Women's team for the One-Day Trophy.

Under-19 Men's North Zone Inter-District Tournament 2026-2027

- Under 19 (Men's) North Zone Inter District Tournament was held at KCA Cricket Stadium Kannur and Kasaragod from 26.12.2025 to 06.01.2026 Anandhu, Madhavan.AR and Tejas Kumar were selected from Kozhikode to represent North Zone Under 19 (Men's) team for the year 2026-2027.

Under-16 Men's North Zone Inter-District Tournament 2026-2027

- The Under-16 Men's North Zone Inter-District Tournament was held at KCA Cricket Stadium, Kannur and Kasaragod, from 16 January 2026 to 28 January 2026. Players from Kozhikode were selected to represent the North Zone Under-16 Men's team for the year 2026-2027.



Under- 16 Men's Kozhikode Dca Team 2026- 2027

Kozhikode District Cricket League Tournament 2023-2024

B Division League Tournament



Winner: Orion Arvin Cricket Club



Runner-up: Zamorin's Guruvayurappan College

MALAPPURAM

Activities

The KCA Ad Hoc Committee officially resumed the A, B, and C Division League matches for the 2025-26 season at the KCA Cricket Stadium, Perinthalmanna, on 23 March 2026.



The Malappuram District Women's Under-15, Under-19, and Under-23 selection trials were conducted at the KCA Cricket Stadium, Perinthalmanna, on 11 April 2026.



PALAKKAD

M. G. Unni Memorial Under-19 Cricket Tournament

M. G. Unni Memorial U19 District Tournament was completed successfully, with a total of six teams participating.



District League 2024-25

The remaining matches of the C, D, E, and F Divisions of the District League 2024-25 were conducted successfully.

C Division



Champions: Shalom Cricket Club

D Division



Champions: Vaniyankulam Cricket Club

E Division



Champions: Thachampara Sports Academy

F Division



Champions: Yuvadhara Arts & Sports Club, Kanjikode

THRISSUR

Achievements

Senior Men's Team - Ranji Trophy Selection

- Vatsal Govind Sharma and Akarsh A. Krishnamoorthy were selected to represent the Kerala Senior Men's Team in the BCCI Ranji Trophy 2025-26 season.



Vatsal Govind Sharma



Akarsh A Krishnamoorthy

Senior Women's Team Representation



- Vinaya Surendran from Thrissur was selected to represent the Kerala Senior Women's Team in the Inter-State One-Day Quadrangular Practice Matches at Baroda and in the Senior Women's One Day Trophy 2025-26 at Ranchi.

Under-23 Men's Team - C.K. Nayudu Trophy

- Akarsh A. K. and Pavan Sreedhar from Thrissur were selected to represent the Kerala U23 Men's Team in the Col. C. K. Nayudu Trophy 2025-26.



Under-23 Inter-State Practice Match Selection



- Akarsh A. K. from Thrissur was selected to represent the Kerala U23 Men's Team in the Inter-State Multi-Day Practice Match against Andhra Pradesh.

Under-14 State Team Selection

- Daksh Sivakumar from Thrissur was selected to represent the Kerala State U14 Boys Team in the South Zone Inter-State Tournament 2025-26.



Grassroots Development Tendulkar Trophy Tournament

- The Thrissur District Cricket Association successfully conducted the inaugural Tendulkar Trophy School Cricket Tournament, promoting grassroots cricket in the district. Sixteen schools participated, with matches held at Loongs Cricket Ground, Thrissur.



Winners: SDVHSS, Peramangalam



Runners-up: St. Augustine's H.S., Kuttanellur

ERNAKULAM

EDCA Annual General Meeting 2024-25

- The meeting was held at Theatre De Pauline, St. Paul's College, Kalamassery, on 8th February.



KCA Under-16 Boys Inter District Matches Champions 2026-27

- The EDCA U16 Boys District Team for the 2026-27 season emerged as champions in the KCA Central Zone Inter-District Matches, held at Thodupuzha, Idukki.



State Camp Representations

- KCA Under-14 Men's State Team - Players were shortlisted for the camp at Ernakulam from 19th to 24th January 2026.
 - Arjun V Nair
 - Edwin Eldhose
 - Nivin P Pratheesh

| Senior Women's Probables Camp and Selection Matches for the One-Day Trophy 2025-26 were held at Krishnagiri Stadium, Wayanad, from 10th January 2026.

1. Ananya K Pradeep

| KCA Under-23 Women's State Selection Match and Camp for the One-Day 2025-26 were held at Wayanad from 14th to 20th February 2026.

1. Manasvi Potti
2. Sheethal Valeal Jinish
3. Ananya K Pradeep
4. Niyati R Mahesh
5. Aryananda N S
6. Isabel Mary Joseph

State Representations

| Kerala Under-15 Women's Team participated in the BCCI Under-15 Women's One Day Trophy 2025-26 held at Indore from 2nd to 10th January 2026.

1. Aryananda N S
2. Shivani Suresh

| KCA Under-23 Men's Team participated in the Inter-State Multi-Day Practice Matches against the Andhra Under-23 team at the S D College Ground, Alappuzha, from 3rd to 9th January 2026.

1. Pavan Raj
- Head Coach - Sebastian Antony

| Kerala Under-23 Men's Team competed in the Col. C. K. Nayudu Trophy 2025-26 final phase held at Thiruvananthapuram and Meghalaya from 23rd January 2026 onwards.

1. Pavan Raj
- Head Coach - Sebastian Antony

| Kerala Senior Men's Team played in the Ranji Trophy 2025-26 final phase match against Chandigarh at KCA Cricket Stadium, Mangalapuram, Thiruvananthapuram, from 22nd to 25th January 2026.

1. Nidheesh M D

| Kerala Senior Men's Team also participated in the Ranji Trophy 2025-26 matches held at Thiruvananthapuram from 22nd January 2026.

1. Ajith V

| Kerala Under-14 Men's Team participated in the South Zone Inter-State Tournament 2025-26 held at Vizianagaram from 27th January to 15th February 2026.

1. Arjun V Nair
2. Edwin Eldhose

| Kerala Senior Men's Team played the Ranji Trophy 2025-26 match against Goa in Goa from 29 January 2026 to 01 February 2026.

1. Nidheesh M D
2. Ajith V
3. Basil N P

| Kerala Under-23 Men's Team competed in the Col. C. K. Nayudu Trophy 2025-26 match against Goa at Thiruvananthapuram from

6th to 9th February 2026.

1. Pavan Raj
- Head Coach - Sebastian Antony

Club Achievements in Tournaments 2026

| Under-16 Athreya Cup



Runner-up - Brawlers CC

| Infinity Trophy 2026



Champions - Sobers CC

| Runner-up-Sharon CC

Club Achievements in Tournaments 2026

| Canara Bank 29th All Kerala Celestial Trophy 2026



Runners-up: EKK Globstar Cricket Club

| Caravan All Kerala T20 Cricket Tournament 2025-26



Runners-up: Muthoot Microfin Cricket Club

IDUKKI

Coaching Camps

Coaching camps were conducted by the Idukki District Cricket Association at various venues, including Thodupuzha, Kattappana, Rajakkad, Kumily, and Munnar.



Achievements

Aleena Surendran was selected for the Kerala Senior Women's One Day Trophy 2025-26.



Aswin Raju, Cristo Jojo, and Rahul Jijo were selected to the U19 and U16 Central Zone teams, respectively.

Achievements

DCA successfully organised Coaches' and Umpires' Clinics on March 7, 8, 14, and 15.

A total of 15 candidates registered for the Coaches' Clinic, out of which 10 attended. The Umpires' Clinic received 16 registrations, with 10 participants.

The Coaches' Clinic was conducted under the guidance of senior coach Shine S.S., while the Scorers' Clinic was led by senior scorer Jino John.



KOTTAYAM

Coaching Activities

Kottayam DCA's coaching initiatives flourished, with Day Scholar Academies at Nehru Stadium, Kottayam, and S.D. College Ground, Kanjirappally, attracting 15-20 players each, a Weekend Coaching Camp at Nehru Stadium with 15 participants, and 45-over weekend practice matches conducted at CMS School Ground.



Coaching Camp at CMS College Ground



Coaching Camp at SD College Ground, Kanjirappally

District League (2024-25)

A, B, C, and D Division league matches were conducted during this quarter. Anickad Cricket Club emerged as the "A" Division champions, Vintage CC won the "B" Division, Kuravilangadu CC secured the "C" Division title, and Pakalomattom CC were crowned "D" Division champions.



Anickad Cricket Club, 'A' Division Champions



Vintage CC 'B' Division Champions

Activities

Inter-School Tournament

Kottayam DCA conducted an Inter-School Tournament to scout talent across the district, awarding trophies to winners and runners-up, and participation certificates to all players.



Champions: St. Ephrem's H S S, Mannanam



Runner up: St. Chavara Public School, Pala

Inauguration of St. Berchmans College Practice Nets

The practice nets at St. Berchmans College were inaugurated on 20th February 2026 by KCA Hon. Secretary Vinod S Kumar, in the presence of President Sreejith V Nair.



Coaches' Orientation for Summer Internship

A one-day training program was conducted for interns assisting senior coaches in the Summer Cricket Coaching Camp 2026 across various district centres.



Umpires' & Scorers' Clinic

A training program to enhance officiating standards was conducted at S.B. College, Changanassery, on 14th and 15th February 2026. A total of 11 aspiring officials participated, with sessions led by Dr. Ranjith Jose and Pranav Krishna.



Achievements

Arun NB was appointed as a coach for the Under-23 Women's State Selection Match (one day), followed by the state camp held at Krishnagiri KCA Cricket Stadium, Wayanad, from 13th February to 20th February 2026.



Vasisth Arun and Kristos Basil were selected for the KCA Under-14 Men's team, which participated in the Under-14 Men's South Zone Inter-State Tournament held at Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh, from 27th January to 15th February 2026.



Vasisth Arun



Kristos Basil

ALAPPUZHA

Annual General Body Meeting

The Annual General Body Meeting of the Alappuzha District Cricket Association was conducted on Sunday, 8th February 2026, at Pagoda Resorts, Alappuzha.



The Alappuzha District Cricket Association felicitated the following players and support staff who had represented the state team in various categories during the year 2024-25:

- Senior Team - Midhun S
- Under-23 State Team - Harikrishnan M U
- Under-14 State Team - Abhinav V V, Devatheerth S

Senior Team -
Rajeesh Retnakumar
(Fielding Coach)





Under-16 State Team - Yadhu Krishna Pillai



Under-19 State Team - Althaf S



Under-23 State Team - Nikhil M



Under-23 State Team - Jerin P S

District Team Activities

The U16 Boys' and U19 Boys' District Team camps were held at S D College Ground. The U16 District Team also played practice matches against Kollam U16 at the KCA S.D. College Ground, Alappuzha.

Regular Practice Activities

Regular practice sessions were organised for senior and junior boys, involving a total of 90 participants. The sessions focused on skill development, net simulations, turf wicket practice, indoor training, and centre wicket practice. Fitness sessions, designed by KCA trainers, were also conducted regularly and included conditioning, strength training, and beach running.



District Team Performance

Alappuzha DCA became the champions of the Under-19 Boys Inter-District Tournament, securing 14 points. The tournament was conducted in a two-day format and was held at Thiruvananthapuram, Thodupuzha, and Alappuzha. Out of four matches, Alappuzha won against Pathanamthitta by 10 wickets, secured first-innings leads against Kottayam and Kollam, and conceded a lead against Thiruvananthapuram.



Alappuzha DCA became the champions of the Under-16 Boys Inter-District Matches with 15 points. The Inter-District Tournament was conducted in a two-day format and held at Thodupuzha. Out of four matches, Alappuzha won against Kollam by an innings and 22 runs, and secured the first-innings lead against Kottayam, Pathanamthitta, and Thiruvananthapuram.



Achievements

Col. C.K. Nayudu Trophy

Kailas B. Nair was selected to the U23 State team.



Under-14 South Zone Tournament

Vaishnav S. was selected to the U14 State team.

Under-19 Men's South Zone Tournament



R. Akhil Raj



Shravan Chandra Panicker



Yadhukrishna Pillai



A. Abhinand



Vaishnav Manoj



Shifas Rasheed

Under-16 Men's South Zone Tournament



Abhiram G.B



Prabhul Praveen



Devatheerth S.

League Tournaments

| The league tournaments for the year 2023-24 (C Division, D Division, and E Division) were completed, and the B Division League Tournament for the year 2025-26 was also completed.

E Division League (2023-24)

- Winners - Skylark CC
- Runners-up - Alleppey Cricketers

D Division League (2023-24)

- Winners - Wisden CC
- Runners-up - S D College

C Division League (2023-24)

- Winners - Galaxy CC
- Runners-up - Cosmos CC

Selection Trials

| Selection trials for Under-23 Boys and Girls were held on January 29, 2026. The selected boys and girls underwent practice sessions at SD College Ground.

Other Achievements & Activities

| Alappuzha DCA successfully hosted Under-23 Men's practice matches between Kerala and Andhra Pradesh, along with the Under-14 Boys Inter-Group matches and Under-19 Boys Inter-District matches for the 2026-27 season at SD College Cricket Ground.

Tournaments

| Alleppey Cricket Club conducted the G. Bhuvaneswaran Memorial Alleppey Cup (4th Edition), an All Kerala tournament, at S D College Ground, Alappuzha. Sixteen teams participated in the tournament. AGORC, Thiruvananthapuram, emerged as the champions, while Prathibha CC, Kollam, finished as the runners-up.



Camp Conducted by Academies of Alappuzha

| Vikings Cricket Academy: A total of 63 students participated in regular and weekend batches. The academy provided free practice sessions, along with yoga, meditation, and fitness sessions for the students of Padanilam HSS and CBMHSS.



Alleppey Cricket Club

| Alleppey Cricket Club provided indoor net facilities at Thuravoor through the ACC - Champions Arena Cricket Academy. The total strength of the academy was 30 students (boys and girls).



A11 Cricket Academy

| A11 Cricket Academy successfully concluded training sessions focused on improving the technical and physical standards of players across all age groups.



Muthukulam Cricket Club

| The academy had a total strength of 96 players. It participated in the Arton Under-13 Tournament and the Theni Champions Trophy.



New Kids Cricket Academy

| New Kids Cricket Academy had 80 students in regular and weekend batches. Training included indoor and outdoor nets, batting, bowling, and fielding drills. The academy also conducted the Arton U-13 All Kerala Tournament at Chengannur and arranged junior practice matches.



PATHANAMTHITTA

Annual General Meeting 2024-25

The Annual General Body Meeting for 2024-25 and the election of office bearers for the term 2025-29 were held on Saturday, 07 February 2026, at Hotel Ashok International, Thiruvalla.



Day Scholar Academy Selection Trials

The Day Scholar Academy Selection Trials were held on 21 February 2026 at Thiruvalla, Pathanamthitta, Elanthoor, and Adoor centres.



Scorer's Clinic

The Scorers Clinic was held on 21 February 2026 at the Indoor Stadium, Thiruvalla. The session was conducted by Umesh V. S.



Coaches Clinic

Coaches Clinic was conducted on 28 February 2026 at the Indoor Stadium, Thiruvalla, with the session taken by Arun N B



KOLLAM

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held on Sunday, 4 January 2026, at Ramavarma Club, Thevally, Kollam.



League Tournament (2025-26 Season)

In the F Division League, Sobers CC emerged as the winners, while Pathanapuram CC secured the runners-up position.



F - Division Winner - Sobers CC



F - Division Runner-up - Pathanapuram CC

In the E Division League, IPO-A claimed the championship, with Loops CC finishing as runners-up.



E - Division Winner - IPO - A



E - Division Runner-up - Loops CC

In the D Division League, Bluestar CC were the winners, and Mayyanad CC were the runners-up.



D - Division Winner - Bluestar CC



D - Division Runner-up - Mayyanad CC

In the C Division League, Galaxy CC secured the title, while IPO-B finished as runners-up.



C - Division Winner - Galaxy CC



C - Division Runner-up - IPO - B

In the B Division League, CSSPMSC emerged as the champions, with Legend CC as the runners-up.



B - Division Winner - CSSPMSC



B - Division Runner-up - Legend CC

Activities

| The Executive Committee Meeting of the Kollam District Cricket Association was held at SKVVHSS, Thrikkannamangal.



| The Coaches' Clinic was conducted at SKVVHSS, Thrikkannamangal, Kottarakkara.



THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

TDCA Annual General Body Meeting

| The TDCA Annual General Body Meeting was held on 10 March 2026.



Under-15 Girls One Day Trophy Matches

| The U15 Girls One Day Trophy matches were conducted in Thiruvananthapuram from 2 January 2026 to 10 January 2026. The matches were held at Greenfield International Stadium, KCA Ground, Mangalapuram, and St. Xavier's KCA Ground, Thumba. The participating teams were Madhya Pradesh, Bengal, Himachal Pradesh, Maharashtra, Bihar, and Tamil Nadu.

TDCA Under-16 Selection Trials

| The TDCA U16 selection trials were held at Greenfield Stadium on 17 January 2026 and 18 January 2026.

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TDCA Under-16 Second Phase Selection Trials

| The TDCA U16 second phase selection trials were held at Greenfield Stadium on 21 January 2026.



Ranji Trophy Match - Kerala vs Chandigarh

| The Ranji Trophy match between Kerala and Chandigarh was held at KCA Ground, Mangalapuram, Trivandrum from 22 January 2026 to 25 January 2026, with Abhishek J. Nair, Ahammed Imran, Abhijith Praveen, Edhan Apple Tom, and Abhishek P. Nair participating, while Vijay Srinivasan P.S (Performance Analyst) Unnikrishnan (Physiotherapist), and Kiran A.S (Team Masseuse) served as officials.



TDCA Under-16 Third Phase Selection Trials

| The TDCA U16 third phase selection trials were held at Greenfield Stadium on 23 January 2026.

C. K. Nayudu Trophy Match

| The C. K. Nayudu Trophy matches were held at the KCA Ground, Mangalapuram, from 23 January 2026 to 26 January 2026, and at St. Xavier's College KCA Cricket Ground, Thumba, from 06 Febru-

ary 2026 to 09 February 2026. The participating players included Akshay S S, Shoun Roger, Manav Krishna, Hrishikesh N, Rohan Nair, Anuraj J S, Abhijith Praveen, Abhishek J Nair, Ahammed Imran, and Edhen Apple Tom. The team was guided by Aneesh S (Coach), Akhil (Strength & Conditioning Coach), Adarsh (Physiotherapist), and Manu S (Video Analyst).

TDCA Under-16 Selection Match

| The TDCA U16 selection match was held at KCA Ground, Mangalapuram, from 27 January 2026 to 28 January 2026.

S Rajesh Memorial Tournament



The S. Rajesh Memorial Junior League Tournament Winners' Trophy was formally handed over to the TDCA President and Secretary by the brothers of Late Shri S. Rajesh.

Kerala Under-23 Women's One Day Trophy

| The Kerala U23 Women's team participated in the One Day Trophy held in Pune from 03 March 2026 to 11 March 2026, with Diya Gireesh representing the squad.

TDCA Under-19 Women's Selection Trials - First Phase

| The first phase selection trials for the TDCA U19 Women's team were held at Green Field Stadium on 29 March 2026.

Caravan All Kerala T20 Cricket Tournament 2025-26



Little Masters CC Winners Of Caravan Tournament

29th All Kerala Celestial Trophy Cricket Tournament



Winners - Masters CC



Runners up - Muthoot Microfin

All Kerala U 16 Athreya Cup



Little Masters CC Winners U16 Athreya Cup

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