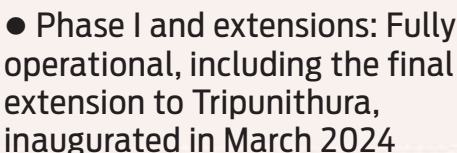


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Key projects and status



- Phase II (JLN Stadium to Infopark via Kakkanad): An ongoing 10.58-km elevated corridor with 10 stations; targeted for commercial commissioning by August 2027

●Kochi Water Metro: An integrated water transport system linking islands and urban areas around Kochi using eco-friendly hybrid boats

- **Non-Motorised Transport (NMT):** Urban renewal initiatives adding footpaths, cycle tracks, and last-mile bicycle sharing near metro stations.

- **Feeder taxis and buses:** KMRL has started feeder buses/taxis/autorickshaws, preferably electric or CNG, at some metro stations to operate an environment-friendly transportation system for the city. KMRL has also planned a Public Bike Sharing (PBS) scheme as a pilot project with 4 docking stations having 7 cycles each

change will first require the government's approval. The final name change will be implemented subject to the approvals of the board of directors, shareholders, the Union Ministry of Corporate Affairs and the Central Government.

The name change will not affect the current assets, liabilities, contracts, employees, and legal existence of KMRL.

wide range of operations.”

KMRL's proposal follows the national model of reorganising Nagpur Metro as 'Maharashtra Metro', Lucknow Metro as 'Uttar Pradesh Metro' and Ahmedabad Metro as 'Gujarat Metro'. The proposed name

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THE Onam season has brought a surge in cargo exports through the Cochin International Airport (CIAL). A total of 1,678 metric tonnes of cargo, including 1,173 MT of perishables, are expected to be handled through scheduled flight services between August 17 and 23.

Seasonal demand for fresh produce and other commodities associated with the Onam market has driven the movement. The perishable cargo comprises banana, small on-

ion, beans, tury, drumstick, tingly, papaya, snake gourd, green mango and banana leaves. The volume is expected to rise further during the peak Onam period, with 260 MT on August 20, and 300 MT each on August 21 and 22, followed by an expected 200 MT on August 23.

In addition to scheduled passenger flights carrying cargo, non-scheduled freighter services operated by National Airlines and IndiGo are also used. These freighter services have been operating from Kochi to West Asia sectors.

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THE Street Dawa (Islamic propagation), conducted by Unmasking Anomalies (UA), a group of youngsters, at the beach here has ignited a discussion on the modalities of religious propagation in a pluralist society and whether such a practice has any prior model in Islam.

The activists of the UA assembled at the beach and spoke to different segments of people

after seeking their permission to engage in a dialogue on religion. Issues such as the existence of God and the fruitfulness of prayers were some of the topics that came up for discussion.

“We don’t know why it has become a controversy. These types of public reaction programmes have been going on social media, and atheists, who criticise us, also conducted similar interactions in connection with their programmes,” said C P Abdulla Basil, a mem-

ber of the UA team. "We videographed only those who gave us permission," he said.

Basil discounted the criticism that such programmes will adversely affect the fabric of secular society: "Secularism includes religions too. Such interactions will help in clearing misunderstandings about religions," he added. "We can discuss the ideological differences in the interactions but the position that such dialogues should not be allowed is unacceptable," Basil said.

Pastor sentenced to death 4 times for sexual assault of 4 minors

Tirunelveli: A 47-year-old pastor was sentenced to death four times by the Special Court for PoCSO Act cases in Tirunelveli on Thursday for sexually assaulting four minor girls in 2022. The convict, Abraham, is from a village in Tirunelveli. The prosecution said he sexually assaulted the girls, following which the Tirunelveli rural police registered a case. He was arrested and a charge sheet was filed. Special court judge K Suresh Kumar also imposed a fine of ₹52,000 on Abraham.

South states need more cooperation, says Vijay

Chennai: Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay on Thursday called for greater cooperation among the southern states in building common economic and infrastructure networks, pitching the proposed Bengaluru Metro extension to Hosur as a model for inter-state development. He was addressing the 31st meeting of the Southern Zonal Council chaired by Union Home Minister Amit Shah at Kovalam. "Such an integrated approach would reduce the cost of doing business, attract investment and spread industrial growth to smaller towns," he said.

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