

# Kerala

Keralam, is a state in South India on the Malabar coast. It was formed on 1 November 1956 following the States Reorganisation Act by combining various Malayalam-speaking regions.

Spread over 38,863 km<sup>2</sup> (15,005 sq mi), it is bordered by Karnataka to the north and north east, Tamil Nadu to the east and south, and the Arabian Sea to the west.

With 33,387,677 inhabitants as per the 2011 census, Kerala is the thirteenth largest state by population and is divided into 14 districts with the capital being Thiruvananthapuram.

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Malayalam is the most widely spoken and the official language of the state.

Gifted with natural beauty

Distinctive Culture and Traditions





*national geographic traveler*

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## Locations of Natural Beauty





# Thenmala (Quilon Dt)



Konni  
(PTA Dt)





# Parambikkulam (Iddukki)





# Thommankuthu (Iddukki)



# Aaralam (Wynad Dt)





# Eravikulam National Park (Palakkad)



# Peppara Dam (Tvm)





# Periyar (Iddukki)



# Gavi Munnar (Iddukki)



# Kadhakali

**The Original Art Form of Kerala**





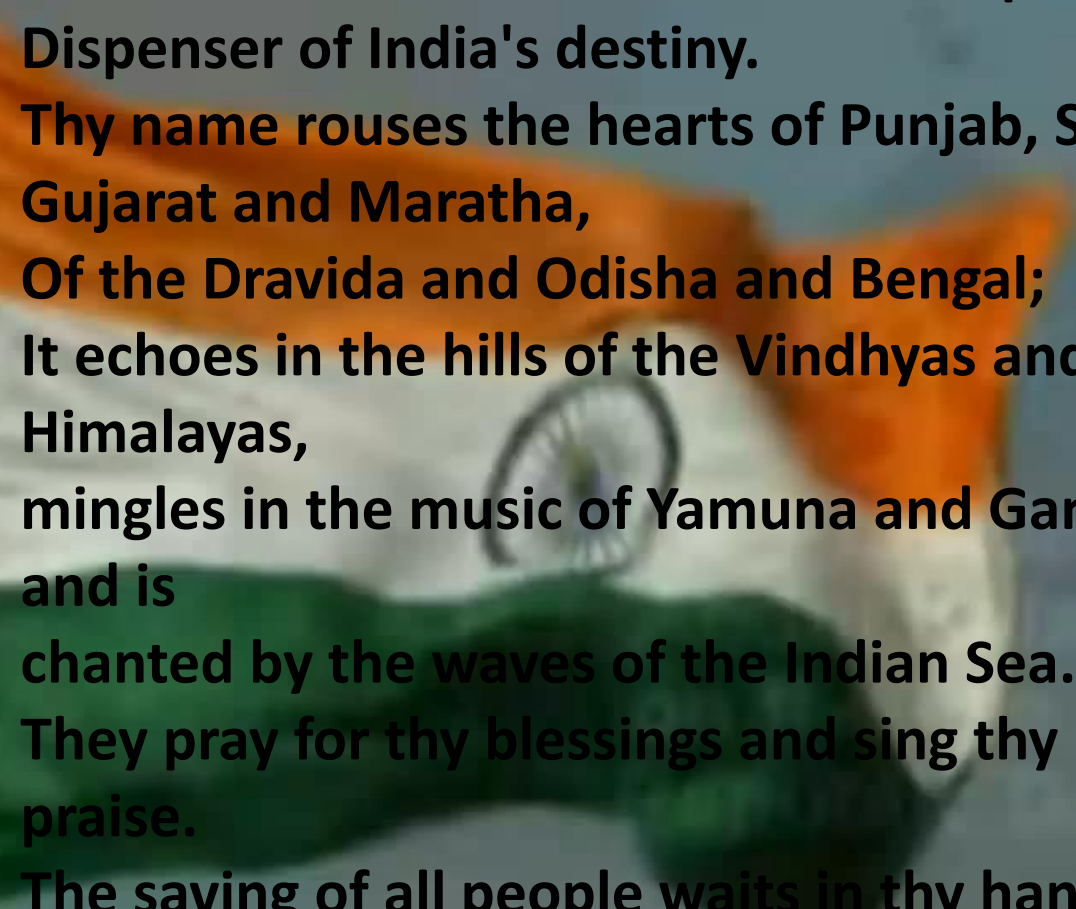
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## **Land of Boat Races**

The Indian National Flag, known as the Tiranga, is shown waving. It consists of three horizontal stripes of equal width: saffron at the top, white in the middle, and green at the bottom. In the center of the white stripe is a navy blue wheel with 24 spokes, representing the Ashoka Chakra. The flag is set against a blurred background of a sky and distant structures.

Thou art the ruler of the minds of all people,  
Dispenser of India's destiny.  
Thy name rouses the hearts of Punjab, Sind,  
Gujarat and Maratha,  
Of the Dravida and Odisha and Bengal;  
It echoes in the hills of the Vindhyas and  
Himalayas,  
mingles in the music of Yamuna and Ganges  
and is  
chanted by the waves of the Indian Sea.  
They pray for thy blessings and sing thy  
praise.  
The saving of all people waits in thy hand,  
Thou dispenser of India's destiny.  
Victory, victory, victory to thee.

# National Anthem

Translation, attributed directly to Tagore, is provided by the Government of India's national portal:

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# Thank You

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