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സി-ഡിറ്റിലെ ക്രയവിക്രയങ്ങൾ

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ശ്രീ. റോജി എം. ജോൺ		ശ്രീ. പിണറായി വിജയൻ (മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി)	
(എ)	സി-ഡിറ്റിന്റെ എഴുപത്തി എട്ടാമത് എക്സിക്യൂട്ടീവ് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ നിർദ്ദേശ പ്രകാരം സി-ഡിറ്റ് രജിസ്ട്രാർ 03.06.2022 - ന് അയച്ച 215/A1/Admn/C-DIT/2022 നമ്പർ കത്ത് ലഭിച്ചിരുന്നോ; എങ്കിൽ ആയതിന്റെ പകർപ്പ് ലഭ്യമാക്കുമോ;	(എ)	ലഭിച്ചിരുന്നു. ആയതിന്റെ പകർപ്പ് അനുബന്ധമായി ചേർക്കുന്നു. സർക്കാർ ഈ വിഷയം പരിശോധിച്ച് വരുന്നു. അന്തിമ തീരുമാനമായിട്ടില്ല.
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