



KERALA LEGISLATURE SECRETARIAT

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RULES 2006**

(As amended up to 25-6-2024)

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PREFACE

The Kerala Legislature Library originated in the Dewan's Office Library of the erstwhile Travancore State. This was renamed as the Legislative Library in 1921 and later as Travancore - Cochin Assembly Library in 1949. The Library got its present name Kerala Legislature Library in 1957. The Library strictly caters to the very special needs of its exceptional clientele, the Members of the Kerala Legislative Assembly.

The Kerala Legislature Library Rules were framed in 2006 and was issued under Notification Published in Kerala Gazette Extraordinary Vol. 51 No. 1541 dated 28th September 2006. The Hon'ble Speaker has approved the amendments of Library Rules 2006 based on change of the working hours of Kerala Legislature Library and to include General Public (Graduates) and General Public (Graduate Students) as new categories of members of Kerala Legislature Library. These amendments were issued under Notification Published in Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.2026, Vol-XIII dated 25th June 2024.

This edition of the Kerala Legislature Library Rules has incorporated all the amendments made to the Rules till 25th June 2024.

Thiruvananthapuram,
17th March, 2025.

DR. N. KRISHNA KUMAR,
Secretary,
Kerala Legislative Assembly.

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY RULES, 2006

(As amended up to 25-06-2024)

1. *Short title and commencement.*—These Rules may be called the Kerala Legislature Library Rules 2006* and they shall come into force with effect from 25th June 2024.

2. *Definitions.*—In these Rules,—

(a) 'Reference Document' means any document or collection of documents or material having reference value and rare, which should not, in the opinion of the Librarian, be removed from the Library.

(b) 'Committee' means the Library Advisory Committee constituted by the Speaker from time to time.

(c) 'Document' means Book/Periodical/Pamphlet/Brochure/ Cassette/ Compact Disc(CD)/Map or any such library material, which contains information.

(d) 'Legislature Library' hereinafter referred to as the 'Library' means- the Library attached to the Kerala Legislature Secretariat and includes the Reading Room, Video Cassette Library, the Library Extension Counter functioning in the Legislators' Hostel, Members' Reference Branch, functioning in the Assembly Block, ¹[Children's Library functioning in the Kerala Legislature Museum] and the place or places where the Library documents, machines and materials are kept or stored.

(e) 'Member' means any person registered in the Rolls of the Library.

(f) 'Secretary' means Secretary to the Legislature.

(g) 'Due date' means the date stamped in the book on which the documents are to be returned.

* Published in Kerala Gazette Extra Ordinary Vol.51, No. 1541 dated 28-9-2006.

1. Inserted by Notification No.17422/Lib.1/2015/Leg dt. 3rd October 2015 Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.IV No. 2224 dated 3/10/2015.

3. ²[Working hours.—

- (i) The Main library shall remain open on all working days between 10.15 a.m. to 5.15 p.m. and on the preceding day during session the library shall remain open from 10.15 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. During periods when Assembly is in session, the library shall open from 8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. or till the House rises for the day. It shall also remain open from 2.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. on the preceding day, if that happens to be a holiday and shall open from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. for intervening holidays of a session.
- (ii) The Members' Reference Branch (Room No. 504, Assembly Building) shall remain open on all working days from 10.15 a.m. to 5.15 p.m. On the preceding day during session, the Library shall remain open from 10.15 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. During periods when Assembly is in session, the Members' Reference Branch shall open from 8.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. or till the House rises for the day. It shall also open from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m., on the preceding day, if that happens to be a holiday and on the intervening holidays of a session.
- (iii) The MLA Hostel Library Extension Counter shall remain open on all working days between 7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. During periods when Assembly is in session, the Library shall open from 7.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. It shall also remain open from 7.30 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. on the preceding day if it is a working day and it shall also open from 8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. on the preceding day if that happens to be a holiday and on the intervening holidays of a session.
- (iv) Children's Library shall remain open from 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. on all working days including when Assembly is in session.]

2 Substituted by Notification No. 20493/Lib1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext.

Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/06/2024. Prior to the substitution read as :

“(i.) The library shall remain open on all working days between 10.15 a.m. to 5.15 p.m. During periods when the Assembly is in session, the library will be opened from 8.00 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. or till the house rises for the day. It shall also remain open from 2.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. on the preceding day, if that happens to be a holiday and on the intervening holidays of a session.

(ii) During intersession periods the issue of document shall be closed at 4.30 p.m.”

4. *Membership of the Library.*—The following classes of persons shall alone be admitted as Members of the Library:

- (a) Members of the Kerala Legislative Assembly;
- (b) Members of Parliament representing the State of Kerala;
- (c) Officers and Staff of the Legislature Secretariat;
- (d) Ex-Members of the Kerala Legislative Assembly;
- (e) Ex-Members of Parliament represented Kerala;

³[(f) xxxx]

⁴[(g) xxxx]

- (h) Ex-Secretaries of Kerala Legislature;
- (i) Retired Officers and Staff of the Legislature Secretariat;

⁵[(j) xxxx]

⁶[(k) xxxx]

⁷[(l) Personal Assistants to the Members of the Kerala Legislative Assembly]

⁸[(m) General Public (Graduate)]

3 Omitted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/06/2024. Prior to the omission it read as:

“(f) Officers and the Staff of the Government Secretariat (General Administration, Law and Finance Secretariat).”

4 Omitted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the omission it read as:

“(g) Heads of Departments of the State.”

5 Omitted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the omission it read as:

“(j) Civil Service Aspirants .”

6 Omitted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the omission it read as:

“(k) Retired Officers, of and above the post of Under Secretary of the Government Secretariat.”

7 Inserted by Notification No. 25977/Lib-1/2019/Leg dt. 8th September 2020 and Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.IX No. 2035 dated 8/9/2020.

8 Inserted by Notification No.20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024.

⁹[(n) General Public (Graduate Student)]

5. *Registration of Membership.*—

(i) All classes of Members except those in sub-rules (a), (b), (c) and ¹⁰(l) of Rule 4 are entitled to be registered as Members of the Library by applying in the prescribed form and on making the cash deposit prescribed as below:

(a) Members in classes (d),(e), ¹¹ [XXX and x x x] - ₹ 500 (Rupees Five hundred only);

¹²[(b) Members in classes (h), (i) and [(n)] – ₹ 1000 (Rupees One thousand only)];

¹³[(c) Members in class (m) – ₹ 2000 (Rupees Two thousand only)].

(ii) The deposit collected as per sub-rule (i) shall be credited in the P.D. Account and it shall be given back only after clearing all the dues of the member concerned and on issuance of N.L.C. to the member concerned. Such deposits not claimed after the expiry of three years from the date of issue of Non-liability Certificate shall be credited back to Government account.

(iii) The operation and maintenance of the P.D. Account shall be vested with the Accounts Section of the Legislature Secretariat.

(iv) The classes of members mentioned in Rule 4 ¹⁴[except sub-rule (a) and (b)] shall enroll themselves as members by applying in the prescribed form appended to these Rules.

9 Inserted by Notification No.20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024.

10 Inserted by Notification No. 25977/Lib-1/2019/Leg dt. 8th September 2020 and Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.IX No. 2035 dated 8/9/2020.

11 Omitted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the omission it read as:

“(a) Members in classes (d), (e) (f) and (g) - ₹ 500(Rupees Five hundred only).”

12 Substituted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the Substitution it read as:

“(b) Members in classes (h), (i) and (j) - ₹ 1000 (Rupees One thousand only).”

13 Substituted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the Substitution it read as:

“(c) Members in class (k) - ₹ 3000 (Rupees Three Thousand Only)”

14 Inserted by Notification No. 25977/Lib-1/2019/Leg dt. 8th September 2020 and Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.IX No. 2035 dated 8/9/2020.

(v) Any member may borrow documents from the Library subject to the restrictions hereinafter contained.

¹⁵[(vi) Members shall keep the Library informed of any change of address during the period of membership. The classes of members mentioned in sub-rules (d), (e), (h), (i), (l), (m) and (n) of Rule 4 shall renew their membership in the first month of every year in the proforma specified for the purpose].

6. *Use of Library.*—

(a) The classes of members mentioned in sub-rules (a), ¹⁶[(b), (c) and (l)] of Rule 4 are entitled to utilise the reading room and consult any document in the Library. They are also entitled to borrow documents from the Library and are exempted from payment of the cash deposit.

(b) The classes of members mentioned in sub-rules ¹⁷[(d) to (l)] of Rule 4 are permitted to utilise the reading room and consult any document in the Library only with the assistance of the Library staff, but shall not be entitled to borrow documents from the Library unless they enroll themselves as members in accordance with sub-rule (i) of Rule 5.

(c) During periods when the Assembly is in session, the reading room shall be exclusively reserved for the use of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.

7. *Restrictions in using the Library.*—The use of the Library shall be subject to the following restrictions:

15 Substituted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the substitution it read as:

“Members shall keep the Library informed of any change of address during the period of membership. The classes of members mentioned in sub-rules (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l) of Rule 4 shall renew their membership in the first month of every year in the proforma specified for the purpose.”

16 Inserted by Notification No. 25977/Lib-1/2019/Leg dt. 8th September 2020 and Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.IX No. 2035 dated 8/9/2020.

17 Substituted for “(d) to (i)” by Notification No. 17422/Lib.1/2015/Leg. Dated 3rd October 2015 Published in K.G. Ext. Vol. IV. No. 2224 dated 3-10-2015 and substituted for (d) to (l) by Notification No. 25977/Lib.1/2019/Leg. Dated 8th September 2020 and Published in K.G. Ext. Vol, IX No. 2035 dated 8-9-2020.

- (a) Silence shall be strictly observed in the Library;
- (b) Sticks, umbrellas, documents, boxes and other personal belongings shall be deposited at the main entrance and a token obtained for them;
- (c) Spitting, chewing and smoking in the Library are strictly prohibited;
- (d) Sleeping in the Library is strictly prohibited;
- (e) No person shall write upon or make any mark, or in any other manner deface or damage any document, belonging to the Library;
- (f) No tracing or mechanical reproduction of the contents of a document shall be made without the written permission of the Secretary and;
- (g) Persons using the Library shall, before leaving it, return to the Library staff, the documents that they had taken for reference.
- ¹⁸[(h) The mobile phone and laptop can be used in the Library as per the directions of the Chief Librarian and]
- ¹⁹[(i) The entry of General Public (Graduate) is allowed only in the main Library and Children's Library.]

8. Use of Library for reference.—

(a) Accredited Press representatives of Thiruvananthapuram shall be entitled to utilise the reading room and consult any document with the assistance of the Library Staff only during periods when Assembly is not in session. They shall not be entitled to borrow documents or to enroll themselves as members of the Library.

(b) The use of the Library for purposes of study by bona fide Research Scholars requires special permission from the Secretary in the prescribed form. They shall, save in exceptional cases, be accorded permission only during periods when the Assembly is not in session.

¹⁸ Inserted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024.

¹⁹ Inserted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024.

(c) Permission for use of Library shall be accorded subject to the following conditions:

(i) No person will be allowed to handle books in shelves and no documents will be allowed to be taken out of the Library;

(ii) The Research Scholars shall give an undertaking to the effect that the use of the Legislature Library will be duly acknowledged and that a copy of the document prepared with the help of material from the Legislature Library will be supplied to the Library free of cost;

(iii) No clerical or typing assistance will be given;

(iv) Photocopying facility will be provided on payment at such rates as may be prescribed from time to time and receipt obtained from the Librarian. Request for the same shall be made in the prescribed form;

(v) The timings for study will be decided by the ²⁰[Chief] Librarian from time to time;

(vi) In the case of foreign research scholars in addition to the above, the following are to be submitted with the form:

(a) A copy of the passport;

(b) A letter from the embassy /legation recommending the name of the research scholar.

²¹[(d) xxx.]

20 Inserted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to this it read as :

“(v) The timings for study will be decided by the Librarian from time to time.”

21 Omitted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the omission it read as:

“[(d) Internet Browsing / Digital Library facility shall be available to the members subject to the following conditions, namely :-

(i) The working hours of internet browsing /digital library will be the same as that of Library;

(ii) The classes of members mentioned in sub-rule (a) to (h) and sub- rule (l) of rule 4 shall be entitled to utilize the facility free of charge;

(iii) The classes of members mentioned in sub-rule (i), (j) and ((k) of rule 4 shall be entitled to utilize the facility on payment of a fee of rupees ten per hour;

²²[(e) Permission for the use of Library by the students undergoing the Certificate Course in Parliamentary Practice and Procedure shall be accorded subject to the following conditions, namely:

i) The students undergoing the Certificate Course in Parliamentary Practice and Procedure conducted by the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Training of the Legislature Secretariat shall be entitled to utilise the Library and consult any document with the assistance of the Library staff only during the periods when Assembly is not in session;

ii) The Secretary shall, if required, restrict the number of students and allocate separate timings for each batch of students for offering better reference facilities in the Library;

iii) The students shall write down their name, and other details in the register provided for the purpose, in the reference section before using the Library;

iv) Photocopying facility will be provided on payment at such rates as may be prescribed from time to time. Request for the same shall be made in Form No. IX].

²³[8 A. *Procedure regarding functioning of Children's Library.-*

(i) The objective of Children's Library shall be to inculcate reading habits among children and to enable them in sharing the wide and rare resources of the Kerala Legislature Library and Archives. Particular emphasis shall be given to

(iv) All other persons who are specially permitted by the Secretary for using the Library, including the accredited press representatives of Thiruvananthapuram shall also be entitled to utilize the facility on payment of fee of rupees ten per hour;

(v) The users shall write down their name, and other details in the register provided for the purpose, in the reference section before using this facility. On completion of the browsing, they shall also mention the details of sites visited and time taken in the appropriate columns of the register and put their signature;

(vi) An additional fee of rupees five each shall be levied from the users for the following services provided, namely :—

(a) Single page (A4 size) scanning and printing.

(b) Compact Disc /Digital Versatile Disc (to be supplied by the Users) writing per image.”

22 Inserted by Notification No. 17422/Lib-1/2015/Leg. Dated 3rd October 2015. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.IV No.2224 dated 3/10/2015.

23 Inserted by Notification No. 17422/Lib-1/2015/Leg. Dated 3rd October 2015. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.IV No.2224 dated 3/10/2015.

those children of marginalized section of society who do not have access to good and resourceful Library.

(ii) Children's Library shall function as branch of the Kerala Legislature Library.

(iii) Children's Library shall remain open from 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. on all working days.

(iv) Children in the age group of 10 to 18 are eligible to be member of the Children's Library. The following classes of children shall alone be permitted to consult the Children's Library:

(a) Children/Grand children of Members of Kerala Legislative Assembly (MLAs), Ex-MLAs, Members of Parliament (MPs) from Kerala and Ex-Mps from Kerala who have obtained membership of Kerala Legislature Library;

(b) Children of the permanent employees of Kerala Legislature Secretariat, have obtained membership of Kerala Legislature Library;

(c) Children of the Journalists accredited to the press gallery of Kerala Legislative Assembly;

(d) Children belong to the under-privileged or marginalised sections who are selected and recommended by the Members of Kerala Legislative Assembly;

(e) Children sponsored by recognized schools.

²⁴[(f) Children of General Public (Graduate)]

(v) Application for the membership has to be made either in Form XIII or in Form XIV as the case may be.

(vi) Teachers, parents or other adults accompanying children may be allowed to visit the Children's Library as visitors, but they will be permitted to stay only a period which is absolutely necessary, and the children will be left to themselves to make use of the library facilities.

24 Inserted by Notification No.20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024.

(vii) Children will be provided Library documents viz., books, reference books, magazines and newspapers for consultation in the Library only.

(viii) Children will be issued e-literature viz., CDs/DVDs etc. for using in the Library only.

²⁵[(ix) The categories of members mentioned in sub-rules (a) to (e) and (m) of rule 4 are eligible to borrow books from Children's Library subject to conditions laid down in Rule 9.]

9. *Issue system.*—(i) Issue and return of documents shall be done according to the Pass Book System for the classes of members mentioned in sub-rule (a) of Rule 4. The signature of the Member shall be obtained in the Pass Book maintained in the Library for each Member. The date of return of the document will be entered in the Pass book under the signature of the receiver, in the presence of the borrower, when the document is received back.

(ii) The classes of members mentioned in sub-rules (b), (c), (d), (e) ²⁶[(xx), (xx)], (h), (i), ²⁷[(xx), (xx)] and (l), ²⁸[(m) and (n)] of Rule 4 will get at the time of admission a Barcoded Library Membership Card with the privilege of taking four documents. On each occasion a document is borrowed, the barcoded library membership card is to be produced at the counter.

(iii) The Library Membership Card is not transferable as it is a token of privilege which only the member for whom they are issued is entitled to. Sublending of documents is a misuse and is to be avoided.

(iv) Any loss of the Library Membership Card shall be reported in writing immediately to the Chief Librarian. The duplicate membership card

25 Substituted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the substitution it read as:

“ The categories of members mentioned in sub-rules (a) to (e) of Rule 4 are eligible to borrow books from Children's Library subject to conditions laid down in Rule 9.”

26 Omitted by Notification No.20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the omission it read as ; “f.g..”

27 Omitted by Notification No.20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024. Prior to the omission it read as ; “j.k.”

28 Inserted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024.

will be issued on receipt of the report of the loss and on payment of ₹ 50 (Rupees Fifty only) to the cash section of the Legislature Secretariat and production of the receipt. The Members shall be liable for any loss that the Library may suffer through the loss or misuse of his/her membership card.

(v) Members shall not keep documents for more than 30 days except the classes of members mentioned in Rule 4 (a) and (b) for whom the loan period shall be 60 days.

(vi) Loan of documents shall be renewed for a further period of 30 days, provided such documents are not in demand.

(vii) An overdue charge of ²⁹[₹ 1] (Rupee one only) per document per day shall be levied from users other than Members of the Legislative Assembly, if the document is kept beyond the period of loan specified above.

(viii) The Library will ordinarily send reminders to those borrowers who retain books beyond the period of loan, but the non-receipt of reminders shall not be a reason against the recovery of overdue charges. Members against whom books are outstanding for more than three months shall not be entitled to borrow books until all books have been returned and all dues have been paid.

(ix) In the event of a document issued on loan being required for any important or urgent purpose, the Secretary may recall it at any time and they shall be returned by the Member immediately.

(x) For purposes of reference inside the House, if a Member require documents for a short period it may be issued with a loan slip duly got signed by the Member concerned. The official in the circulation counter or in the Members' Reference Branch shall ensure that such documents are received back promptly.

(xi) Documents shall be taken for official purposes in the Legislature Secretariat only through the passbook allotted to each section. The signature of the officer with designation shall be obtained in the passbook maintained in

²⁹ Substituted for ' 50 paise' by Notification No. 25977/ Lib.1/2019/Leg. Dated 8th September 2020 and Published in K.G. Ext. Vol. IX No. 2035 dated 8-9-2020.

the library for each section. The officer will be individually responsible for the documents taken under his/her name. ³⁰["The loan period shall be 60 days and only 5 books are issued at a time"]

(xii) In exceptional cases, the Secretary may order the issue of documents to persons who are not members of the Library. Such documents shall be received back within 30 days from the date of issue. In case the document is not received back, it shall be deemed to have been a document taken by the Secretary.

10. *Reservation of Documents.*—Any member requiring a document which has been issued or is in process, may get his name registered with the Librarian in a register kept for the purpose; and it shall be the duty of the Librarian to supply such documents to members in the order of priority.

11. *Procedure for issue of reference documents.*—Unless the Secretary otherwise directs in each case documents of reference, rare documents or such documents as are difficult to replace, and bound volumes of periodicals as well as documents in bad condition shall not be issued for use outside the precincts of the Library.

12. *Restrictions in issue of documents in certain cases.*—Documents, pertinent to a Bill or Resolution or other matter which is either under discussion or is to come up before the Legislature immediately may not be lent from the Library so long as the matter is pending consideration before the Legislature.

13. *Damage or loss of documents.*—

(i) Members shall be responsible for any damage caused to the documents or other property belonging to the Library and shall be required to replace such documents or property damaged or to pay the compensation charges specified in sub-rule (iv).

(ii) While borrowing a document the member shall satisfy himself that the document lent to him is in good condition. If it is not, he shall immediately bring the matter to the notice of the Librarian or in his absence, the person in charge of the Library lest he be held liable for the damage.

³⁰ Inserted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024.

(iii) If one document of a set is damaged or lost the whole set shall be replaced.

(iv) If a document is not returned to the Library after the expiry of three months from its due date, it will be presumed lost and steps will be taken to recover the replacement cost from the member concerned as indicated below:—

		<i>Cost to be recovered</i>	
<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Publication</i>	<i>Indian Document</i>	<i>Foreign Document</i>
(a)	Document printed/published during the last five years.	Three times the original price	Five times the original price
(b)	Document printed/published more than five years back.	Five times the original price	Seven times the original price
(c)	Document which are rare and out of print and considered irreplaceable.	Ten times the original price	Ten times the original price
(d)	Document of which price is not available.	³¹ [₹ 20 per page]	³¹ [₹ 20 per page]

(v) In the case of foreign documents the cost arrived at as per sub-rule (iv) in foreign currency shall be converted to Rupees at the current exchange rate.

14. *Procedure regarding admission of* ³²[non-member]—No non-member will be admitted in to the Library unless accompanied by a Member of the Legislative Assembly or an Officer of the Legislature.

15. *Maintenance of issue register of document.*—A daily issue register shall be kept in the Library for entering details such as Accession Number, Name, Library Membership Card Number, Date of return etc., as the case may be.

31 Substituted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25-6-2024. Prior to the substitution it read as:
"Document of which price is not available. ₹ 1 per page."

32 Substituted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25-6-2024. Prior to the substitution it read as:
"stranger"

16. *Suggestion book.*—A suggestion book shall be kept in the Library for the use of the Members of the Legislature to enable them to record any suggestion they may wish to make for the betterment of the Library.

17. *Constitution of the Library Advisory Committee.*—

(i) At the commencement of each Assembly or from time to time as the case may be, an Advisory Committee consisting of not more than eight members shall be constituted by the Speaker in order to suggest ways and means for the proper working of the Library.

(ii) Seven members of the Committee shall be nominated by the Speaker. The Secretary to the Legislature shall also be a member and ex-officio convener of the Committee. The meetings of the Committee shall be presided over by the Chairman of the Committee who shall be appointed by the Speaker from among the members nominated by him. If the Chairman is absent from any sitting, the Committee shall choose another member to act as Chairman for that sitting. The quorum of the Committee shall be three.

18. *Report on the working of the Library.*—An annual report on the working of the Library shall be prepared by the Chief Librarian for each financial year and shall be submitted to the Library Advisory Committee in the month of April.

19. *Procedure regarding issue of document to proxy.*—In case a Member of the Legislative Assembly is unable to come to the Library himself he may obtain documents, in loan through an authorised agent subject to his furnishing a letter of authority in the form prescribed in Appendix to these Rules.

20. *Stock verification.*—There shall be a periodical verification of the stock of the documents in the Library. During this period no document shall be issued and the fact shall be notified in the notice board of the Library.

21. *Supersession of existing rules.*—These rules shall be in supersession of the existing rules, but any action taken in pursuance of the existing rules shall not be called in question.

FORM I

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Application for Membership

*(Ex-MLAs/MPs/Former Secretaries/Retired Officers and Staff of
Legislature Secretariat)*

Name in full (In Capitals) :
 Designation and Address for Communication :
 Permanent Home Address :
 Telephone Number/Mobile No. :
 E-mail Address :

DECLARATION

I desire to become a member of the Kerala Legislature Library and I agree to abide by the Rules in force from time to time. I shall be personally responsible for any loss sustained by Library due to my membership and shall make good any such loss. I shall intimate the Library the change of my address, if any, from time to time.

Thiruvananthapuram,

Signature of Applicant

Date :

(For Office Use Only)

Date of remittance of deposit :
 No. and date of receipt :
 File No. :
 Admitted on :
 Membership No. :

Signature of Librarian

NB:—Application must be submitted along with a recent passport size photograph.

³³FORM II

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Application for Membership

*(Officers and Staff and the Personal Assistants to Members of the
Kerala Legislative Assembly)*

Name in full (In Capitals) :

Designation and Official Address :

Date of joining service :

Date of Birth :

Date of Retirement :

Permanent Home Address :

Telephone Number/Mobile No. :

E-mail Address :

Office Identity Card No. :

I desire to become a member of the Kerala Legislature Library and I agree to abide by the Rules in force from time to time. I shall intimate the library regarding change of my official address, if any, from time to time.

Thiruvananthapuram,

Signature of Applicant

Date:

CERTIFICATE

*Certify that Shri/Smt.....is a regular employee of this Secretariat working as

OR

Certify that Shri/Smt. is a regular employee of department, now working as PA to MLA on deputation basis.

Signature,

Thiruvananthapuram,

Date :

Name and designation of appointing authority.

(Office Seal)

Admitted on :

Membership No. :

Librarian

* Strike down which is not applicable.

³⁴FORM III

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Application for Membership*[General Public (Graduates)]*

Name

In English (capitals)

In Malayalam

Address for Communication

Permanent Address

(with Village & Taluk)

Mobile Number

E-mail Address

Educational Qualifications

Occupation and Official Address, if any

Aadhaar No./Voters ID/Driving License No.

DECLARATION

I, desire to become a member of the Kerala Legislature Library and if admitted I shall abide by the rules and regulations of the Library in force from time to time. I shall be personally responsible for any loss sustained by the library due to my membership and make good any loss. I am a graduate of the University of

.....

Place :

Date :

Signature of the Applicant

1. Application must be accompanied by self attested copies of identity card, degree certificate.

2. Applicant shall notify the library regarding the change of address if any, from time to time.

³⁴ Substituted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. dt. 25th June 2024 and Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 24-6-2024.

CERTIFICATE

Shri/Smt./Kumari.....residing in (Full residential address may be given)

 is known to me and I recommend him/her for membership in the Kerala Legislature Library. I am a Gazetted Officer in the service of the.....
My date of retirement is

Place:

Date:

Signature.....

Name (in Capital).....

Designation

Official Address, Phone No. and PEN

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Permanent Residential Address with Phone No.

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- Note
1. The officer who recommends the application is requested to affix the seal of his office where he works besides his signature.
 2. The recommending officer should have 3 more years for retirement.
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(For Official Use Only)

Date & No. of remittance of deposit:

File No. Admitted on

Membership No.

Signature of Librarian

³⁵FORM III(A)

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Application for Membership*[General Public (Graduate Student)]*

Name :

In English (capitals) :

In Malayalam :

Address for Communication (capitals) :

Permanent Address :

(with Village & Taluk)

Mobile Number :

E-mail Address :

Educational Qualifications :

Name of the Educational Institution :

Name of course :

Institutional ID No./Aadhaar No. :

Duration of Course :

DECLARATION

I, desire to become a member of the Kerala Legislature Library and if admitted, I shall abide by the rules and

regulations of the Library in force from time to time. I shall be personally responsible for any loss sustained by the library due to my membership and make good any loss. I am a graduate of the University of

Place :

Date :

Signature of the Applicant

-
1. Application must be accompanied by self attested copies of identity card, degree certificate.
 2. Applicant shall notify the library regarding the change of address if any, from time to time.
-

CERTIFICATE

Shri/Smt./Kumari.....is studying
 (Name and duration of the Course may be given)
 I recommend him/her for membership in the Kerala Legislature Library.

Place:

Date:

Signature of Principal/Director.....

Name (in Capital).....

Official Address, Phone No.

.....

Office Seal :

(For Official Use Only)

Date & No. of remittance of deposit:.....

File No. Admitted on

Membership No.

Signature of Librarian

³⁶FORM IV

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Application for Renewal of Membership

[Ex-MLAs/Ex-MPs/Former Secretaries/Retired Officers and Staff of Legislature Secretariat/ Personal Assistants to the Members/General Public (Graduates) and General Public (Graduate Students)]

Name in Full (In Capitals) :

Membership No. :

Designation and Address for Communication :

Permanent Home Address :

Telephone Number/Mobile No. :

Course of Study :

My Membership in the Kerala Legislature Library may be renewed for the year.....

Date :

Signature of the Member

(For Office Use)

The Membership of Shri/Smt.
in the Kerala Legislature Library is renewed/terminated with effect from.....

Librarian

³⁷FORM V

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Application for Renewal of Membership

[Heads of Departments / Officers, Staff and retired Officers of and above the post of Under Secretary of Government Secretariat (General Administration, Law and Finance)]

Name of Member :

Library Membership Number :

Official Address :

Telephone Number :

I am a regular/retired employee of the Secretariat working in the Department. I have not applied for Non-Liability Certificate. My Membership may be renewal for the year

Date :

Signature of the Member

(For Office Use)

Shri/Smt. is a regular Member.
His /Her Membership may be renewed/terminated.

Assistant Librarian/Catalogue Assistant

Librarian

FORM VI

LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Loan Slip

(For MLAs Only)

Received the following documents for reference inside the House.

1.

2.

3.

4.

(To be returned before the House rises for the day)

Date:.....

Name and Signature of the Member

FORM VII

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Requisition for Photocopying for Official Purpose

Please arrange to supply.....copy/copies of the documents send herewith for official purpose of thesection.

Thiruvananthapuram,

Date:

Under Secretary

(For Official Use)

Please take the copies as above.

Librarian

No. of copies taken:

Date:

Photocopier Operator

³⁸FORM VIII

[See Rule 8 (b)]

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Application for Research and Reference facility

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 1. Name | : | |
| 2. Occupation | : | |
| 3. Institutional Address | : | |
| 4. Telephone Number | : | |
| 5. Residential Address | : | |
| 6. Mobile No. | : | |
| 7. Educational Qualifications | : | |
| 8. Subject area of Research | : | Ph. D/M.Phil/PG |
| 9. Nature of Research | : | |
| 10. Name and Address of the Research | | |
| Guide/Sponsoring Authority | : | |
| 11. Any other information | : | |
| E-mail Address | : | |

Place :

Date :

Signature of the Applicant

³⁸ Substituted by Notification No. 17422/Lib-1/2015/Leg. Dated 3rd October 2015. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.IV No. 2224 dated 3/10/2015.

DECLARATION

I.....hereby declare that I shall abide by the rules and regulations of the Kerala Legislature Library. The use of Legislature Library will be duly acknowledged. A copy of the thesis/any other publication brought out on the basis of the above research work shall be forwarded to the Legislature Library free of cost.

Place :

Date :

Name and Signature

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that Mr./Mrs./Ms. is a bonafide research scholar of..... University/Institute. He/She is doing research under my supervision and the topic of research is

Place:

Date:

Name and Signature of Guide :

(with seal)

For Official use

No.

Recommendation of the Reference Section
Admitted/Rejected/Kept in abeyance

Signature

(Chief Librarian/Librarian)

For Secretary

FORM IX

[See Rule 8 (c)(iv)]

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Requisition for Photocopying (Research scholars and others)

Kindly arrange to supplycopy/copies
of pages..... to.....from the document.

Yours faithfully,

Thiruvananthapuram,

Signature:

Date:

Name and Address:

(For Official use)

Please take.....copy/copies of
the document to Shri/Smt.....

No. of pages :

Amount realized :

Receipt No. :

No. of copies taken :

Librarian,

Date and Signature of Photocopier Operator

FORM X

KERALA LEGISLATURE SECRETARIAT

Legislature Library

Non-Liability Certificate has been issued to Shri/Smt.....
on..... His/Her cash deposit of Rupees.....
may be refunded.

Date.....

Librarian

To

Accounts Section for necessary action.

Copy to: 1. The Person Concerned.

(The amount may be collected from the Accounts section)

2. Stock File.

FORM XI

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Letter of Authority

I hereby authorise Shri/Smt.....whose signature is given below, to take the undermentioned documents on my behalf subject to Library Rules and I shall be responsible for other loss or damage.

Signature of the authorised person:

Date:

Signature :

Name and Address :

³⁹Form XII

[See rule 4k]

KERALA LEGISLATURE LIBRARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Application for Membership

[Retired Officers of and above the post of Under Secretary of Government Secretariat (General Administration, Law and Finance Departments)]

Name in full (In Capitals) :

Designation and Address for Communication :

Permanent Home Address :

Telephone Number :

DECLARATION

I desire to become a member of the Kerala Legislature Library and I agree to abide by the Rules in force from time to time. I shall be personally responsible for any loss sustained by library due to my membership and shall make good any such loss. I shall intimate the library the change of my address. If any, from time to time.

Thiruvananthapuram,

Date :

Signature of Applicant

³⁹ Omitted by Notification No. 20493/Lib-1/2022/Leg. Dated 25th June 2024. Published in K.G. Ext. Vol.XIII No. 2026 dated 25/6/2024.

(For Official use)

Date of remittance of deposit :

No. and date of receipt :

File No. _____ :

Admitted on :

Membership No. :

Signature of Librarian

NB: Application must be submitted along with a recent passport size photograph.

⁴⁰Form XIII

[See rule 8A (iv) (a) to (f)]

KERALA LEGISLATURE SECRETARIAT

(CHILDREN'S LIBRARY)

Form for seeking permission to consult the

Children's library

(Students sponsored by MLA/MP/Ex-MLA/Ex-MP or Employee/Accredited Journalist)

1. Full Name of Child:

(In Block Letters)

2. Age:Years. Date of Birth:

3. Parent's/Guardian's Full name:

(In Block Letters)

4. Name of the School:

5. Class/Division :

6. Address of the Parent/Guardian with Phone No.

(i) Permanent

(ii) Local (Thiruvananthapuram)

7. Name and Constituency of MLA/MP or Ex-MLA/Ex-MP who recommend the student.....

(Attach a letter from the MLA/MP or Ex-MLA/Ex-MP)

8. Details of sponsoring Employee/Accredited Journalist

Name :

Designation & Phone No. :

Department : Legislature/Accredited Journalist

<p>Paste a recent Passport size Photograph</p>
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⁴⁰ Inserted by Notification No. 17422/Lib-1/2015/Leg. Dated 3rd October 2015. Published in K.G. Ext.

Library Card No./

ID Number of Journalist :

Signature :

I have read the rules and regulations of Children's Library of Kerala Legislature and agree to abide by the rules. My ward
(Name of Child) may be permitted to use the
 reference facilities in Children's Library of Kerala Legislature Secretariat.

Place:.....

Date:.....

Signature of the Parent/Guardian

INSTRUCTIONS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Attach a recent passport size photograph (To be pasted on the Entry Pass) and a copy of school ID Card.
 2. The entry pass for consultation in the Children's Library will be issued initially for one month. The Secretary of Kerala Legislature may extend the period if required.
 3. The documents of Children's Library will be given for reference purpose only.
 4. The decision regarding the admission to the Children's Library vested in The Secretary of Kerala Legislature will be final.
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FOR OFFICE USE

Entry Pass No: _____

Date of Issue: _____

Admitted/Rejected

Signature

(Chief Librarian/Librarian)

For Secretary

⁴¹Form XIV

[See rule 8A (iv) (e)]

KERALA LEGISLATURE SECRETARIAT

(CHILDREN'S LIBRARY)

Form for seeking permission to consult

the children's library

(Students sponsored by School)

1. Name of Child

(In Block Letters)

2. AgeYears. Date of Birth:

3. Parent's/Guardian's Full name:

(In Block Letters)

4. Name of the School

5. Class/Division

6. Address of the Parent/Guardian with Phone No.

(i) Permanent (ii) Local (Thiruvananthapuram)

7. Details of Sponsoring School

Name of the school :

Address of the School :

Phone Number :

<p>Paste a recent Passport size Photograph</p>
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⁴¹ Inserted by Notification No. 17422/Lib-1/2015/Leg. Dated 3rd October 2015. Published in G. Ext. Vol.IV No. 2224 dated 3/10/2015.

I have read the rules and regulations of Children's Library of Kerala Legislature and agree to abide by the rules. My ward
 (Name of Child) may be permitted to use the reference facilities in Children's Library of Kerala Legislature.

Place:.....

Date:.....

Signature of the Parent/Guardian

CERTIFICATE FROM SPONSORING SCHOOL

Certified that.....
(Name) is a student of classof(Name of school) for the academic year He/She may be permitted to use the reference facilities in Children's Library of Kerala Legislature Secretariat.

Place:.....

Date:.....

Signature of the Head of the Institution

(Office Seal)

Instructions and General Conditions

1. Attach a recent passport size photograph (To be pasted on the Entry Pass) and a copy of school ID Card.
 2. The entry pass for consultation in the Children's Library will be issued initially for one month. The Secretary of Kerala Legislature may extend the period if required.
 3. The documents of Children's Library will be given for reference purpose only.
 4. The decision regarding the admission to the Children's Library vested in the Secretary of Kerala Legislature will be final.
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FOR OFFICE USE

Entry Pass No: _____

Date of Issue:

Admitted/Rejected

Signature

(Chief Librarian/Librarian)
For Secretary.

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