From ignominy to national acclaim

Dropped from a film in 1997 for his 'lack of acting prowess', Salim Kumar earned the National Film Award 13 years later for *Adaminte Makan Abu*

M.P. Praveen
KOCHI

Salim Kumar – the actor who later ventured into writing and directing – has had a roller-coaster career. Few actors would have endured the ignominy of being unceremoniously dropped from a film for their supposed lack of acting prowess early in their career, only to later win both the National Film Award and the Kerala State Film Award for Best Actor in the same year, a little over a decade later.

The humiliation came in 1997, a year after his debut, when he was cast in a film by a prominent director. After a day's shooting, Salim Kumar was sent back on a train by a production executive without even being told he had been replaced. He would later recall how he was mocked by many when he returned empty-handed after leaving for the shoot with much fanfare.

Redemption arrived 14 years later when he bagged twin honours for Salim Ahmed's critically acclaimed *Adaminte Makan Abu* in 2010. He had already demonstrated his range beyond humour and slapstick five years earlier, winning the Kerala State Award for Best Second Actor for his moving portrayal of Samuel, the father of a rape victim, in Lal Jose's *Achanurangatha Veedu*, inspired by the Sooryanelli rape case.

Salim Kumar. R.K. NITHIN

Purple patch

Since his debut in a small role in *Ishtamaanu Nooru Vattam* (1996), Salim Kumar has acted in over 250 films. Rafi-Mecartin's blockbuster *Thenkasipattanam* (2000) turned out to be his breakthrough and he hit a purple patch in the ensuing decade. Shafi's *Kalyanaraman* (2002) was followed by the golden year of the career in 2003 when a string of hits including *CID Moosa*, *Thilakkam*, *Pulivaal Kalyanam*, and *Kilichundan Mambazham* hit the box-office.

Though 2004 was lean with only three releases, he struck gold with *Chathikkatha Chanthu*, where his antics as Dance Master Vikram had theatres erupting in laughter. Rajakannu in *Thommanum Makkalum* (2005) and the iconic Kannan Sranku in Shafi's *Mayavi* (2007) sealed his status as the reigning comedy star. Other than the legendary Jagathy Sreekumar, few tickled the Malayali audience's funny bone as much as Salim Kumar did during his golden phase. In this he was ably supported by writer-directors such as Rafi-Mecartin and Shafi, who by their own admission, often simply wrote Salim Kumar in the script for his scenes with almost a blind faith in his humour instincts. He also shared an effortless on-screen rapport with actors Harisree Ashokan, the late Cochin Haneefa and Dileep. .

In 2017, Salim Kumar turned to writing and directing with *Karutha Joothan*, which won the State Award for Best Story. He donned the director's hat again a year later for the Jayaram-starrer *Daivame Kaithozham K. Kumarakanam*, which unfortunately flopped at the box office. Thereafter, his prolific career hit roadblocks as his health deteriorated. In the seven years since 2020, he has acted in just 22 films. His memoir, *Eeswara Vazhakkillallo*, published in 2023, only reaffirmed his mastery over humour.

Minister signals rethink on Aadhaar rule after migrant children denied admission

THE HINDU IMPACT

M.P. Praveen
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Minister for Education N. Samsudheen has said that the mandatory Aadhaar card-based headcount of students on the sixth working day of every academic year, which has led to denial of admission especially for migrant children, will be revisited and alternative measures explored.

He was responding to a report in *The Hindu* on how many migrant children in Ernakulam district were denied admission for want of Aadhaar cards at the start of this academic year. Of the 126 migrant children identified by the Centre for Migration and Inclusive Development (CMID), mostly from Assam and West Bengal and settled in migrant-dense areas such as Perumbavur, Muvattupuzha, and Kothamangalam, 88 were denied admission in this manner.

N. Samsudheen

Speaking to *The Hindu*, Mr. Samsudheen said similar incidents had come to the notice of the Education department from other districts as well. "The norm making Aadhaar card mandatory was not set by this government. It was enforced as a possible solution to prevent the same children being enrolled in different schools to inflate student numbers. We will revisit it and explore alternative ways," he said. CMID has also written to Chief Minister V.D. Satheesan demanding relaxation of the Aadhaar-based norm in the case of migrant children, citing *The Hindu* report and the directive of the Ernakulam Deputy Director of Education to Assistant Educational Officers in its wake to ensure that no student is denied admission for want of Aadhaar, as it violates the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act. The absence of a Unique Identification (UID) number also renders them ineligible for benefits such as free textbooks and uniforms.

Assault on women: key accused held

The Hindu Bureau
KOCHI

The police probing the alleged assault on two young women at Kaloor have taken into custody the prime accused in the case, Ali Akbar, a native of Palakkad. He was nabbed by a team of the Kochi City police, reportedly from a hideout at Cherpulassery in Palakkad district, on Saturday.

With this, the police have arrested four accused in the case, while six others remain absconding. The alleged assault took place around 4.30 a.m. on June 2 on Chakkalapadam Road in Kaloor.

HC wins national e-governance award

The Hindu Bureau
KOCHI

The Kerala High Court has been conferred the Gold Award at the National e-Governance Awards, 2026, for its District Court Case Management System (DCMS), an innovative digital platform developed by the by its IT Directorate.

DCMS received the Gold Award in the category "Innovation by Use of AI and Other New Age Technologies for Providing Citizen-centric Services (State and State PSUs)" from among 104 entries. The award is scheduled to be presented during the 29th National Conference on e-Governance, to be held on July 1 and 2 in Jaipur, Rajasthan. The Kerala High Court is the only High Court in the country to have deployed district judiciary case management software developed entirely by its in-house technical team.

Instituted by the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, the National e-Governance Awards represent the Government of India's highest recognition for outstanding achievements in e-Governance, digital transformation, and technology-enabled public service delivery.

DCMS is a comprehensive end-to-end digital platform implemented across the district judiciary in Kerala and the courts in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep to advance a paperless judicial ecosystem. The platform manages the complete lifecycle of cases, from filing to disposal and beyond.

MOVIE LAND

'Metro extension, GIFT City among govt's top priorities'

The Hindu Bureau
KOCHI

State Higher Education Minister Roji M. John, who has been given charge of Ernakulam district, said the United Democratic Front (UDF) government would pay special attention to the district's overall development. He said the government would identify the district's development requirements and expedite key infrastructure projects.

Addressing the media at the Ernakulam Press Club, the Minister said the extension of the Kochi Metro would be among the government's top priorities.

Work on Kochi metro Phase II, connecting JLN Stadium and Infopark, is currently under way, and steps have begun to prepare the detailed project report (DPR) for Phase III, which proposes extending the corridor to Angamaly.

The Minister blamed the previous Left Democratic Front (LDF) government for failing to realise the proposed GIFT City project in Kochi, which has remained under discussion for more than six years.

"The UDF government would initiate fresh steps to secure the necessary approvals from the Centre and move the project forward," he said.

The Minister also highlighted the long-pending Angamaly-Kundannoor Bypass project. He said the government had already initiated preliminary procedures to take the project forward.

Poet A.C. Sreehari passes away

The Hindu Bureau
KANNUR

Poet, writer and academic A.C. Sreehari passed away following a heart attack on Friday night. He was 56. A former head of the Department of English at Payyanur College, he had retired from service on April 30.

A prominent voice in contemporary Malayalam literature, several of his poems are part of university curricula across Kerala. His notable works include *Yuva Kavithakkoottam* (1999) and *Kavithayude Noottandu* (2001), both of which earned wide recognition among readers and scholars.

A.C. Sreehari

He is survived by his wife, Sangeetha K., and son, A.C. Sreeharshan.

Leader of the Opposition Pinarayi Vijayan condoled the death.

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DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SEC.13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT

To
1 (a). John K J (Deceased), Karimtholil House, Kalloorkkad, Muvattupuzha , Ernakulam, Pin 686668, **1 (b). Lizy John**, **1 (c). Jortin K John**,**1 (d). Rose Maria John**, **1. (e).Peter John**, all are residing at: Karimtholil House, Kalloorkkad P O, Muvattupuzha, Ernakulam, Pin-686668 (borrowers) and Gurantors: **2 (a). Mathew K J**, K M Online Services, Opp Maveli Store, SNDP Building, Kalloorkkad, Pin 686668, **3. Estate of the Deceased John K J**, Represented by: **3 (a). Lizy John** (Wife and Legal Heir of Late John K J), **3 (b). Jortin K John** (Son and Legal Heir of Late John K J), **3 (c). Rose Maria John** (Daughter and Legal Heir Of Late John K J), **3 (d) Peter John** (Son and Legal Heir of Late John K J) all are residing at: Karimtholil House, Kalloorkkad P O, Muvattupuzha, Ernakulam, Pin-686668.
Sir/Madam,
Notice under Sec.13(2) read with Sec. 13(3) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.
The addressee No. 1 herein have availed the following credit facilities from our **Kalloorkkad Branch** and failed to pay the dues/instalment/ interest / operate the accounts satisfactorily and hence, in terms of the RBI guidelines as to the Income Recognition and Prudential Accounting Norms, your account/s has/have been classified as Non-Performing Asset as on **15-03-2026.** As on 28-04-2026 a sum of **Rs. 61,42,023.37 (Rupees Sixty One Lakhs Fourty Two Thousand Twenty Three and Paise Thirty Seven only)** is outstanding in your account/s. The particulars of amount due to the Bank from No.1 of you in respect of the aforesaid account/s are as under:

Type of Facility	Outstanding amount as on date of NPA i.e. as on 15/03/2026	Unapplied interest	Total dues
SCC-Agriculture (UGC)	Rs. 49,96,616.72	Rs. 11,45,406.65	Rs. 61,42,023.37

To secure the repayment of the monies due or the monies that may become due to the Bank, You, had /have executed documents on 13-03-2020 and created security interest by way of:
Mortgage of immovable property:
An extent of 06.58 ares of land in Sy No. 293/3/1/4 of Kalloorkad Village,the building in it and all improvements in it as described in Release deed No 797/2019 of Kalloorkkad SRO. **Boundaries as per Sale Deed No. 1459/2004 dated 07-01-2004 of Kalloorkkad S.R.O.: East:** Kadarikuzhi Road; **South:** Kotta Road; **West:** Property of Murikananil Johnson; **North:** Mud way.
You No 3 as legal heirs of the deceased borrower Sri. John. K J, has inherited the business and securities of late Sri. John. K J, Therefore, you as the legal heir/s of Sri. John. K J, is/ are liable to discharge the aforesaid liabilities and dues availed by Sri. John. K J).
Therefore You are hereby called upon in terms of section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, to pay a sum of **Rs. 61,42,023.37** together with further interest and charges at the contractual rate as per the terms and conditions of loan documents executed by you and discharge your liabilities in full within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice , failing which, we shall be constrained to enforce the aforesaid securities by exercising any or all of the rights given under the said Act.
As per section 13 (13) of the Act, on receipt of this notice you are restrained /prevented from disposing of or dealing with the above securities without the consent of the bank.
Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.
Date: 28-04-2026, Place: Ernakulam **Sd/-, Authorised Officer**

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No. IADB/ENGG/PMC/EPTND-EP-02/1519/2026-27 Date: 06.06.2026

SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER FOR PROVIDING PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY SERVICES
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

KIADB is inviting tenders under Quality Based Consultancy System (QCBS) as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000 through electronic procurement from eligible Consulting Firms under two cover system for the following works :

Name of the Works : 1) Project Management Consultancy Services for the work of Survey, Investigation, Design, Supply, Installation, Erection, Laying, Construction and Commissioning of MS Pipe Gravity Main from Doddaballapura junction to Gowribidanur and Other Industrial Areas, 5 years of O&M for Providing & supplying fresh water to the industrial areas in districts around Bengaluru on EPC Basis. (Package-5) (2nd Call)

2) Project Management Consultancy Services for the work of Survey, Investigation, Design, Supply, Installation, Erection,Laying, Construction and Commissioning Jackwell cum pump house, M S pipe Rising Main from Yetinahole Gravity canal to MS Gravity pipe near KWIN City including Pumping Machineries and allied works inside the pump houses,SCADA, Land Acquisition & 5 years of O&M for Providing & supplying fresh water to the industrial areas in districts around Bengaluru on EPC Basis. (Package-6) (3rd Call)

The last date and time of receipt of tender is : **24.06.2026** upto **04.00 pm.**

Applicants May Download Bidding Documents from the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules,2002.Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank/Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table here in below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s).The reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the table below against respective properties

The auction will be held on 23-06-2026 for Sl.No.1 & 17-07-2026 for Sl.No.2 from 11.00 AM to 05.00 PM

Sl. No.	Name of the Branch Name of the Account Name & address of the Borrower/Guarantor	Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged / Owner's Name (mortgagers of property(ies)	A) Dt. of Demand Notice u/s 13(2) of Sarfesi Act 2002 B) outstanding Amount C) Possession Date u/s 13(4) of Sarfesi Act 2002 Nature of Possession D) Symbolic/Physical/ Constructive	a) Reserve Price b) EMD c) Bid Increase Amount	Details of the encumbrances known to the secured creditors
1	PNB ARMB ERNAKULAM **Mr. Manual Joseph**, 492 B3 Puthuveetil-3, Ayyanadu, Thrikkakara, Ernakulam-682021, also at: Summit Orient-6,Jairaj Apartments,Padamugal Kakkanad, Cochin-682021 **Mrs. Disney Manual**, 492 B3 Puthuveetil-3, Ayyanadu, Thrikkakara Ernakulam-682021	All that part and parcel of property consisting of 1.59 ares of landed property and residential building there on in Re .Sy .No. 449/14/4 & 449/14/2 (Old Sy No. 646/1) in Block No. 36 of Aluva East Village, Aluva Taluk, Ernakulam District owned by Shri Manual Joseph. **Boundaries**: **North:** Road, **West:** Property of Ummer & Others, **East:** Property of Sajitha & Road, **South:** Property of Sajitha.	A) 13(2)- 18-12-2014 **B) Outstanding Amount: Rs 54,92,038.10 (Rupees Fifty Four Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Thirty Eight and paise Ten only)** as on 30.04.2026 with further interest, cost and charges as applicable from 01.02.2026 C) PossessionNotice-10-09-2015 D) Constructive Possession	a) Rs.19,80,000/- b) Rs.1,98,000/- c) Rs.10,000/-	No such information known to the best of the knowledge of Authorized officer. The bidders are requested to do their own due diligence.
2	PNB ARMB ERNAKULAM **Aneesh Kumar.K.P.** S/o Parameswaran, **Anoop Kumar K.P** S/o Parameswaran, both address at: Kottarathil House Murayamangalam, Mamala.P.O Thiruvaniyoor Village, Puthencruz-682305	All that part and parcel of property consisting of 2.03 ares of land in Sy No 1078/4/1 Re Sy No 177-1-3-2, Block no 40 in Thiruvaniyoor Village, Kunnathunad Taluk, Ernakulam District along with residential building therein bearing Door no V/664 C of Thiruvaniyoor Grama Panchayat belonging to Mr Aneesh Kumar KP. **Boundaries: North:** Private way and property belonging to Sathi, **South:** Property belonging to Chakkala Poulose, **East:** Property belonging to Memana Soshamma and others, **West:** Part and parcel of the same property.	A) 13(2)- 04-12-2025 **B) Outstanding Amount: Rs 25,28,576.73 (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Twenty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Six and Paise Seventy Three Only)** as on 31/ 05/ 2026 with further interest, Cost and charges as applicable from 01/06/2026 C) PossessionNotice- 06-05-2026 D) Symbolic Possession	a) Rs.21,00,000/- b) Rs.2,10,000/- c) Rs.10,000/-	No such information known to the best of the knowledge of Authorized officer. The bidders are requested to do their own due diligence.

Last Date for Depositing EMD: 22-06-2026 for Sl.No.1 & 16-07-2026 for Sl.No.2

Inspection of Property with Prior Appointment with Authorized Officer: Before 20-06-2026 for Sl.No.1 & 15-07-2026 for Sl.No.2

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: (1) The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions. **(2)** The properties are being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" **(3)** The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. **(4)** The Authorized Officer reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, if not found acceptable or to postpone/cancel/adjourn/discontinue or vary the terms of the auction at anytime without assigning any reason whatsoever and his decision in this regard shall be final. **(5)** The secured asset will not be sold below the reserve price. **(6)** The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website **https://Baanknet.com on 23-06-2026 for Sl.No.1 & 17-07-2026 for Sl.No.2 from 11.00 AM to 5.00PM. (7)** For detailed term and conditions of the sale, please refer **https://Baanknet.com& www.pnb.bank.in.**

Date: 05-06-2026, 04-06-2026, Place: Ernakulam **(Sd/-) Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank, ARMB, Ernakulam**

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DEMAND NOTICE TO THE BORROWER / GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR

Sub: Notice issued under section 13(2) of the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.
Sir/Madam: You have defaulted in repayment of the loans availed from us and are liable to discharge these debts, which have been classifed as Non Performing Assets and remain unpaid despite repeated requests. Notices were sent to you under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, that if you fail to discharge the said debt with future interest and costs within 60 days of the notice, the bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub Section 4 and other applicable provisions of the said Act Including enforcement of the security interest created by you in favour of the bank.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of the Borrowers / Guarantors	Description of the Immovable Properties
1.	**M/s Philominas Food Products**, Palakkaran building, Kavumpadi Road, Muvattupuzha 686661 a proprietorship firm represented by its Proprietor **Mr. Pratheesh Thomas, Mrs. Yashica Janet**, W/o Pratheesh Thomas, both having address at: Kurisummoottil House, Perumballoor P O, Peringazha, Marady, Muvattupuzha-686673	All that part and parcel of the property having an total extent of10.24 Ares comprised in survey no 525/2/1 of Marady Village, Muvattupuzha Taluk, Ernakulam District, together with Residential Building in the name of Smt. Yashica Jannet. **Boundaries as per title deed (2346/15 SRO Muvattupuzha): East:** Neerolickal Pauls property; **South:** 12 feet road and Pratheesh Thomas property; **West:** Pittapillil Mathews property; **North:** Immanuel property. CERSAI ID: 400065572773
2.	**Mr. Noushad N U,** S/o Usman, Naduvilakath House, Edavanakkad P O, Ernakulam-682502, **Mrs. Aneesha P A,** W/o Noushad, Pallikkavaliyaveettil House, Kuzhuppilly P O, Ernakulam-682501, **Mrs. Mariyu Basheer**, W/o Basheer, Kakkat House, Edavanakkad, Ernakulam-682502	All that part and parcel of the property having an extent of 1.79 Ares (4.425 cents) in Re. Sy. No. 194/ 20 in Block No. 5 (Old Sy. No. 209/3) of Edavanakkad Village, Kochi Taluk, Ernakulam District in the name of Mrs. Mariyu Basheer. **Boundaries as per location sketch: East:** Property of Khader Kutty; **South:** Kettu of Kannu Pillai and Way; **West:** Kettu of Kannu Pillai; **North:** Property of Josa. CERSAI SI ID: 400012479675

Nature of Loan & No.	Date of sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Liability with interest	Rate of interest (Exclusive of penal charges)
OCC 43191400000464	14.01.2025	Rs.22,00,000/-	Rs. 22,61,765.81 as on 31.05.2026	10.25%
KCC 43198010003312	29.12.2023	Rs.20,00,000/-	Rs. 26,07,549.14 as on 31.03.2026	7.00%
		Total	Rs. 48,69,314.95	

Notice Date: 05.06.2026
Branch: Muvattupuzha
NPA Date: 01.05.2026

Nature of Loan & No.	Date of sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Liability with interest	Rate of interest (Exclusive of penal charges)
Housing Loan 4665619000054	22.04.2016	Rs.7,00,000/-	Rs. 6,35,378.83	8.80 %

Branch: North Paravur Main NPA Date:04.06.2026
Notice Date: 05.06.2026

Since all the notices detailed above have not been acknowledged, we are constrained to cause this publication. You are hereby called upon under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act 2002 to discharge the above mentioned liability within 60 days from the date of this notice failing which the bank will be exercising all or any of the rights under section 13 (4) of the Act. You are also put on notice that as per the terms of Sub-Section (13) of Section 13 of the Act, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets described above. This notice is issued without prejudice to the Bank's right to initiate/continue other action or legal proceedings under any other applicable provisions of law.
Place: Ernakulam, Date: 05-06-2026 **(Sd/-) Authorised Officer, Canara Bank**

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