

**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA****Abstract**

Labour & Skills Department - Representation submitted by Shri. M. V. Harindranathan - Referred to the Labour Court, Ernakulam for Adjudication as per Section 17(2) of the Working Journalists and Other Newspaper Employees (Conditions of Service) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1955 - Orders issued

LABOUR AND SKILLS (E) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.670/2026/LBR
2026

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 05-06-

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- Read 1. Representation dated 08.08.2024 submitted by Shri. M. V. Hareendranathan addressed to the Secretary, Labour and Skills Department.
 2. Letter No.LCO/4839/2024-EN(3) dated 16.04.2026 from the Labour Commissioner, Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

Whereas, the Government is of the opinion that an industrial dispute exists between Shri. M. V. Harindranathan, Sreehari Adukkathu Parambu, Chevayoor P. O., Kozhikode - 673 017 and the Managing Director, Kerala Kaumudi Private Limited, Kaumudi Buildings, Pettah, Thiruvananthapuram - 695 024 in respect of matter mentioned in the Annexure to this order.

And whereas, in the opinion of Government it is necessary to refer the said industrial dispute for adjudication;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 10 (1) (c) of the Industrial Disputes Act of 1947 (Central Act XIV of 1947) and by Section 17(2) of the Working Journalists and Other Newspaper Employees (Conditions of Service) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1955 (No.45 of 1955), the Government hereby directs that the said industrial dispute be referred for adjudication to the Labour Court, Ernakulam. The Labour Court will pass award within a period of three months.

(By order of the Governor)
SHANAVAS S I A S
SPECIAL SECRETARY

To :-

1. The Director of Printing, Thiruvananthapuram (*for publication in the Gazette and*

for supplying the usual number of copies to the Labour Commissioner and Labour and Skills (E) Department, Government Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram).

2. The Labour Commissioner, Thiruvananthapuram.
3. The Labour Court, Ernakulam.
4. Shri. M. V. Harindranathan, Sreehari Adukkathu Parambu, Chevayoor P. O., Kozhikode - 673 017.
5. The Managing Director, Kerala Kaumudi Private Limited, Kaumudi Buildings, Pettah, Thiruvananthapuram - 695 024.
6. The District Labour Officer (Headquarters) & Inspector of News Paper Establishments.
7. The Information Officer, Web & New Media (*for publishing in Government Website*).
8. Stock File.

Forwarded /By order

Section Officer

Annexures

Whether the claim of Shri. M. V. Harindranathan, former Chief Sub Editor of Kerala Kaumudi Private Limited, for balance gratuity amount with interest, by the management of Kerala Kaumudi Private Limited, Kaumudi Building, Pettah, Thiruvananthapuram - 695 024 is justifiable or not? If so what relief he is entitled to get?