

Dr. K. K. N. Kurup (Born: 1939)

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

B.A. (History) — University of Delhi
M.A. (History) — University of Calicut (1971)
Ph.D. (History) — University of Calicut (1976)

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Lecturer in History, University of Calicut (1972)
Professor of History, Mangalore University (1983)
Head, Department of History, University of Calicut (1991)
Vice-Chancellor, University of Calicut (June 1998 – June 2004)
Senior Research Fellow, Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR)
Director General, Center for Heritage Studies (Government of Kerala)

INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT:

Research visit to London (1978) — sponsored by UGC and British Council
Archival research in Basel and The Hague
Study tour to Cuba (1983) — agrarian relations and peasant revolts
Delegate to Indo-Soviet seminar, Moscow (1988) — History of peasants in struggles
Participation in IXth International Economic History Congress, Bern (1986)

Document Information

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Dr KKN Kurup - Complete List of Works | Books & Publications (Chronological Order)

THE CULT OF TEYYAM AND HERO WORSHIP IN KERALA

First Published: 1973
Language: English
Publisher: Indian Publications, Calcutta

THE ALI RAJAS OF CANNANORE

First Published: 1975
Language: English
Publisher: College Book House, Calicut

HISTORICAL STUDIES IN KERALA (CO-AUTHORED WITH M. G. S. NARAYANAN)

First Published: 1976
Language: English

ASPECTS OF KERALA HISTORY AND CULTURE

First Published: 1977
Language: English
Publisher: College Book House, Calicut

ARYAN DRAVIDIAN ELEMENTS IN MALABAR FOLKLORE: A CASE STUDY OF RAMAVILLIAM KALAKAM

First Published: 1977
Language: English
Publisher: Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram

THE KAYYUR RIOT: A TERRORIST EPISODE IN THE NATIONALIST MOVEMENT IN KERALA

First Published: 1978
Language: English
Publisher: Sandhya Publications / College Book House, Calicut

WILLIAM LOGAN: A STUDY IN THE AGRARIAN RELATIONS OF MALABAR

First Published: 1981

Language: English

Publisher: Sandhya Publications / Calicut University

PAZHASSI SAMARANGAL (MALAYALAM)

First Published: 1981 (2nd ed. 1988)

Language: Malayalam

Publisher: Kerala State Institute of Languages (KSIL)

Award: K. Damodaran Award, 1981

MODERN KERALA: RESEARCH PAPERS IN HISTORY

First Published: 1982

Language: English

Publisher: Kerala Bhasha Institute, Thiruvananthapuram

KAVALAPPARA PAPERS (EDITOR)

First Published: 1984 / 1995

Language: English

Publisher: Calicut University Historical Series, No. 1

HISTORY OF THE TELlichERRY FACTORY, 1683–1794

First Published: 1985

Language: English

Publisher: Sandhya Publications, Calicut

Pages: 317

TEYYAM: A RITUAL DANCE OF KERALA

First Published: 1986

Language: English

Publisher: Government of Kerala, Dept. of Public Relations, Thiruvananthapuram

MODERN KERALA: STUDIES IN SOCIAL AND AGRARIAN RELATIONS

First Published: 1988

Language: English

Publisher: Mittal Publications, New Delhi

Content: 13 research papers

NATIONALISM AND SOCIAL CHANGES:

THE ROLE OF MALAYALAM LITERATURE

First Published: 1989

Language: English

Publisher: CBH Publications, Calicut

PEASANTRY, NATIONALISM, AND SOCIAL CHANGE IN INDIA

First Published: 1991

Language: English

Publisher: New India Publications / Kitab Mahal, Allahabad

KOODALI GRANTHAVARI (EDITOR)

First Published: 1995

Language: Malayalam

Publisher: Calicut University Historical Series, No. 4

Pages: 237

Content: Collection of manuscript records (1532–1837 AD) from Koodali Thazhath family, Kannur

INDIA'S NAVAL TRADITIONS: THE ROLE OF KUNHALI MARAKKARS

First Published: 1997

Language: English

Publisher: Northern Book Centre, New Delhi

ISBN: 9788172110833

AGRARIAN INDIA: PROBLEMS AND PERSPECTIVES

(Felicitation Volume in Honour of Dr. K. K. N. Kurup)

First Published: 1999

Language: English

SUVIŚEṢAM UTTARAKĒRAḤATTIL: PAṬHANAM

(GOSPEL IN NORTH KERALA: A STUDY)

First Published: 2000

Language: Malayalam

LAND MONOPOLY AND AGRARIAN SYSTEM IN SOUTH CANARA WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO KASARAGODE TALUK

First Published: 2000

Language: English

Publisher: University of Calicut

THE KEYS OF MALABAR: A CULTURAL STUDY

First Published: 2008

Language: English

Publisher: Malabar Institute for Research and Development (MIRD), Vatakara

EMERGENCE OF ISLAM IN KERALA IN THE 20TH CENTURY (Co-authored with E. Ismail)

First Published: 2008

Language: English

Publisher: Standard Publishers (India), New Delhi

Pages: 393

Sanskrit Tradition of Trippunithura

First Published: 2009

Language: Sanskrit/English

MAHĀKAVI KUṬṬAMATH

First Published: 2010

Language: Malayalam

Content: Study of the poet Kuttamatth

PAITṬKA SAMṘAKṢAṆAM: PRAŚNAḤṤAḤ PRATIVIDHIKAḤ (HERITAGE CONSERVATION: QUESTIONS AND REMEDIES)

First Published: 2011

Language: Malayalam

HISTORY OF SOUTH KANARA (Set of 3 Volumes)

Language: English

Content: Comprehensive history of South Kanara region

POLITY, ECONOMY AND SOCIAL CHANGE IN SOUTH INDIA

Language: English

KERALATHILE KARSHIKA KALAAPANGAL (AGRARIAN REVOLTS IN KERALA)

First Published: 2008

Language: Malayalam

INDIA – ENTE RAAJYAM (INDIA – MY COUNTRY)

Language: Malayalam

CHERVATHOORUM MAHAKAVI KUTTAMATTHUM

Language: Malayalam

Major Awards & Recognitions

K. Damodaran Award (1981) — For Pazhassi Samarangal (Best social science writing in Malayalam)

Annadhada National Excellence Award (2019)

TK Ramakrishnan Prize (2010) — For excellence in social sciences

Research Focus Areas

Based on his publications,

Dr. Kurup specializes in:

KERALA & MALABAR HISTORY

AGRARIAN RELATIONS AND PEASANT MOVEMENTS

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGE

COLONIAL IMPACT ON MALABAR SOCIETY

FOLK CULTURE & TRADITIONS

TEYYAM RITUAL DANCE

KAZHAKAM (TRADITIONAL INSTITUTION)

KEYIS OF MALABAR

MARITIME & TRADE HISTORY

KUNHALI MARAKKARS (NAVAL TRADITIONS)

TELLICHERRY FACTORY HISTORY

PORT AND TRADE NETWORKS

POLITICAL & SOCIAL MOVEMENTS

PAZHASSI REVOLTS

KAYYUR RIOT

ANTI-IMPERIALIST STRUGGLES

PEASANT NATIONALISM

RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL STUDIES

ISLAM IN KERALA

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SANSKRIT TRADITIONS

LAND SYSTEMS & PROPERTY

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