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Press Release

Kerala Tourism wraps up 18 Muziris Heritage projects in time: Minister

Inauguration of projects in July- August, says Shri Riyas

Thiruvananthapuram, June 24: Undeterred by the pandemic-induced impediments, Kerala Tourism has completed around 18 Muziris Heritage Projects within the deadline set for them, Minister for Tourism and Public Works Shri PA Mohamed Riyas said today.

These projects, stretching across Thrissur, Ernakulam and Alappuzha districts, will be inaugurated in July and August, the Minister said after a review meeting of Muziris Heritage Projects here.

The works have been completed very fast due to the consistent intervention of the government and the support of people's representatives of the respective districts. These Muziris Projects are expected to attract more tourists to the state, Shri Riyas said.

The Minister also said that more infrastructure projects will be taken up in Kovalam by using the fund from the Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board (KIIFB). He added that necessary measures will be taken to ensure wellbeing of life guards and improve infrastructure at Poovar and Varkala after holding discussions with the officials concerned.

The Muziris Heritage Project is one of the biggest conservation projects in India, which aims to conserve more than 3000 years of rich culture and heritage. Muziris was an active port on the west coast of southern India in the 1st century BC. The project includes museums, religious sites, beaches and historical sites.

The projects that will be inaugurated in separate functions in July and August include Cheraman Juma Masjid in Kodungallur, Pattanam Information Centre, Kodungallur Temple Museum and Oottupura, Thiruvanchikulam Canal Office, Keezhthali Siva Temple, Mathilakathu PA Syed Mohammed Cultural Centre, Pathinettarayalam Kovilakam, boat jettys at Azheekkode and Munakkal, Kottayil Kovilakam at North Paravur, Holy Cross Church, Paliyam Oottupura and Kokkarani, and Pattanam Tourist Interpretation Centre.

The region that forms a part of the heritage project lies between North Paravur in Ernakulam district and Kodungallur in Thrissur district.

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