

## **Program brief**

As part of “ Hunger Free Kerala “ project , Hon’ Finance Minister, Govt of Kerala, during the budget speech of 2020-21, declared the formation of budget hotels which will provide meals to public at Rs. 20, and It was decided to implement this project through Kudumbashree. To provide financial support, to kudumbashree members an amount of Rs 10 will be provided as subsidy on each meal given through Janakeeya hotel, also an amount Rs. 50,000 will be provided for purchasing utensils and machineries. This project will be implemented in convergence with Local Self Government Institutions (LSGIs). So the rent, water and electricity charges will be borne by the respective LSGIs. As working grant, the hotels starting in urban areas will receive an amount of Rs. 30,000 and in rural areas an amount of Rs. 10,000 will be provided through Block Panchayat and Rs. 20,000 will be provided through District Panchayat. This project has become very helpful to people who live with very low income, such as daily wage workers, labourers, lottery agents. .As of today kudumbashree has formed 626 Janakeeya hotels (521 rural hotels, 105 urban hotels) have been formed across the state. In this 339 hotels are newly formed hotels and 286 hotels are converted through existing kudumbashree hotels. On an average 50,000 meals are provided daily through these hotels .This project has also become a livelihood opportunity for 2766 kudumbashree members.