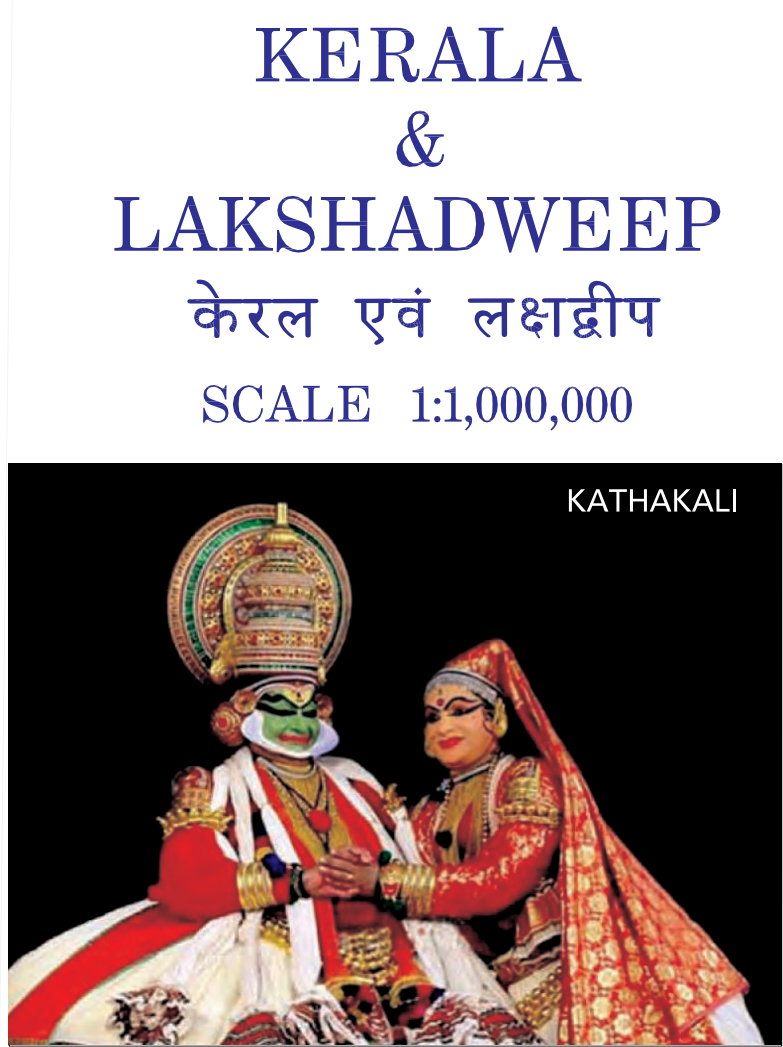




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Cradled by the sea on the West, guarded by the ghats on the East, Kerala derives its name from the local version *kera* for the coconut palm that dominates the landscape. The word *malam* is derived from the Malayalam word on English lands, the present Kerala came into being on 1st of November 1956 embracing the Malayalam speaking areas. The archaeological evidences support the continuous habitation here since megalithic age. From time immemorial, Kerala has been a melting pot of different cultures. The first migrants here introduced Hinduism, Christianity was preached by Apostle St. Thomas and Islam was brought by Arab traders. Buddhism, Judaism and Jainism were also practiced in Kerala. The land of Kerala has been a meeting place of cultures enriching the life of this tiny state. Kerala rose to prominence under the Kallasheras of 9th century. The 1000 years war between Chera and Chola Dynasties in 9th century A.D. made the land to split into petty principalities. The most important and powerful among them were the Cholas, Cheras and Kozhikode. The landing of Vasco-da-Gama at Kappad near Kozhikode exposed this territory and the whole country to European trade. The Mysorean invasion

Kerala is divided into 14 districts. Agriculture is the mainstay of the people. The forest clad hills range with rich flora and fauna presenting a vista of exotic plantations, the fertile midlands with varieties of cash crops, low lands covered with coconut groves and paddy fields, and the sea adjoining west is rich in aquatic life. The major rivers Bhāratapuzha, the Pamba, the Pariyar and 40 other minor rivers emerge from the mountains, glide across making the midlands and plains impossibly green throughout and merge with the Lakshadweep Sea. Climate is equable and the area receives plenty of rain from the south-west and north-east monsoons.

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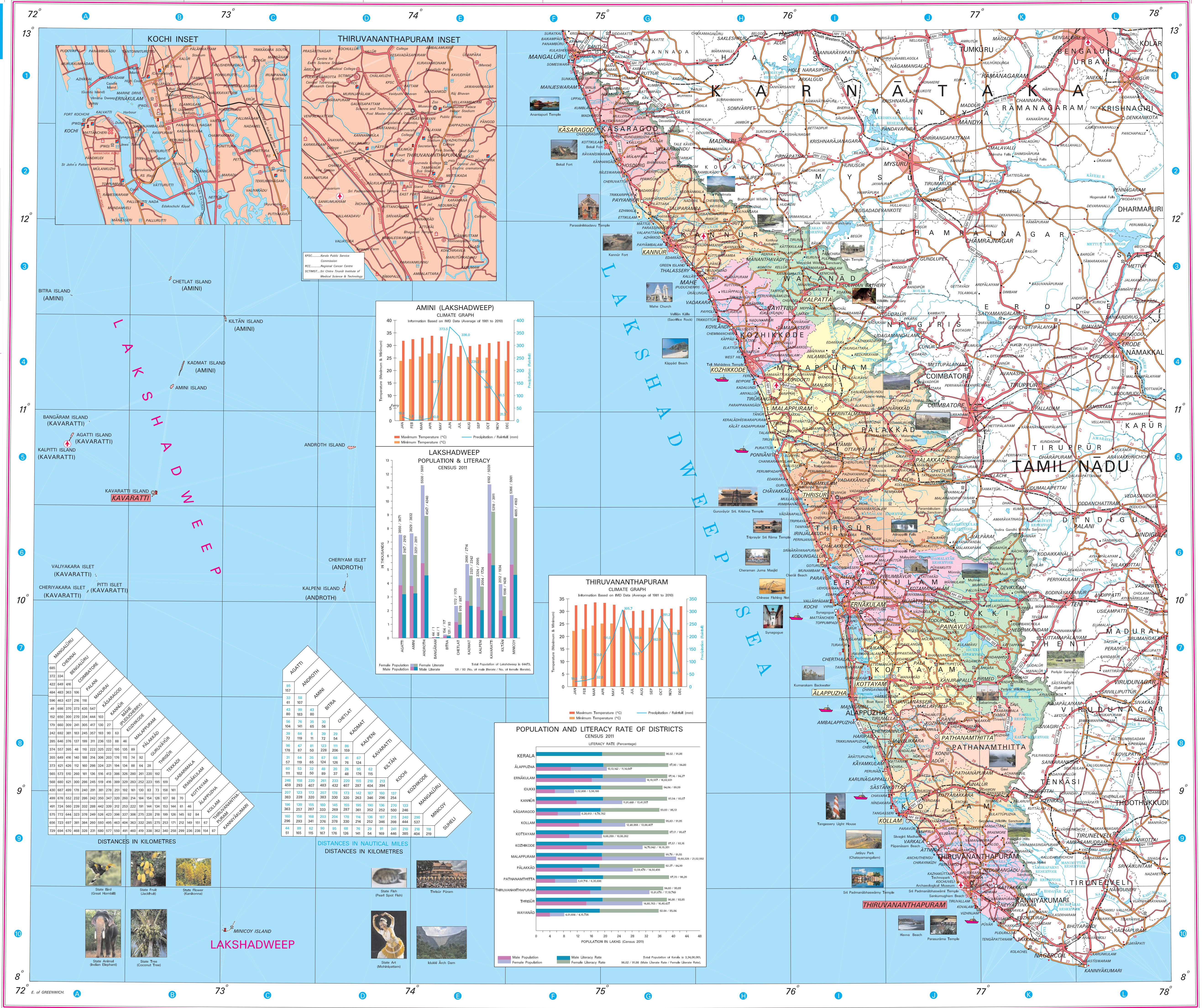
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