trying to escape from the scene. have fallen into the well while The police suspect that he must reported missing, the police said after the accident, and was an accident on Saturday. He escaped from the scene soon the driver of a lorry that met with found in a well at Ollur near here on Wednesday. Subramanian was THRISSUR: The body of a lorry driver from Mettuppalayam was

on railway track Injured man found

College Hospital treatment at Thrissur Medical Guwahati train. He is undergoing Chhattisgarh. It is suspected that Samuel, son of Melprakash of severed. He has been identified as Vallathol Nagar railway station on Wednesday with both his legs he fell off from the Ernakulamfound on the railway track near THRISSUR: A 52-year-old man was

Seminar on plant medicines

A.B. Remashree, deputy project director, Centre for Medicinal Habtemariam; P.J. Mathew, head of Plant Genetic Resources part of the conference Plants Research, Kottakkal Research Institute (JNTBGRI) and Division, Jawaharlal Nehru Tropical Botanic Garden and Aryavaidyasala will be held as experts in the field including Dr keynote address. Talks by various Careenwich, will deliver the Pharmacognosy Research Habtemariam, principal lecturer and programme leader, Gandhi University Vice-Chancellor A.V. George will inaugurate the two-day programme. Solomon of Biotechnology. Mahatma under the aegis of the Department plant medicines' will be held at seminar on 'Molecular secrets of CMS College on October 17 and 18 **KOTTAYAM**: An international

elephant attack One killed in wild

attacked it, killing Krishnankutty, 70. The roof of the house also fell constant attacks by wild animals had mostly abandoned it due to there under a government scheme an area in the elephant corridor. an autopsy to a taluk hospital in Nedumkandam. Sinkukandam is trapping the old man inside. The police said his body was taken for collapsed when the wild elephant The mud wall of the house Santhanpara police said the instance of wild elephant attack early on Wednesday. The Sinkukandam, was killed in an asleep in his house in Adivasis, who were allotted land KATTAPPANA: An old man, who was

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jayan, a leading ecologist of the area, said V.S. Vi-Western Ghats would lead (ESA) to 37 per cent of the Ecologically Sensitive Area to restrict the declaration of ronment and Forests' move

pert Panel (WGEEP). disastrous effects, said Mr. Vijayan, a member of the ready protected. No development activities are Western Ghats Ecology Extural landscape would have 63 per cent area of the Ghats by terming it as culsanctuaries which are altional parks permitted there. Excluding cludes reserve forests, The 37 per cent area in and wildlife

Once government

includes reserve forests, national parks and wildlife sanctuaries. – FILE РНОТО Thirty-seven per cent of the Western Ghats declared as Ecologically Sensitive Area

in the ecologically sensitive metres will become possible protected areas. Const tions up to 20,000 al, massive construction and mining activities will become legitimate near the goes ahead with the propos Construc-

> The Hindu on the governtation, he said. Ghats for mindless exploicision would throw open the remaining areas of the areas. The government de-

ment's decision, Mr. Vi-

against organised lobbi and mafias. The report had pro-people approach. jayan said the WGEEP w implementation of

WGEEP report would have adversely affected only the mining mafia and tho

Bakrid celebrated with trad

Kerala Bureau

on Wednesday. religious fervour in Thrissur faithful, was celebrated with or Eid-ul-Adha, the festival of sacrifice for the Islam THRISSUR/KOTTAYAM: Bakrid Prayers were offered in

various Idgahs and mosques across the district. Women, children and the elderly people participated in the

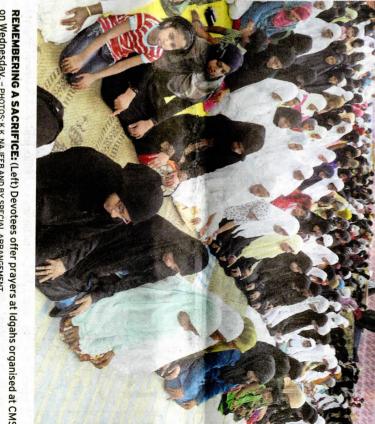
ing the meat. membered the sacrifice of Ibrahim by performing ani-mal sacrifice and distributones, and visits to friends and relatives. Faithful Musfeasts with near and dear prayers with devotion.

Prayers were followed by in good numbers re-

special Idgahs arranged at were held in mosques and Kottayam, prayers

various places.
The Kottayam president Azghar vathul Mujahidheen (KNM) organised Id prayers at Nehcommittee of Kerala Nadu-Stadium in Nagampa-KNM district

Committee, led the prayers Maulavi Swaliha Kumma-am, patron of the Kot-yam Central Idgah Farooqui led the prayers.



on Wednesday. -PHOTOS: K.K. NAJEEB AND BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

gadi Juma Masjid. Maulavi Sayid Alqasimi led the Ameen Alhasany led the prayers at the Thazhathanorganised by the committee at the Thirunakkara Mai-Maulavi Muhammed

> arrangements prayers at the Thaj Juma Masjid in Kottayam. Special for women to offer prayers were made Juma

at the venues.

Bakrid is also known as Eid-ul-Zuha, which means

is a commemoration of Ha rat Ibrahim's great test ebrated by the Muslim conmunity across the world the 10th day of the Musli the Eid of Sacrifice. It is co month of Zul-Hijja, Bakr

natural gas to houses to supply piped Govt. sets ball rolling

Ramabhadran Pillai

lish infrastructure for sup-plying natural gas through pipelines for domestic use in Ernakulam. **KOCHI:** The government has got the ball rolling to estab-

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Staff Reporter

plan for pushcart

Raids hobble Con

week seems to have hobbled its plan to launch a chain of on

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