26th
Kochi International Book Festival
December 1 - 10, 2023
Kochi, Kerala.
CELEBRATING WORD POWER

After a silver anniversary year, we are excited to exchange thoughts, stories and culture, with our readerly communities in the 26th edition of Kochi International Book Festival, to be organised from 1st to 10th December 2023, at Ernakulam, Kochi.

The largest Bookfest in Kerala and also the biggest in the country organized by a nonprofit charity, created to promote reading and encourage writing, KIBF connects readers with local, national and international authors and publishers during the course of a celebratory ten day event.

The Kochi Literature Festival, the largest and the most inclusive free literary festival in Kerala, to be held simultaneously from 6th to 10th December, 2023, is known for fostering creative dialogue among the authors, presenting new literary voices as well as established authors.

We invite publishers, book sellers and lovers of literature to join us to uphold, enjoy and celebrate storytelling, its writers and for serving the literary community by providing a highly visible platform for the work of authors and publishers.
Events

- Children’s Book Festival
- Kochi Litfest
- Seminars & Panel Discussions
- Varnotsavam – All Kerala Painting & Literary Competitions
- Best Reader Competitions
- Poet’s Meet
- Art & Cultural Programmes

Awards

- Balamani Amma Award for Literature
- Leela Menon Award for Print & Visual Media
- Poet S. Ramesan Nair Puraskaram
- Madambu Kujukuttan Puraskaram
- K Radhakrishnan Sahitya Puraskaram
- Best Publisher Award

Host City Kochi

- Historical Port City
- Gateway to God’s Own Country
- Business Capital of Kerala
- First 100% Literate District in the country
- Highest concentration of Institutions of excellence
- Rich tradition of literary and social movements
- Globally well connected with Airport, Port & Rail
- Weather in December: Mild winter
- Population 5 million

Inaugural Ceremony - 4 PM, December 1, 2023
Festival Days - December 1 to 10, 2023
Visiting Hours - 10 AM to 8 PM
Closing Ceremony - 5 PM December 10, 2023
Last date of stall booking - November 10, 2023

Type of Stalls

A/C Pavilion - Size 10m X 10m, fully carpeted with display, Chairs, Plug point and display rack.
A/C Stall - Size 3m X 3m, fully carpeted with 3 display tables, 3 Chairs, 1 plug point, 1 display rack and name facia.
Special Stall - Size 3m X 3m, fully carpeted with 3 display tables, 3 chairs, 1 plug point, 1 display rack and name facia.
Standard Stall - Size 3m X 3m, 3 tables, 2 chairs and name facia.
Half Stall - 2 tables and 1 chair

Reservation

All applications must be submitted to the General Convener not later than November 10, 2023. Reservations are on first-come-first-served basis in areas specified by the organisers. It will be confirmed only upon submission of the required payment and duly filled up application form.

Special Offers

- 10% discount on additional stalls
- Arrangements for press briefings
- Titles introduced in the Festival Bulletins
- Facilities for book launchings and sponsored events

Payments to be drawn in favour of:-
Name: Kochi International Book Festival
Bank: Bank of India, Branch: Kaloor
A/C Number: 850420110000211
IFSC: BKID0008504
GST: 32AACTA0924B1ZN

Organisers

KIBF is organised by the Anantharsha Pusthakotsava Samithi, Kochi, a registered charitable Society, established to promote reading and to encourage writing by making high quality literary activities accessible to all.
1. Participation: Application for participation is to be made in the prescribed form. Approval of participation and exhibits will be at the sole discretion of Antharashtra Pusthakotsava Samithi.

2. Electricity Charges: No electricity charges will be levied for normal use.

3. Allocation of space: Space allocation will be done by KIBF on first-come-first served basis subject to optimum utilization of space. Space would be allotted to participants and no subletting will be allowed.

4. Possession of space: Possession of space will be given only on receipt of full payment including participation charges and charges for additional furniture if any.

5. Construction of Stall: The interior design of the stall will have to be within the architectural guidelines specified by KIBF. Construction work of the stall will be permitted only within the area allotted. Passages inside the halls will not be used for this purpose.

6. Operation of stalls: No stall should be left unattended during the exhibition hours. Staff of participants must be present at least half an hour before the opening and half an hour after the close of the festival. The personnel manning the stall should be decently dressed. No activity which in the opinion of KIBF amounts to nuisance or annoyance shall be carried out by the participants. KIBF shall have the right to take remedial action in such cases. Exhibitors must not obstruct passages and other amenities. Playing of audio-video cassettes should be confined to the stall without disturbing the adjustment stall.

7. Vacation of space: Space will have to be vacated within half day after the closing ceremony. Participants who fail to vacated the space will have to pay penalty to KIBF and the KIBF shall have the right to remove the exhibits/materials etc. of the participants at the cost of the participants.

8. Security: KIBF will make the general security arrangements.

9. Fire Prevention: Participants will keep and maintain the lighting equipment within their stalls as per safety regulations. Arrangement of the extinguishers in stall / pavilion is the responsibility of the individuals / participants.

10. Insurance: Participants will insure their exhibits and the display materials against loss, damage, theft, fire or any cause whatsoever. They will also obtain third party liability insurance cover for construction period, fair period and dismantling period. Insurance agents will be available from November 29 at the KIBF Office.

11. Sales/Cash Receipt: Proper cash receipt should be issued for all sales made. Books should be properly packed before handing over to buyers.

12. Discount: Minimum 10% discount shall be offered to the book sold in the Pusthakotsavam.

13. Violation of rules: Pirated/plagiarised materials are not allowed to be sold. Exhibits violating Copyright Act or related acts will not be allowed inside the stalls for sale. In the event of violation of any of the rules or laws by the participants or their representatives, KIBF shall have the right to close down the stall of the participants immediately.

14. Refund: No refund/adjustment of participation fee will be made by KIBF.

15. Interpretation: The decision of General Convener, KIBF or his nominee shall be final and binding on the participants with regard to the interpretation on these rules and regulations.

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