

LOCATION AND GEOGRAPHICAL AREA

Malappuram (literally, a land of tops hills) is situated 50 kms south-east of Kozhikode, bounded by the Nilgiri Hills in the east, the Arabian sea in the west and Thrissur and Palakkad districts in the south. Malappuram is enriched by three great rivers flowing through it - the Chaliyar, the Kadalundi and the Bharathappuzha. Malappuram District came in to existence on 16th June 1969 by merging the contiguous area of erstwhile Palakkad and Kozhikode districts.

The district has a geographical area of 3550 Sq.Kms, which is 9.13 % of the total area of the state. The Nilgiris and the Arabian Sea acts as the natural boundaries of the district in the east and the west respectively. The south and north of the district are bounded by Palakkad /Thrissur and Kozhikode/Wynad districts respectively. Malappuram district has got remarkable achievement in agricultural sector but these advantages are yet to be reflected in industrial sector.