

Award for Karur Soman



London based Novelist Karur Soman has been awarded 2007 Libi Foundation Award. His novel Kinavukalude Theeram was selected to receive this esteemed award. The book is based on the life of Indian community in Gulf countries.

Mr Soman has written several novels, poems, dramas, short stories and travelogs. His first drama, KadalKara was published in 1985 by VidyarthiMitram Press. Newspapers and magazines in Kerala, Gulf Countries, America and Britain often publish his work. An American Malayalam publication serialised one of his novels, Kalpadukal.

Mr Soman is the recipient of several other awards. His novel 'Katheerunna Kannika' received the Veedasa Malayalee award. The award was presented to him by the late prime minister Narashimha Rao.

His drama Kadalnakara Embassy School won the Kodupunna Sahithya Award, which he received from late Thakzhy Sivasankara Pillai. Two other novels, 'Kanal' and 'Kadinamazha Nanajapol' were selected for awards by World Malayalee Council Sahithya Award, Parapauram Pravasi Sahithya respectively.

Mr Soman, who hails from Mavelikkara is married to Omana(Aleyamma).

They have three children, Rajeeve, Simi and Sibin.

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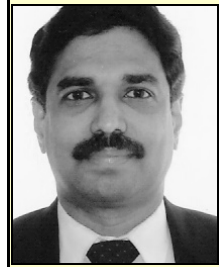
Changes in the UK Immigration Rules

Working Holidaymaker Scheme to end this year

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The working holidaymaker scheme allows nationals of participating Commonwealth countries, British overseas citizens, British overseas territories citizens, or British nationals (overseas) who are aged between 17 and 30 to come to the United Kingdom for a holiday of up to two years. You will be allowed to work, but the holiday must be the main reason for your stay in the United Kingdom and the work you do must be a minor part of this.

You may work for a total of up to 12 months during your stay. You may choose when to work and when to take your holiday breaks, but if you work for a total of more than 12 months you will be breaking the conditions of your working holidaymaker visa. Your visa will be valid for up to two years from the date you arrive in the United Kingdom, and any time you spend outside the United Kingdom during that time will count as part of your permitted stay here.

While you are in the United Kingdom on a working holidaymaker visa, you can take most types of work, including voluntary work. However, you may not establish any type of business or to provide services as a professional sportsperson. Any other type of professional work is permitted.

The working holidaymaker visa is a short-term immigration category. If you come to the United Kingdom on a working holidaymaker visa, you will be allowed to stay for a maximum of two years. When your visa expires, you will be expected to return to your home country. You will not be allowed to extend your visa as a working holidaymaker. You may be able to stay longer by switching to a different category of visa. However, the home office do not view the working holidaymaker visa as mainly an employment category of visa, so there are restrictions on your ability to switch to another category while you are still living in the United Kingdom and you should not expect to be able to do so.

If you have previously come to the United Kingdom on a working holidaymaker visa, you will not be eligible for further entry clearance in this capacity.

Please note the working holidaymakers scheme is due to be deleted later this year when the new points-based system, of Tier 5 is launched.

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Reply to Ref. 153/2

Parents hailing from ancient Syrian Catholic family in Kerala invite proposal for their daughter, Age 24, height 5'4", highly qualified engineer IIT Madras), who is now settled in USA with Green Card. Seeks alliance from Malayali Syrian catholic Doctors or Engineers. Reply to email: dm51487@gmail.com

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Ref: 152/2

CSI Syrian Christian parents from Ernakulam, invite proposals for their committed Godfearing daughter, 22/154, BS in Electrical Engineering from USA, was working as Engineer in a reputed company in USA, presently working in UK, from parents of Godfearing, professionally qualified boys working in USA / UK. E-mail: monyoommen@hotmail.com Tel: 00 91 94477 97945 (India)

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