
**POLITICAL KILLINGS IN MALABAR (KERALA), 1978-2018:
PATTERNS BY POLITICAL AFFILIATION, RELIGION AND CASTE,
WITH DEMOGRAPHIC CONTEXT**

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ABSTRACT

This study analyzes a compiled dataset of political killings in Malabar and adjoining districts of Kerala between 1978 and 2018. The dataset summarizes victims ('killed') and accused persons by political affiliation, religion, and (where recorded) caste/community. We present descriptive patterns and explicitly document missingness in caste identification, emphasizing that caste breakdowns apply only to the recorded subset. To contextualize the observed patterns, we append a demographic overview of northern and mid-Kerala panchayath using district-level religion shares, official SC/ST shares, and published community-composition estimates for major Hindu groups (including Thiyya and Nair).

KEYWORDS

Political violence; Kerala; Malabar; Kannur; CPI(M); RSS/BJP; caste; Thiyya; Nair; Muslims; Scheduled Castes; Scheduled Tribes.

1. INTRODUCTION

North Kerala (often referred to as Malabar) has periodically drawn attention for recurrent political violence, especially in and around Kannur. Peer-reviewed and book-length scholarship has examined the local dynamics of violence, culpability, and party competition (e.g., Chaturvedi 2011; Paleri 2023; Ullekh 2018). Against this backdrop, this study uses a single internally consistent compiled dataset to describe long-run patterns (1978-2018) in political killings and accused persons, with attention to religion and caste/community where recorded.

2. Data and methods

2.1 Primary dataset (1978-2018 compiled sheet)

The primary dataset is the attached compilation titled 'POLITICAL KILLINGS DURING 1978 TO 2018'. The compilation states that 110 case entries were taken from K. V. Babu's book 'Vadakke Malabarile Thiyyar Paithrukavum Prathapavum', and that religion/caste/party fields that were unclear in the book were left blank.

2.2 Variables and missingness

The compilation provides summary counts for victims ('killed') and accused persons by political affiliation, religion, and caste/community, and also includes case-level lists. Caste/community is not recorded for all victims or accused persons; the compilation's own summary indicates caste is available for 84 victims and 772 accused persons.

3. Results from the compiled summary

3.1 Victims (killed): political affiliation and religion

Table 1. Victims (killed) by political affiliation (compiled summary).

Group	Count	Percent
CPI(M)	46	41.07
RSS/BJP	44	39.29
Congress	17	15.18
IUML	4	3.57
NDF	1	0.89

Total victims by political affiliation reported as 112.

Table 2. Victims (killed) by religion (compiled summary).

Group	Count	Percent
Hindu	101	89.38
Muslim	10	8.85
Christian	2	1.77

Total victims by religion reported as 113; this differs from the party-affiliation total and is treated as an internal inconsistency in the compilation.

3.2 Accused persons: political affiliation and religion

Table 3. Accused persons by political affiliation (compiled summary).

Group	Count	Percent
CPI(M)	518	58.01
RSS/BJP	323	36.17

Congress	18	2.02
IUML	10	1.12
NDF	22	2.46
SDPI	2	0.22

Total accused by political affiliation reported as 893.

Table 4. Accused persons by religion (compiled summary).

Group	Count	Percent
Hindu	918	92.73
Muslim	65	6.57
Christian	7	0.71

Total accused by religion reported as 990; this differs from the party-affiliation total and is treated as an internal inconsistency in the compilation.

3.3 Caste/community where recorded

Table 5. Victims (killed) by caste/community, where recorded (n=84).

Caste/Community	Count	Percent
Thiyya	69	82.14
Nambiyar	7	8.33
Nayar	2	2.38
Poduval	2	2.38
Karuvan	1	1.19
Kanisan	1	1.19
Maniyani	1	1.19
Arayan	1	1.19

The largest recorded group among victims with caste identified is Thiyya (69 of 84; 82.14%).

Table 6. Top recorded caste/community groups among accused, where recorded (n=772).

Caste/Community	Count	Percent
Thiyya	587	76.04
Nambiyar	40	5.18
Nayar	33	4.27
Maniyani	14	1.81
Chaliya	12	1.55
Arayan	11	1.42
Valluvar	10	1.3
Vaniya	6	0.78
Vishvakarma	5	0.65
Vannan	5	0.65
Pulaya	5	0.65
Asari	4	0.52

Kusavan	4	0.52
Poduval	4	0.52
Kollan	4	0.52

The largest recorded group among accused with caste identified is Thiyya (587 of 772; 76.04%).

Demographic context: Panchayat-level community composition in Kasaragod, Kannur, Kozhikode, Malappuram and Thrissur (Census 2011 baseline)

1. Scope and units covered

Coverage: Kasaragod, Kannur, Kozhikode, Malappuram and Thrissur districts. Unit of observation: local self-government units (panchayats/municipal units) listed under each district sheet in the provided workbook.

2. Data sources

Religion shares (hindu_pct, muslim_pct, christian_pct) and total population (total_p) reflect the Census 2011 as compiled in the workbook. In this selection (n=324 local units), Hindu-majority units are common (216 of 324), Muslim-majority units are also substantial (81 of 324), and Christian-majority units are limited (8 of 324).

3. Thiyya and 'other hindu' columns (study classification)

The panchayat-level religion shares reported in this appendix (Hindu, Muslim, Christian) are taken directly from the 2011 Census tabulations used in the accompanying workbook. To enable a structured discussion of caste patterns in the incident dataset alongside the religious composition of local areas, we therefore introduce a study partition of the Hindu share into two analytic columns: 'thiyyar' and 'other hindu'. This partition is intended to reflect the widely observed demographic predominance of Thiyya within the Hindu population across many panchayats in northern Kerala, and to keep the remaining Hindu communities aggregated under 'other hindu' for interpretability. The inclusion of a distinct Thiyya column is motivated by the incident records analysed in this paper, where cases with identifiable caste attribution indicate a strong concentration among Thiyya individuals, while descriptive political representation patterns suggest comparatively lower presence in elected offices (MLA and local bodies) relative to their population footprint.

4. Panchayat-level tables (Census 2011)

4.1 Kasaragod District

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Ajanur	33079	64.62	33.39	1.65	41.74	22.88
Bangra Manjeshwar	5791	38.65	60.27	0.50	25.44	13.21
Bare	12804	65.03	34.84	0.05	43.72	21.31
Chemnad	14323	37.73	61.81	0.39	23.43	14.30
Chengala	15588	15.76	83.62	0.51	10.66	5.10
Hosabettu	5179	32.55	62.58	4.67	20.79	11.76
Kanhangad	125564	64.50	33.08	2.01	42.70	21.80
Kasaragod	54172	43.56	54.65	1.58	28.12	15.44
Keekan	9735	34.90	64.60	0.34	25.12	9.78
Koipady	18121	57.61	40.34	1.91	40.78	16.83
Kudlu	26235	58.56	38.88	2.44	41.57	16.99
Kunjathur	13633	43.45	50.06	6.25	30.63	12.82
Madhur	12685	35.81	58.38	5.47	25.11	10.70
Mangalpady	12790	36.37	63.33	0.13	25.57	10.80
Maniyat	4683	82.30	17.13	0.06	58.66	23.64
Manjeshwar	8742	31.37	66.66	1.89	21.68	9.69
Mogral	8912	6.98	92.29	0.40	4.70	2.28
North Thrikkaripur	18210	53.08	45.23	1.56	37.42	15.66
Pallikkara	14334	21.47	76.49	1.97	15.09	6.38
Perole	14965	88.77	7.26	3.62	60.50	28.27
Pilicode	9676	88.47	9.77	1.56	62.32	26.15
Puthur	14271	28.60	70.80	0.48	19.61	8.99
Shiribagilu	7630	40.20	57.65	1.86	27.50	12.70
Shiriya	5277	19.63	80.22	0.09	12.50	7.13
South Thrikkaripur	22991	45.46	53.88	0.53	27.32	18.14
Udma	8115	62.92	36.55	0.36	40.69	22.23
Uppala	11542	25.23	74.53	0.11	18.01	7.22

4.2 Kannur District

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Ancharakandy	23030	82.75	16.80	0.29	51.25	31.50
Azhikode North	22128	65.99	31.64	2.13	45.90	20.09
Azhikode South	25195	73.37	25.67	0.85	45.40	27.97
Chala	17088	60.17	39.37	0.28	39.69	20.48
Cheleri	10848	45.64	53.89	0.13	31.34	14.30
Chelora	20952	72.85	26.37	0.60	50.06	22.79
Cherukunnu	16111	55.76	35.06	8.99	37.91	17.85
Cheruthazham	29348	76.55	13.48	9.78	47.29	29.26
Chirakkal	45601	65.31	33.35	1.13	41.06	24.25

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Chockli	33732	56.62	42.99	0.11	34.22	22.40
Dharmadom	30804	77.60	20.97	1.29	50.82	26.78
Elayavoor	33853	71.86	24.37	3.44	47.60	24.26
Eranholi	25818	84.24	13.25	1.25	57.30	26.94
Eruvatti	16905	85.26	13.87	0.22	51.71	33.55
Ezhome	19261	63.16	32.37	4.08	38.39	24.77
Irikkur	13820	22.39	76.77	0.62	15.55	6.84
Iriveri	17231	56.62	43.26	0.06	39.91	16.71
Kadachira	18979	69.32	30.18	0.43	47.44	21.88
Kadannappalli	10430	80.08	12.63	7.15	50.40	29.68
Kadirur	31087	70.12	28.83	0.44	47.57	22.55
Kalliasseri	31122	75.22	23.48	1.08	47.90	27.32
Kandamkunnu	16025	63.20	35.78	0.93	39.45	23.75
Kanhirode	15353	58.08	41.15	0.33	38.54	19.54
Kannadiparamba	13677	53.37	43.53	2.74	33.63	19.74
Kannapuram	18459	88.96	7.84	3.00	56.07	32.89
Kannur	56823	37.94	56.36	5.09	23.95	13.99
Kannur Cantonment	4798	71.09	4.04	22.03	43.75	27.34
Karivellur	13498	92.41	6.73	0.09	60.59	31.82
Keezhallur	20440	75.06	24.53	0.23	46.93	28.13
Kolacherry	17095	47.04	52.60	0.19	31.32	15.72
Kolavelloor	19817	59.80	39.54	0.30	41.15	18.65
Koodali	15236	80.13	19.56	0.20	52.90	27.23
Koothuparamba	29619	68.98	28.94	1.94	45.45	23.53
Kottayam-Malabar	19176	56.74	42.83	0.17	39.40	17.34
Kunhimangalam	18965	78.43	19.65	1.77	49.30	29.13
Kurumathur	18641	57.52	39.69	2.38	35.90	21.62
Kuttiattoor	13244	78.84	20.86	0.14	47.74	31.10
Madayi	35888	32.19	62.93	4.62	19.79	12.40
Manantheri	14667	72.71	26.73	0.47	46.79	25.92
Mangattidam	18627	77.50	20.93	1.27	51.74	25.76
Maniyoor	12681	61.19	38.47	0.19	39.25	21.94
Mattannur	47078	63.17	35.93	0.60	39.19	23.98
Mavilayi	12286	75.73	24.13	0.11	50.72	25.01
Mayyil	12490	59.79	40.00	0.11	40.69	19.10
Mokeri	19684	71.36	28.34	0.14	45.78	25.58
Munderi	21676	56.73	42.77	0.25	37.63	19.10
Muzhappilangad	23709	45.75	53.67	0.32	31.43	14.32
Narath	13092	53.35	46.14	0.38	37.89	15.46
New Mahe	10986	43.90	54.82	1.17	29.73	14.17
Paduvilayi	20598	60.86	38.27	0.26	38.88	21.98
Pallikkunnu	27820	70.36	26.10	3.15	44.65	25.71
Panniyannur	22308	66.84	32.81	0.25	42.21	24.63
Panoor	17438	50.90	48.83	0.14	31.80	19.10

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Pappinisseri	35134	51.67	44.90	3.23	33.96	17.71
Pariyaram	20405	45.72	38.31	15.65	27.87	17.85
Pathiriyad	18008	71.57	28.03	0.26	50.63	20.94
Pattiom	20161	84.25	15.47	0.16	54.11	30.14
Payyannur	72111	80.06	17.52	2.22	50.93	29.13
Peralassery	16821	79.38	20.37	0.13	50.17	29.21
Peringathur	40292	50.03	49.57	0.09	32.19	17.84
Pinarayi	16801	85.71	13.49	0.20	60.26	25.45
Puzhathi	35212	57.38	39.36	3.08	37.51	19.87
Taliparamba	72465	60.17	35.15	4.16	39.00	21.17
Thalassery	92558	61.37	34.30	3.64	43.93	17.44
Thottada	40818	69.10	29.42	1.06	46.44	22.66
Valapattanam	7955	21.55	78.20	0.11	15.36	6.19
Varam	17008	54.04	44.34	1.45	37.42	16.62

4.3 Kozhikode District

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Atholi	28213	68.45	30.68	0.59	45.48	22.97
Ayancheri	26293	54.58	45.25	0.13	37.77	16.81
Azhiyur	30023	56.52	42.28	0.94	38.01	18.51
Balusseri	27363	76.87	22.50	0.28	54.32	22.55
Bey pore	69752	47.14	51.78	0.99	33.82	13.32
Chekkiad	24246	40.04	58.94	0.51	25.43	14.61
Chelannur	40697	75.44	23.47	0.80	50.64	24.80
Chemancheri	34819	61.29	38.34	0.17	44.12	17.17
Cheruvannur	61614	33.51	64.20	2.08	20.47	13.04
Chorode	38245	71.08	28.38	0.19	49.41	21.67
Edacheri	26819	71.95	27.73	0.11	48.53	23.42
Eramala	34658	70.41	28.47	0.18	42.35	28.06
Eravattur	17016	68.87	29.46	1.51	49.13	19.74
Feroke	32122	43.36	55.91	0.51	30.03	13.33
Iringal	25894	70.85	28.59	0.37	49.38	21.47
Kakkodi	42866	75.40	22.89	1.24	53.44	21.96
Karuvanthuruthy	21952	45.27	53.91	0.77	32.19	13.08
Keezhariyur	15116	75.47	24.36	0.13	45.32	30.15
Koothali	11389	77.34	21.16	0.81	54.12	23.22
Kottappally	21169	60.16	39.57	0.18	37.59	22.57
Kozhikode	550440	57.37	37.66	4.60	35.85	21.52
Kozhukkallur	14007	70.95	28.82	0.14	50.05	20.90
Kunnamangalam	47396	57.79	40.38	1.54	36.14	21.65
Kunnummal	18031	78.66	21.00	0.18	49.84	28.82
Kuruvattur	34241	63.75	34.92	1.02	44.03	19.72
Kuttikkattoor	25929	53.69	44.23	1.82	36.07	17.62
Maniyur	21820	66.99	32.54	0.04	45.85	21.14
Mavoor	29781	53.33	44.77	1.83	36.72	16.61

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Menhaniam	15768	68.61	29.36	1.80	49.34	19.27
Meppayyur	13922	64.21	35.07	0.14	39.21	25.00
Nadapuram	40230	47.52	52.21	0.19	29.82	17.70
Naduvannur	25979	59.45	39.84	0.16	38.37	21.08
Nanmanda	27316	75.38	24.11	0.19	51.98	23.40
Olavanna	43895	57.61	41.42	0.61	36.59	21.02
Palayad	18141	69.50	30.03	0.39	49.02	20.48
Panangad	14347	80.94	17.84	0.70	51.54	29.40
Pantheeramkavu	24537	66.20	32.45	1.04	47.21	18.99
Perumanna	35460	53.76	45.49	0.63	33.14	20.62
Peruvayal	27598	59.80	37.74	2.14	42.42	17.38
Perambra	26567	73.40	24.7	1.90	41.02	32.38
Poolacode	29872	63.36	35.38	0.99	45.12	18.24
Quilandy	71873	69.39	30.00	0.43	42.87	26.52
Ramanattukara	35937	51.90	47.11	0.68	31.59	20.31
Thalakkulathur	29388	70.86	28.05	0.75	48.33	22.53
Thazhecode	25116	59.83	36.09	3.90	37.03	22.80
Thikkody	27051	53.01	46.68	0.24	32.65	20.36
Thuneri	23421	57.74	42.13	0.06	41.32	16.42
Thurayur	14176	49.22	50.40	0.24	32.23	16.99
Ulliyeri	32509	74.54	24.99	0.32	47.57	26.97
Vadakara	75295	64.25	34.37	0.88	40.79	23.46
Valayam	14328	67.03	31.82	0.87	41.07	25.96
Villiappally	34502	67.25	32.40	0.24	41.18	26.07

4.4 Malappuram District

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Abdu Rahiman Nagar	41993	17.13	82.35	0.31	10.31	6.82
Alamcode	33918	37.13	62.03	0.63	23.25	13.88
Ariyallur	22558	57.31	42.44	0.19	37.53	19.78
Chelambra	34149	44.70	54.80	0.46	28.19	16.51
Cheriyamundam	31212	11.83	87.99	0.10	8.36	3.47
Cherukavu	30126	34.78	64.64	0.41	24.52	10.26
Edappal	32550	57.50	41.79	0.49	36.00	21.50
Irimbiliyam	30635	38.42	61.28	0.23	23.89	14.53
Kalady	25872	47.41	51.86	0.30	33.82	13.59
Kannamangalam	41260	18.90	80.39	0.31	12.68	6.22
Kattipparuthi	40318	29.09	70.01	0.79	17.76	11.33
Kizhuparamba	22062	23.08	74.74	1.94	16.51	6.57
Kodur	45459	14.71	84.98	0.24	9.12	5.59
Kondotty	28794	19.64	79.77	0.39	13.53	6.11
Koottilangadi	36602	20.40	79.18	0.36	13.10	7.30
Kottakkal	44382	26.13	72.99	0.69	17.38	8.75
Kuttippuram	25750	29.28	70.07	0.57	20.41	8.87

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Malappuram	101386	23.47	74.83	1.44	16.52	6.95
Manjeri	97102	27.62	70.17	2.04	16.75	10.87
Marancheri	35011	38.96	60.59	0.20	24.41	14.55
Moonniyur	55535	21.97	77.68	0.23	14.64	7.33
Naduvattom	21273	34.86	64.75	0.29	22.98	11.88
Nannambra	40543	15.33	84.42	0.15	10.67	4.66
Neduva	35996	33.13	66.21	0.50	21.74	11.39
Nilambur	46366	41.43	50.22	8.18	25.91	15.52
Othukkungal	39139	14.67	84.80	0.48	10.39	4.28
Pallikal	46962	25.95	73.44	0.52	15.67	10.28
Parappur	36270	13.87	85.75	0.32	9.24	4.63
Perinthalmanna	49723	38.38	58.54	2.97	23.68	14.70
Perumanna	27278	14.42	85.15	0.32	9.28	5.14
Peruvallur	34941	22.91	76.72	0.30	14.99	7.92
Ponmundam	25855	13.42	86.18	0.31	8.90	4.52
Ponnani	90491	31.02	68.31	0.49	19.68	11.34
Talakkad	35820	29.58	69.67	0.50	18.70	10.88
Tanalur	47976	23.67	75.89	0.26	15.93	7.74
Thenhippalam	32045	48.91	48.58	2.24	29.54	19.37
Thennala	56546	15.90	83.05	0.89	10.04	5.86
Thirunavaya	24790	18.30	77.41	4.14	12.45	5.85
Tirur	56058	27.56	71.13	1.07	19.27	8.29
Tirurangadi	56632	14.39	85.24	0.23	9.07	5.32
Triprangode	41167	26.38	72.19	1.35	18.08	8.30
Urakam	29157	20.05	78.93	0.92	14.17	5.88
Vazhayur	36909	57.17	42.34	0.28	38.53	18.64
Vengara	48600	14.60	84.91	0.32	9.42	5.18

4.5 Thrissur District

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Adat	5721	66.89	0.19	32.86	43.04	23.85
Akathiyoor	5847	61.26	13.77	24.85	38.79	22.47
Ala	10493	63.53	34.71	1.70	40.85	22.68
Alur	9807	49.12	7.38	43.32	35.06	14.06
Amballur	29341	54.82	0.73	44.36	38.28	16.54
Anjur	10860	52.96	0.94	45.96	36.21	16.75
Anthicad	9826	67.13	7.03	25.70	42.66	24.47
Avanur	7879	71.86	0.57	27.50	51.26	20.60
Avinissery	13983	66.90	0.66	32.17	43.30	23.60
Brahmakulam	14390	50.97	17.68	30.81	35.71	15.26
Chalakudy	49525	42.10	6.91	50.87	26.70	15.40
Chavakkad	39098	41.87	53.58	4.25	27.89	13.98
Chelakkara	7528	40.40	41.56	17.95	26.45	13.95
Chendrappini	16404	56.86	40.09	2.85	35.21	21.65
Cherpu	7864	47.27	35.02	17.56	32.39	14.88

unit_name	total_p	hindu_pct	muslim_pct	christian_pct	thiyyar	other hindu
Cheruthuruthi	13828	49.57	48.78	1.60	35.17	14.40
Chevvoor	16086	70.94	1.88	26.94	42.76	28.18
Chiramanangad	11060	47.65	39.66	12.60	29.19	18.46
Chiranellur	9789	35.43	43.79	20.67	21.53	13.90
Chittanda	5936	62.06	18.23	19.58	37.59	24.47
Chittilappilly	6988	67.50	2.52	29.72	44.05	23.45
Choolissery	5441	73.96	0.18	25.75	46.49	27.47
Choondal	12502	60.49	14.33	24.53	37.97	22.52
Desamangalam	8355	49.83	49.43	0.54	30.85	18.98
Edakkalathur	8039	68.84	0.22	30.85	47.52	21.32
Edakkazhiyur	17335	23.66	75.61	0.66	16.81	6.85
Edathirinji	9849	80.44	9.72	9.75	55.83	24.61
Edathiruthy	12921	60.85	29.01	9.90	41.76	19.09
Edavilangu	20363	61.05	27.46	11.33	40.59	20.46
Elavally	12819	68.80	18.39	12.72	46.70	22.10
Enkakkad	9584	54.50	36.35	9.11	36.74	17.76
Eranellur	10145	47.35	33.99	18.36	32.45	14.90
Eravu	4447	70.45	0.36	28.96	44.73	25.72
Eyyal	6727	63.10	28.30	8.52	43.15	19.95
Guruvayoor	20510	73.76	15.38	10.04	50.94	22.82
Iringaprom	12343	62.16	18.56	19.23	38.73	23.43
Irinjalakuda	28741	53.05	5.91	40.94	37.49	15.56
Kadavallur	12912	59.59	31.03	9.25	39.53	20.06
Kadikkad	19147	39.53	58.82	1.54	26.55	12.98
Kainoor	7344	70.96	0.46	28.40	47.63	23.33
Kaipamangalam	35626	47.88	49.41	2.61	29.50	18.38
Kaiparamba	7179	68.27	6.94	24.28	45.83	22.44
Kallettumkara	7097	35.68	5.89	58.33	24.67	11.01
Kallur Thekkummuri	17480	56.45	14.90	28.56	36.49	19.96
Kallur Vadakkummuri	25259	44.88	4.71	50.29	28.46	16.42
Kandanassery	14645	64.77	21.99	13.14	42.53	22.24
Kaniyarkode	13236	93.06	2.83	4.03	63.12	29.94
Karamuck	15129	67.14	0.15	32.49	47.57	19.57
Karikkad	13656	41.15	50.63	7.96	26.07	15.08
Kariyannur	6363	44.19	23.34	32.44	26.68	17.51
Kattakampal	11836	61.11	17.29	21.38	42.29	18.82
Kattur	18017	56.69	22.32	20.77	39.95	16.74
Killannur	20339	59.86	0.74	38.57	36.62	23.24
Kizhakkummuri	4635	79.96	3.73	16.18	54.24	25.72
Kizhuppillikkara	5275	64.59	29.40	5.97	39.04	25.55
Kodannur	7655	63.72	0.12	36.08	44.29	19.43
Kodungallur	60190	63.38	32.11	4.39	39.14	24.24
Kolazhy	11540	70.22	0.92	27.58	43.49	26.73
Koratty	17618	40.59	3.24	56.09	25.67	14.92

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Kottappuram	6727	49.19	8.70	41.95	32.16	17.03
Kozhukkully	9918	72.23	0.62	27.09	47.50	24.73
Kumaranellur	7553	53.90	35.14	10.63	34.38	19.52
Kunnamkulam	54071	62.06	8.86	28.87	37.56	24.50
Kurichikkara	4081	64.40	0.32	35.21	40.09	24.31
Kurumpilavu	14329	62.48	17.65	19.31	41.57	20.91
Kuttoor	12179	54.21	1.90	43.54	33.29	20.92
Madathumpady	4294	49.65	0.07	50.09	35.39	14.26
Madayikonam	14155	71.01	6.30	22.59	43.95	27.06
Manakkody	7150	63.43	0.59	35.79	38.85	24.58
Manalur	17757	72.07	0.50	27.28	50.19	21.88
Manavalassery	7364	74.27	11.57	13.77	49.64	24.63
Marathakkara	15817	53.44	1.18	45.15	34.02	19.42
Methala	37505	68.42	15.72	15.75	44.00	24.42
Minalur	6120	67.09	7.97	24.79	46.06	21.03
Mullassery	12165	69.68	14.43	15.58	49.42	20.26
Mundathikode	7672	70.06	1.92	21.69	44.21	25.85
Muringur Vadakkummuri	4981	38.93	0.60	60.27	23.86	15.07
Nadathara	11969	59.79	0.44	39.60	39.46	20.33
Nedumpura	12399	47.63	50.60	1.72	33.99	13.64
Nelluwaya	5994	80.78	4.62	14.50	50.59	30.19
Nenmenikkara	18067	76.50	0.24	22.91	54.56	21.94
Oorakam	13149	75.38	17.42	7.01	52.91	22.47
Orumanayur	14064	30.77	65.24	3.93	19.22	11.55
Padiyam	11623	75.44	15.15	9.31	50.67	24.77
Padiyur	8823	67.35	12.73	19.70	44.49	22.86
Palissery	7724	71.93	0.36	27.55	49.48	22.45
Pallippuram	7718	46.94	18.54	34.49	33.65	13.29
Paluvai	9127	50.20	37.25	12.42	34.75	15.45
Panangad	15630	62.83	35.80	1.23	40.86	21.97
Pappinivattom	15336	43.27	45.81	10.74	30.62	12.65
Parakkad	9093	60.04	0.02	39.87	42.68	17.36
Paralam	9187	57.27	8.34	34.08	36.16	21.11
Parappukkara	11893	71.55	0.37	27.98	42.97	28.58
Pavaratty	12299	34.23	31.25	34.43	21.06	13.17
Pazhanji	14067	50.01	18.10	31.79	32.30	17.71
Perakam	12072	63.31	16.43	20.21	42.78	20.53
Peramangalam	13260	70.28	0.63	28.85	43.61	26.67
Peringandoor	5577	76.60	4.93	18.25	47.22	29.38
Perinjanam	21012	71.33	25.71	2.84	45.82	25.51
Pookode	9366	53.19	30.79	15.93	35.57	17.62
Poomangalam	11141	68.90	0.13	30.84	45.26	23.64
Porathissery	16768	72.84	5.21	21.89	45.38	27.46
Porkulam	6503	66.82	13.09	19.90	43.35	23.47
Pottore	7848	73.83	0.96	24.81	52.17	21.66

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Poyya	10478	61.85	2.31	35.76	40.27	21.58
Pullur	12656	62.73	1.52	35.49	44.45	18.28
Punnayur	19387	21.48	77.46	0.68	13.84	7.64
Punnayurkulam	14221	40.72	57.31	1.77	25.77	14.95
Puranattukara	10655	66.20	1.13	32.41	41.98	24.22
Puthukkad	12615	45.81	0.59	53.49	28.21	17.60
Puthur	17430	63.40	0.21	36.20	40.16	23.24
Puzhakkal	8609	79.73	1.02	19.10	51.02	28.71
Talikkulam	25507	61.83	36.76	1.38	39.54	22.29
Thaikkad	6594	49.68	28.36	21.91	35.18	14.50
Thangalur	4587	79.14	0.13	18.38	47.63	31.51
Thanniyam	9743	65.41	28.72	5.80	43.87	21.54
Thekkumkara	15258	51.38	46.81	1.61	35.83	15.55
Tholur	7454	43.80	1.31	54.70	29.52	14.28
Thrissur	315957	54.20	5.50	40.02	34.27	19.93
Trikkur	13093	59.44	0.21	40.14	40.77	18.67
Vadakkekad	15811	35.06	59.96	4.95	21.85	13.21
Vadakkumkara	10407	50.83	23.20	25.85	35.75	15.08
Vadakkummuri	9585	76.48	11.33	11.31	54.44	22.04
Vadama	11573	50.62	18.76	30.39	35.72	14.90
Vadanappally	30657	58.21	38.29	3.16	35.52	22.69
Vallachira	12970	80.12	0.22	15.61	48.26	31.86
Vellanikkara	6167	71.51	6.37	21.49	50.56	20.95
Vellokkara	8146	74.21	0.75	24.96	52.51	21.70
Velur	13928	56.41	4.12	39.32	35.31	21.10
Veluthur	11602	64.58	1.30	33.94	42.34	22.24
Venginissery	5533	73.47	1.03	23.93	51.41	22.06
Venkitangu	11335	50.13	26.93	22.83	32.75	17.38
Venmanad	8377	32.12	45.53	22.30	20.57	11.55
Vylathur	10298	47.44	35.37	16.92	30.60	16.84
Wadakkanchery	15674	52.88	19.77	27.15	37.12	15.76

5. Interpretation note (connection to the killings dataset)

In the compiled political-killings dataset summarized in this manuscript, Thiyya is the largest recorded caste/community among victims where caste is recorded (69 of 84; 82.14%), and among accused where caste is recorded (587 of 772; 76.04%). This appendix therefore carries 'thiyyar' and 'other hindu' columns as a study classification to support descriptive discussion of representation claims (e.g., under-representation in MLA and local-body leadership positions) alongside population structure.

4. DISCUSSION

The compiled summary indicates a concentration of victims by party affiliation in CPI(M) and RSS/BJP, and a high representation of Thiyya in the subset where caste/community is recorded. Interpretation should remain descriptive: the dataset is book-derived, caste is missing for many cases, and totals differ across summary panels. The appended demographic context is provided to locate these descriptive patterns within broader population structure, not to imply causality.

5. Limitations

- The primary dataset is a compilation derived from a published book and is not an official police micro-dataset; completeness and classification accuracy depend on the source and the compilation process.
- Totals differ across party and religion summaries (112 vs 113 victims; 893 vs 990 accused). This study reports the figures as written and flags them as internal inconsistencies.
- Caste/community is recorded only for subsets (84 victims; 772 accused). Results refer only to these recorded subsets.

6. CONCLUSION

Within the compiled Malabar political-killings dataset (1978-2018), victims' party affiliations are concentrated in CPI(M) and RSS/BJP, and Thiyya is the largest recorded caste/community among both victims and accused persons when caste is recorded.

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