Details of ‘Aadugramam’ (Goat Village), livelihood program of Kudumbashree in Animal Husbandary sector was explained yesterday in ‘Making an Impact Article-120’. ‘Ksheerasagaram’ is yet another livelihood programme of Kudumbashree in this sector. Ksheerasagaram programme inspires the Kudumbashree neighbourhood group members who are interested in cow rearing to do the same.

A unit of Ksheerasagaram programme consists of 5 members. When 5 people come together to become part of the programme, they would be extended the needed training and they would be registered as a group under a Kudumbashree CDS (Community Development Society). Every member of the group would be given 2 cows each, i.e., a group would be given a total of 10 cows altogether. Rs. 6,25,000 is the estimated amount needed to buy the cows and for meeting the related expenses. Kudumbashree would give 35% of the amount, i.e, Rs. 2,18,750 as subsidy.
Ksheerasagaram programme was launched during 2012. Kudumbashree aimed at increasing the production of the milk of a particular area and thereby make them self sustainable in milk production. As per the statistics, there are 1245 Ksheerasagaram units functioning all across the state. 6225 women are finding their livelihood through these enterprises.

In Idukki, a producer company named 'Imashree Producer Company' was formed by joining those who are finding their livelihood through Ksheerasagaram project. Imashree Producer Company have a total of 232 beneficiaries. The activities for increasing the milk production in that particular area and the activities for producing value added products of milk etc are progressing through the Imashree Producer Company. Our goal is to make value added products of milk and help the beneficiaries of Ksheerasagaram increase their income.