Kudumbashree Cafe Corner being a boon to the Pravasi families who arrive at the airport

Kudumbashree have been making as many notable interventions that are being useful for the whole society during the crisis situation of covid-19. Now we have started yet another activity that is bringing relief to the expats who are returning to their homelands. As many expatriates are returning to Kerala through the four airports in the state, Kudumbashree have started Cafe Corners that make available lift refreshment and snacks to the travellers who arrive at the airports. The first of its kind kiosk was started at Nedumbassery International Airport, Ernakulam.

In the present condition, the expats who arrive at the airports have to spend more time at the airports for health related tests. So they would have to buy tea, coffee and other snacks from there. But when they have to buy food from the airports, they would have to spend more money for that because of higher cost of food @ airport canteens. It was understood that this is bothering the expats who are returning in this crisis period. So on 24 June, the Government directed the respective collectors to set up kiosks in airports through Kudumbashree. These are envisaged as small units selling tea, coffee, mineral water and other snacks in reasonable rates. Based on this instruction, Kudumbashree
State Mission directed the four District teams to take necessary actions. On 25 June itself the Cafe Corner started functioning at Nedumbassery. Today, Shri. S. Suhas IAS, District Collector, Ernakulam officially inaugurated the Cafe Corner.

Cafe Corners are run by the enterprise units from Kunnukara and Choornikkara CDSs @ Cochin International Airport. Through these Cafe Corners that function round the clock, drinking water, tea, coffee and snacks are made available to all at reasonable rates. This service model would soon be started functioning at Thiruvananthapuram International Airport, Kannur and Karipur International Airports as well. Appreciations to all District teams and entrepreneurs who came forward with a decision to help the expats, soon after getting the instructions.