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### **Serving the best to men in uniform**

Police personnel on duty at Sabarimala are treated to a variety of tasty and quality food at the police mess, manned by personnel of Kerala Armed Police, 4th battalion Kannur. Managing the mess for the second consecutive year, the battalion personnel comprising groups of 60 each take care of the food needs of police personnel at sannidhanam numbering more than 2500. Operating five times a day, the activities like cutting vegetables, cooking etc. are all done by this group. A typical work day here starts at three in the morning and goes late into the night.

Making the menu at the sannidhanam police mess tasty and varied are the vegetables brought directly, three times a week, from places like Parakode and Ayarkunnam in Kottayam district. Fruits are also part of the menu here. While the last-grade staff in the battalion looks after the crucial task of cooking, other personnel take care of the hospitality and serving duties. Assistant Commandant, C Asok is in charge of running the police mess, assisted by two circle inspectors and five sub inspectors. IGP Kori Sanjaykumar Gurudin does the overall supervision.

## KSRTC inter-state service from Pamba

Kerala State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) will commence its inter-state bus service from Pamba by the end of this week. Following the demand of pilgrims, the new service will connect places like Palani, Thenkassi, Madurai and Coimbatore to Sabarimala. Preparations for the new service at Pamba are complete for which twenty buses will be used. KSRTC is already operating daily services to Chengannur, Kumily, Kottayam, Erumeli, Ernakulam, Thrissur, Guruvayur, Varkkala, Thiruvananthapuram and Thiruvalla, for which 40 buses are being used.

KSRTC offline booking facility is available at Pamba, which the pilgrims can make use of before their ascend to sannidhanam, which helps KSRTC to assess and manage their services based on the number of pilgrims returning after the darshan. KSRTC also operates three free services for pilgrims on the Triveni-Pamba stretch. KSRTC has a team of 54 personnel, comprising drivers and conductors and 41 mechanics stationed at Pamba, besides two ambulance drivers. All arrangements are supervised and executed by KSRTC Special Officer, D Shibu Kumar and Assistant Special Officer, Sunil Kumar.



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