

Press Release

Cruise Tourism Season starts in Kerala

Cruise vessel MS Boudicca arrived at Cochin Port today morning with 469 high-end guests heralding the commencement of cruise tourism season in Kerala.

The tourists were given traditional welcome along with *Singarimelam* by ladies. Tourism Department has organised 'KALEIDOSCOPE - KERALA'S PERFORMING ARTS' show in a makeshift theatre complex at the Ernakulam Wharf for interested passengers.

Stalls were also put up at the wharf for selling handicrafts & curio items.

An air-conditioned tent was set up at the ernakulam wharf for passenger facilitation for the first time as a stopgap arrangement till the new cruise terminal is made operational at the wharf.

Cochin Port is the most preferred cruise destination in India with 42 cruise calls during the last season. Around 50 cruise liners are scheduled to visit the port this season, expecting to be highest in India.

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