

Title: Need to declare national holiday on Vishwakarma Day and on birth and death anniversary days of Shri Narayana Guru -laid

ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE (IDUKKI): The national holidays of a country reflect its connection between the past and the present. It signifies the reverence of a nation towards its history and also a recognition of people, regions and communities that has contributed greatly towards our civilisation. Considering this, my submission is that a few national holidays and commemoration days are added from the list of such days celebrated in the State of Kerala. Shri Narayana Guru's life has influenced people across the country and the globe, and it is not limited to people of Kerala. His teaching of 'One caste, One Religion, One God for humanity' has resonated across the globe. I submit that his birth and death anniversary days be declared National Holidays. The Vishwakarma day is celebrated on the September 16th or 17th every year. It is a very important day of observance for the people who belong to the Vishwakarma community. It is a religious holiday of utmost importance for the followers of Vishwakarma community, which is a very important Hindy community. Hence, I urge upon the Government to declare the Vishwakarma day as well as the birth and death anniversary days of Shri Narayana Guru as National Holidays.