

Awards for best fish farmers announced

T'Puram: Fisheries Minister J Mercykutty Amma on Monday announced the awards for best fish farmers in the state. The awards will be presented at a function at CSI Convention Centre at Kollam on Tuesday-National Fish Farmers' Day. "The award for the best freshwater fish farmer was won by Pradeep Jacob of Thiruvalla. While the award for the best brackishwater aquaculture was won by Laiju Johny of Thrissur," said Mercykutty Amma. Other winners include P K Sudhakaran of Thrissur, who has been selected as the best shrimp farmer, and Joly Varkey of Thodupuzha for best practices in innovative fish farming. The award for the local body which promotes aquaculture will be presented to Chirakkara gram panchayat.