

Syro-Malankara Catholic Church
Extra Ordinary Holy Episcopal Synod

(20 September 2023, Vimalagiry Bishop's House, Muvattupuzha)

Decisions

1. Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos should take the lead in easing financial burden of Malankara Major Seminary. It was agreed that Bava Thirumeni can take a decision in consultation with the seminary commission.
2. Decided to arrange a bill from the Seminary so that each eparchy may pay their annual fee for the Seminary in three instalments.
3. Decided to explore the income generating possibilities of the land owned by the Seminary.
4. Decision on the mission exposure programme of the Seminary can be taken after an accurate evaluation of it.
5. Decided to appoint resident professors in the Seminary for Canon Law, Moral Theology, and Liturgy.
6. Future Professors for the Seminary should be selected from our Seminary students themselves. We can select brilliant students and allow them to complete licentiate in our country, send them for higher studies after two years teaching in the Seminary, and appoint them as professors after the completion of their higher study.
7. Decided to send the competent priests, who are recently ordained and have done two years parish ministry, for licentiate this year itself.
8. The Synod responded positively to the project presented by Rev. Fr. Varghese Vallikkat as a way out of the financial crisis of the Gurgaon eparchy. Along with the Rs 20 crore given by a trust, the

Synodo decided to give Rs 10 crore from the proceeds from the sale of the school in Assam.

9. The Synod entrusted Bava Thirumeni to enquire whether Mr. Yoosaf Ali would be interested to buy the school and land of the eparchy of Gurgaon.

10. The Synod decided to give each eparchy a precise project to take the complete responsibility of each mission of Gurgaon eparchy.

11. Each eparch promised an amount to help the Eparchy of Gurgaon in its financial crisis. The decision is to pay this amount on or before September 30.

Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis	- 10,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Thomas Mar Koorilos	- 10,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Joseph Mar Thomas	- 10,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Thomas Mar Eusebius	- 2,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Yoohanon Mar Theodosius	- 5,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Yohanon Mar Chrysostom	- 2,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Geevarghese Mar Makarios	- 2,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Samuel Mar Irenios	- 5,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Mathews Mar Polycarpos	- 2,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Joshua Mar Ignathios	- 5,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Antony Mar Silvanos	-5,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Abraham Mar Julios	-2,00,000/-
Most. Rev. Vincent Mar Paulos	- 2,00,000/-

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12. The Synod discussed the canonical provisions of UK

13. *Lectio Divino* will be conducted in each parish under the leadership of the Bible Apostolate in the year 2024.

14. An one hour talk on Servant of God Mar Ivanios will be conducted in each parish under the leadership of *Suvisesha Sangam* members.

15. A schema for a Youth Catechesis will be prepared and distributed to the bishops.

16. It was decided to calculate the number of those who do not have a habitable house in our church and present it in the next Synod.

17. The Synod opined that we should be very careful in taking seminarians and priests from other rites.