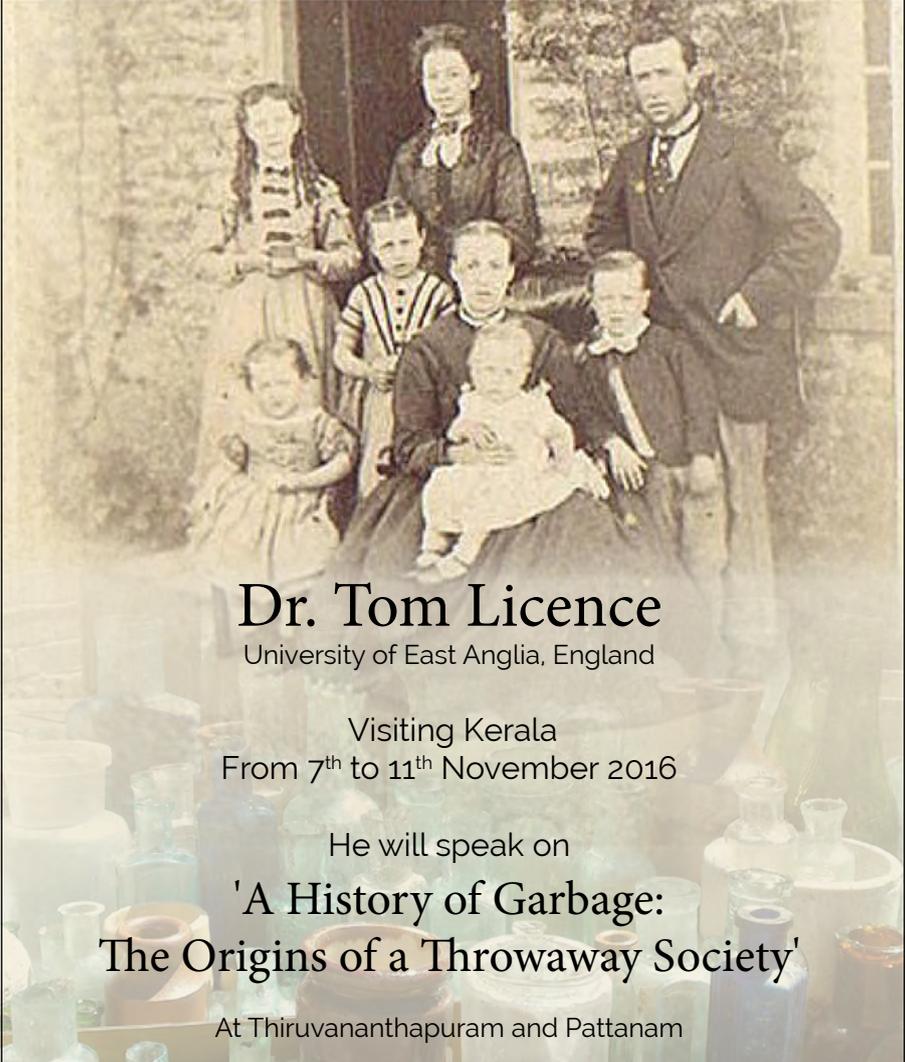




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## Dr. Tom Licence

University of East Anglia, England

Visiting Kerala  
From 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016

He will speak on  
**'A History of Garbage:  
The Origins of a Throwaway Society'**

At Thiruvananthapuram and Pattanam

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(KCHR), Thiruvananthapuram

In collaboration with  
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Invites you to the public lecture by

**Dr. Tom Licence**  
University of East Anglia, England

on  
'A History of Garbage:  
The Origins of a Throwaway Society'

11th November 2016 at 2.30 pm  
Fourth Estate Hall, Press Club, Thiruvananthapuram

**Dr. Thomas Isaac**  
(Hon. Minister for Finance, Govt. of Kerala) would preside  
over the function

You are cordially invited to attend the public lecture

(Join us for a cup of tea & snacks)

Chairman  
KCHR

Director  
KCHR

**11<sup>th</sup> Nov 2016**

**Fourth Estate Hall, Thiruvananthapuram at 2.30 pm**

- Welcome : **Prof. P. J. Cherian**  
Director, KCHR
- Presidential remarks : **Dr. Thomas Isaac**  
Hon. Minister for Finance  
Govt. of Kerala
- Lecture : **Dr. Tom Licence**  
University of East Anglia, England
- Discussion
- Vote of Thanks : **Dr. Preeta Nayar**  
Research Officer, KCHR

**7<sup>th</sup> Nov 2016**

**Indian Institute of Archaeology Pattanam at 10.30 am**

- Welcome : **Dr. Deepak Nair**  
Research Associate, KCHR
- Presidential remarks : **Prof. P. J. Cherian**  
Director, KCHR
- Lecture : **Dr. Tom Licence**  
University of East Anglia, England
- Q & A session with the students, staff and others attending the lecture
- Vote of Thanks : **Ms. Sindhura T. P**  
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**'A History of Garbage: The Origins of a Throwaway Society'** - Humans, since pre-historic times, have generated waste, but it was the Victorians (1837-1901) who first generated garbage in large quantities. The arrival, in the late nineteenth century, of brands and packaged products led to the creation of a new waste stream consisting of glass, ceramic, metal and paper packaging. Disposability was a factor in its design, and soon the Victorians learned to discard not only things that were broken, but also empty containers. Such were the origins of our throwaway society.

In this lecture, Dr. Licence uses items excavated from rubbish dumps to show how our throwaway habits developed. He explores Victorian ideas about re-use and re-cycling, and links emerging patterns of waste-creation to the growth of western consumerism.



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