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Kerala wall: 50 lakh women form 620-km Vanitha Mathil, take pledge to uphold gender equality

The event is being organised by the Pinarayi Vijayan-led LDF government. It is believed to be the largest women's gathering in the world.

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Lakhs of women in Kerala took a pledge to protect the renaissance value as they formed a 620-km 'wall' from Thiruvananthapuram to the northern district of Kasaragod. (Image: Twitter/@neelippenu)

HIGHLIGHTS

Lakhs of women lined up to take part in a 620-km 'wall' in Kerala

The wall stretched from Kasargod to Thiruvananthapuram

In a defining moment for feminist politics in Kerala, lakhs of women filled the roads from Kasaragod to Thiruvananthapuram and took a pledge to protect the renaissance value and uphold gender equality.

Although the wall was organised by the state's Left Democratic Front (LDF) against the backdrop of the Supreme Court verdict on Sabarimala, the women's pledge reportedly had no reference to the shrine.

Here are 10 developments from the venue

1. Organisers claimed more than 50 lakh women, including actors and political leaders from across the state, came to support the 620-km Vanitha Mathil or the women's wall.
2. Women joined hands along the national highway (NH) to connect the south and north ends of the state for five minutes.

"Today's women wall formation was an aim to strengthen gender equality. Women should no longer be pushed into dark sides," CPM leader Brinda Karat said.



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