The researcher fervently hopes that the suggestions put forth in the light of a dedicated and strenuous study of the economics of pepper plantation in Kerala will receive the attention that they deserve. It is fondly hoped that the invaluable lessons drawn from such a study, though primarily for a doctoral degree, will not end up as a cry in the wilderness. Let me conclude with the immortal words “Awake, Arise and Stop not, till the goal is reached”.

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