A NOTE ON DOCUMENTATION AND TRANSLITERATION

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For purposes of Transliterating the Mayalayam titles words and phrases into English, the generally accepted notation suggested in the Gundert Dictionary has been followed in this study. A copy of the key for Transliteration is appended to this note.