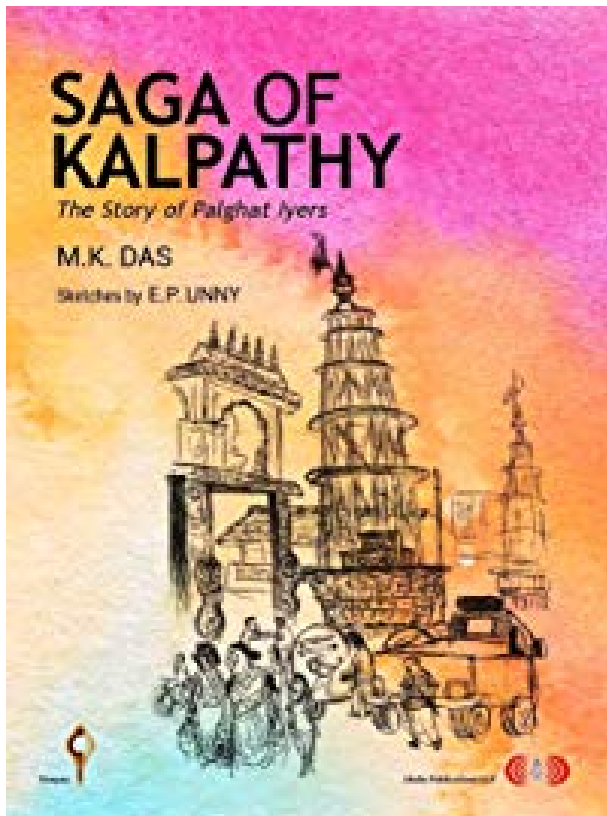


# Saga of Kalpathy: The Story of Palghat Iyers



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The story of displacement is always a story of pain.

Survival is a mere chance for the displaced. Whatever may be the reason, this is the story of the displacement of Palghat Iyers, who came to Kerala through Palghat gap of Western Ghats around 8th - 9th centuries. Quoted extensively from the written history as well as the local oral history, this work traces the history and social compulsions of this extraordinary people. The focus of this book is on the Tamil Brahmins of Palghat, their settlement pattern, integration with the local population, the challenges they faced, the crises they encountered and their transformation into a progressive community. Their counterparts elsewhere in the state are also referred to but only to the extent relevant. There is, however, a reference in some detail to the migrations to Mattancherry, a major trade and business centre in the erstwhile Cochin State.