

# Reports of marine mammal strandings

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A Spinner dolphin, *Stenella longirostris* was washed ashore at Puthankadapuram landing centre in Thrissur district on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015. The animal was in decayed condition and had an injury near caudal base. The total length of animal (snout to notch of caudal flukets) was 242 cm. The length of the upper jaw and lower jaw were 38 cm each. The total number of teeth on each side of the upper jaw was 87.

On 29.05.2014, a Baleen whale measuring 16.5 metres (m) in total length was washed ashore at Blangad Landing Centre, Thrissur district, Kerala. The whale was in a highly putrified condition and Panchayat authorities buried it.



Baleen whale stranded at Blangad