INVITATION





Thrissur Management Association

(Affiliated to All India Management Assoication-AIMA)

The President and Managing Committee members of Thrissur Management Association Cordially invite you to the function to falicitate

our Patron CA Ramachandran Ottapth (CEO, Choppies Group, Botswana)

(who is featured on the cover page of Forbes magazine)

And to his address on the topic "Africa - The Emerging Opportunity"

Urijaa - Online Health Prognosis Portal promoted by IBSC India Wellness Limited will make a presentation

SATURDAY 26 MARCH 2016, TIME: 06:00 PM, VENUE: HOTEL POORAM INTERNATIONAL, THRISSUR



PROGRAMME

Prayer

Welcome address : Er.P Anand Menon

(Senior Vice President, MA)

Presidential Address : CA V Venugopal

(President, TMA)

Introducing Chief Guest

& Felicitation : CA T.S. Anantharaman

(Past President, TMA)

Address by Chief Guest : CA Ramachandran Ottapathu

(CEO-Choppies Group Botswana)

Presentation of Urjjaa Online Health Prognosis Portal : **Dr. P P Suresh Kumar** (Regional Director & Chief Trainer – IBSC India Wellness Limited)

Vote of Thanks : Er. Vinod Manjila

(Hon. Secretary, TMA)

Dinner Follows....

THRISSUR MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

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MANAGEMENT HOUSE, 7/344/19, SOORYA GRAMAM, KIZHAKKUMPATTUKARA ROAD, EAST FORT, THRISSUR- 680005.

Profile of Mr. Ramachandran Ottapathu,



Mr. Ramachandran Ottapathu, born on 29th December 1963, in a small Village called, Ollur, in Thrissur District, of the State of Kerala, South India. He is graduated in commerce and a Chartered Accountant and a fellow member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of Inida. He is also an Associate member of Botswana Institute of Accountants and a certified SAP consultant. He is presently the Chief Executive Officer of Choppies Enterprises Ltd., a retail chain head quartered at Gaborone, Botswana and having 170 stores spread across Botswana. South Africa and Zimbabwe. He

has got over 20 years of vast experience in retail industry; handling both finance and operations. He is expert in other areas as well- Manufacturing, Packaging, Milling and Medical distribution.

Choppies Enterprises Ltd.,is listed on the Botswana Stock Exchange and has done a secondary listing on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange, Africa's biggest Stock Exchange. Mr.Festus Mogae, the former president of Botswana is heading the Board of Choppies as the Chairman. This company has bagged a turnover of about \$600 Million. Choppies is the single largest retailer in the continent.

In the past he has worked as the Financial Controller at Apollo Tyres Ltd, Gujarat. He moved to Gaborone, Botswana in 1992 leaving the accountancy career he was into, while in India, in search of better fortunes in employment. However, he realized his enterprising talents and built up his business empire over the years. There are more than 100 business enterprises under his stewardship in Botsawana. Forbes Magazine (Forbes –Africa edition) has featured Mr. Ramachandran in the Cover page of its March 2016 Edition with the tag "FROM 20 \$ TO \$300MILLION", a recognition which rarely comes. His other activities includes a Guest Faculty position in the University of Botswana.

Back home, he holds a directorship in Yogakshemam Loans Ltd., a growing NBFC based at Thrissur.