



KALASHA MAHOLSAVAM

MADIYAN KOOLOM TEMPLE



**Panchayat/
Municipality/
Corporation**

Ajanoor Panchyat

District

Kasaragode

**Nearest Town/
Landmark/ Junction**

Kerala Gramin Bank, Madiyan Branch – 1.1 Km

Nearest Bus Station

Madiyan Bus Stop – 850 m

**Nearest Railway
Station**

Kanhangad Railway Station – 4.7 Km

Nearest Airport

Mangalore International Airport – 81 Km



Madiyan Koolom Temple Madiyan,
Moolakandam - Madiyan Road,
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DATES

May

FREQUENCY

Annual

DURATION

2 Days

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

The Kalasam Festival which is the most significant festival of the temple involves the worship of Goddess Varalakshmi. The Madiyan Koolom Temple is an architectural splendor situated just 5 kilometers from Kanthagad. The principle deity of the Madiyan Koolom Temple at Madiyan is Bhadrakali. In this temple the Goddess who is worshipped is known as Kalarithi. Other deities are also found here. They include Kshetra Palan, Bhairavan and Bhagavathy. A Brahmin priest performs the Puja at noon in the Madiyan Koolom Temple at Madiyan. While in the morning and at the evening the Puja is generally performed by the people of the Manyani sector. This is a special feature of the Madiyan Koolom Temple at Madiyan. Theyyam forms a part and parcel of the Kalasam.



RELEVANCE-
(Local / National /
International)

Local



**NO. OF PEOPLE
PARTICIPATED**

Approximately 5000

EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Thidambu Nritham
Cultural performances
Religious rituals
Grant procession
Fire works display

DESCRIPTION *(How festival is celebrated)*

A bronze or a silver *Kalagam* or a pot is filled with water, rice, lime and few coins. Five specific types of leaves including Betel leaves and Betel Nuts are also placed inside the *Kalagam*. The *Kalagam* Festival at the Madiyan Koolom Temple consists of smearing the pot with sandalwood paste and covering it with new cloth up to the neck, and then worshipping it. A coconut placed on the top of the *Kalagam* represents the divine Mother Goddess. It is coated with turmeric paste and mango leaves are placed around it. The shrine of the Varalakshmi Goddess is worshiped with sincerity and dedication during this time. People throng the Madiyan Koolom Temple at this time and pray to the Goddess.

