



THIRU ULSAVAM KADAPPATTOOR SREE MAHADEVA TEMPLE



LOCATION

Panchayath/
Municipality/
Corporation

Pala Municipality

District

Kottayam

Nearest Town/
Landmark/
Junction

Kurisupally Junction – 75 m

Nearest Bus station

Pala K S R T C Bus Station – 800 m

Nearest Railway
station

Ettumanoor Railway Station – 17.8 km

Nearest Airport

Cochin International Airport – 70 km



ACCESSIBILITY

Kadappattoor Sree Mahadeva Temple
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CONTACT



TIME

DATES

March – April

FREQUENCY

Annual

DURATION

8 days

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

Kadappattoor is a small beautiful village on the banks of *Meenachil* river near Pala in Kottayam District of Kerala. The village life is centered around a Shiva temple: *Kadappattoor Mahadeva* Temple. The stone idol of Lord Shiva in *Kadappattoor Mahadeva* Temple is noteworthy and is unique unlike the idols in other Shiva temples. The idol was discovered by a woodcutter named *Madathil Paachu Nair* from inside a large tree on the banks of *Meenachil* river on 14th July 1960 while he was cutting fire wood. The day was quite unusually stormy with deafening thunder bolts. The wood cutter got quite frightened and jumped into the river as the tree fell to one side and the stone idol of Lord Shiva appeared from that. The news of appearance of a beautiful Shiva idol from the tree spread like wild fire through central Travancore and people flocked to see the idol. Gradually a temple came up with the efforts of *Bhaktas*. Initially the temple had a unique architecture resembling North Indian temples.

The Annual Festival (*Thiruvutsavam*) is conducted in order to celebrate the divine presence of the deity, Lord *Sree Mahadeva* in *Kadappattoor*.



RELEVANCE-
(Local / National /
International)

Local



**NO. OF PEOPLE
PARTICIPATED**

Approximately 6000

EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Ulsava
Bali
Pallivetta
Desha
Vilakku
Thalappoli
Cultural Programs
Panchavadyam

DESCRIPTION (How festival is celebrated)

Thiruvutsavam(The Annual Festival) spread over 8 consecutive days , commencing with the hoisting of the temple flag on *Aswathy* star on Malayalam month *Meenam*, and concluding with *Arattu* (Ritual Bath of the deity) on the 8th day. The temple rituals include Elephant Procession, *Ulsava Bali*, *Pallivetta*, *Desha Vilakku*, *Thalappoli* etc, during the festival. They also conduct Cultural Programs during the festival days, which include Kerala style art forms like *Ottam Thullal*, *Chakyarkoothu*, *Kathakali*, *Thiruvathira* in addition with *Panchavadyam*, Classical Dance, Classical Music etc.

