

MANDALACHIRAPPU MAHOLSAVAM SAKTHIKULANGARA SREE DHARMA SASTHA TEMPLE



LOCATION

**Panchayath/
Municipality/
Corporation**

Kollam Corporation

District

Kollam

**Nearest Town/
Landmark/ Junction**

Sakthikulangara Town

Nearest Bus station

Sakthikulangara Bus Station – 500 M

**Nearest Railway
station**

Kollam Railway Station –5 Km

Nearest Airport

Trivandrum International Airport – 74 Km



ACCESSIBILITY



CONTACT

Sakthikulangara Sree Dharma Sastha Temple ,
Sakthikulangara ,
Kollam- 691581
Contact Person: Raghunathan Pillai(Secretary)



DATES

November- December (*Vrishchikam 1 To Dhanu11*)

FREQUENCY

Annual

DURATION

41 days

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

The 4th month Vrischikam in its full swing along with the first eleven days of the next month Dhanu, is called the Mandala Period. Mandala Chirappu is celebrated on these 41 days. Sabarimala Ayyappa Swamy temple opens for darshan during this period. Hence Mandala period is very much important for Ayyappa temples across India. Hence Mandala Chirappu festival is celebrated in grand manner.



RELEVANCE-
(Local / National / International)

Local



NO. OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATED

Approx. 50000



EVENTS/PROGRAMS

- Bhajans
- Spiritual Discourses
- Cultural Events And Art Forms
- Musical Events
- Annadanam
- Abhishekakhoshayathra (procession)
- Melam
- Kanjiveezhthu

DESCRIPTION (How festival is celebrated)

Mandachirappu festival starts on November (vrishchikam 1), during this period cultural and spiritual programs will be arranged in the temple such as spiritual talks by famous personalities, entertainment programs such as drama, dances, Kathakali, orchestra etc. On the last day Abhisheka khoshayathra takes place, procession starts from Vallikeezhu Sree Bhagavathy temple to Sree Dharma Sastha Temple, with Caparisoned elephants and many other cultural activities such as floats, colour full umbrellas and several percussions attracts large number of people. After abhishekam, kanjiveezhthu (giving food) is performed which marks the end of the festival

