



# THRIKKODIYERI DESHIYA MAHOTSAVAM

## SREE DHARMA SASTHA TEMPLE, NANNIYODE



**LOCATION**

**Panchayath/  
Municipality/  
Corporation**

Nanniyode Grama Panchayat

**District**

Thiruvananthapuram

**Nearest Town/  
Landmark/ Junction**

Nanniyode Junction – 1.3 km

**Nearest Bus station**

Nanniyode Bus Stop – 1.3 km

**Nearest Railway  
station**

Thampanoor Railway Station – 33 km

**Nearest Airport**

Trivandrum International Airport – 35.8 km



**ACCESSIBILITY**

Pacha Nedumparambu Sree Darma Sastha Temple,  
Nanniyode, Pacha – 695562  
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**CONTACT**



TIME

DATES

March - April

FREQUENCY

Annual

DURATION

10 days

### ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

The Pacha Nedumparambu Sree Darma Sastha Temple is situated at Pacha, Nanniyode of Trivandrum District. It is one of the most ancient temples in Kerala. Though initially started as a Hindu Temple, it is now the worshipping place of people belonging to all religions and communities. Lord *Sastha*, or *Ayyappa*, is believed to have made no discrimination on the basis of religious culture. His temple at the famous Sabarimala has a special shrine for his Muslim friend Vavar and has another Christian church close by.



RELEVANCE-  
(Local / National /  
International)

Local



NO. OF PEOPLE  
PARTICIPATED

Approximately 10,000

## EVENTS/PROGRAMS

*Vilambara procession*  
*Thrikkodiyettu*  
*Annadanam*  
*Pallivetta*  
*Samskarika Khoshayathra*  
*Fireworks Competition*

## DESCRIPTION *(How festival is celebrated)*

The first event during the festival is the *Vilambara* procession which is a remembrance of proclamation during the earlier centuries. By this event the festival will be announced in the nearby areas of the temple. On the first day, the festival begins with the flag hoisting (*Thrikkodiyettu*). Free food serving (*Annadanam*), *Ashtadravya Mahaganapathi Homam*, *Ushapooja*, *Pushpabhishekam*, *Sreebhoothabali* etc are some of the Tantric events conducted during the festival. *Pallivetta* procession, *Pallivetta*, *Pallikuruppu poojas* etc are the ending events of the ninth day's festival. The tenth and the last day's events are the most colourful ones, in which there will be *Samskarika Khoshayathra* (a cultural procession), *Arattu* and *Kodiyirakku*. There will be fireworks competition which is one of the main attractions.

