



KOODIYATTAM FESTIVAL

NEPATHYA CENTRE, MOOZHIKULAM



LOCATION

**Panchayat/
Municipality/
Corporation**

Parakkadavu Panchayat

District

Ernakulam



ACCESSIBILITY

**Nearest Town/
Landmark/ Junction**

Royal Motors – 700 m

Nearest Bus station

Moozhikulam Bus Stop – 750 m

**Nearest Railway
station**

Angamaly Railway Station – 9.8 Km
Aluva Railway Station – 15.2 Km

Nearest Airport

Cochin International Airport – 12 Km



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TIME

DATES

December – January (to be advised)

FREQUENCY

Annual

DURATION

11 Days

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

The Koodiyattam Festival an annual event organized by the Nepathya Centre for Excellence in Koodiyattam. Koodiyattam or Kuttiyattam is a classical theatrical art form indigenous to Kerala and conferred heritage status by UNESCO. The performance is done by many actors together, each actor playing a role. The whole performance is in harmony with the beats of the *Mizhavu* drummers. The main actors, namely 'Chakyar' (male actors) and 'Nangyaars' (female actors) stage the play with the support of instruments like *Mizhavu*, *Kuzhitalam*, *Etakka*, *Kurumkuzhal*, and *Sankhu*. The festival is attended by many admirers of the art forms from across international borders.



RELEVANCE-
(Local / National /
International)

International



NO. OF PEOPLE
PARTICIPATED

Above 2000



EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Padakam
Nangiarkoothu
Chakyarkoothu
Koodiyattam
Mizhavu Melam

DESCRIPTION *(How festival is celebrated)*

The Sanskrit theatrical art form is presented by eminent artists who have excelled in the classical representation of mythical stories. Legendary tales associated with Hindu mythology are presented. *Padakam*, *Nangiarkoothu*, *Chakyarkoothu*, *Koodiyattam* and *Mizhavu Melam* are held as part of the Moozhikulam Kochukuttan Chakyar Koodiyattam Festival. The performances are magnificently staged with traditional lighting in harmony with the beats of the *Mizhavu* drummers.

