



THIRUVUTHSAVAM MAHADEVA TEMPLE, KANNAMANGALAM



LOCATION

Panchayat/
Municipality/
Corporation

Chettikulangara Panchayat

District

Alappuzha



ACCESSIBILITY

Nearest Town/
Landmark/ Junction

Kayamkulam Town – 10 Km

Nearest Bus Station

Kayamkulam Bus Station –10 Km

Nearest Railway
Station

Kayamkulam Railway Station –11 Km

Nearest Airport

Trivandrum International Airport –114 Km



CONTACT

Kannamangalam Sree Mahadeva Temple ,
Kannamangalam,
Near Chettikulangara Devi temple,
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Secretary)



TIME

DATES

December/January (*Dhanu*)

FREQUENCY

Annual

DURATION

10 Days

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

Kannamangalam Sree Mahadeva Temple is located at Kannamangalam, near Chettikulangara Devi temple. The shrine is dedicated to Lord Shiva. It is believed that Kannamangalam Mahadevan is the fatherly figure of Chettikulangara Devi. Legend also says that this deity was once worshipped by sage Kanwa. The annual festival is observed in Malayalam month of *dhanu*. It is one of the oldest temples in Alappuzha.



RELEVANCE-
(Local / National / International)

Local



NO. OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATED

Approx. 15000

EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Flag Hoisting
Annadanam
Cultural Programs and
folk arts
Spiritual discourses
Seminars
Percussion Music
Musical Concerts
Dance
Bale
Kadhakali
Ottanthullal
Chakyarkoothu
Arattu

DESCRIPTION (*How festival is celebrated*)

The annual festival is observed in the Malayalam month of *dhanu* (December/January). There is a flag hoisting ceremony marking the beginning of the festival. The shrine is traditionally decorated with plantain, coconut leaves, flowers, leaves, traditional lamps and lights. There are special *poojas* and offerings during the festival period. Also *annadanam* is held on all days. Traditional performing arts and music and dance are staged during the festival period. Thousands of devotees throng to witness the events and rituals. Numerous cultural programs and temple arts are performed along with religious discourses on all days of the festival. Caparisoned elephants, *melam*, fireworks and *sheevali* are part of the festival. On the final day *Arattu*(holy bath) takes place, on *Thiruvathira* star, birth star of Lord Shiva. The *utsava murti* of the deity is taken out of the shrine for ritual bathing on this day.

