



# THIRUVUTSAVAM

## VELLOORKUNNAM MAHADEVAR TEMPLE



Panchayat/  
Municipality/  
Corporation

Muvattupuzha Municipality

District

Ernakulam

Nearest Town/  
Landmark/ Junction

Muvattupuzha – 1.6 km

Nearest Bus station

Muvattupuzha Bus Stop – 500 M

Nearest Railway  
station

Aluva Railway Station – 35.2 km

Nearest Airport

Cochin International Airport – 33.8 Km



Velloorkunnam Mahadevar Temple  
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**TIME**

**DATES**

December/ January

**FREQUENCY**

Annual

**DURATION**

6 Days

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

Velloorkunnam Mahadevar Temple northside of moovattupuzha river ( near bridge ) and western side of MC Road in the town, on a small hill. Other deities are Ganapathy, Sreekrishnan, Sasthavu and Nagaraja. Velloorkunnam Maha deva temple, located near Muvattupuzha, Ernakulam Dist. is one of the most popular Hindu pilgrimage spots in Kerala, and one of the greatest siva temple in Kerala, attracting thousands of pilgrims from all parts of the State. This is one of the rarest Siva Temples situated near The three rivers,which merge to form a single river. Lord Maheswara is the eliminator of all the worries. He gets easily pleased with those who worship. He awards peace in this World and salvation in the other World. He is the annihilator of the wicked and protector of the good. The idol in Velloorkunnam Mahadeva Temple is Kirathamoorthy, who gets easily pleased in his Devotees. They believe that the fore sating of arrogance and the trust in Lord Sankara bring them auspices. The other deities are Vinayaka, Sreekrishna, Sreedharma Sastha and Naga. Mondays, Saturdays and Pradosha days are important here. This is one of the rarest Siva Temples situated near The three rivers,which merge to form a single river. Lord Maheswara is the eliminator of all the worries. He gets easily pleased with those who worship. He awards peace in this World and salvation in the other World. He is the annihilator of the wicked and protector of the good. The idol in Velloorkunnam Mahadeva Temple is Kirathamoorthy, who gets easily pleased in his Devotees. They believe that the fore sating of arrogance and the trust in Lord Sankara bring them auspices. The other deities are Vinayaka, Sreekrishna, Sreedharma Sastha and Naga.



**RELEVANCE-**  
(Local / National / International)

Local



**NO. OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATED**

Approximately 10000

## EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Special poojas  
Palkal pooram  
Kuda maattam  
Panchari Melam  
Kudamattam  
Aarattu

## DESCRIPTION (How festival is celebrated)

The *thiru utsavam* is celebrated in a grand manner for a period of six days. Special *poojas* and offerings are made to the deities on the festival days. *Pakal pooram* and *Kuda maattam* is celebrated on the fifth day. Eleven majestic elephants in glittering ornaments and colorful parasols participate in the *pooram*. This is also called Moovattupuzha pooram, which is very famous in Kerala. The most auspicious day is the sixth day which falls in the *Thiruvathira* star. On this day, holy dip or aarattu ceremony is performed. Special *aarattu kadavu* is arranged on the banks of Moovattupuzha river for this. *Annadanam*, *Thiruvathira oottu* and *Pradosha pooja* are the main rituals performed.

