

THIRUVONA UTSAVAM
ALATHIYUR HANUMAN TEMPLE

LOCATION	**Panchayat/ Municipality/ Corporation**	Tirur Municipality
	District	Malappuram
ACCESSIBILITY	**Nearest Town/ Landmark/ Junction**	Naduvatom Junction – 2.7 Km
	Nearest Bus station	Pulikkad Bus Stop –Km
	Nearest Railway station	Tirur Railway Station – 13.8 Km
	Nearest Airport	Calicut International Airport – 63 Km

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TIME

DATES	FREQUENCY	DURATION
October –November *(Thulam)*	Annual	3 Days

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

The Anjaneya temple was established by sage Vasishta in Alathiyur, Kerala. The temple's history is based on the epic of the Ramayana. In the sanctum sanctorum, Sri Rama appears alone without Mother Sita. Sri Hanuman graces in the other shrine as listening to the Sri Rama telling him how to identify the mother Sita, to help him to spot her without any doubt. Devas contributed all their might to Hanuman to enable him to succeed in his mission. The idol of the Sri Lakshmana is established a little far away, that he would not disturb the privacy between Rama and Hanuman when the former was narrating some past incidents to Hanuman to identify mother Sita. Sri Hanuman is a staunch follower of the Sri Rama who dedicated his service to Rama only. He expected nothing in return for his services in searching Mother Sita. He was the abode of all the noblest divine qualities coupled with an unparallel physical and mental prowess to conquer any situation of any gravity. But he himself was not aware of his extraordinary capabilities. He never spoke to anybody about his powers but simply felt and said that he was born for the service of Sri Rama. Rama blessed him with eternity. Hanuman was born on the new moon day. Worshipping him on this day is believed to bring immense benefits to the devotees.









RELEVANCE- (Local / National / International)	Local	**NO. OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATED**	About 5000

EVENTS/PROGRAMS	DESCRIPTION *(How festival is celebrated)*
Kathakali *Ottanthullal* *Thayambakam* *Panchavadyam* *Melam* *Nadakam* Ballet Musical Concert	Thiruvona Festival is celebrated for three days coinciding with *Pooradam, Uthradam* and *Thiruvonam* according to the Malayalam calendar month of *Thulam.* Various cultural events like Kathakali, Ottanthullal, Thayambakam etc are part of the festivities. Dramas and musical concerts are also staged. Legend has it that the *Purumthrikkovil* idol of Lord Hanuman was consecrated by Sage Vasishta. Ramanavami and Hanuman Jayanti are the other prominent festivals, celebrated in this temple. Special poojas and fireworks are also carried out during the Thiruvonam festival.



