



# DASAVATHARACHARTHU THIRUVONA THIRUVUTSAVAM THRIKKOVID SREEPADMANABHA SWAMI TEMPLE



## LOCATION

Panchayat/  
Municipality/  
Corporation

Vallikkodu Panchayat

District

Pathanamthitta



## ACCESSIBILITY

Nearest Town/  
Landmark/ Junction

Pathanamthita Town – 7 Km

Nearest Bus station

Mayal Bus Stop – 500 M

Nearest Railway  
station

Chengannur Railway Station – 28 Km

Nearest Airport

Trivandrum International Airport – 106 Km



## CONTACT

Thrikkovil - Sree Padmanabhaswamy temple  
Vallicode  
Pathanamthitta,  
Pin – 689648  
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## TIME

### DATES

December – January (*Dhanu*)

### FREQUENCY

Annual

### DURATION

11 Days



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

Dasavatharacharthu is a ten day festival during which one avatar or incarnation of Lord Vishnu is worshipped on each festival day. Thrikkovil Sree Padmanabhaswamy temple, is a Hindu temple with Lord Vishnu as the presiding deity and is located at Vallicode village in Pathanamthitta District. The temple comes under the Travancore Devaswom Board. As per local folklore, it is considered the second one of its kind after the famous Padmanabhaswamy temple in Thiruvananthapuram. In going with the simplicity and elegant architecture of temples in Kerala, the temple premises here present a very serene and spiritual outlook. There is a temple pond abundant with blooming lotus flowers. The sacred Thrikkovil Sree Padmanabha Swami temple was constructed by the followers of Lord Vishnu during the 13<sup>th</sup> century. However, according to some historians, the temple was constructed by a local dynasty that ruled the state during the 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> centuries. But there is no proper evidence available regarding the history and origin of this temple.



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

Local



**NO. OF PEOPLE  
PARTICIPATED**

Over 5000





## EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Dasavatharacharthu  
Sapthahayanja  
Religious Procession  
Nagrahapooja  
Samoohasadya  
Seva

## DESCRIPTION (How festival is celebrated)

The ten-day festival called *Dasavatharacharthu* celebrates one out of the ten incarnations of Lord Vishnu on each of the festival days. Hundreds of devotees throng the temple premises to offer prayers during the festival. *Dasavathara* refers to each of the ten incarnations namely *Malsya*, *Koorma*, *Varaha*, *Narasimha*, *Vamana*, *Parasurama*, *Sreerama Sreekrishna* and *Kalkki*. This festival is linked with *Sapthaha Yagya*. Ritualistic ceremonies include morning pujas, *Bhagavathaparayanam*, *Deeparadhana* (evening), *Prasadamoottu* etc. Religious speeches are also organized during festivities. *Navagrahapooja* is performed on the 10<sup>th</sup> day. Food is served to devotees through the *Samoohasadya*.

