



# PATTUMAHOTSAVAM

## BALUSSERY KOTTA SREE VETAKKORUMAKAN TEMPLE



### LOCATION

Panchayath/  
Municipality/  
Corporation

Balusseriy Block Panchayat

District

Kozhikode



### ACCESSIBILITY

Nearest Town/  
Landmark/ Junction

Near Government Girls Higher Secondary School

Nearest Bus station

Balusseriy Bus Stand – 1.6 Km

Nearest Railway  
station

Quilandy Railway Station – 17.8 Km

Nearest Airport

Calicut International Airport – 49.4 Km



### CONTACT

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### TIME

#### DATES

January

#### FREQUENCY

Annual

#### DURATION

3 Days



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

Vettakkorumakan (son of Lord Shiva and his consort Parvathi) is the deity of the temple. It is one of the well known temples dedicated to Vettakkorumakan in North. Kerala. Vettakkorumakan was the family deity of the Rajas of Chirakkal and Neeleswaram and Kottakal. As a child he was known to be very mischievous giving endless trouble to Devas and Rishis with his bow and arrow. In order to save them from his mischiefs, Lord Vishnu took to the form of a hunter and displayed a golden dagger to the boy. He was instantly attracted to the dagger and begged for the same. Lord Vishnu however sought a promise that he will use his bow and arrow in a responsible manner. Thus Vettakkorumakan took leave of his parents from Kailasa and went to the land of Parasurama, Kerala. He crossed several mountains and forests and rivers and reached North Kerala where he first entered the Balussery Fort thus making the place significant. is seen confined to the northern parts of central Kerala - Thrissur, Palakkad, Malappuram and Kozhikode districts. Vettakkorumakan (Vettekkaran, for short) deity is found in most Namboothiri Manas or in common temples where there are a number of Namboothiri homes in the neighbourhood. In northern Malabar, the ritual takes the form of Theyyam with a lower level of rituals (without Sathwika Pooja). Vettakkorumakan diety at the Kota Temple in Balussery near Kozhikode district is considered as prime center of all Vettakkorumakan dieties in Kerala.



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

Local



**NO. OF PEOPLE  
PARTICIPATED**

About 5000

## EVENTS/PROGRAMS

## DESCRIPTION *(How festival is celebrated)*

*Kalam Pattu  
Pantheerayiram  
Thengayeru  
Utsava Ezhunellathu  
Thayambaka*

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