





Sri Kattamudu Vinayakar Thunai. Om Namashivaya

Edamanal Sri Kasi Viswanathaswamy Temple.

(Edamanal Village, Sirkali Taluk, Mayiladuthurai District.)

Temple Renovation and Maha Kumbabishekam. APPEAL FOR DONATION

Brief History

The captioned temple located at Edamanal, 8 km. east of Sirkali in the Thirumullaivasal route has become the landmark of the village after the grand first Kumbabishekam performed in May 2012, with surging devotees particularly on special festival occasions. Our patriarch Shri E.S. Srinivasa Iyer(1899-1974), a visionary and prime mover of what is now a full fledged Shiva temple complex originally started it as Vinayakar Temple with Sri KattamuduVinayakar as the presiding deity whose Kumbabishekam was performed in September 1987. A couple of decades prior to this (1965), he unearthed a huge Shivalingam intact from his fields and with great difficulty moved it to this temple site and envisioned a full fledged Shiva Temple complex. Pertinent to mention that this was one of the ten lingams that lay in a row in those times giving the village an acquired name Varisapathu, meaning ten in a row. His vision eventually became a reality in 2012 when a full fledged Shiva Temple Complex comprising Sannadhis for Sri Kasi Viswanathar, Kasi Visalakshi Ambal, Kannimoola Ganapati, Valli, Devanai and Murugan, Saraswati, Gajalakshmi and Chandikeswarar besides Ashtabuja Kali, SundaramurthySwamigal, Navagraha Mandapam, Nandi Mandapam and a host of GhoshtaVigrahams. was built and Kumbabishekam performed in May 2012.

Scriptural Significance

It is in the precincts of this temple in the early part of eight century, Saiva Saint Sri. Sundaramurthy Swamigal had a divine experience. He and his entourage were proceeding on an arduous journey to the nearby Thirukkurugavur Shiva Temple on a hot Chithra Pournami noon. When they were passing through this area, they were struck by extreme hunger and thirst. Lord Shiva appeared before them in the guise of an old Vedic Brahman and quenched their thirst and hunger with water and food. In commemoration of this divine occurrence which is validated in the Periyapuranam, Chithra Pournami is celebrated every year with much reverence and fervour.

Temple Management

The temple is being managed and run by a competent Board of Trustees as mandated by a Registered Trust Deed with daily pujas in the morning and evening. Special pujas are performed during Pradosham and Sankatahara Chathurthi. Grand annual celebrations include Chithra Pournami, Kumbabishekam Anniversary, Vinayaka Chaturthi, Annabishekam, Karthigai Deepam, Arudhra Abishekam, Rudra Ghanaparayanam and Mahashivarathri, each followed by Annadhanam.

Current Plan

As around 12 years have since passed from the last Kumbabishekam, the Board of Trustees have now taken up a programme of renovation of the temple and conducting Maha Kumbabishekam by February 2025.

Estimated cost is around Rs.65 lakhs.

The broad heads of expenditure include complete surface scrapping and cleaning, repair works, painting, expansion of Madappali complex, setting up of Yagasalai, and Kumbabishekam expenses etc.

The Trustees solicit your valuable contribution towards accomplishing this divine endeavour for the welfare of all. May all members of your family be showered with blessings of Lord Shiva for a healthy, prosperous and happy life.

Bank details for Remittance.

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