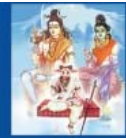


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"SAVE A TEMPLE" SCHEME - SRI ARULMIGU SRI VISALAKSHMI AMBAL SAMETHA RULMIGU SRI VISWANATHEESWARAN TEMPLE , KALPOONDI VILLAGE, NORTH ARCOT DISTRICT, NEAR ARANI, T.N., INDIA.

We will cover in this section details of Shiva Temples in ruins, which need immediate assistance to renovate. Click here to read another " Save A Temple" scheme - SRI VANNIAPPAR SHIVA TEMPLE - Requires renovation

Ancient Shiva Temple about 500 years old with good heritage value called Sri. Visalakshi Ambal Sametha Sri Vishwanatheeshwarar temple, in Kalpoondi Village on the banks of Kamandala Natha River in Aarani Taluk in Thiruvannamalai District, Tamil Nadu is being renovated under the guidance of Alaya Kaikarya Sath Sangam (This means This unique team comprises of spiritually inclined people gives utmost important to select ruined temples



and undertake them to renew it). Chennai 600083 at a cost of 20 lakhs. This temple is worshipped as equal to Kashi (Varanasi) temple in this district, also Sri Dhakshinamurthy is in *Yoga Swaroopam*; hence, it is worshipped as Guru Parikara Sthalam such a wonderful and legendary temple is in pitiable condition today. Kalpoondi village is situated in the banks of river Kamandalanathar river. a beautiful village with ancient heritage.

The Beloved Lord is in different form and different divine name in several parts of Bharatha Desam. Shiva is worshipped as the embodiment of the primary elements of Wind, Water, Fire, Earth and space in *Kalahasthi*.

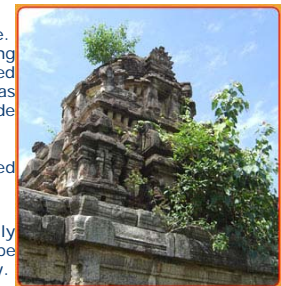
Jambukeswaram, Arunachalam, Kanchipuram and chidambaram. with above form of elements Lord Shiva also appears as linga form in many places. Out of those places the kasi shethra called as Varanashi is important place of worship for Hindus. Every one of the Hindus will have liking and determination to go to Varanasi and worship Lord Viswanathan in their life time.

About 500 years ago people from this village have went to Kasi and worshipped Lord Viswanathar. They brought a Lingam in the shape of 'Salagramam' to this village from Kasi. They installed the Lingam with Avudiyar and named as Sri Viswanatheeswarar and Ambal as Sri Vislashi Ambal. People from this village and surrounding villages started coming to this shrine and worshipped Lord Siva as Viswanatheeswaran and had satisfaction of worshipped lord viswanathar in Kasi.

Even today it is believed in this district that visiting to *Kalpoondi Viswanatheeswaran* temple is equal to visiting Kasi temple. Once in this village there was heavy rain and the river Kamandalanatha river was running full of water and started touching the village. The threat of water made the people to pray to Lord Shiva for their safety. Within a short while, the flood started receding and people were saved by the Lord Viswanatheeswarar and from this incident Lord Shiva is also called as "Vellanhangiswarar" meaning one *Who withstood the Pressure of Floods*. The shrine of *Lord Dakshinamurthy* in the south side of temple is in the form of Yoga Dakshinamurthy. Hence this temple is worshipped as Guru Parikarasthalam.

The well-known Kancheepuram Saint Sri Chandrasekarendra Saraswathi Mahaswamigal has visited this village and worshipped Lord Sri Visalakshi Ambal and Sri Viswanatheeswarar during His visits to *Aarni* town.

The Kaingarya Committee of this temple, which undertakes the proposed renovation work, requests all devotees, spiritually moved people to generously contribute to the good cause and receive the blessings of the beloved Lord. Funds may be remitted to them at the following address and should anyone wants clarification may please contact their member directly. They have also opened a website www.kalpoonditemple.org for more details.



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