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**Lecture Series on WORLD HERITAGE AND CULTURE**

**Lecture No 89– Date 10-01- 2021**

**SACRED GEOGRAPHY OF TAMIRAPARANI  
BASIN –Part 1**

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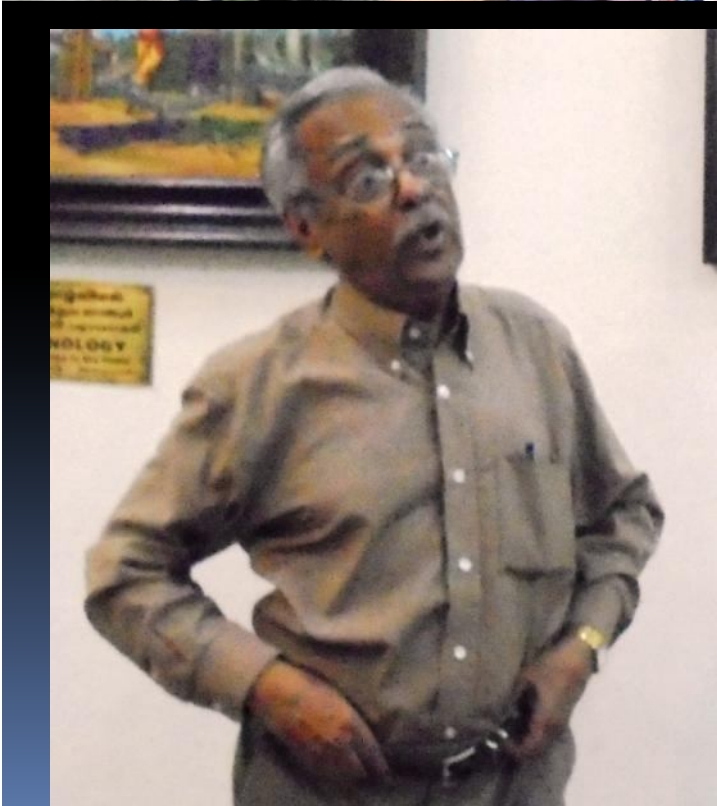
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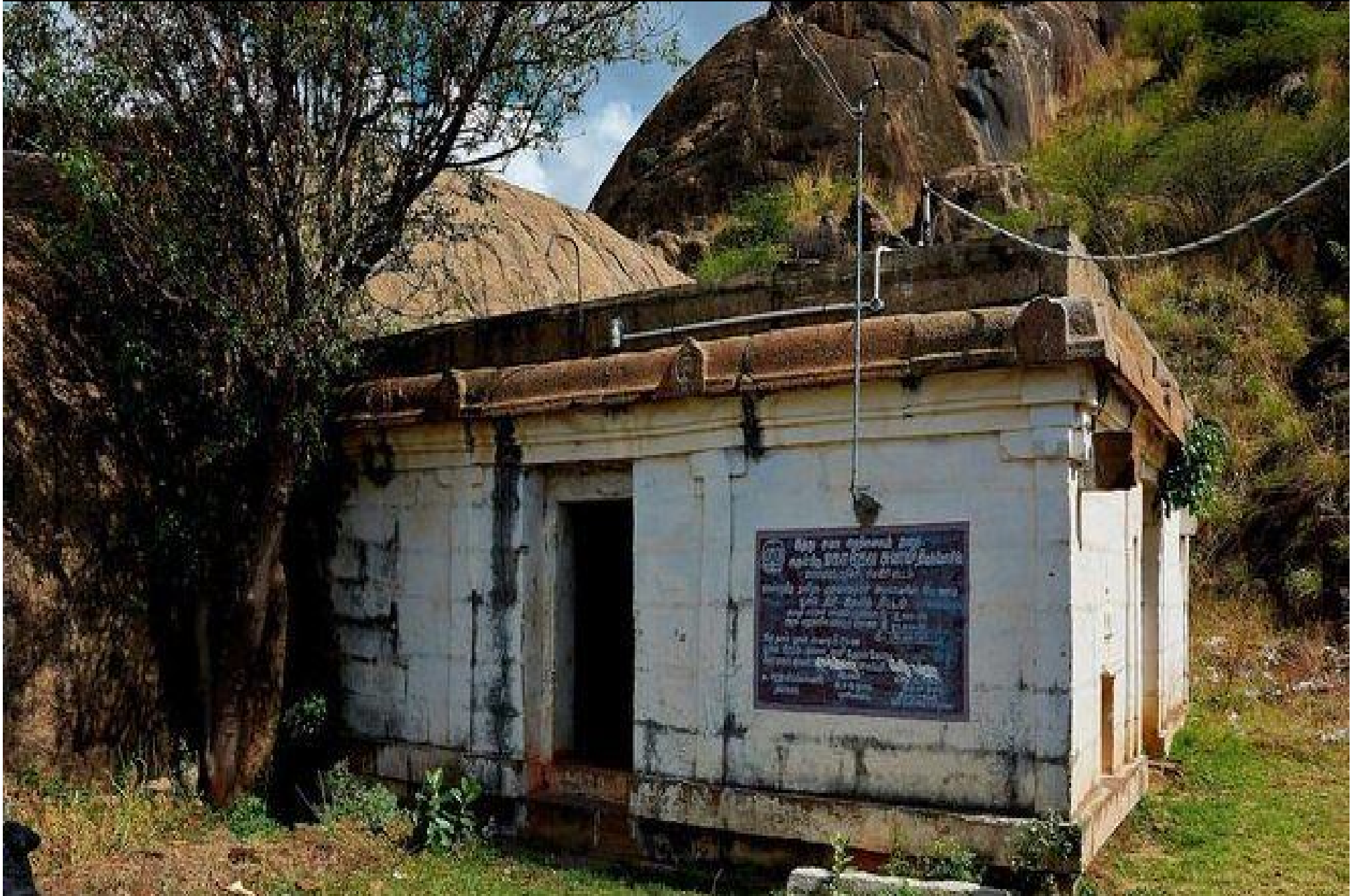
From 13.4.2013 This event will happen in 5-7 pm of every second Sunday of each Month .



Samarpanam to  
Dr. R.V



# Cave Temple- Malaiyadikkurichi





# Cave temple- interior- Malaiyadikkuruchi



# Cave Sanctum- Malaiyadikkurichi





# Pillar Capital with Inscription- Malaiyadikkurichi







Pillar capital-  
Taranga type-  
Malaiyadikkurichi





Medallion on the  
pillar-  
Malaiyadikkurichi



Medallion with Human figure-  
Malaiyadikkurichi





Medallion with Human figure-  
Malaiyadikkurichi



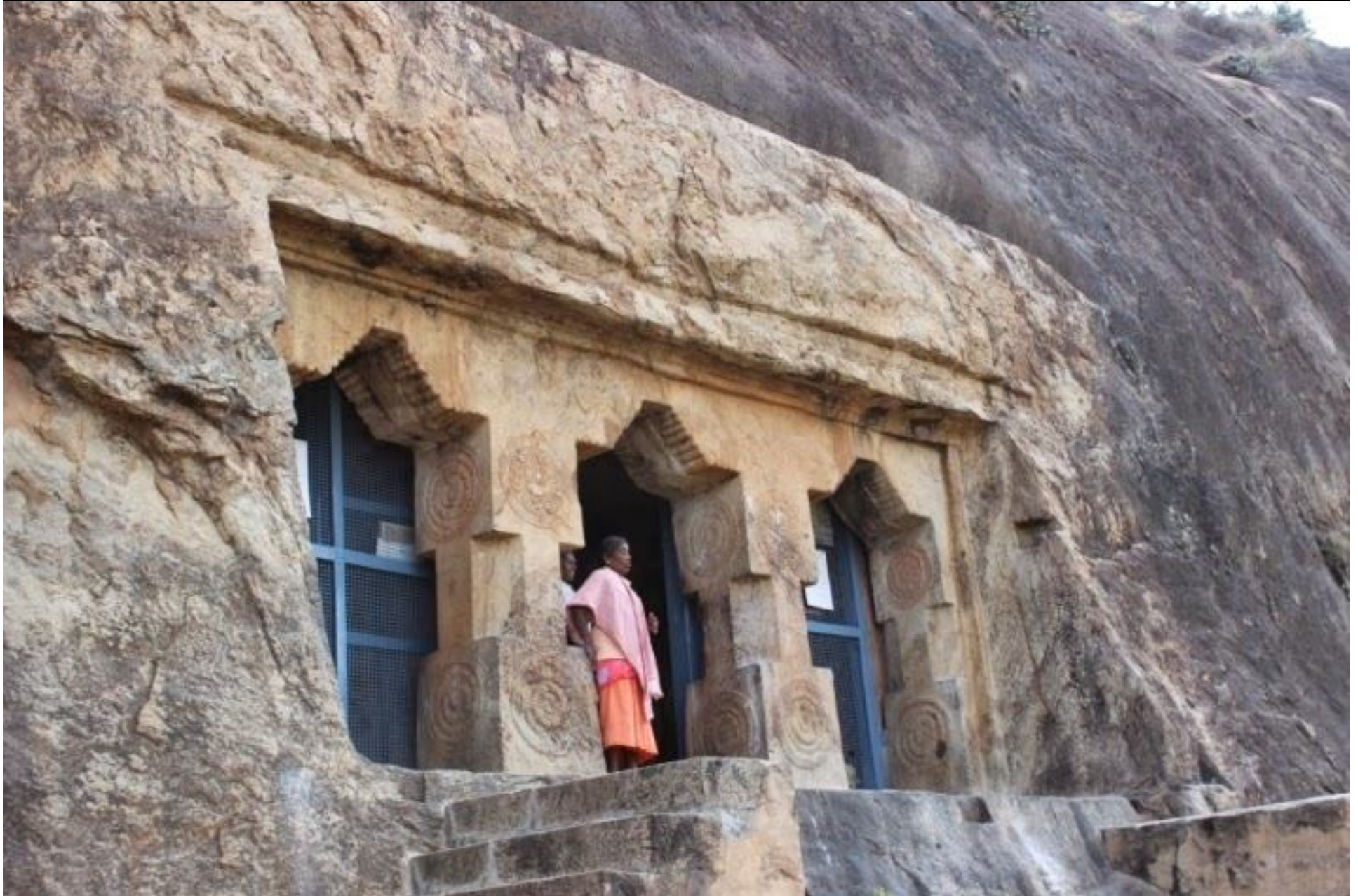


Wall Niche- Mahara Torana-  
Malaiyadikkurichi





# Cave temple- Entrance- Tirumalapuram





# Cave Sanctum-Dwarapalakas- Tirumalapuram





# Rock cut Nandi- Tirumalapuram







Ganapati-  
Southern wall-  
Tirumalapuram





Natesa-Catura  
tandava-  
Tirumalapuram



Vishnu-  
Tirumalapuram





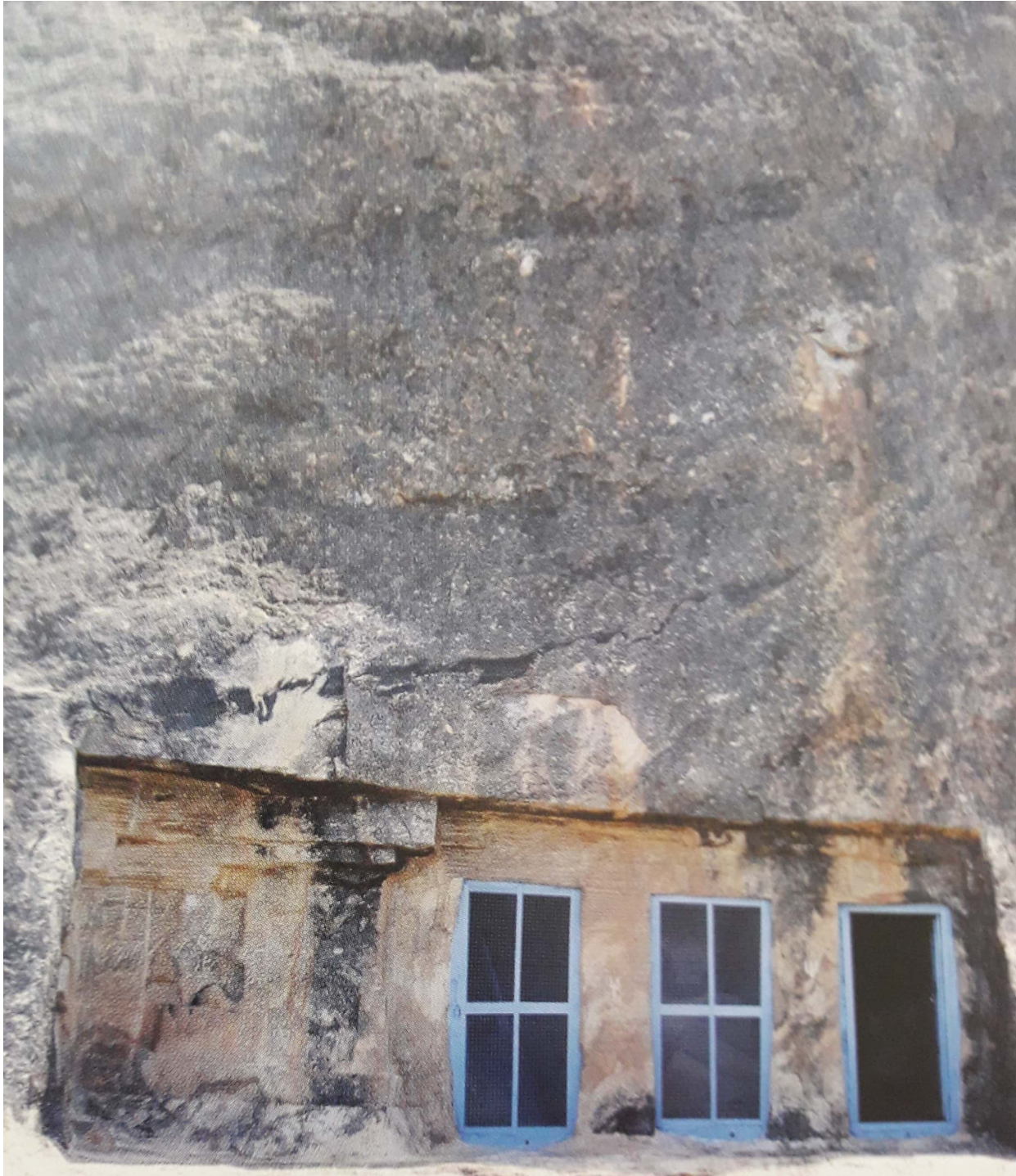
Brahma-  
Tirumalapuram  
cave temple



# Painting on the Ceiling- Tirumalapuram







Unfinished  
Cave-  
Tirumalapuram



# Cave Temple- Virasigamani





# Ganapati - Virasigamani



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Dwarapalaka-  
Virasigamani





Divine image -  
Virasigamani

# Cave Temple-Anaiyur







Dwarapalaka- Anaiyur



Medallions with Animal  
Figures- Anaiyur



# Lotus Medallion-human figure- Anaiyur



# Cave Temple- Chokkampatti





# Cave Entrance- Chokkampatti





Dwarapalaks -  
Chokkampatti





Male Devotee? -  
Chokkampatti



Female Devotee-  
Chokkampatti



# Cave temple- Alankarapperi





Jyeasta image-  
Alankarapperi



# Ganapati- Alankarapperi



# Cave Temple- Manappadu





# Conversion of Cave temple into Church- Manappadu



# Ranganatha cave - Tiruchendur





# Valli cave - Tiruchendur





# Kalugachalamurti Cave Temple-Kalugumalai





# Kalugachalamurti cave- interior-Kalugumalai





# Vettuvankoil- Monolithic- Kalugumalai





# Nandi – Brahma-Vettuvankoil



# Mirtanga Dakshinamurti- Vettuvankoil





# Vishnu- Vettuvankoil





# Yogamurti- Vettuvankoil







Yogamurti-  
Closer view-  
Vettuvankoil



Dakshinamurti-  
Vettuvankoil



# Uma-Mahesvara- Vettuvankoil



# Thisaianangu (Damsel)- Vettuvankoil





# Bhutaganas (Goblins) in different attitudes- Vettuvankoil





# Jain Monument- Kalugumalai







Yakshi  
Ambika-Jain  
monument-  
Kalugumalai



Parsvanatha-  
Kalugumalai





Bahupali -  
Kalugumalai



Mahavira-  
Kalugumalai



# Yakshi Padmavati- Kalugumalai



# Release of booklet on Sacred Geography of Tamiraparan



## Lecture Series on World Heritage and Culture

89<sup>th</sup> Lecture on "Sacred Geography of Tamiraparani Basin Part 1"

By

Dr.G.Sethuraman, Art Historian and Dr.V.Vedachalam Archaeologist

On 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2021, Sunday, 5.00 pm -7.00 pm at DHAN Foundation, Madurai





Thank you