



DHAN Foundation welcomes you all for this
Lecture Series on WORLD HERITAGE AND CULTURE
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**Sacred Geography of Cuddalore District,
Tamilnadu**
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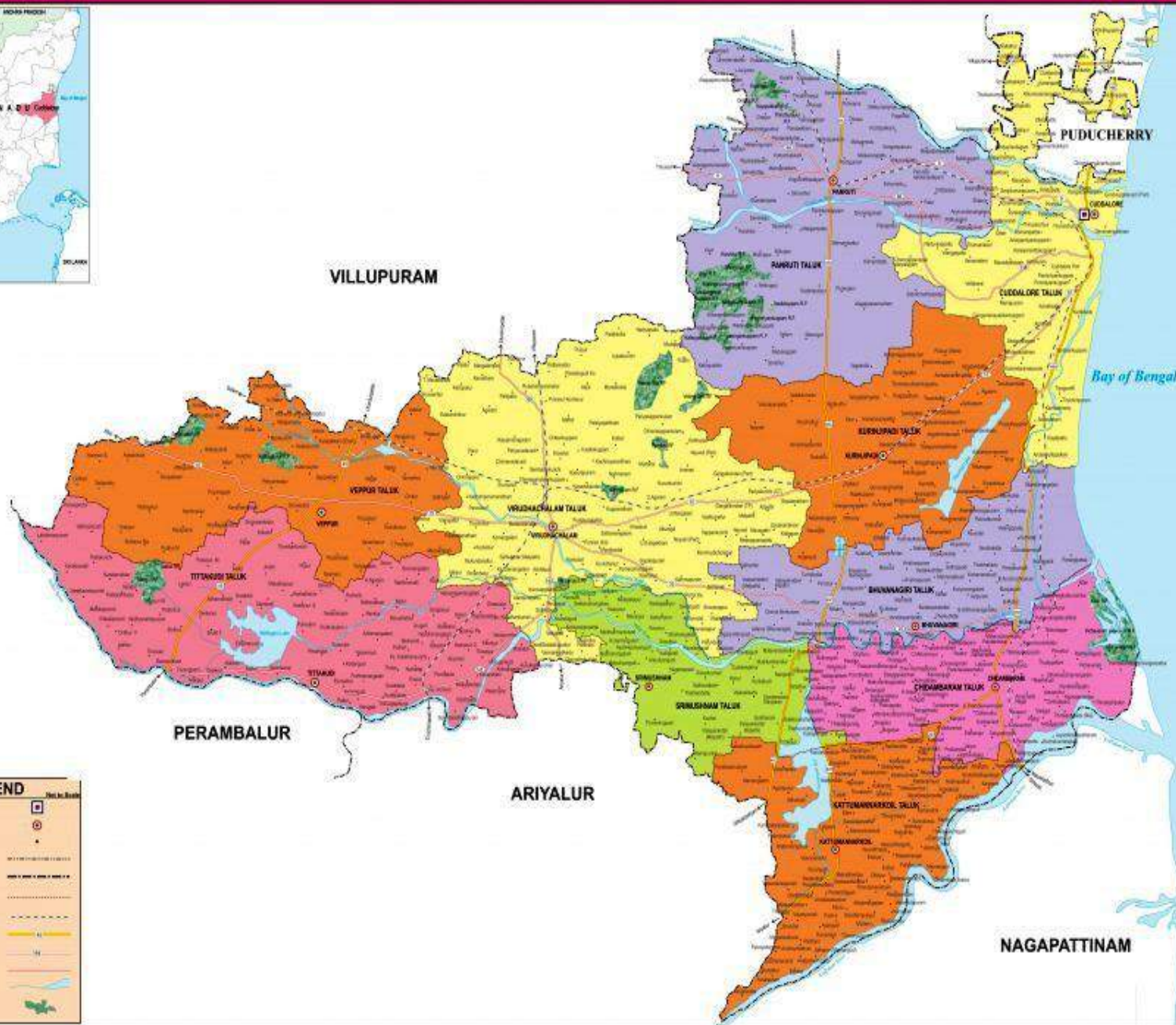
Lecture Series on WORLD HERITAGE AND CULTURE

DHAN Foundation is promoting Heritage Literacy among various stakeholders to sensitize the conservation and Development of Heritage sites by various ways and means like Heritage walk, Development tourism and Village Cultural immersion Programs etc.,

DHAN Foundation is organizing the a monthly lecture series on *World Heritage and Culture* for the benefit of Indian citizen especially to students, younger generations and interested individuals who wish to promote our traditional culture and heritage .

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

DISTRICT MAP OF CUDDALORE



LEGEND	
District Headquarters	
Taluk Headquarters	
Other Villages	
State Boundary	
District Boundary	
Taluk Boundary	
Railways	
National Highways	
State Highways	
Important Roads	
Rivers/Water Bodies	
Reserved Forest	

Gopura- Viridhachalesvara Temple- Virudachalam

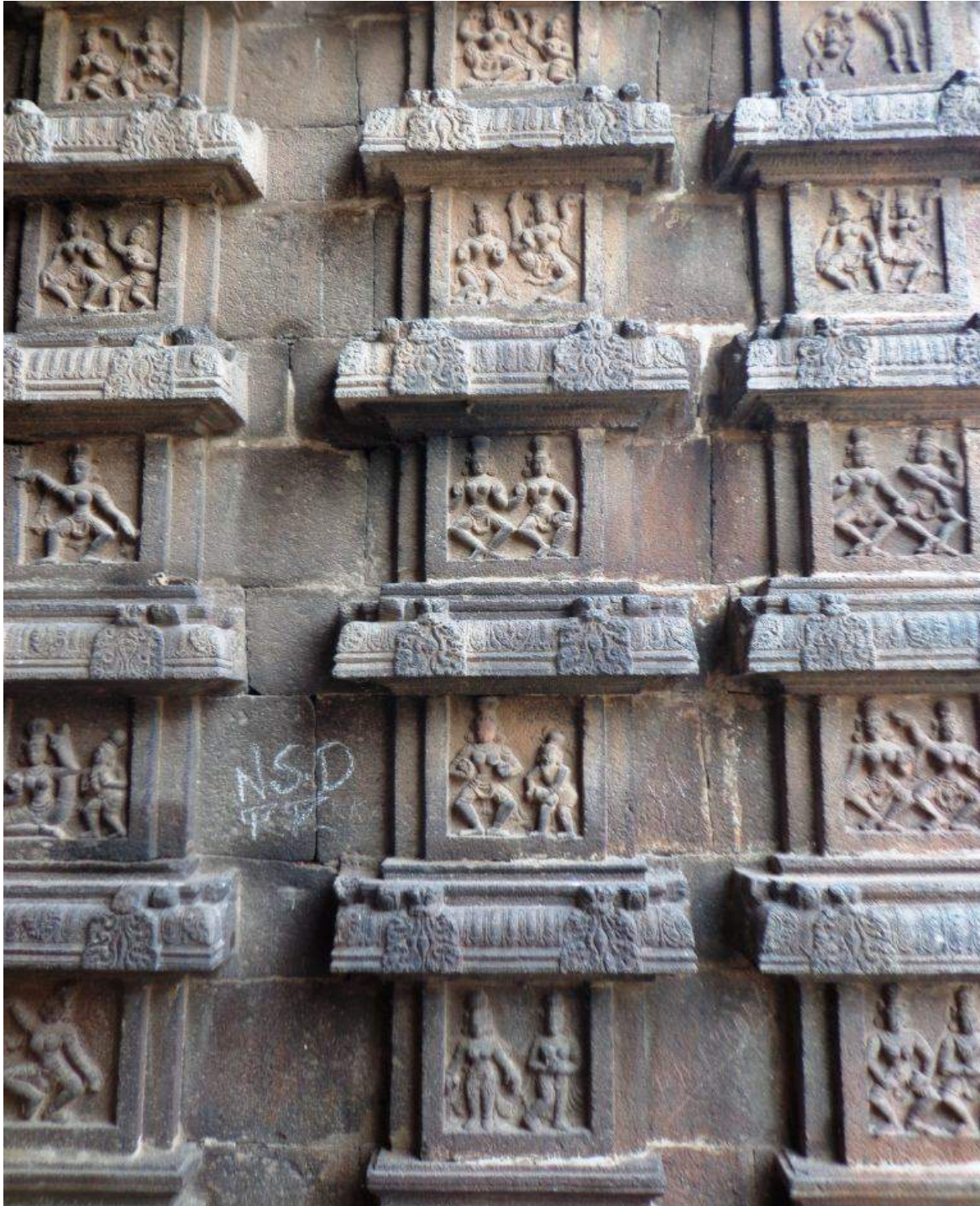


Entrance Mandapa- Vriddhgirisvara- Virudachalam





Vridhagirisvara
shrine- Virudachalam



Gopura
sculptures-
Vridhagirisvara-
Virudachalam

Vriddhagirisvara- Temple Inner Area



Temple wall- Vriddhagirisvara- Virudachalam



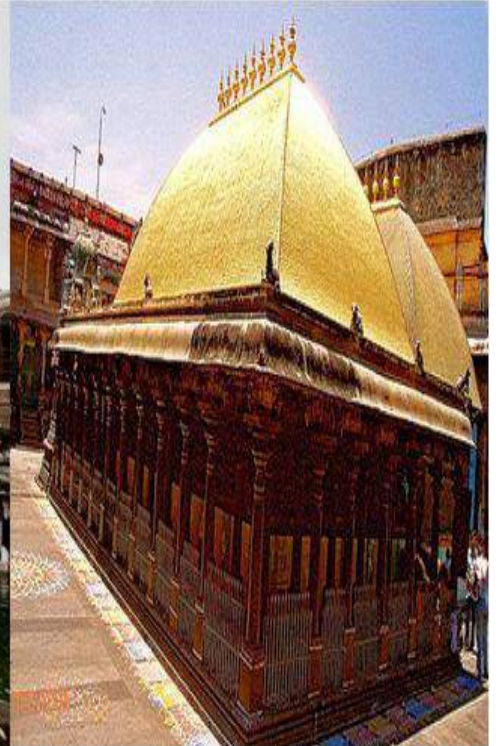
Vikramacholisvara- Virudachalam





Painting- Virudachalam

Nataraja temple- Chidambaram



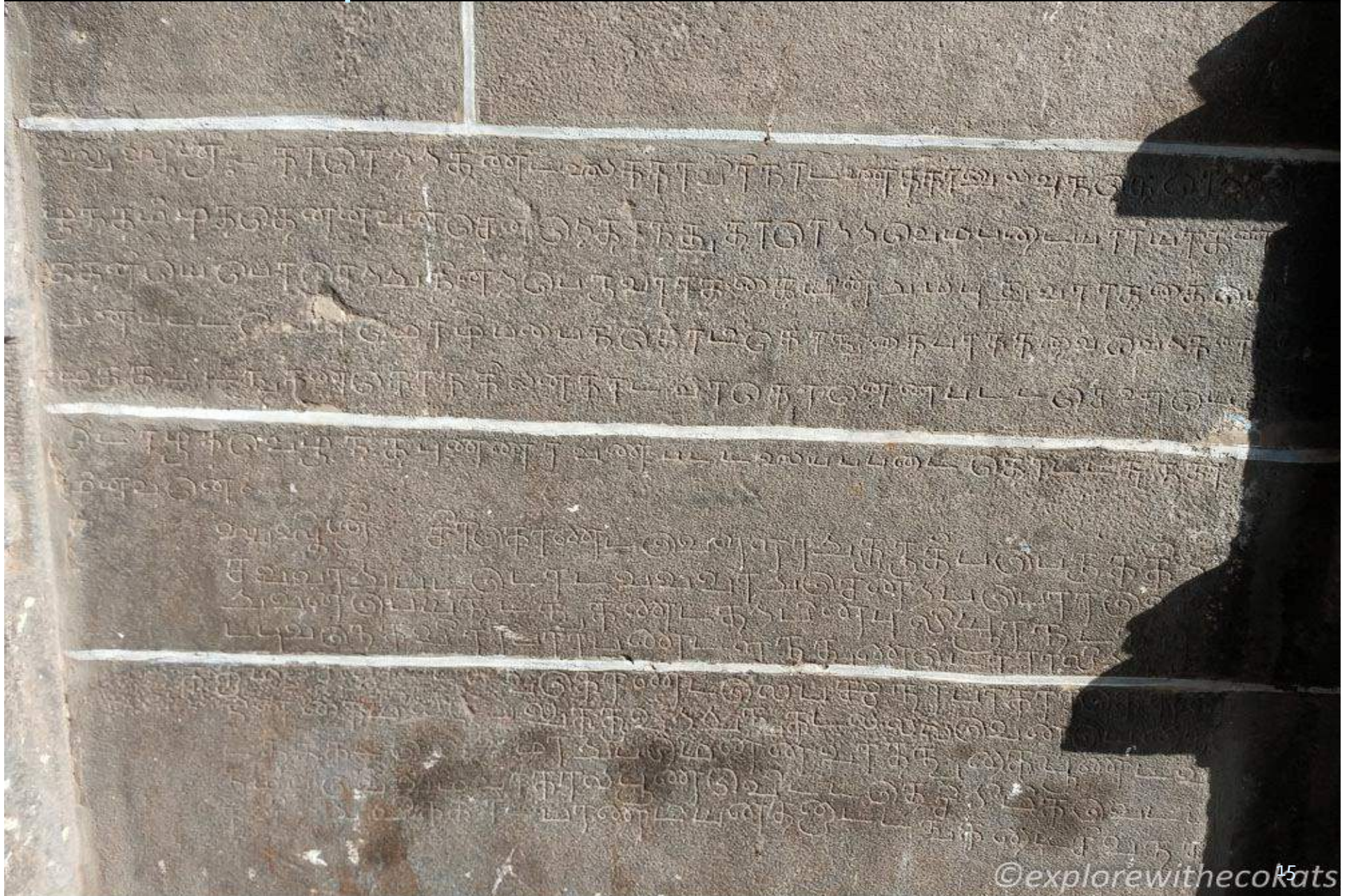
Golden Roof- Nataraja shrine- Chidambaram



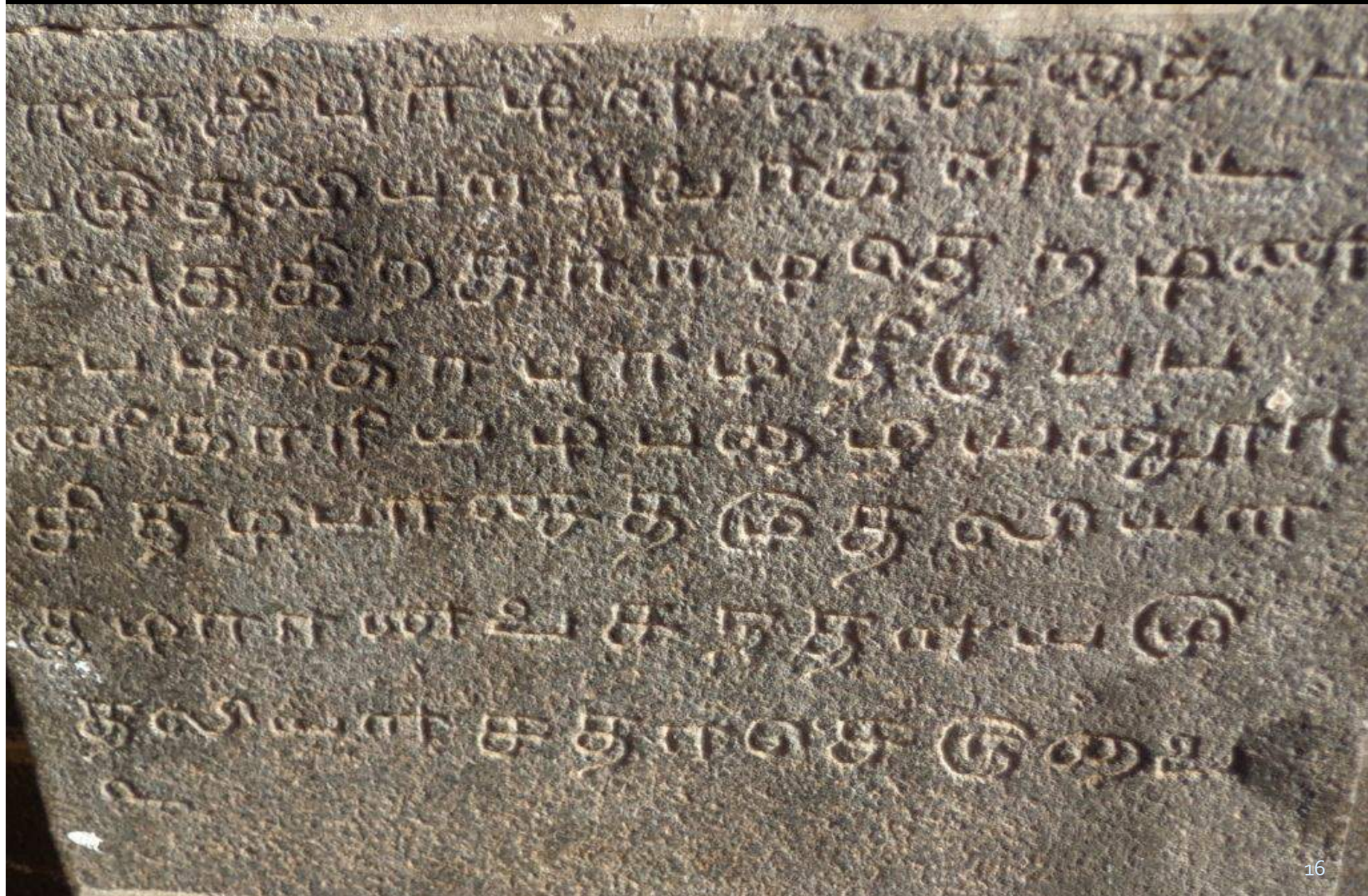
Nataraja- Chidambaram



Inscription on the wall- Chidambaram



Inscription referring to Sadaseva- Chidambaram



Courtyard- Nataraja Temple- Chidambaram



Intricate carvings on the pillars of the Mandapa- Chidambaram



Sivaganga Tank- Chidambaram



Sivaganga tank and 1000pillared Hall-Chidambaram



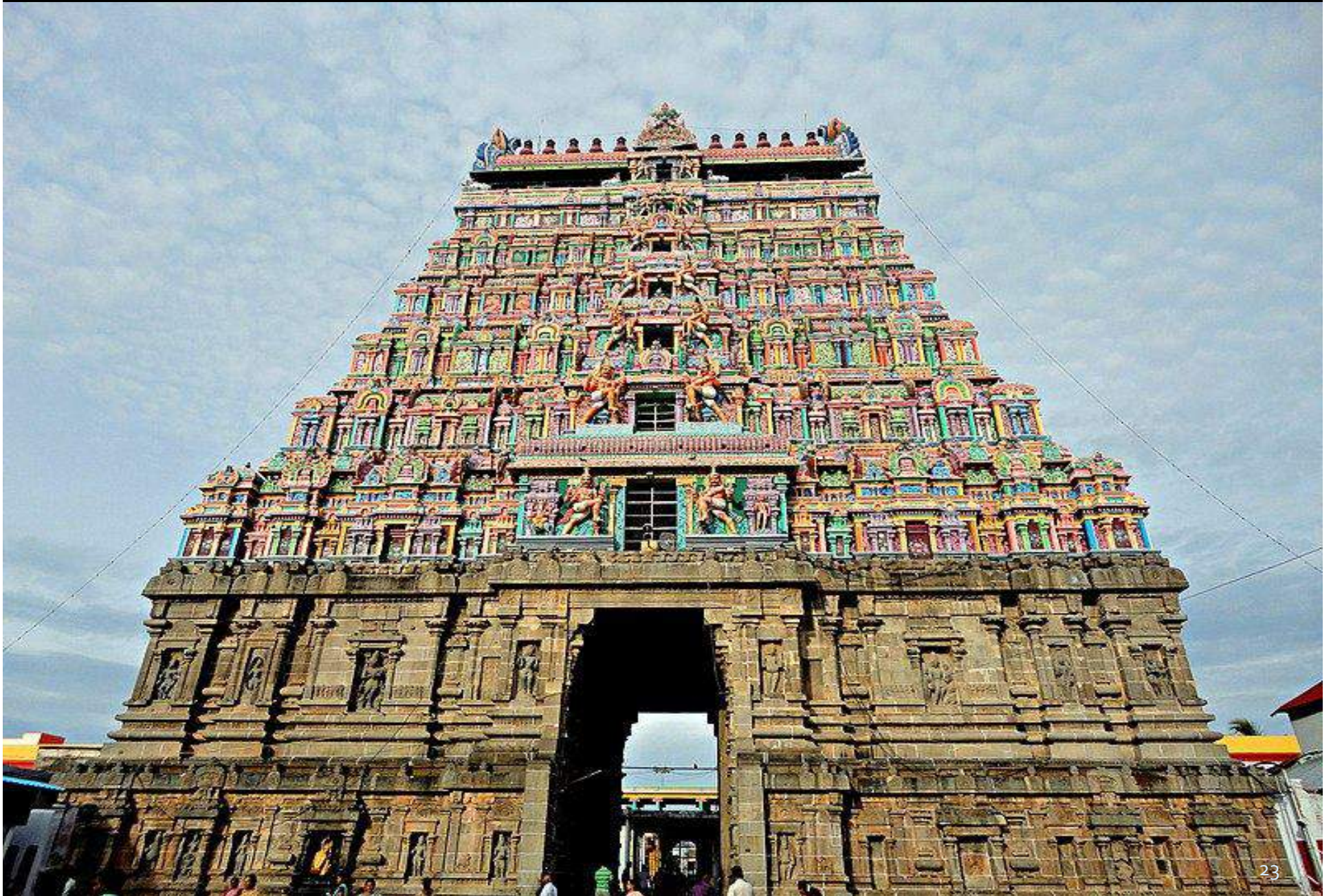
Thousand Pillared Hall- Northeastern side- Chidambaram



Interior Pillars- 1000 Pillared hall- Chidambaram



Southern Gopura- Repaired by Kopperuncinga- Chidambaram





South Gopura
another view-
Chidambaram



North Gopura-
Chidambaram-
Repaored and rebuilt
by Krishnadeva Raya



Portrait of Krishnadeva
Raya- Northern Gopura-
Chidambaram



Rishabandika Siva-
Parvati-
Chidambaram



Biksatana- Chidambaram



Gajasamhara- Chidambaram



Vishnu carried by
Garudalvar-
Chidambaram



Surya-
Chidambaram



Surya (Sun god)
with Usha and
Paratusha

Mahisamardini- Chidambaram



Agastiya- Garudavahana- Durga- Chidambaram



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Karanas- Eastern Gopura- Chidambaram





Karanas- Chidambaram



Portrait of Kulottunga II- ?
Sundarapandya ?-Chidambaram



Nayanmars- Chidambaram

Subramanya Temple Mandapa-Chidambaram

Chidambaram



Music- Dance Sculptures- Chidambaram



Balustrade -Chidambaram



Courtyard –Sivakami Shrine- Chidambaram



Painting- Ceiling of the Mandapa- Sivakami shrine



Temple Car- Chidambaram



Tillaikali Temple- Entrance



Tillai Kali Temple





Bhuvanaraha temple – Gopura- Srirangapatna

Vimana Superstructure- Bhuvvaraha- Srimushnam



Pillared Hall- Bhuvvaraha- Srimushnam



Dance sculptures- Gopura wall- Bhuvvaraha- Srimushnam





Female Hair Design-
Bhuvanaraha temple-
Srimushnam

Nityesvara Temple- Srimushnam



Nataraja- Nittesvara Temple - Srimushnam- 12th century.





Agastiyar- Nityesvara Temple- Srimushnam



Uma Mahesvara-
(Gouriprasadamurti?)-
Nityesvara temple-
Srimushnam



Lingodbhava-
Nityesvara-
Srimushnam



Patalaisvara
Temple-
Tiruppatiruppuliyur-
Cuddalore

Temple Tank- Tiruppatiruppuliyur





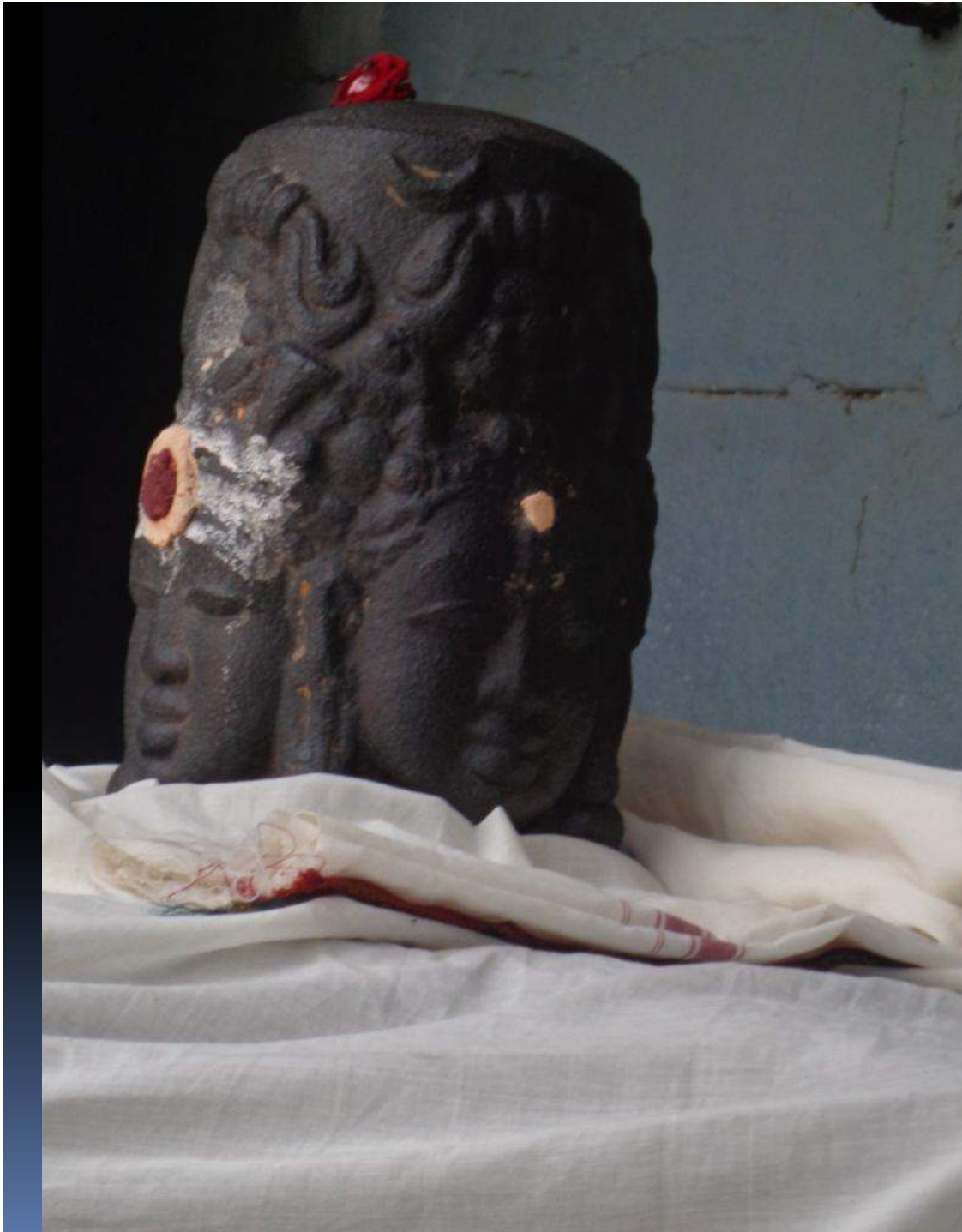
Tiruvadigai Virattanam Temple



Tiruvadigai Virattanam Entrance



Main shrine-
Tiruvadigai
Virattaman



Mukalingam- Tiruvadigai



Risabarudar-
Tiruvadigai



Tripurantaka- Tiruvadigai

Buddha Image- Tiruvadigai



Devanathaswami Temple- Tiruvantipuram



Main Shrine- Tiruvantipuram



Tirukkanesvara temple-Tirukandesvaram



Main Shrine- Tirukandesvaram



Tirukandesvaram Temple





Tirukandesvaram Temple Stalaviruksha



Gopura- Vamanapurisvara- Tirumanikkuli



Tirumankkuli Temple

Vatteluttu inscription- Tirumanikkuli



Sculpture - Tirumanikkuli



Sculptures - Tirumanikkuli



Tiruvamur Temple



Vimana- Tiruvamur



Siva temple Kadambavanesvarar- Erumbur





Vimana- Erumbur

Brahma - Erumbur





Dakshinamurti-
Erumbur



Yogesvara-
Cuddalore
Museum



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விருக்
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Cuddalore Museum

Satyagnana Sabha- Vadalur



Inner portion- Satyagnana Sabha



Neiveli Lignite Corporation



Mangrove Forest Pichavaram





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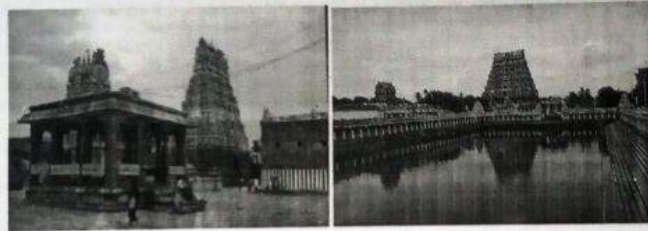
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96th Lecture on "Sacred Geography of Cuddalore District, Tamilnadu"

By

Dr.G.Sethuraman, Art Historian and Dr.V.Vedachalam Archaeologist on 8 August 2021, Sunday,

5.00 pm -7.00 pm at DHAN Foundation, Madurai



Thank you