

## VELLORE



### GEOGRAPHY:

- ✓ **Crops** -Major horticulture **crops** cultivated in this district are fruits **crops** like mango, banana, guava, jack and sapota, vegetables like tomato, brinjal, greens and tapioca, spices like coriander, tamarind and turmeric and flower **crops** like jasmine, mullai, jathimalli and crossandra.
- ✓ **River** -Palar
- ✓ **Minerals** - Granite, Fireclay, Graphite, Limestone, Magnesite
- ✓ Black loam **soil** is found in parts of **Vellore** Taluk.

### PLACES TO VISIT:

- ✓ Kavalur – Solar Observatory
- ✓ Narasimmar Temple, Sholingar
- ✓ Margabandeeshwarar Temple
- ✓ Balamurugan Temple
- ✓ Somanathar Temple, Melpadi
- ✓ Arinjaya Choleeshwaram Temple, Melpadi
- ✓ Vallimalai Murugan Temple
- ✓ Vellore Fort
- ✓ Delhi Gate, Arcot
- ✓ Arcot Fort
- ✓ Sripuram temple known as Malaikodi, Srilakshmi golden temple,
- ✓ Yelagiri Hills,
- ✓ Amrithi Zoological Park
- ✓ Jalagamparai Waterfalls
- ✓ The Jalakandeswarar Temple inside the Vellore fort is very fine example of Vijayanagar architecture
- ✓ Jain Thirthangara Statue, Vilapakkam
- ✓ Jain cave, Vallimalai

- ✓ **Collector - Thiru. A.Shanmuga Sundaram**  
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### District Local Bodies

	<b>1</b> Corporation
	<b>11</b> Municipalities
	<b>16</b> Town Panchayats
	<b>743</b> Village Panchayats

#### General:

**District:** Vellore  
**HeadQuarters:** Vellore  
**State:** TamilNadu

#### Area:

**Total:** 6062.35 Sq.Kms  
**Rural:** 5920.18 Sq.Kms  
**Urban:** 142.17 Sq.Kms

#### Population:

**Total:** 3936331  
**Male:** 1961688  
**Female:** 1974643

### HISTORY:

- ✓ Vellore had the privilege of being the seat of the Pallava, Chola, Nayak, Maratha, Arcot Nawabs and Bijapur Sultan Kingdoms.
- ✓ It was described as the best and the strongest fortress in the Carnatic War in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century.
- ✓ It was witnessed the massacre of European soldier during the mutiny of 1806.



- ✓ Amirthi Zoological Park
- ✓ Government Museum, Vellore

**PERSONALITIES:**

- ✓ **Former President of India:** Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- ✓ Sathish Sivalingam – Sports person

**FESTIVALS:**

- ✓ Gangaamma Festival – Gudiyatham
- ✓ Pushpa Pallaku
- ✓ Yelagiri Summer Festival

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