

NAMAKKAL

District Collector

- K.Megraj I.A.S
- Namakkal District is a newly formed district from Salem District.
- It is functioning from 01-01-1997.
- **Loksabha – 1**
- **State Assembly - 6**

Boundaries

- The district is bounded by salem on the north, Karur on the south, Trichy and Salem on the east and Erode on the West.

Area

- 3368.21 Sq kms

Division

- 2 Revenue Divisions
- 8 Taluks
- 5 Municipalities
- 15 panchayat unions
- 19 Town panchayats
- 322 Village panchayats

Minerals:

- Magnesite
- Limestone

Crops:

- Paddy

- Cholam
- Groundnut
- Sugarcane
- Cotton
- Pulses

Pilgrimage

- Namagari Amman temple
- ***NamakkalAnjaneyar temple***
 - It is dedicated to the Hindu god Hanuman. It is constructed in the Dravidian style of architecture.
 - The image of Anjaneyar is 18 ft (5.5 m) tall, making it one of the tallest images of Hanuman in India.
- ***Arthanareeswarar temple***
 - It is one of the seven Sivasthalams in Kongunadu.
 - The presiding deity is depicted as half-male and half-female, vertically to represent Shiva and Parvati worshipped as one form.
- ***Kolli hills***
 - Kollimalai Hills are situated on Eastern Ghats at an altitude of 1200 mts in the Namakkal District
 - The Kollimalai Hills are known for medicinal herbs and plants that grow in abundance on the hill slopes.
 - The Arapaleswarar Temple, the Horticulture Farm, the Herbal Farm, AgayaGangaiwaterfalls, Boat house, Peryaswamy Temple, Ettukai Amman Temple, Pineapple farms, View Point and the Telescope House are the places to visit.
 - Valvil Ori festival is organised here every year during the month of August.

- King Valvil Ori ruled over Kolli Hills in 200 AD.
 - He is known for his skill in using the bow and arrow.
 - He is also known for his generosity and as a king who ruled without caste discrimination.
 - Hence, based on the State Government's direction, the district administration is organising the festival every year in which various cultural events and sports contests are held.
 - Jedarpalayam dam
 - The dam is constructed across the River Cauvery
 - Namakkal fort
 - the remnants in brick and stone still bear the brunt of the skirmishes to lay seize to the fort by the Cholas in the 9th Century. There are two rock-cut cave temples located on both sides of the hill dedicated to Narasimhaswamy and Ranganathasamy.
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