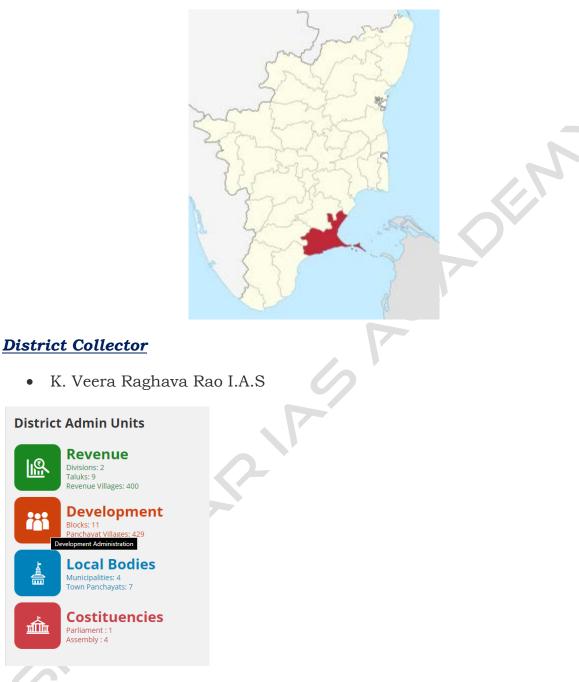


RAMANATHAPURAM



- In 1910, Ramanathapuram was formed by clubbing portions from Madurai and Tirunelveli districts.
- Ramanathapuram is also known as Mugavai (face) as the River Vaigai ends it journey here in the Palk Strait.



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Name	Value
AREA (Sq.Km.)	4087.87
TOTAL POPULATION	13,53,445
MALE POPULATION	6,82,658
FEMALE POPULATION	6,70,787
Density/km	330
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- Vaigai
- Gundar

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Fort, Kamuthi	
Ariyaman(kushi)Beach	
Munthal Beach.	
Bird Sanctuaries -Keelaselvanoor,	
Melaselvanoor,Kanchirankulam,	
Chithirankudi	

Ramanathaswamy Temple

- 38-metre 'Gopuram'
- The temple itself was built by rulers since the 12th century with Sethupathy Maravar beginning the construction of the grand Ramanathaswamy temple
- It is also one of the twelve Jyothirlinga temples, where Shiva is worshipped in the form of a Jyotirlingam.

Pamban Bridge

- The 2.2 km. length bridge connecting the Rameswaram Island and the mainland is the longest bridge in India constructed over a bay.
- Similarly the railway SCISSORS bridge connecting the island is noted for its unique opening to pass the ships through the sea.



<u>Dhanushkodi</u>

- The southernmost tip of the rameswaram island is called Dhanushkodi.
- It was completely washed away by a cyclone in 1964.
- But the Kothandaramasamy Temple here remains intact (Connected by road).

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam's Memorial

- Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam- 11th president of India.
- After his sudden demise at Shillong on 27th July 2015, he was laid to rest at Pei Karumbu, Rameswaram on 30th July 2015.

Devipattinam (Nava Bashanam)

- A coastal village is also known as Navashabashanam.
- It is believed that Lord Rama worshipped Navagraha here.
- The temple nearby here, is dedicated to Devi, who is said to have killed the demon Mahishasura at this spot.

<u>Erwadi Darha</u>

- The tomb of Sultan Ibrahim Syed Aulia, who came from Arabia via Cannanore about 800 years ago.
- Pilgrims from far off countries like Srilanka, Malaysia and Singapore are visiting this tomb.
- Santhanakoodu Festival is celebrated in February-March attracts thousands of pilgrims.

<u>Thiru Uthirakosamangai</u>

• Ancient Siva temple, where the presiding deity is carved in Emerald