



SALEM

- **Collector** - Thiru. S.A.RAMAN I.A.S
- Salem is a Geologist's paradise, surrounded by hills and the landscape dotted with hillocks.
- The Salem Steel Plant was an ambitious project started with a view to utilise the locally available iron-ore from Kanchamalai to produce steel.
- Mango fruits from Salem are enjoyed and much sought after, specially the variety Malgoa-which is the pride of Salem
- Rope making is another major cottage industry.
- Yercaud is a popular summer resort in Salem
- **Ruled by** Pandyas, Pallavas, Chozhas, Hoysalas, Malik Kafur, Vijayanagara kingdom, Chalukyas, Nayakar, Palayakar, Haider and Tipu and British.
- **Area:** 5245 Sq.Kms
- **Population:** 3482056
- **Revenue Divisions** – 4
- **Taluks**– 13
- **Assembly** – 11
- **Lok Sabha** – 1
- **Soil Types:** Loamy, Clayey, Alluvial, sandy Clay, sandy loam and acidic soil are the soil types found in the district
- **Crops** - Paddy, jowar, tapioca, sugarcane, groundnut and cotton are the major commercial crops.
- **Horticultural crops** like pineapples, mangoes, citrus fruits and brinjal are also cultivated.
- Salem District has 125,682 hectare of **forest area**.
- **Minerals** – Bauxite, Felspar, Granite, Limestone, Magnesite, Quartz, Soapstone, Calcite, Chromite, Dolomite, Dolomite



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Significance:

- Nature's lap – Muttal, Sangagiri fort, Yercaud, Kurumbapatti Zoo, Mettur Dam,

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