

## **SIVAGANGA**

### **Boundaries**

- It is bounded by Pudukkottai district on the Northeast, Tiruchirapalli district on the North, Ramanathapuram district on South East, Virudhunagar district on South West and Madurai District on the West.
- 12 Revenue Divisions
- 521 Revenue Villages

### **History**

- Ramanathapuram District formed part of Pandian Kingdom till the end of the 15th Century.
- After the fall of Nayaks, two of the Polygars viz Sethupathy of Ramanathapuram and Rajas of Sivaganga became prominent rulers of this part.
- Towards the middle of 18th Century the Europeans namely French, British entered into this part.
- The Sethupathy of Ramanathapuram lost his personal freedom and the British took control of the administration of Ramanathapuram in 1795.
- It was converted into a Zamindari in 1803 and Mangaleswari Natchiar became the first zamindar.
- During this period, the Raja of Sivaganga also revolted against the British.
- The famous Maruthu Brothers, Periya Marudhu and Chinna Marudhu assisted the Raja of Sivaganga in the revolts against the British.
- After the death of the Raja of Sivaganga (Muthu Vaduganadhar), the queen passed on the sovereignty to Marudhu Brothers, who ruled Sivaganga peacefully and devoted on payment of regular revenue to the East India Company in 1801

### **Area**

- 4189 Square Kilometer



### **Soil**

- Sivaganga district has red soil and clay soil.
- The familiar landscape is of palm and acacias.

### **Rivers**

- This district is not blessed with perennial source of river watersupply
- The rain fed tanks are the main source of Irrigation

### **Places of Interest**

Sl.No	Name of the Location	Importance
1.	Kanadukathan	Heritage sites. Known for Nagarathar Palaces
2.	Kottaiyur	
3.	Pallathur	
4.	Puduvayal	
5.	Kandanur	
6.	Chettinad	
7.	Puduvayal	
8.	Devakkottai	Heritage site. Known for Nagarathar Palaces
9.	Nattarasankottai	Heritage site. Arulmigu Kannudai Nayagi Amman Palace. Kambar Samathi
10.	Karaikkudi	Heritage site. Arulmigu Muthumariamman Temple and Koppudaiyamman Temple
11.	Sivagangai	Gowrivilasam Palace
12.	Kalaiyarkovil	Known as Thirukkanaper. Sorna Kaleeswarar Temple
13.	Piranmalai	Picturesque location. Cave Temple
14.	Kandadevi	Car Festival.
15.	Vettangudi	Birds Sanctuary
16.	Idaikattur	Roman Catholic Pilgrimage centre. Church.
17.	Kollangudi	Arulmigu Vettudayar Kalamman Temple
18.	Kundrakkudi	Hillock. Murugan Temple.