



VIRUDHUNAGAR /
VIRUDHUPATTI



LOCAL ADMINISTRATION:

Municipalities (7)	Rajapalayam
	Srivilliputtur
	Sattur
	Sivakasi
	Virudhunagar
	Aruppukottai
	Tiruthangal
Town Panchayats	9
Panchayat Unions (Blocks)	11
No. of village Panchayats	450

Administrative & District Headquarter:
VIRUDHUNAGAR

✓ Shri. R. Kannan I.A.S - District Collector

District Admin Units

Revenue
Divisions: 3
Taluks : 10
Firkas : 39
Revenue Villages : 600

Development
Blocks: 11
Panchayat Villages: 450

Local Bodies
Municipalities: 7
Town Panchayats: 11

Constituencies
Lok Sabha : 1
Assembly : 7

General:

District: Virudhunagar
HeadQuarters: Virudhunagar
State: TamilNadu

Area:

Total: 4241.0 Sq.Kms
Rural: 3794.3 Sq.Kms
Urban: 446.7 Sq.Kms

Population:

Total: 19,43,309
Female: 9,75,872
Male: 9,67,437

REVENUE ADMINISTRATION:

Divisions (3)	Aruppukottai
	Sattur
	Sivakasi
Taluks (9)	Rajapalayam
	Srivilliputtur
	Sattur
	Sivakasi
	Virudhunagar
	Aruppukottai
	Tiruchuli
	Kariapatti
	Vembakottai
No. of Firkas	39
No. of Revenue Villages	603

DISTRICT BOUNDED BY:

- ✓ North by Madurai and Sivagangai district
- ✓ South by Tirunelveli and Tuticorin district
- ✓ East by Ramanathapuram district
- ✓ West by Kerala state &
- ✓ North West by Theni district

GEOGRAPHY:

- ✓ **Rivers:**
 - ❖ Arjuna
 - ❖ Kowsika
 - ❖ Gundar
 - ❖ Vaippar
 - ✓ **Soil:** Black and Red
 - ✓ **Food Crops:** Cotton, Chilly, Spices, Cardamom, Paddy, Sugarcane and Millet
 - ✓ **Minerals:** Lime, gypsum
 - ✓ **Forest** – 476.65 sq.km
- HISTORY:**
- ✓ **Ruled by** Pandyas, Vijayanagara, Madurai Nayaks, Carnatic kingdom and British
 - ✓ In 1910, the District of Ramanathapuram was created for administrative



convenience, by carving-out territories from Madurai and Tirunelveli districts.

- ✓ After India attained independence, in 1948, the zamins were abolished.
- ✓ In 1985, the Ramanathapuram district was trifurcated to create the districts of Ramanathapuram, Sivaganga and Virudhunagar district.

PERSONALITIES:

- ✓ **P. S. KUMARASWAMY RAJA:** Former CM of Madras Presidency 6th April 1949 – 26th January 1950
- ✓ **KAMARAJAR:** Former CM of Madras State 13th April 1954 – 2nd October 1963
- ✓ **SRI RAMANA MAHARSHI**
- ✓ **V. A. Shiva Ayyadurai**
- ✓ **Vaiko**

POPULAR CITIES:

- ✓ **SRIVILLIPUTHUR:**
 - **Andal Temple West Tower (Gopuram) was recognized in the State Emblem (adopted on 1949)**
 - Palcova, divyadesam dedicated to Andal by periyalvar, under the control of Vallabadeva- Pandya, Thirumalai Nayak, Mangammal and pulithevar
 - **SATHURAGIRI:** It is the Abode of God. It is otherwise also called as Mahalingam Hill. This is also called as "Siddargal boomi". 18 Siddhas were said to live here. This is a mysterious hill where it is believed that Siddhars still worship the lord Shiva.
- ✓ Megamalai reserved forest – Grizzled Giant Squirrel
- ✓ **Sivakasi** – crackers, Match box and printing industries
- ✓ **Rajapalayam:** – Winter climates, Ayyanar Temple Falls, Mangoes and dog breeds