

D.K.M COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS), VELLORE-01
Department of History

Report of Educational Tour to Vallimalai on 24.11.2023

Department of history 59 Students and 4 Staff members, total 63 members went to Educational tour on 24.11.2022 along with three teaching staff, Lt. Dr. A. Amirthavalli, Hod and Associate Professor of History, Mrs. S. Jayanthi Assistant Professor, Dr. A. Zarina Begum Assistant Curator Thiru. K. Saravanan Vellore Government Museum and Mr. Babu non-teaching staff accompanied the students. We started from college at 9.00 a.m. We visited Vellore Government Museum, Muthumandapam, Thiruvallam temple, Erukkampattu temple, Vallimalai temple, Melpadi shiva temple and Palli padai Choleeshwarar Temple.

Vilwanatheshwarar Temple located in Thiruvallam. This temple has many inscription of Nandhivarman II, belonged to 8th century. Then visited Ranganathar temple located at Erukkampet near Vallimalai belonged to 9th century. This temple is maintained by Archaeological survey of India. Here Lord Vishnu is in Sayana Posture called Yoga Sayana Murthy belonged to later Chola period.

Next we visited Vallimalai Murugan temple one at the foothill and one on the top of the hill. Goddess Valli was born here and brought up by king Nambi Raja. Valli and Muruga are said to have got married here. Here Students also visited Jain Caves in the Vallimalai.

Next we visited Somanatheshwarar Temple in Melpadi located on Thiruvallam Ponnai Road. It was built by Paranthaka Chola I from 907 A.D. to 953 A.D. Later developed by Raja Raja Cholan. This temple also being maintained by ASI department.

Finally we visited Choleeshwarar Temple is Palli padai temple (Tomb Temple) here we can see the inscriptions of Raja Raja Chola. This town acted as the garrison to protect the Chola land from Rashtrakutas and Chalukyas attack. Students enjoyed the tour. We returned home by 7.30 p.m.

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Principal

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We started from college at 8.40 a.m



Vellore fort museum Curator Thiru K. Saravanan explained about Magic jar .



Thiruvalam Vilvanatheeswarar Temple



Yoga Sayana Murthy in Errukkampet



Students at Errukammpet Temple



Jain Caves at Vallimalai



Somanatheswarar Temple in Melpadi



Choleeshwarar Palli Padai Temple