



Shree GurubhyoNamaha !MahaPeriyavaSaranam!! Om MahaGanapatheNamaha !!

Sethanipuram (www.sethanipuram.com), a small village on the banks of river Cauvery, is situated near Sri Vanchiyam, Nachiyarkoil and Kudavasal / Nannilam. This village is located about 21 KMS from Kumbakonam.

As per the book written out by Sri Krishna Premi Anna (titled 'South India and Brahmins History'), this village is one among 4 villages where in SuklaYajurVedis got migrated from North. This happened in early Chola period. The King has donated this Village and surrounding lands to them to spread SuklaYajur Veda in Southern part of Tamilnadu. It may be around 12/13th BC. As you know temples are the first thing that Kings construct to spread Vedas and Sastras for the welfare of the mankind. Shukla Yajur Veda was revealed to the sage Yagnavalkya directly by Lord Surya. Sri Shukla Yajur Veda originally had 15 Sakhas out of which only two Sakhas or branches, called Madyandina and KanvaSakhas are available at present.

The temples in and around the Agraharam themselves are a proof to the sanctity of the village. Located on the west is the Lakshmi Narayana Swamy temple which houses the renowned Kothanda Ramaswamy Sannadhi. On the eastern side stands Lord Meenakshi Sundareshwarar showering his divine blessings on the village. On the banks of river Mudikondan is the Sri Sakthi Ganapathy temple. Thanks to all good hearted people Sri Meenakshi Sundareshwarar temple Kumbhaphishekam happened on October 2012.

During the villagers trip to Thiruvannamalai in early 90's, they met Sri Yogi Ram Surat Kumar and he informed us that there is a Samadhi of a Sadhu is located at this village. Sri Ramalingam of SBI tried locating this Samadhi after spending couple of years, he has been stopped by Yogi saying that someone else will do that. There are also printed reports from KalyanaKalpatharu (edition 1945) , published from Varanasi, stating that Sri Venkatrama Iyer, belonging to this village, was the first to spread PandurangaNama in South India.

(<http://www.sethanipuram.com/images/TopKondarama.jpg>) . From hearsay, Goddess Meenakshi is known for miracles and we have even witnessed some of them. Papanasam Sivan, the great Tamil composer is said to have got special powers after seeing Meenakshi.

The fact that MahaPeriyava has visited this village twice during his Vijay Yathras and has stayed here is a testimony to the piousness of the village. This village has been gifted with many scholars and pandits and Brahamasri Gopala Ganapadikal is one such great scholar in SuklaYajur Veda. During his last days MahaPeriyava has visited his home (on HIS own) and given HIS Darshan to this scholar. (<http://www.sethanipuram.com/pdf/kumudham.pdf>).

As per KshethraMahimai this sthalam is very special as far as the Sthala, Moorthi and Theertham are concerned. ***It is a prominent ManokarakhaSthalam.*** (Manokaraka also means 'Ruler of the Mind').

Worshipping this deity will wipe away all agony, problems and diseases of the mind. The deity would also vanquish fears, hatred, sorrow and anxiety; and bestow the devotee with a tranquil mind <http://www.sethanipuram.com/pdf/Astrology.pdf> .

Sri Harichandra Ganapathy & Sri Subramanya Swamy Temple - Renovation & MahaKumbhabhishekam Appeal:

In Kali yuga all poojas would bring in desired benefits to the person who has been doing them only after worshipping Lord Maha Ganapathy. Lord Ganapathy bestows a person to live a healthy, wealthy and prosperous life by reducing obstacles in an effective manner. He also appears in 32 different forms and Sri Harichandra Ganapathy is one among them. According to vedic scriptures, Lord Ganapathy will help his devotees whenever they face troubles in life.

A thief used to offer his share of loot to the Lord Harichandra Ganapathy and this has been going on for years. It so happened that on one occasion, the thief was caught by the villagers and after reprimanding him was let go off. He got a dream where Lord Ganapathy asked him to give up stealing and start a fresh life. It is only after this incident, the thief stopped stealing and started leading a new life and it is believed that this was the reason for calling the Lord Ganapathy as Shri Harichandra ganapathy.

The other temple Shri Subramanya Swamy temple that got eroded over 200 years is another temple that has a great history and is believed to be having great powers.

Both these temples were constructed over 700 years ago as believed by the villagers now and is in need of a renovation.

The Balalayam was conducted on September 9th 2015 for both the temples. With the continued divine blessings, Sri Chaitanya PuraAsthikasamaj), has started Sri Harichandra Ganapathy and Sri Subramanya Swamy Temple renovation work and planning to conduct "MahaKumbhabhishekam" in Feb 2016.

As per the latest estimates sheet, we need Rs. 700000/- for the renovation and MahaKumbhabhishekam. We pray Lord Maha Ganapathy / Lord Subramanya Swamy / Maha Perlava for everyone's happiness.

Donations can be transferred to the following Trust account.

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