

# SHAKTHI SANGAMAM

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### 108 Shakthi Peet Temple, Mangalapuri, Kannanthangal

#### Universal way of Life - Graced by Maha Periyavaa

Sanathana Dharma or Hindu religion as it is called by the Westerners was the only way of life or religion prevalent across the world. Since there was only one religion it was not named (normally calling out names are necessary to differentiate one from another). That is why there was no mention in the ancient Indian scripts about the name of our religion. Whereas when we look at the archaeological research carried out world over, we find evidence of our Vedic religion across the foreign countries. To cite some examples, an agreement between two Egyptian rulers was found from the deeply buried capsules which are dated atleast 1300 years before the birth of Jesus Christ! (... cont.)

#### Hail Shakthi!

Let us see Sri Sri Sri Kamakshi Devi's eighth sloka this week:

Sreengara pranavaathmikaam pranamadaam sri  
vidyavidyaamayem  
lym kleem sowm rusimandara moorthi nivahaagaraa  
masashaatmikaam  
Brahmaananda rasaanubootha mahithaam brahmapriyaam  
vaathineem  
Kamaksheem kalaiyaami kalpa lathikaam kaanchipuri devathaam

#### Meaning:

- ❖ Meditating upon you Devi Kamakshi
  - ❖ The Mother who gives boons like Karpaga vriksham
  - ❖ She is the adhidevathaa of Kanchi!
  - ❖ The one who is in the form of the Sacred OM and HREEM
  - ❖ She is the one who graces "Srividhyai" to the devotees.
  - ❖ The one who likes the sounds - lym, Kleem, Sowm (Beejakshara) and has adorned them as Her form.
  - ❖ She is the one found in all jeevaatmaas (living beings)
  - ❖ She is the one who gives the complete experience of Brahmanandam.
  - ❖ Hence even Lord Brahma is always performing pooja to Her.
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#### Shakthi Peet 39: Pundavardanam Shakthi Devi: Paatali Devi

- ❖ The 39th Shaktipeet Temple referred to by Bhagwan Vedavyasa is Karatoya temple situated in the present-day State of Bangladesh. This place is also called as Bapaanipur. Here the Divine Mother is worshipped as Aparna and as Bhavani. Even though this place is a celebrated Shaktipeet, the icon of the Goddess is in the form of Kali. That means the old Shaktipeet temple has vanished.
- ❖ At our Mangalapuri Temple the deity of this Mother has been sculpted in accordance with the Shilpa sastra.
- ❖ Here, Mother is in a standing posture with two hands gives dharshan to devotees. She holds a paasam (rope) in her right hand and gives boons using her left hand.

#### Sri Guruji's Amrutha Vani - Guru Mahimaa

- ❖ Guru's Prema (love) towards his devotees is unparalleled and is considered much more than their's mother. If we provide food for a person, it will last for few hours and thereafter the hunger sets in again. Likewise, if we offer some gold to someone it would not relieve him from his poverty for a period, but it does reoccur. Why because all the things on this earth are time bound and perishable.
- ❖ However, the Gnana (knowledge the Guru imparts to his followers and Sishya) remains immortal according to Vedas. After accepting a person as Guru, whoever HE identifies should also be given the status of Guru without discrimination. (Continued)

#### Know Spiritualist- Sri Neelakanta Dikshidar

- ❖ King Thirumalai Naicker was ashamed for having issued a thoughtless order reprimanding Dikshidar. He fell on Dikshidar's feet and sought pardon for his act. Dikshidar too immediately responded favourably.
- ❖ However, the request of the king for Dikshidar's return to his court was politely declined by him. He told the king that his only wish was to stay at Palamadai and continue in the service of Goddess Meenakshi during the rest of his life. Acceding to his request the King returned to his palace. This marks Dikshidar's life history of highest order.