

42. TOURISM

42.1 TOURIST ATTRACTIONS BY DISTRICTS 2008-09

<i>District/ Place</i>	<i>Tourist Centre</i>	<i>Season</i>	<i>Distance in Kilometres</i>				
			<i>From Chennai City</i>		<i>From the Nearest Town</i>		
			<i>By Rail</i>	<i>By Road</i>	<i>Name of the Town</i>	<i>By Rail</i>	<i>By Road</i>
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1. CHENNAI							
a) Fort St. George	Built by British East India Co. Fort Museum Clive's Comer St. Mary's Church State Govt. Secretariat.	Throughout the Year	-	2.5	-	-	-
b) Santhome	St. Thomas Cathedral Basilica where the mortal remains of St. Thomas was buried	-do-	-	8	-	-	-
c) Anna Square (Marina)	A Memorial on the Marina where the great Tamil Leader Dr. C.N. Annadurai was laid to rest	-do-	-	2.5	-	-	-
d) High Court Parry's Corner	Indo-Saracenic Style Building	-do-	2	-	-	-	-
e) Valluvar Kottam, Nungambakkam	Named after Thiruvalluvar, the great philosopher and Saint who gave Thirukkural to the world. The majestic memorial serves as an auditorium. The stone car is a great attraction.	-do-	-	6.5	-	-	-
f) Light House	On the Marina it provides panoramic view of the city	-	6	-	-	-	-

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g) Gandhi, Kamaraj & Rajaji Mandapams Guindy.	These three mandapams have been erected as memorials to the three great statesmen of India viz. Gandhi, Kamaraj and Rajaji respectively.	-do-	-	13	-	-	-
h) Children's Park	Situated very near to Gandhi Mandapam and has a small collection of birds and animals	-do-	-	13	-	-	-
i) Deer Park	Unique for being Worlds only sanctuary located within the Metropolitan city limit	Throughout the year	-	13	-	-	-
j) Snake Park	Equally unique Snake Park and reptillium are parts of the huge Raj Bhavan Estate of the Governor.		-do-	-	13	-	-
k) Aquarium	An Aquarium is located on the Marina	-do-	-	3	-	-	-
l) Kalashetra	An institution of International repute, it has rendered great service during the last four decades in reviving the fine arts and is teaching different dance forms and music of South India.	-do-	-	16	-	-	-
m) Chinna-malai	Located in Saidapet and it is also known as Little Mount. It is said that St.Thomas preached the Gospel from here. There is an old Church dedicated to "our lady of Health" and to the east is a modern circular church.	-do-	-	13	-	-	-

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
n) Fair Lands	It is the venue, where every year the Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation is organising India Tourist and Industrial Fair.	January	-	2.5	-	-	-
o) Planetarium	The Planetarium is located on Gandhi Mandapam Road, Kottur behind the Central Leather Research Institute. This B.M.Birla Planetarium under a sky theatre is a boon to research scholars on Astronomy. Astro Physics space science, etc. Astronomical programmes depicting the star's position Sun, Moon Panorams, Space Ships, Comets occurrence of Solar and Lunar Eclipses etc. are shown to public and students through G.II Projector.	Throughout the year	-	13	-	-	-
p) Anna-Zoological Park (Vandalur)	Natural Animal House	Throughout the year	-	31	-	-	-
q) Museum, National Art Gallery & Conmemara Library	Collection of Sculptures, Paintings & Books.	-do-	-	4	-	-	-
r) Marina	The Second longest beach in the world.	-do-	-	2.5	-	-	-

42.1 TOURIST ATTRACTIONS BY DISTRICTS 2004-05 (Contd.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
s) M.G.R. Memorial	A place of homage for the masses, where the mortal remains of Dr.M.G.Ramachandran, affectionately called as M.G.R. is buried. He was the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu for a decade.	-do-	-	2.5	-	-	-
t) Besant Nagar	Shrine Velankanni and Sri Devi Ashta Lakshmi Temple.	-do-	-	16	-	-	-
2. KANCHEEPURAM							
a) Mamallapuram	Mamallapuram is situated on the shore of Bay of Bengal, it was once a port of the Pallavas. They created many marvellous monuments at this place which attract tourists from all over the world. The monuments are unique in many respects and they have been declared as world heritage monuments by the UNESCO. They include 1. Sculpture panels, 2. Caves, 3. Monolithic Rathas, 4. Structural Temples. It is a well-known International Beach Resort.	Throughout the year	-	60	-	-	80
b) Vadanemili (on Chennai Mamallapuram Road)	Crocodile Bank about 5000 Crocodiles representing 6 species are reared here.	-do-	-	50	-	-	-
c) Muttukadu	Boat House, Beach Resort	-do-	-	30	-	-	-

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
d) VGP Golden Beach	Amusement Park	-do-	-	20	-	-	-
e) MGM	Amusement Park	-do-	-	28	-	-	-
f) Young Little Folk (Dolphin city)	Dolphin show	-do-	-	30	-	-	-
g) Kishkintha	Theme Park	-do-	-	30	Tam- baram	-	6
h) Vedan- thangal	Birds sanctuary. One of the major Bird sanctuaries in India. It is the home for thousands of water birds, which congregate every year from far off countries.	Nov. - Feb.	-	87	Chengalpattu	-	30
3. THIRUVALLUR							
a) Poondi	Picnic Centre Poondi Reservoir	Throughout the year	-	55	Thiruvallur	-	14
4. CUDDALORE							
a) Pitchavaram	It covers an area of about 3000 acres criss crossed by backwaters, thus forming several Islands. The mangroves on the shore of these Islands provide an alluring charm. Boating in the backwaters is an interesting experience	-do-	-	254	Chidambaram	-	20

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5. VILLUPURAM							
a) Tiruvakkarai	An ancient Temple Fossil Wood Area. Zoological Park	-do-	-	140	Pondi- cherry	-	25
b) Kalrayan Hill	Picnic Spot, Minor Hill station.	-do-	-	-	Kallakurichi	-	40
c) Gingee	Monuments and Forts built by Raja Tehsingh.	Throughout the year	-	150	Tindivanam	-	30
6. VELLORE							
a) Vellore	It is known for its Fort and the Jalakandeswarar Temple inside the Fort. As Temple, Mosque, Church housed in this Fort. This is renowned as secular Fort.	-do-	130	140	Vellore	-	-
b) Elagiri	Hill Station, it is otherwise called as 'Poor Man's Ooty'.	-do-	-	255	-	-	115
c) Amirthi	Picnic Spot (Water falls)	-do-	-	180	-	-	20
7. THIRUVANNAMALAI							
a) Sathanur Dam site	Picnic Spot Dam site	-do-	-	220	Tiruvanna- malai	-	32
b) Javvadu Hills	Picnic Spot Hill Station	-do-	-	230	Vaniyam- badi	-	-

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8. SALEM							
a) Yercaud	It is a pretty Hill Station with a pleasant cool climate.	April-June	-	400	Salem	32	32
b) Sangagiri	Fort of Hyder & Tippu Sultan	Throughout the year	-	-	-do-	-	37
c) Kolli Hills	Hill Station and Water falls	-do-	-	394	-do-	-	100
d) Namakkal	Rockcut Temple, 20' Hanuman Statue, Fort and Monument	-do-	416	-	-do-	-	52
e) Mettur Dam site	Picnic spot. The dam is one of the largest of its kind in the world.	-do-	-	407	-do-	-	52
9. DHARMAPURI							
a) Hogenakkal	Water falls Health Resort. Here Cauvery enters into Tamil Nadu.	Sep.-April	-	314	Dharmapuri	-	30
b) Krishnagiri	Picnic Spot, Dam site	Throughout the year	-	300	Krishnagiri	-	5
c) Vaniyar Dam site	Picnic Spot, Dam site Ideal locate for all kinds of adventure sports	-do-	-	-	Dharmapuri	-	30

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10. ERODE							
a) Bhavani	Picnic Spot. Three rivers commings (Triveni Sangamam)	Throughout the year	-	456	Erode	-	15
11. COIMBATORE							
a) Coimbatore	Industrial City. It is rightly called the Manchester of South India.	-do-	492	467	Coimbatore	-	-
b) Sengupatty	Picnic Spot Water falls	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	35
c) Aanaimalai Indira Gandhi Wild life Sanctuary	There are many places of Scenic beauty such as Karain Shola Anaikunthi, Shola, Grass hills, Water falls, Groves, Teak forests Estate, Dam & Reservoirs. A well preserved wild life sanctuary for deer, elephants and tigers.	-do-	-	590	-	-	90
d) Bhavani Sagar	Picnic Spot, Dam Site	-do-	-	482	Erode	-	60
e) Top Slip	Hill Station. It is a picturesque located in the Anaimalai Hills.	Throughout the year	-	-	Pollachi	-	37
f) Valparai	Picnic Spot. Tea Estates	-do-	-	582	Udumalpet	-	22

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g) Thiru moorthy Hills	Picnic Spot Water falls	-do-	-	506	-do-	-	22
h) Black Thunder	Theme Park	-do-	-	535	Coimbatore	-	40
12. THE NILGIRIS							
a) Udhaga-mandalam	The queen of Hill Stations. It has a Botanical Garden, Lake etc. It is also known for its coffee and tea plantaion. The District is noted for its ancient hill tribes.	April, June & September, October	576	590	Udhagamandalam	-	-
b) Coonoor	Annual fruit show is conducted at Sim's Park in May every year.	Throughout the year	558	519	-do-	18	19
c) Kotagiri	Hill Station. Known for Tea Estate. It has St.Catherine Falls.	-do-	-	518	-do-	-	29
d) Mudumalai	Wild life Sanctuary	Throughout the year	-	620	Udhaga-mandalam	-	30
e) Kalhatti	Picnic spot water falls	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	10
f) Kodanadu	Picnic spot view point & Rangasamy pillar	-do-	-	-	Kothagiri	-	20

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13. THANJAVUR							
a) Darasuram	Fine sculptures intricately designed, Silk weaving centre, Ancient Siva Temple.	-do-	317	280	Kumbakonam	-	5
b) Grand Anaicut	Picnic spot. The Dam was constructed by King Karikalacholan.	-do-	-	315	Tiruchy	-	10
14. NAGAPATTINAM							
a) Naga-pattinam	Sea Port	-do-	-	334	Naga-pattinam	-	-
b) Kodikarai (Point calimere)	This is the only wild life sanctuary where one can see both wild life and birds in a single place.	-do-	393	432	Vedaran-yam	-	9
c) Poompuhar	An Art Gallery depicting scenes from the Tamil Epic Silappathikaram was opened in 1973.	Throughout the year	376	375	Mayiladu-thurai	-	30
d) Manora	Memorial Victory Tower built by Maratta King Saroboji to commemorate the victory of British over Nepoleon in 1814	-do-	376	376	Peravoorani	-	12
e) Tharan-gambadi	Historical Place Museum Danish Fort renowned for Ozone rich atmosphere	-do-	-	-	Mayiladu-thurai	-	25

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15. THIRUCHIRAPPALLI							
a) Mukkombu (Upper Anicut)	Picnic spot. River Kollidam splits into five channels	-do-	-	335		Tiruchy	16
b) Puliancholai	Picnic spot in the foot hills of the Kolli Hills range	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	72
16. PUDUKOTTAI							
a) Pudukottai	Historical Place, Palace, Numerous dolmens, Ancient monuments and Sri Bhuvaneswari Temple otherwise renowned as treasure of Tamil Nadu	-do-	395	-		Pudukottai	-
b) Sittanna Vasal	Rock art Jain Cave temple also Pre-historic burial site	-do-	-	480	-do-	-	16
c) Narthamalai	Ancient monuments	-do-	-	360	-do-	-	17
d) Manalmelkudi	Picnic Spot	Throughout the year	-	465	-	-	-
e) Tirukoarnam	A rock cut cave temple built by Mahendravarma Pallava, a Museum	-do-	-	-		Pudukottai	5
17. DINDIGUL							
a) Kodaikanal	The princess of Hill Stations. It has a lake, pillar rock, green valley view Bryant Park, Silver cascade water falls etc.,	April, June & September, November	-	580		Madurai	121

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b)Thirumalai keni	Picnic spot, Sri Murugan temple	Throughout the year	-	316	Dindigul	-	25
c) Dhandikudi	Picnic spot, Minor Hill Station	-do-	-	-	do	-	30
d) Parapalar	Picnic Spot Dam	-do-	-	-	Palani	-	10
18. THENI							
a) Vaigai Dam	Picnic Spot Dam	Throughout the year	-	464	Madurai	-	70
b) Suruli	Picnic spot Water falls	-do-	-	608	Madurai	-	123
c) Megamalai	Cardamom Estate & Tea Plantation in Hills. There are also wild animals	-do-	-	569	do	-	130
e) Kumbakarai	Water falls.	-do-	-	-	do	-	105
19. MADURAI							
a) Viraganur	Picnic spot Dam	-do-	-	449	do	-	8
20. RAMANATHAPURAM							
a) Kurusadai Island	Biological centre	-do-	-	606	Ramanatha-nuram	-	18
b) Ramana-thapuram	Ancient historical town. Ramalinga vilasam palace with fine paintings.	-do-	-	-	Ramanatha-nuram	-	-
c) Thondi	Picnic Spot Ancient Port	-do-	-	480		-	30

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21. VIRUDHUNAGAR							
a) Pillavakkal	Picnic Spot Dam	Throughout the year	-	519	Viraganoor	-	25
b) Kullur Sandhai	Picnic spot Dam	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	6
22. SIVAGANGAI							
a) Sivagangai	Historical Centre & Palace	Throughout the year	-	474	Sivagangai	-	-
b) Kalaiyar koil	Historical and pilgrim centre	-do-	-	494	-do-	-	35
23. TIRUNELVELI							
a)Mundanthurai	Tiger sanctuary	June-September	-	690	Tirunelveli	-	52
b) Papanasam	Water falls, Dam and Siva Temple	-do-	-	680	-do-	-	40
c) Courtallam	Water falls, Health Resort. It is believed that temple dedicated to Lord Siva & Parvathi has been established by St. Agasthyar while he came to South to balance	-do-	-	605	Tenkasi	-	6
d) Manimuthar	Picnic Spot Dam & Water falls	Throughout the year	-	-	Ambasamudram	-	30
e) Uvari	Beach, Temple & Church	-do-	-	700	Tiruchendur	-	25

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f) Kalakadu	Lion tailed, Monkey Sanctuary	-do-	-	-	Cheranma-devi	-	20
24. TOOTHUKUDI							
a) Ayanar Sunai	Picnic spot Natural spring	Throughout the year	-	610	Tiruchendur	-	12
b) Panchalam Kurichi	Kattabomman Memorial Fort	-do-	-	694	Toothukudi	-	26
c) Kazhugumalai	Jain Cave Temple	-do-	-	690	Kovilpatti	-	25
d) Ettayapuram	Bharathiyar's birth place and Memorial	-do-	-	605	-do-	-	20
e) Thirucendur	One of the abodes of Lord Muruga	-do-	-	665	-	-	-
f) Manapparai	Ancient Church located here where a portion of bleeding cross is kept	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
25. KANYAKUMARI							
a) Circular Fort (Vattakottai)	Picnic Spot 18 th Century Fort on the calm sea-shore. Sea is suitable for bathing	-do-	-	706	Kanniya-kumari	-	6
b) Padmanabhapuram	Inscription of 9 th Century A.D. Palace and Museum.	-do-		732	-do-	32	32

42.1 TOURIST ATTRACTIONS BY DISTRICTS 2008-09 (Concl'd.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
c) Kumarai Amman Temple							
d) Vivekananda Rock Memorial							
e) Gakanathaswami Temple							
f) Kanniyakumari	Known for sun-rise, sunset and sun-set & moon-rise simultaneously on specific days						
g) Colossal Statue of St. Poet Thiruvalluvar	Akin to the liberty status located on a rock next to Vivekananda Rock Memorial						
h) Suchindram Temple	Where the Creator (Brahma), destroyer (Lord Siva) and Creator (Vishnu) are worshipped one of the tales						
i) Anjeneya Idols	Located here						
j) Pechi-parai Dam	Picnic spot, Dam	Throughout the year	-	784	Kanniyakumari	-	74
k) Thiruparappu	Picnic spot, Water falls	-do-	-	786	do	-	72
l) Udayagiri	Fort built by King Marthandavarma in 18 th Century	-do-	-	-	do	-	34
m) Tiruvattar	Temple with fine architecture and paintings	-do-	-	-	do	-	60
n) Muttam	Fine Beach with light-house	-do-	-	-	do	-	32
o) Thottipalayam	Picnic spot, Hanging bridge	-do-	-	774	Nagercoil	-	20

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42.2 PILGRIM CENTERS BY DISTRICTS 2008-09

District/ Place	Name of the Pilgrim Centre	Distance in Kilometers					
		From Chennai City			From the Nearest Town		
		Season	By Rail	By Road	Name of Town	By Rail	By Road
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1. CHENNAI							
a) Kapaleeswarar Temple	This ancient temple at Mylapore dedicated to Lord Siva is a typical example of Dravidian Architecture	Throughout the year	-	5	-	-	-
b) Parthasarathy Temple	The Parthasarathy Temple of Lord Vishnu located in Thiruvallikeni is said to have been built by Pallava King and later renovated by the Pandya Chola and Vijaya Nagar Kings.	-do-	-	4	-	-	-
c) Besant Nagar	Shrine Velankanni and Sri Devi Ashta Lakshmi Temple.	-do-	-	16	-	-	-
2. KANCHEEPURAM							
a) Kancheepuram	Pilgrim Centre. It is one of the seven Holy cities in India. Famous for Handloom Silk Sarees.	-do-	-	77	Kancheepuram	-	-
b)Thiruporur	Sri Murugan Temple	-do-	-	38	-	-	-
c)Thirukkazhukundram	An ancient Siva temple and a hill top temple are located here. There is also a Pallava cave temple.	-do-	-	68	Chengalpet	-	17
d) Sriperumbudur	Birth place of Vaishnava Saint Sri Ramanujar and death place of Rajiv Gandhi, former Prime Minister of India.	-do-	-	45	-	-	-

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3. THIRUVALLUR							
a) Thiruverkadu	Sri Devi Karumari Amman Temple	-do-	-	18	-	-	-
b) Mangadu	Sri Devi Kamatchi Amman Temple.	-do-	-	21	-	-	-
c) Tiruvalankadu	Siva Temple	-do-	-	55			17
					Thiruvallur		
d) Thiruvallur	Lord Veerarahava-Perumal Temple	-do-	-	46	-do-	-	-
e) Thiruttani	It is one of the six abodes of Lord Subramaniya-Temple.	-do-	80	86			13
					Arakkonam		
4. CUDDALORE							
a) Chidambaram	It is an important pilgrim centre and a Holy place for Saivites. Famous Nataraja Temple is located here. Annamalai (Residential) University is also located here.	-do-	227	221			-
					Chidambaram		
b) Srimushnam	Lord Vishnu Temple.	-do-	-	-	do	-	27
c) Vadalur	Sri Ramalinga Swamy Jothi Place	Jan. Feb	-	-			20
					Panruti		
5. VILLUPURAM							
a) Mylam	Sri Murugan Temple						
		Throughout the year	-	-		Tindivanam	12
b) Tiruvennainallur	Lord Siva Temple	-do-	-	-		Villu-puram	22
c) Tirukoilur	Lord Vishnu Temple (Vamana Avathara Place).	-do-	-	-	-		33

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
d) Melmalaiyanur	Sri Angalamman Temple	-do-	-	-	Tindi- vanam	-	50
6. VELLORE							
a) Rathinagiri	Sri Murugan Temple	-do-	-	-	Vellore	-	17
b) Sholingur	Lord Narasima Swamy Temple	-do-	-	-	Arak- konam	-	30
7. THIRUVANNAMALAI							
a) Thiruvannamalai	Ancient Arunachaleeswarar Siva Temple. It is also associated with Saint Arunagirinathar and Ramana Maharishi Ashram.	-do-	240	180	Tiruvanna- malai	-	-
8. SALEM							
a) Thiruchengodu	Pilgrim centre, Arthanareeswarar Temple	-do-	-	-	Salem	-	43
b) Taramangalam	Lord Siva Temple	Throughout the Year	-	400	Salem	-	24
c) Skanda-shramam	Lord Murugan Temple	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	16
9. DHARMAPURI							
a) Theerthamalai	Pilgrim Centre	-do-	-	340	Harur	-	20
10. ERODE							
a) Kasthuribagram	Ashram / Community Project Centre, Siva Temple	-do-	-	460	Erode	-	60
b) Kodumudi	Pilgrim Centre Lord Brahma Temple.	-do-	-	400	-do-	-	40
c) Bannari	Pilgrim Centre Marimijayin Temple	-do-	-	400	-do-	-	60

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11.COIMBATORE									
a) Perur	Pilgrim Centre Siva Temple	-do-	-	522			Coimbatore	-	15
b) Maruthamalai	Sri Subramaniya Swamy Temple	-do-	-	-	-do-	-		-	9
12. THANJAVUR									
a) Thanjavur	The ancient Bragadeeswarar temple is a world heritage monument. Art Gallery, Saraswathy Mahal Library, The palace near the temple built partly by the Nayaks and partly by Marathas. Tamil University		Through out the year		351	311	Thanjavur	-	-
b) Thiruvaiyaru	Pilgrim Centre, Saint Thayagaraja lived and attained Samathi. Every year in January, a music festival is held here in honour of this Saint, Siva Temple.	-do-	-	324	-do-	-		-	13
c) Thirukandiyur	Temples of Brahmasire Kandeswarer and Harasha-Vimochana Perumal.	-do-	-	-	-do-	-		-	10
d) Kumbakonam	Pilgrim Centre, The Mahamagam Festival is celebrated here once in twelve years which attracts Pilgrims through out the country.	-do-	313	270			Kumbakonam	-	-
e) Thirubuvanam	Pilgrim Centre, Silk weaving centre	-do-	-	270	-do-	-		-	8
f) Swamimalai	One of the six abodes of Lord Subramaniya	-do-	-	-	-do-	-		-	8
g) Uppliyappan Koil	Lord Vishnu Temple	-do-	-	-	-do-	-		-	6

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h) Thirunageshwaram	Ragu Temple	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	5	
i) Thiruvudai Marudur	Lord Siva Temple	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	12	
j) Pateeswaram	Sri Durga Temple	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	9	
k) Thirukarukavur	Sri Karparakshambal Temple - Devi Blesses with child to childless.	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	30	
13. THIRUVARUR								
a) Thiruvavarur	Pilgrim centre Thyagarajaswami Temple. It has some important Inscriptions, The legend of Manu Needhi Chola's Judgement of death on his only son for driving the chariot over a calf is sculptured on southern portion of the temple is an interesting feature. The temple has the biggest car and the car festival attracts a large number of devotees from all parts of the State. One of the musical Trinity.	Through out the year	-	310	Thiruvavarur	-	-	
14. NAGAPATTINAM								
a) Velankani	Famous Roman Catholic Pilgrim Centre	-do-	-	348	Nagapattinam	-	10	
b) Nagore	Famous pilgrim centre for Muslims	-do-	-	328	-do-	-	5	
c) Mayiladuthurai	Lord Siva Temple	-do-	-	-	Mayiladuthurai	-	-	
d) Thirumanancheri	Lord Siva Temple Unmarried person is blessed with marriage.	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	15	

42.2 PILGRIM CENTERS BY DISTRICTS 2008-09 (Contd.)

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
e) Thirukadaiyur	Devi Abirami Temple 60th Birthday celebrations performed in large number	-do-	-	-	-do	-	-	-	22
f) Sikkal	Temple of Lord Murugan and Siva	-do-	-	-			Naga-pattinam	-	10
g) Sirkali	Lord Siva Temple	-do-	-	-			Vaitheeswaran Koil	-	9
h) Vaitheeswaran Koil	Lord Siva Temple	-do-	-	-			Sirkali	-	9
15. THIRUCHIRAPPALLI									
a) Thiruchirappalli	Rock Fort Temple			Throughout the year	337	320	Tiruchy	-	-
b) Srirangam	The Ranganatha Swamy temple is the nucleus of the temple town of Srirangam. It has the tallest Gopuram.	-do-	326	316	-do-	4	4	4	4
c) Thiruvanaikaval	Siva Temple pilgrim Centre	-do-	326	316	-do-	4	4	4	4
d) Gangai konda-Cholapuram	Siva Temple, Sculptures (Chola Architecture) monument capital of Rajentra Chola.	-do-	-	280	-do-	-	4	4	4
e) Samayapuram	Sri Mariamman Temple	-do-	-	-	Tiru-chy	-	10	10	10
f) Vayalur	Pilgrim Centre, Sri Murugan Temple	-do-	-	325	-do-	-	21	21	21
16. PUDUKOTTAI									
a) Viralimalai	Temple for Lord Subramaniam Peacock Sanctuary.			Throughout the year	-	400	Pudukottai	-	32
b) Kudumiamalai	Pilgrim Centre, Siva Temple famous for beautiful sculptures	-do-	-	370	-do-	-	25	25	25

42.2 PILGRIM CENTERS BY DISTRICTS 2008-09 (Contd.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
c) Kodumbalur	Moovar Temple, Monument and site museum	-do-	-	360	-do-	-	40
d) Avudaiyar Koil	Siva Temple. Sculpture and noted for its zephyr (granite roof) work	-do-	-	398	-do-	-	40
e) Thirumayam	Fort, Vishnu & Siva Temples	-do-	-	415	Pudukkottai	-	40
f) Avur	Pilgrim Centre for Christians.	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	28
17. DINDIGUL							
a) Palani	Pilgrim Centre. One of the six abodes of Lord Subramaniya	-do-	486	472	Madurai	120	117
18. MADURAI							
a) Madurai	Sri Meenakshi Sundareswarar Temple, Theppakkulam, Gandhi Museum, Mariamman Temple, Thirumalai Naicker Mahal etc.,	-do-	492	444	Madurai	-	-
b) Thiruparamkudram	Pilgrim Centre. One of the six abodes of Lord Subramaniya	-do-	-	448	-do-	-	8
c) Pazhamudhirsolai	-do-	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	25
d) Azhagarkoil	Pilgrim Centre Vishnu Temple	-do-	-	495	-do-	-	21
19. RAMANATHAPURAM							
a) Rameswaram	Major Pilgrim Centre small Island in the Gulf of Mannar	Through-out the year	-	624	Rameswaram	-	-
b) DhanushKodi	Pilgrim centre	-do-	-	639	-do-	-	18
c) Sethukarai	Pilgrim centre during Ramayana period squirrels made bridge to Sri Lanka with sand.	-do-	-	540	Ramanathapuram	-	4

42.2 PILGRIM CENTERS BY DISTRICTS 2008-09 (Contd.)

<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>
d) Devipattinam	Known as Navabashanam nine stones installed by Lord Rama in the sea here represent nine planets	-do-	-	510	-do-	-	12
e) Uthira-kosamangai	Pilgrim centre. Temple for Siva dedicated to Lord Nataraja	-do-	-	639	-do-	-	6
f) Thirupullani	Pilgrim centre for Lord Vishnu Temple	-do-	-	530	-do-	-	7
g) Athangarai	Pilgrim centre for Muslims	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	20
h) Eravadi	Muslims pilgrim centre Tomb of Saint Ibrahim Syed Aulia	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	8
20. VIRUDHUNAGAR							
a) Srivilliputhur	Pilgrim centre. Birth place of Sri Andal	-do-	-	515	Srivilliputhur	-	-
21. SIVAGANGAI							
a) Piranmalai	Pilgrim Centre	-do-	-	396	-	-	-
b) Pillaiyarpatti	Sri Karpaga Vinayagar Temple	-do-	-	-	Karai-kudi	-	8
c) Kundragudi	Sri Murugan Temple	-do-	-	-	-do-	-	10
22. TIRUNELVELI							
a) Tirunelveli	Ancient Siva Temple	-do-	-	640	Tirunelveli	-	-
b) Krishnapuram	Vaishnava Temple Sculptures	-do-	-	655	-do-	-	13
c) Banatheertham	Pilgrim Centre. Starting point of Tambarabarani River.	-do-	-	708	Tirunelveli	-	68
d) Tenkasi	Pilgrim Centre. Ancient Siva Temple	-do-	-	600	Tenkasi	-	-
23. THOOTHUKUDI							
a) Thiruchendur	Pilgrim Centre Sea shore Temple of Lord Subramaniya	-do-	-	665	Thiruchendur	-	-

42.2 PILGRIM CENTERS BY DISTRICTS 2008-09 (Concl.)

<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>
b) Alwar-thirunagari	Lord Vishnu Temple	-do-	-	-	Alwar thirunagari	-	-
c) Sri vaikuntam	Lord Vishnu Temple	-do-	-	-	Srivai-kundam	-	-
24. KANYAKUMARI							
a) Kanyakumari	Land's end, Pilgrim Centre, Vivekananda Memorial, Kumariamman Temple, Gukanthaswami Temple, ancient Siva Temple meeting point of Bengal and Arabian Sea. Sun rise and sun set at one place.	-do-	750 (via) Trivan dram)	714	Kanya-kumari	-	-
b) Suchindram	Ancient Thanumalayan temple here is a repository of art treasures belonging to many kingdoms.	-do-	738 (via) Mad urai	713	-do-	-	13

Source: Commissioner of Tourism, Chennai-2

42.3 INDIAN TOURISM 2008

	2008
Foreign Tourist arrivals in India (in Million.)	5.37
World Tourist arrivals (in Million)	924.0
Percentage share of India in World Tourist arrivals during the period	0.58%
World Tourism Receipts (Excluding Fare receipts) (US \$ Billion)	856.0
Estimated Foreign exchange receipts of India during the period	11747
Percentage share of India in World Tourism receipts	NA
Estimates number of Domestic Tourist movement in the country during the period (in million)	562.75
Estimated direct employment in Tourism (For every one lakh Rupees)	8.27%

Source: Commissioner of Tourism, Chennai-2

42.4 TOURIST ARRIVALS IN TAMIL NADU

(in Nos.)

<i>Year</i>	<i>Domestic</i>	<i>Foreign</i>	<i>Total</i>
1993	14211900	435473	14647373
1994	16026000	498121	16524121
1995	17214000	585751	17800751
1996	18202700	613982	18816682
1997	18928044	636642	19564686
1998	20413193	636400	21049593
1999	21136941	722442	21859383
2000	22981882	786165	23768047
2001	23812043	773073	24585116
2002	24661754	804641	25466395
2003	27059002	901504	27960506
2004	30076832	1058012	31134844
2005	32339478	1179319	33518787
2006	39214721	1335661	40550382
2007	50647188	1753103	52400291
2008	62618252	2040419	64658671

Source: Commissioner of Tourism, Chennai-2

42.5 NUMBER OF TOURIST ARRIVALS (CENTRE WISE) IN TAMIL NADU 2008

<i>Destination</i>	<i>Domestic</i>	<i>Foreign</i>	<i>Total</i>
1. Chennai	11033027	762630	11795657
2. Elagiri	101194	7285	108479
3. Mamallapuram	1714179	205552	1919731
4. Kancheepuram	1758970	110156	1869126
5. Tiruttani	1268202	18258	1286460
6. Chidambaram	1038921	15636	1054557
7. Pitchavaram	29140	2171	31311
8. Udhagamandalam	4699600	143273	4842873
9. Coonoor	730961	11952	742913
10. Mudumalai	89929	8847	98776
11. Thanjavur	1588321	64588	1652909
12. Velankanni	960000	10815	970815
13. Nagore	558289	5617	563906
14. Poompuhar	74141	4300	78441
15. Madurai	6276649	256041	6532690
16. Kodaikanal	4476032	98510	4574542
17. Palani	5329276	14219	5343495
18. Rameswaram	3308279	15017	3323296
19. Courtallam	1423547	4983	1428530
20. Panchalankurichi	24978	208	25186
21. Kanyakumari	2599915	91287	2691202
22. Thiruchirappalli	2875102	109422	2984524
23. Salem	1127404	5340	1132744
24. Yercaud	670742	3302	674044
25. Hogenakkal	456146	3129	459275
26. Tiruchendur	2817278	14722	2832000
27. Coimbatore	2318784	27185	2345969
28. Kumbakonam	993585	10873	1004458
29. Thiruvannamalai	2275661	15101	2290762
GRAND TOTAL	62618252	2040419	64658671

Source: Commissioner of Tourism, Chennai-2

42.6 NATIONALITY-WISE TOURIST ARRIVALS IN CHENNAI AND TRICHY AIRPORTS 2007 & 2008

Country	Chennai		Trichy	
	2007	2008	2007	2008
U.S.A	59264	65392	188	130
Canada	12587	14664	251	267
France	59494	48591	101	76
Germany	14687	16199	167	123
Italy	8915	9836	9	15
U.K.	43150	45032	638	709
Sri Lanka	135308	149209	15353	13359
Malaysia	59494	119862	737	5802
Singapore	39006	34355	3017	4860
Japan	9441	10428	12	30
Australia	15734	20154	135	184
Others	82814	93582	500	411
TOTAL	539894	627304	21108	25966

Source: Commissioner of Tourism, Chennai-2

42.7 FOREIGN TOURISTS ARRIVALS TO INDIA AND THE PERCENTAGE SHARE OF TAMIL NADU

Items	2006	2007	2008
All India	4429915	4977193	5366966
Tamil Nadu	451909	561002	659713
% Share	13.7	11.3	12.3

Source: Commissioner of Tourism, Chennai-2

42.8 FOREIGN TOURISTS ARRIVALS IN CHENNAI AND THIRUCHIRAPPALLI AIRPORTS ONLY

Airport	2006	2007	2008
Chennai	432150	539894	632304
Thiruchirappalli	12290	21108	25966
TOTAL	444440	561002	658270

Source: Commissioner of Tourism, Chennai-2

**42.9 CONDUCTED TOUR PACKAGES BY TAMIL NADU
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Name of the Tour		Time & Places Covered
Regular Tours		
1.	Half Day Chennai City Sight Seeing Tour	Morning and evening on all days from : 8.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. and 1.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. Places covered: Fort St. George, Government Museum, Valluvarkottam, Snake Park, Kapaleswarar Temple and Marina Beach (Government Museum will be closed on Fridays and Birla Planetorium will be covered on that day). (Snake Park will be closed on Tuesdays). [For Foreigner Entry Fee at both Museum extra]
2.	One Day Mamallapuram Tour (Round Trip)	On all days Time : 6.30 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. Places covered: Kancheepuram - Mamallapuram – Muttukadu Boating and V.G.P. Golden Beach. [For Foreigner Entry Fee at both Museum extra]
3.	One Day Pondicherry Tour	Saturday and Sunday : 6.30 a.m.-9.00 p.m. Places covered: Pondicherry - Sri Aurobindo Ashram – Museum - Beach – Auroville – Boating at Mudaliar Kuppam – Chennai.
4.	One Day Tirupathi Tour (Day Trip)	Monday to Friday: Time 6.10 a.m. and return on the same day after Dharisan by 11.00 p.m. Places to be Visited: Thirupathi – Thirumala - Thiruchanure
5.	One Day Thiruvannamalai Girivalam Tour	Leaves Chennai every full moon day at 10.00 a.m. / 2.00 p.m. and return on next day 6.00 a.m.
6.	Three Days Navagraha Tour (Nine Planets Tour)	Leaves Chennai every Friday at 10.30 p.m. and returns on the following Monday 5.00 a.m. Places covered: Vaitheeswaran Koil: (Angarha-Mars) Thiruvengadu, (Budha-Mercury), Keezhperumpallam (Kethu), Thirunallar (Sani-Saturn), Alangudi (Guru-Jupitur), Thingalur (Chandran-Moon), Thirunageswaram (Raghu), Surianar Kovil (Surya-Sun) and Kanchanur (Sukra-Venus).
7.	Six Days South India Tour	Leaves Chennai on every Saturday at 7.00 a.m. and return on the following Thursday 5.00 p.m. Places Covered: Bangalore, Hosur*, Srirangapatna, Brindhavan Garden, Mysore*, Mudumalai Wild Life Sanctuary, Ooty*, Perur Amman Temple, Marudhamalai, Coimbatore*, Hogenakkal*, Thiruvannamalai.

**42.9 CONDUCTED TOUR PACKAGES BY TAMIL NADU
TOURISM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED 2008-09 (Contd.)**

Name of the Tour		Time & Places Covered
8.	Eight Days East West Coast Tour	Leaves Chennai every Wednesday at 7.00 a.m. and returns on the following Wednesday by 6.00 a.m. Places covered: Thiruvannamalai, Yercaud*, Marudamalai, Coimbatore*, Guruvayur, Kaladi, Cochin*, Alleppey, Thiruvananthapuram*, Kovalam, Suchindram, Kanyakumari*, Courtallam, Madurai*, Trichi*, Melmaruvathur.
9.	Eight Days Tamil Nadu Tour	Leaves Chennai every Saturday at 7.00 a.m. and return on the following Saturday 6.00 p.m. Places covered: Pondicherry, Pitchavaram, Chidambaram, Vaitheeswaran Koil*, Nagore, Velankanni, Mannargudi, Thanjavur*, Rameswaram*, Kanyakumari*, Suchindram, Madurai*, Kodaikanal*, Trichi*.
10.	Fourteen Days Sunny South Tour	Leaves Chennai at 7.00 a.m. every Wednesday and returns on the 14 th day evening. Places covered: Thiruthani, Thirupathi*, Thiruchanoor, Bangalore, Hosur*, Mysore*, Mudumalai Wild Life Sanctuary, Ooty*, Marudhamalai, Coimbatore*, Guruvayur, Cochin*, Kovalam, Trivandram*, Suchindram, Kanyakumari*, Tiruchendur, Rameswaram*, Thiruparamkundram, Madurai*, Palani, Trichy*, Thanjavur, Swamimalai, Poompuhar, Chidambaram*, Pondicherry, Mamallapuram*, Kancheepuram.
Optional Tours		
11.	One Day – Suruttapalli Tour	All Pradosham days from : 9.30 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Places covered: Kakalur (Sri Anjaneyar), Thiruvallur (Sri Veeraraghava Perumal), Suruttapalli (Sri Pallikondeswarar).
12.	One Day – Sakthi Tour (Deviar Darshan)	Time 7.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. (Every Tuesday, Friday, Sunday & Full Moondays) Places covered: Mangadu (Kamatchi Amman), Thiruverkadu (Devi Karumariamman), Poonamallee (Devi Thaiyal Nayagi), Thirumullaivoil (Devi Vaisnavi Amman, Kodiudai Amman), Chempulivaram (Devi Chenkallamman), Panchati (Ananda Valliamman with three eye), Melur (Thiruvudal Amman), Thiruvoitriyur (Devi Vadivudai Amman).

**42.9 CONDUCTED TOUR PACKAGES BY TAMIL NADU
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Name of the Tour	Time & Places Covered
13. One Day Thirumal Darshan Tour (Nine Balaji Temples around Chennai)	Time 7.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. (Every Saturday, Sunday & Shraavan Days) Places covered: Koyambedu (Vaigundavasa Perumal) - Thirumazhisai (Jagannatha Perumal) - Thiruninravur (Bakthavatchalaperumal) – Sriperumbudur (Adikesavaperumal) - Pazhaya Seevaram (Lakshmi Narashimhaswamy) – Thirumalai Vaiyavur (Prasanna Venkatesa Perumal) – Ponpatharkottam (Sathurpuja Ramar) - Mamallapuram (Sthala Sayana Perumal) - Thiruvidanthai (Adhivaragha Perumal, Nidhya Kalyana Perumal)
14. One Day St.Thomas Mount, Vandaloor Zoo and Kishkintha Tour	St. Thomas Mount, Vandalur Zoo and Kishkintha
15. One Day Fun & Entertainment Tour	On every Saturday, Sunday & Government Holidays from 9.30 a.m. to 8.15 p.m. Places covered: Mayajall, MGM, VGP
16. One Day – Tiruthani – Kalahasti – Nallathor – Mathur Tour	On every Sudnay from 6.30 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Places covered: Tiruthani – Kalahasti – Nallathor – Mathur.
17. One Day Tennangur – Uthiramerur – Maduran-thagam Tour	On every Saturday and Sunday from 7.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. Places covered: Thennangur (Pandurangan Raghumaye Temple), Uthiramerur (Sundara Varadharaja Perumal), Maduranthagam (Earikatha Ramar Temple)
18. Three Days Nava Tirupathigal (Thirunelveli) Tour	Leaves Chennai on every First and Third Friday at 7.00 p.m. and return by 8.00 p.m. on Monday Places covered: SirVaikundam, Thirupulliankudi, Eratai Thirupathi (Two temples), Thirukolloor, Thirunelveli* (Nellaiappar), Sri Varagunamangai, Thirukuzhanthai, Then Thiruperai, Alwar Thirunagari, Thiruchendur.
19. Three Days – Panchabootha- sthalangal Tour	Leaves Chennai on every Friday at 7.00 a.m. and return by 8.00 p.m. on Sunday Places covered: Kalahasthi (Sri Kalahastiswaraswamy –Air), Kancheepuram* (Sri Ekambareswar-Earth), Thiruvannamalai (Arunachaleswarar-Fire), Ramanashram, Trichy*, Thiruvanaikaval (Jambukeswarar-Water), Chidambaram (Sri Nadarajar-Ether)

* *Night Halt Places*

**42.9 CONDUCTED TOUR PACKAGES BY TAMIL NADU
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<i>Name of the Tour</i>		<i>Time & Places Covered</i>
20.	4 Days – Arupadai Veedu Tour (Lord Muruga Tour)	Leaves Chennai on every Thursday at 7.00 a.m. and return by 10.00 p.m. on Sunday. Places covered: Tiruthani, Swamimalai, Thanjavur *, Tiruchendur *, Madurai *, Pazhamudhir solai, Thiruparmkundram, Palani.
21.	4 Days – Chozha Nattu Tirupathigal Tour	Leaves Chennai every First and Third Friday at 10.00 p.m. and returns the following Tuesday by 6.00 a.m. Places covered: Sirkazhi, Thirunagari, Thirunangur, Thiruvellakulam (Annankovil), Thiruvihandur, Thirukkanapuram, Thirunagai, Nagapattinam *, Thirukkannamangai, Thirucherai, Thiruvinnagar, (Oppiliappan Kovil), Thirunaraiyur (Nachiar Kovil), Kumbakonam, Thirukkandiyur, Thanjavur, Thirukkarambanur (Uthamar Kovil), Tiruchi *, Thiruvellarai, Thirukkozhi (Uraiyur), Thiruvarangam (Sri Rangam).
22.	5 Days – Pandiya Nattu Tirupathigal Tour	Leaves Chennai every Second and Fourth Friday at 9.00 p.m. and returns on the following Wednesday by 5.00 a.m. Places covered: Tiruchi, Thirumeyyam, Thirukottiyur, Thiruppullani, Madurai *, Koodalazakar Kovil (Madurai), Thiruthangal, Sreevilliputhur, Thirunelveli *, Nava Thirupathigal, Thirukkurugudi, Vanamamalai, Madurai *, Thirumohoor, Alagarkoil, Meenakshi Amman Koil, Srirangam.
23.	7 Days – Mookambika Tour	Leaves Chennai every Sunday at 7.00 a.m. and returns on the following Saturday by 6.00 p.m. Places covered: Bangalore, Hosur *, Sharvanabelegola, Belur, Haleibed, Hassan *, Sringeri, Mookambika (Kollur), Udippi *, Dharmastala, Subramaniya, Mysore *, Hoguekall.
24.	7 Days – Andhra Tour	Leaves Chennai every Friday at 7.00 a.m. and returns the following Thursday by 8.00 p.m. Places covered: Narayanavanam, Konai falls, Sri Kalahasthi, Nellore *, Vijayawada *, Mangalagiri, Hyderabad *, Nagarjuna Sagar Dam*, Srisailam, Nandyal *.
25.	8 Days – Goa – Mantralayam Tour	Leaves Chennai every Saturday at 7.00 a.m. and returns on the following Saturday by 8.00 p.m. Places covered: Ahobilam, Nandyal *, Mahanandhi, Srisailam *, Manthralayam *, Hampi-Hospet *, Goa **, Bangalore *.

* *Night Halt Places*

**42.9 CONDUCTED TOUR PACKAGES BY TAMIL NADU
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<i>Name of the Tour</i>	<i>Time & Places Covered</i>
26. 14 Days Mumbai – Ajantha – Ellora Tour	<p>Leaves Chennai at 7.00 a.m. every First and Third Saturday and returns on the 14th day evening.</p> <p>Places covered: Bangalore *, Hampi, Hospet *, Virupaksha Temple, Monolithic Narashimha, Elephant Stables, Queen's Bath, Vittala Temple, Badami Caves, Badami *, Aihole, Pattadakal, Golgumbaz (Bijapur), Sri Vital Temple, Pandaripuram *, Mahabaleswar (Hill Station) Lake, Jothilingam, Pune *, (Agakhan Palace), Mumbai *, Prince of Whales Museum, Kamala Nehru Park, Hanging Garden, Taraporewala Aquarium, Juhu Beach, Hare Rama Hare Krishna Temple, Marine Drive, Mumbai *, Gate Way of India, Elephanta Cave, Nasik Mukthitham, Shridi Sai Baba Temple Shridi *, Aurangabad *, Bibikamaqbara *, Grihadeswara Temple, Ellora Caves, Khuldabad, Ajantha Caves, Golconda Fort, Birla Mandhir, Hyderabad **, Charminar, Salarjung Museum Zoo, Nandyal *, Mahanandhi.</p>
27. 14 Days – Puri Gaya – Kasi – Allahabad Tour	<p>Leaves Chennai at 8.00 a.m. every second and fourth Saturdays and returns on the 14th day evening.</p> <p>Places covered: Suruttapalli, Kalahasti, Nellore *, Mangalagiri, Undavalli cave, Holy Dip in Krishna River, kanaga Durga Temple, Vijayawada *, Annavaram, Simhachalam, Visakapatnam *, Khandagiri, Udayagiri, Bhubaneswar *, Ranchi *, Gaya, Bodhgaya *, Varanasi (Kasi *), Holy Dip in Ganga River Temple, Saranath, Banaras Hindu University, Anjanayer Temple, Maihar *, Nagpur *, Hyderabad **, Golkonda, Birla Mandir, Charminar, Salarjung Museum, Nandyal *, Mahanandhi.</p>
28. 108 Amman Temples	<p>Leaves Chennai Friday / Tuesday 6.00 a.m. and returns on the following Tuesday / Saturday at 9.00 p.m.</p>
29. One day Navagraha Tour (Temples around Chennai)	<p>Leaves Chennai on every Saturday and Sunday at 6.30 a.m. and returns.</p>

* *Night Halt Places*

**42.9 CONDUCTED TOUR PACKAGES BY TAMIL NADU
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SEASONAL SPECIAL TOURS

-
1. 3 days Ooty Tour
 2. 3 days Kodaikanal Tour
 3. 3 days Yercaud – Hogenakkal Tour
 4. 3 days Bangalore – Mysore Tour
 5. 3 days Munnar Tour
 6. 3 days Courtallam Tour
-

LEAVE TRAVEL CONCESSION TOURS

for Tamil Nadu State Government / Undertaking Employees

-
1. 5 days - Chidambaram - Poompuhar - Nagoor - Thanjavur - Madurai – Trichy Tour
 2. 5 days - Thanjavur Tharasuram - Rameswaram - Kanniyakumari – Madurai Tour
 3. 5 days - Thanjavur - Madurai - Kodaikanal - Palani – Trichy Tour
 4. 4 days – Hogenakkal - Ooty - Chidambaram - Pitchavaram – Pondicherry Tour.
-

SEASONAL SPECIAL TOURS – RAIL CUM ROAD TOUR

-
1. 4 days – Ooty Train Tour
 2. 4 days – Kodaikanal Train Tour
-

RAIL CUM ROAD TOUR FROM OTHER STATES

-
1. 11 days – Mumbai Tour
 2. 11 days – Delhi Tour
 3. 11 days – Kolkata Tour
 4. 11 days – Jaipur Tour
 5. 12 days – Ahamedabad Tour
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Source: Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. Chennai

42.10 TAMIL NADU GROUP OF HOTELS, YOUTH HOSTELS AND RESORTS

<i>Name of the Place</i>		<i>Location</i>
1.	Chennai	No.4, E.V.R. Road, Opposite to Central Railway Station, Chennai-600 003
2.	Coimbatore	2, Dr.Nanjappa Road, Opposite to Central Bus Stand, Gandhipuram, Coimbatore-641 018.
3.	Courtrallam	1. Opposite to Parasakthi Women's College, Courtrallam – 627 802.
		2. Ramalayam, Courtrallam – 627 802.
4.	Hogenakkal	Via., Pennagaram, Hogenakkal-636 810. Dharmapuri District
5.	Hosur	Byepass Road, Hosur - 635 109.
6.	Kancheepuram	Kamatchiamman Sannathi Street, Opposite to Railway Station, Kanchipuram-631 502.
7.	Kanniyakumari	Light House Main Road, Near to Sea Shore, Kanniyakumari – 629 702.
8.	Krishnagiri	Chennai Salai, Krishnagiri – 635 001.
9.	Kodaikkanal (Hotel & Youth Hostel)	#47, Fern Hill Road, Kodaikkanal-624 101.
10.	Madurai	1. West Veli Street, Madurai-625 001.
		2. Alagar Koil Road, Madurai-625 002.
11.	Mamallapuram	Beach Resort Complex, Near to Petrol Bunk, Mamallapuram – 603 104.
12.	Mudumalai	Theppakkadu, Mudumalai – 625 002.
13.	Palani	West Giri Street, Opposite to Winch Station, Palani - 624 601.

42.10 TAMIL NADU GROUP OF HOTELS, YOUTH HOSTELS AND RESORTS (Concl.d.)

<i>Name of the Place</i>		<i>Location</i>
14.	Pitchavaram.	Killai – Post Pitchavaram, Near Chidambaram, Pincode - 608 102
15.	Rameswaram	Near Agniteertham, Rameswaram - 623 526.
16.	Salem	Ramakrishna Mutt Road, Salem - 623 007.
17.	Sathur	N.H.7, P.B. No. 53, Kovilpatti High Road, Sathur, Virudhunagar.
18.	Thanjavur	Gandhiji Road, Near Railway Station, Thanjavur - 613 007.
19.	Thiruchirappalli	Mc Donalds Road, Contonement , Opposite to Central Bus Stand, Trichy - 620 001.
20.	Tiruchendur	T.B. Road, (Near Temple) Tiruchendur-628 215.
21.	Tirunelveli	Collectorate Complex, Kokkarakulam, Tirunelveli - 627 009.
22.	Ulundurpet	GST Road, Ulundurpet – 606 107.
23.	Udhagamandalam	1. Charring Cross Road, Udhagamandalam - 643 001.
		2. Youth Hostel, Botanical Garden Road, Udhagamandalam - 643 001.
24.	Yercaud	Near Lake, Yercaud-636 602.

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<i>Name of the Place</i>		<i>Location</i>
1.	Hotel Tamil Nadu Drive in Restaurant	Fairlands, Chennai-600 009.
2.	Hotel Tamil Nadu	Aringar Anna Zoological Park, Vandaloor.
3.	Craft Bazaar	I.N.A. Market, New Delhi.

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