

**Srimathe rAmAnujaya namaha
Srimath varavara munayE namaha
Sri vAnAchala mahA munayE namaha**

cheyarkariya cheyvOmAi cheyyAamal nenjE!
mayakkuvAr ivar valiyAl - nayakkalavi cinthipura vinnagaram enbar
thiruchenganmAl **nandhipura viNNagaram nAdu**
(108 Thiruppathi Andhadhi
by Pillai Perumal Ayyangar, also known as Divya Kavi)



vAnamAmalai mutt at nAthAn kOvil

Oh My mind! Please listen - We are capable of doing great things. But the five indriyas always try to rule over us and make us think only about petty ephemeral pleasures and end up convincing us that we could even govern the heaven with such pleasure. Please do not pay heed to such misdirected words; Instead desire to reach NandipuraVinnagaram, where Perumal with His beautiful eyes resides..

Known as Dakshina Jagannath, this beautiful Divya Desam is located in Chozha nadu, about few miles south west of Kumbakonam. This Divya Desam is the place where Perumal, Nathan resides. This Divya Desam is also known as "**Nandi Pani Seidha nagar**". Here is where Nandi, the vahanam of Sivan, prayed to Perumal and got rid of the curse.

Moolavar: Jagannatha Paerumal
Thayar: Shenbagavalli Thayar
Pushkarani Nandi Theertham
Vimanam Mandara Vimanan
Pratyaksham Nandi and Sibi Chkravarthi

Perumal is in sitting posture facing west. The vaibhavam of this Divya Desam is discussed by Naradar and Brahma in seven chapters in Bavishyotra puranam. Lakshmi was performing kaimkaryam to Perumal in Thirupparkadal. She wanted to reside permanently in Perumal's vakshasthalam. Hence, She came down to earth to perform tapas in a place called Senbaga Aranyam. This place is where the Nathan resides now. Pleased by Thayar's tapas, Perumal appeared before Her on a Friday (in sukla paksham) in Ippasi month. There is special thirumanjanam for thayar on Ippasi Fridays. As she performed tapas in Senbaga Aranyam, she is known as Senbagavalli thayar. Thirumangai Azhwar has performed managalasasanam in ten pasurams in Periya Thiurmozhi.

Usually, Perumal faces eastern direction. In this Divya Desam, He faces western direction because He appeared before Thayar to offer the boon by facing here. There is another version too for facing western direction. When Sibi Chakravarthy was offering his flesh on par with that of a dove's weight to vulture, Perumal wanted to see this great act, and hence turned in the western direction to see this.

Once Nandhi, the vahanam of Sivan wanted to visit Perumal in SriVaikuntam. He forgot to get the permission of Dwarapalakas. Due to this, the Dwarapalakas cursed nandhi. Wwhen nandhi narrated this episode to Sivan, the latter asked nandhi to go and perform penance towards Perumal in Senbaga Aranyam, which is south of Thirukkudanthai, north of Mannargudi, west of Thiruvinnagaram and south of Thiruvarangam. Pleased by nandhi's penance, Perumal offered darshan to him in this Divya Desam. Nandi asked for kaimkarya prapthi to Perumal in this Divya Desam, and hence requested Him that this place be known as Nandipura Vinnagaram.

This Divya Desam in under the control of Vanamamalai mutt. There is a Vanamamalai mutt branch nearer to this temple. Nathan in this Divya Desam holds five weapons in his hands. Thirumangai Azhwar calls this Perumal as:

vaaLumvari villumvaLai yaazhigathai sangamivai
yangai yudaiyaaNn, naaLumuRai kinRanagar nanthipura
viNNagaramnaNnu manamE (PT 5.10.5)

naRaiseypozhiL mazhaithavazhum nanthipuraviNNagaram... (PT 5.10.4)

Kuyils happily sing about this Perumal by waving their wings and sitting on the branches of the trees. Peacocks dance in joy, surrounded by gardens and water bodies. This is the place where Perumal who traveled all through the forest along with His brother and wife in Rama avataram stays forever.

thambiyodu thaamoruvar thanthuNaivi kaathalthuNai
yaaka munan^aaL, vembiyeri kaanakamu laavumavar thaaminithu
mEvu nagar_thaaNn, kombukuthi koNdukuyil koovamayi laalumezhi
laar_pu RavusEr, nambiyuRai kinRan^agar nanthipura viNNagaram
naNnu manamE (PT 5.10.6)

Nityasuris had decided this is the Perumal who is fit to be worshipped. They had adhered to the words preached by great rishis through dancing and singing about this Perumal. This

Perumal has come down to reside in this beautiful Divya Desam. The very fact that He resides here makes the nitya suris to claim that there is no other town that can match this place. Here is how they claim this ...

[eNNilnNinai veythiyini yillaiyiRai yenRumuniyaaLar thiruvaar,](#)