

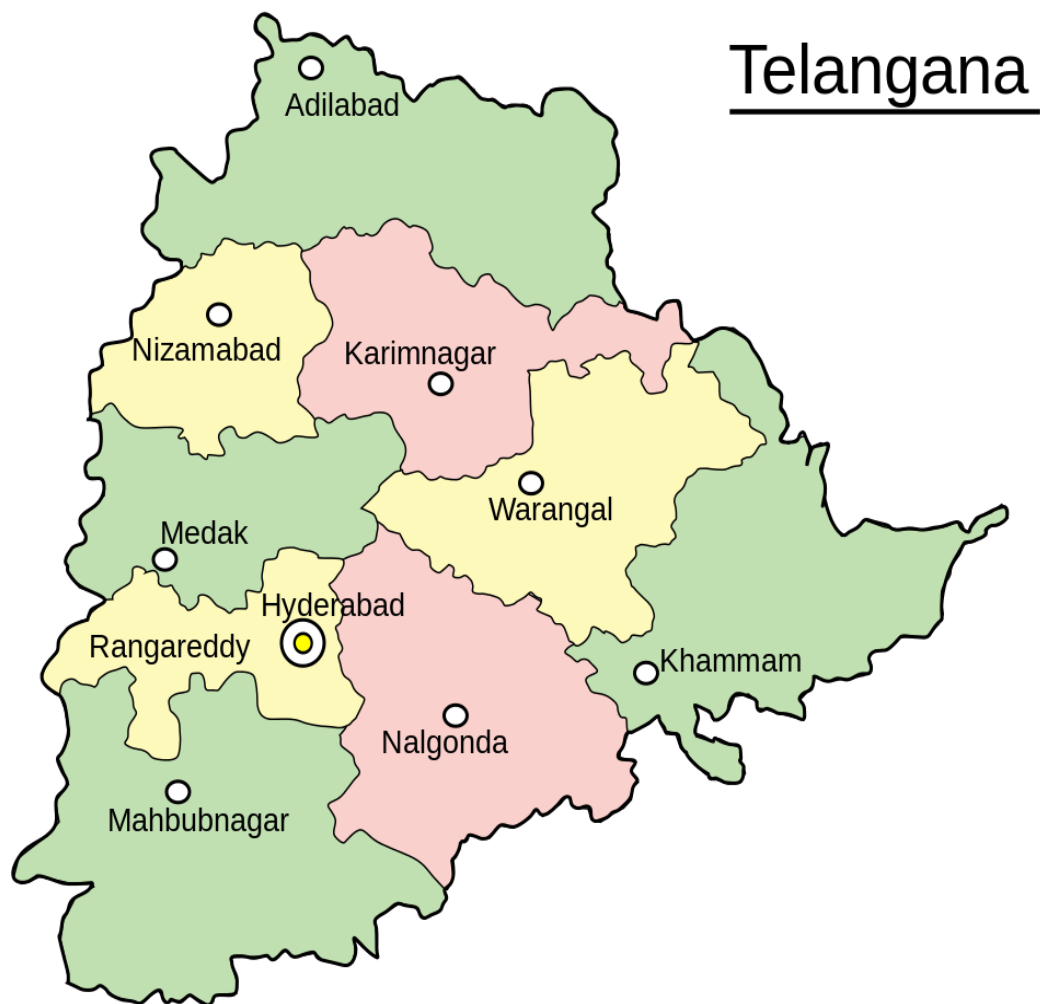


TELANGANA TEMPLES

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Temples to be visited in Telangana ...



1. Chilkur Balaji Temple



Chilkur Balaji, also called Visa Balaji is a temple located 25 km from Hyderabad. One of the most dominant temples in Telangana, the place of worship has many stories associated with it. One of the most popular stories that make round is that anyone who places a wish in the temple can get it fulfilled after 11 successful Pradakshanas.

Another very popular yet eccentric story is that offering prayers at this very temple grants you a Visa to the US successfully. Located on the outskirts of the state, the presiding deity of the temple is Lord Balaji who is also called “Visa Balaji” affectionately by the locals here.

Address: Chilkur Village, Hyderabad, Telangana-500075.

Timings: 5 am to 8 pm

2. Hyderabad Birla Mandir



One of the most significant temples in Telangana, this place of worship is flocked by devotees all around the year. Carved extensively with white marble, the temple has a legacy of its own. The temple occupies a total area of 13 acres of land and is named after Birla Foundation.

While divinity resides inside the temple premises, the road through the hillock is filled with small shops that sell various goods like bangles, bags and street food. If you are on a trip to Telangana then a visit to the temple is a must. The presiding deity is “Lord Venkateshwara” and also, while inside one can view the Hussain Sagar lake in its full glory.

Address: Hill Fort Road, Ambedkar Colony, Khairatabad-500004.

Timings: Open 7 am to 12 pm and 3 pm to 9 pm.

3. Thousand Pillars Temple



It is yet another architectural marvel which is also a clear example of Kakatiya craftsmanship. As the name suggests, the temple has a thousand pillars that make it different from the other temples in Telangana. Intricately crafted each pillar is adorned with motifs, perforated screens, and other scriptures that evoke the charm of a bygone era. One of the significant historical sites in the city of Warangal, this gem of a place is also listed under the UNESCO heritage sites and should not be missed at any cost.

Address: Warangal-Hyderabad Road, Brahmanawada, Hanamkonda, Telangana 506011

Timings: 5:00 AM to 9:00 PM

4. Gnana Saraswathi Temple



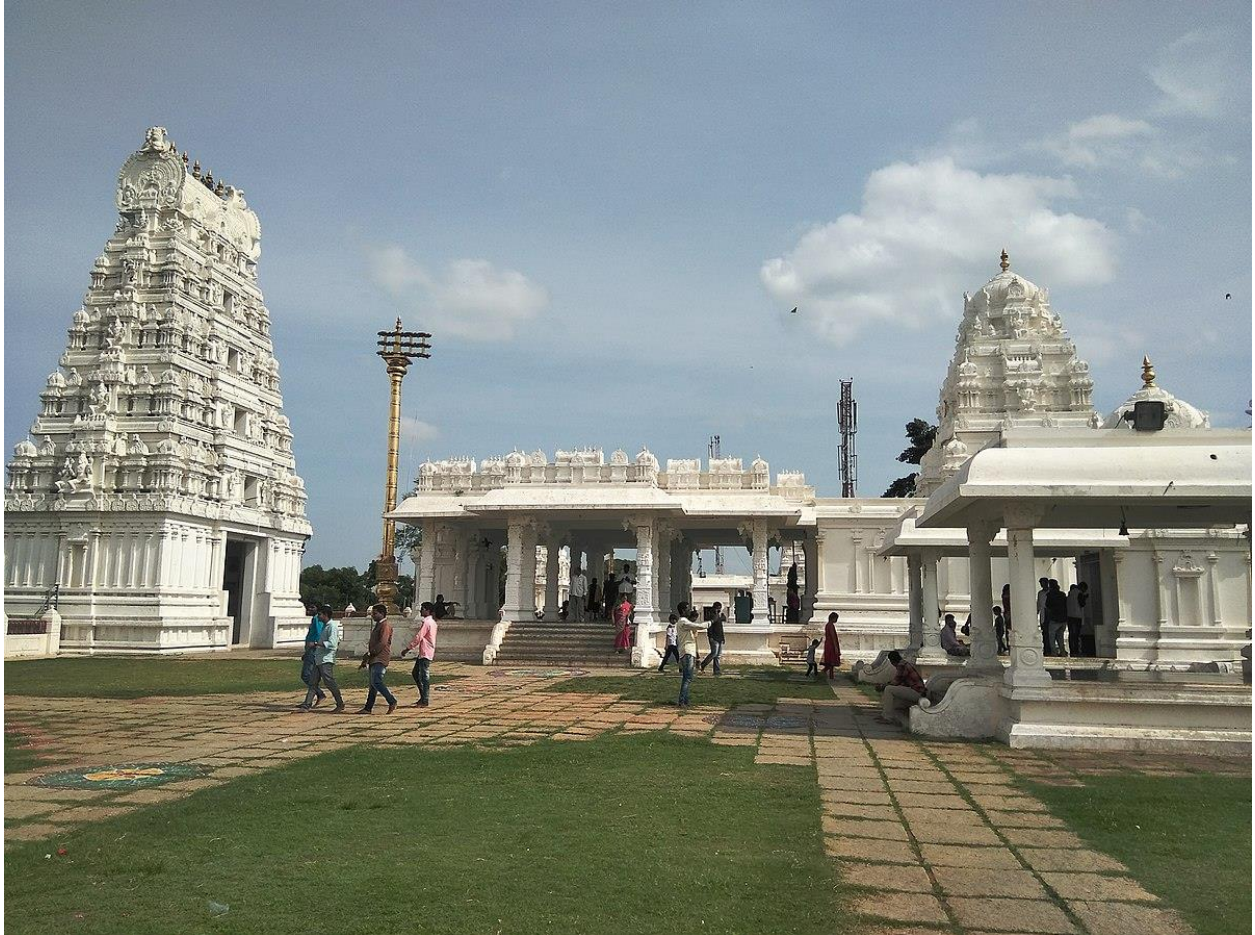
This temple in Basar has gained a reputation of being the second most popular temple of Goddess Saraswati, and one of the most beautiful temples in Telangana. The religious significance of the temple has earned a lot of footfalls from the devotees.

The place of worship represents the holy trinity in the form of Goddess Saraswati, Lakshmi, and Kali. As Goddess Saraswati is also known as the “Goddess of Learning” according to Hindu Mythology, small children are brought to this place for “Akshara Abhyasam” initiating their first collaboration with writing.

Address: Mudhole Mandal, Adilabad District, Basar, 504101

Timings: 4:30 AM to 12:13 PM

5. Sanghi Temple



Perched atop a hill called 'Paramanand Giri' some 30 km away from Hyderabad, Sanghi Temple is one of the most famous temples in Telangana. The amazing architecture of the temple is a sight to behold. Located amidst scenic surroundings, the presiding deity here is Lord Venkateswara.

The idol of the Lord here is said to be a replica of the one situated in Tirumala Hills earning the temple a religious significance. The place of worship is frequented by devotees all around the year who enjoy the scenery around along with offering prayers at the temple.

Address: Omerkhanda, Hyderabad, Telangana 501511

Timings: 8:00 am – 1:00 pm 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

