

## **SRI KANAKA DURGA TEMPLE**

**Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh, India**

Goddess

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### **Interesting Facts**

This temple is probably the only one in the world where the female deity is located on the right side of the male one, as against the tradition left-side seat of the female consort.

### **Best Season To Visit**

The best season to visit the temple is Winter season. The best months to visit are September to February.

### **Weather**

Highest - April to June (45°C during day and 35°C during night)Average - May (35°C during the day and 25°C during night)Lowest - December to February (26°C during day and 21°C during night)Monsoon season - August to October

## Dress Code

For men the dress code is Shirt & Trouser, Dhoti or Pyjamas with upper cloth.

For women the preferred dress code is saree or half-saree with blouse or chudidhar with pyjama and upper cloth.

Shorts, mini-skirts, middies, sleeveless tops, low-waist jeans and short-length T-shirts are not allowed.

## Do's & Dont's

Do bathe and wear clean clothes before you enter the temple.

Do respect ancient customs and co-pilgrims while at temple.

Smoking and drinking is prohibited in this temple.

Chewing betel leaves, tobacco, gutka and spitting inside temple is strictly prohibited.

transport connections

Name

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2.9 KM

0866-2521982

Vijayawada Railway Station

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