

PADI IGGUTHAPPA TEMPLE

Kakkabe, Kodagu, Karnataka, India

God

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Since then, this place became famous as Igguthappa Kshetra. Eeshwara Igguthappa or Sri Igguthappa Deva is one of the most worshipped deity among the Coorg people. This temple plays a significant role in the cultural and traditional life of people in Coorg.

Lord Igguthappa is an important deity for the local Kodavas. He is considered to be a provider of food and the one who fulfills his devotee's desires. During the harvest festival, paddy is first harvested in the fields belonging to the Lord, and only then the people of Kodagu celebrate the harvest festival called Puttari in the Coorg region. Kodavas in thousands gather here on the Kaliyarchi festival which falls in the month of March.

The main annual temple festival of Padi Igguthappa happens around the month of April and other four festivals (Chingyaar festival, Tholyaar festival, Birchyaar Kalladcha or Puthari and Kumbyaar Kalladcha) are also observed in the temple.

Interesting Facts

During the harvest festival, paddy is first harvested in the fields belonging to the Lord, and only then the people of Kodagu celebrate the harvest festival called Puttari in the Coorg region.

Tulabhara, is a common offering to god by the devotees, it is done every Wednesday and Saturday in the temple. Devotees give certain valuable things like fruits, sugar,

coconuts, rice to God as offering equal to the weight of the devotee. During the crop harvesting season people offer part of the produce to the Lord as their contribution.

Best Season To Visit

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

Weather

Highest - April to June (38°C during day and 26°C during night) Average - May (37°C during the day and 21°C during night) Lowest - October to February (27°C during day and 18°C during night) Monsoon season - August to September

Dress Code

You can enter the temple and see the deity from the temple door. If you want to enter the sanctum you have to wear south Indian traditional attire.

Do's & Dont's

Traditional attire is a must in the temple

transport connections

Name

Distance

Contact Number

Nelji Junction Bus Stand

9 KM

08026252625

Kannapuram Railway Station

117 KM

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