

# SRI RAMAKRISHNA TAPOVANAM

TIRUPPARAITTURAI

TIRUCHIRAPPALLI DISTRICT

South India

**Location:** The Tapovanam is situated nine miles to the west of Tiruchirappalli on the southern bank of the sacred Akhanda Kaveri. Elamanur is its railway station.

**Ideal:** Spiritual life as exemplified by Sri Ramakrishna and Swami Vivekananda is its ideal and its practice.

**Management:** The Tapovanam is a registered society having Sannyasins and Brahmacharis as its main office-bearers. Swami Chidbhavananda is its president.

**Activities:** Spiritual ministry is done in several ways. Antaryoga or spiritual retreat for the benefit of the public is periodically conducted at the Tapovanam and at several other places including Madras and Bangalore. Spiritual literature in Tamil and in English are released from the Tapovanam. A Tamil monthly called "Dharma Chakram" goes out from here.

The Tapovanam has its branches at Tiruvedakam in Madurai Dt., Chitrachavadi in Coimbatore Dt., Courtallam in Tirunelveli Dt. and at Salem.

Sri Sarada College for Women and its limb Institutions at Salem are under the presidentship of Swami Chidbhavananda.

**Residential High School:** The Tapovanam runs a Gurukula pattern Residential High School for 520 boys. It functions on the public school model.

**Residential College:** The Tapovanam runs a Gurukula pattern Residential College at Tiruvedakam near Madurai. It is affiliated to the University of Madurai.

**Farms:** The Tapovanam owns Agricultural Farms and Dairy Farms both at Tirupparaitturai and at Tiruvedakam.

For further particulars please correspond with the Secretary.