Although situated a mere 15 km from Mysore city, Srirangapatna lies in the neighbouring district of [Mandya](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mandya_District" \o "Mandya District). The entire town is enclosed by the river [Kaveri](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kaveri" \o "Kaveri) to form a [river island](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/River_island), northern half of which is shown in the adjacent image. While the main river flows on the eastern side of the island, the *Paschima Vaahini* segment of the same river flows to its west.