**Gokarna-** It is a small temple town on the western coast of India in the [Kumta](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kumta" \o "Kumta) taluk of [Uttara Kannada](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Uttara_Kannada" \o "Uttara Kannada) district of the state of [Karnataka](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Karnataka).[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gokarna,_Karnataka#cite_note-1) The main temple and deity is Lord [Shiva](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shiva), who is also known as [Mahabaleshwara](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mahabaleshwar_Temple,_Gokarna" \o "Mahabaleshwar Temple, Gokarna). This temple houses what is believed to be original image of [Lord Shiva](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lord_Shiva)'s *linga* (Atmalinga).