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| **PROPOSED ITINERARY FOR TRIVANDRUM, KANYAKUMARI AND KOVALAM.** | | |
| **DAYS** | **PROGRAM** | **STATUS** |
| **DAY-1** | **Departure from Bngalore railway station to Kochuveli.** | **O/N**  **Journey** |
| **DAY-2** | **Morning arrival @ Kochuveli & check-in rooms.**  **After breakfast, sightseeing of Trivandrum; visit:**  **Sri Padmanabha swamy temple, Museum & Zoo.** | **Halt @**  **Trivandrum** |
| **DAY-3** | **After breakfast, check-out rooms.**  **Drive to Kanyakumari and sightseeing; visit:**  **Vivekananda rock, Thiruvalluvar statue & sunset view.** | **Halt @**  **Kanyakumari** |
| **DAY-4** | **After breakfast, proceed to Kovalam & sightseeing; visit:**  **Kovalam beach & light house.**  **Departure to railway station.** | **O/N**  **Journey** |
| **DAY-5** | **Morning arrival @**  **Bangalore railway station.** | **Tour concludes** |

**TRIVANDRUM:**

* **Museum:** Napier Museum **built in the** **19th century** is the Museum is **named after the former Madras Governor General, John Napier** and is also called the Government Art Museum. It is a **combination of the Kerala, Mughal, Chinese and Italian** architectural styles. This **Indo-Sarascenic** structure boasts a natural air-conditioning system and houses a **rare collection of archaeological and historic artefacts, bronze idols, ancient ornaments, a temple chariot and ivory carvings.**
* **Sri Padmanabha temple:** This temple is a **blend of the Kerala and Dravidian styles of architecture**. Dating back to **8th century**, it is **one of the 108 sacred Vishnu temples**. The idol of the presiding deity of the **Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple** is noted for its composition, which has **12,008 salagramams**, which were brought from Nepal, taken from the banks of the River Gandhaki. The **garbhagriha or the sanctum sanctorum** of Sree Padmanabhaswamy temple is located **on a stone slab** and the main idol, which is about **18 ft long**, can be **viewed through three different doors.** The head and chest are seen through the first door; while the hands can be sighted through the second door and the feet through the third door.
* **Shree chitra art gallery:** Sree Chitra Art Gallery is an art gallery in Thiruvananthapuram India, established in **1935.** The gallery features a unique **collection of traditional and contemporary paintings,** including the works of Raja Ravi Varma**.** The gallery houses **400-year-old** Tanjore miniature paintings**.**
* **Trivandrum zoo:** The Thiruvananthapuram Zoo**,** occupies **55 acres of woodland, lakes, and lawns.** It is the **oldest zoo in India and Asia.** It is home to **82 species** from around the world. The zoo also includes a **snake farm called The Reptile House,** which exhibits **both poisonous and non-poisonous snakes** and also **have 7 Anacondas.**

**KANYAKUMARI:**

* **Vivekananda memorial:** At Kanyakumari - a unique symbol of unity and purity - is the **Memorial of Swami Vivekananda**, another symbol of the united aspiration of Nation. Inaugurating the Rock Memorial on **September 2, 1970,** the **President of India Shri V.V. Giri** called upon fellow Indians to rise to the call of the nation.
* **Thiruvallavur statue:** The Tamilnadu Government has installed a statue of **Saint Thiruvalluvar** who gave us quintessential words of wisdom known as Thirukkural. The stone statue is **133 feet** high including the pedestal. The **3 tier pedestal** known as **Atharapeedam** is surrounded by an **artistic Mandapa known as Alankara Mandapam** with **38 feet** height. Surrounding the Alankara Mandapa stand **10 elephant statues signifying 8 directions,** with earth and space down. The foundation stone for the statue was laid in **1979**. **Five hundred** **sculptors** were engaged for this work. The statue was inaugurated on **1st January 2000 by Dr. M. Karunanidhi,** the then chief minister of Tamilnadu.

**KOVALAM:**

* **Kovalam beach:** Kovalam is an **internationally renowned beach** with **three adjacent crescent beaches**.  A **massive rocky promontory** on the beach has created a beautiful bay of calm waters ideal for sea bathing. The **tropical sun acts so fast** that one can see the **faint blush of coppery tan on the skin in a matter of minutes.** The beach complex includes a **string of budget cottages, Ayurvedic health resorts, and convention facilities, shopping zones, swimming pools, Yoga and Ayurvedic massage centers.**
* **Lighthouse:** The **35 m** lighthouse is perched atop the palm-covered **Kurumkal Hill** jutting out on to the sea. Visitors can climb the **spiraling staircase** inside to the top of the red and white tower and enjoy a **spectacular view** of the surroundings.