

21. Veeragallu

Place – Hiregundgal

District : Tumakuru
Taluk : Tumakuru
Locality: Hiregundgal

Geo – Coordinates:
Lat : 13.4331°N
Long : 77.1337°E

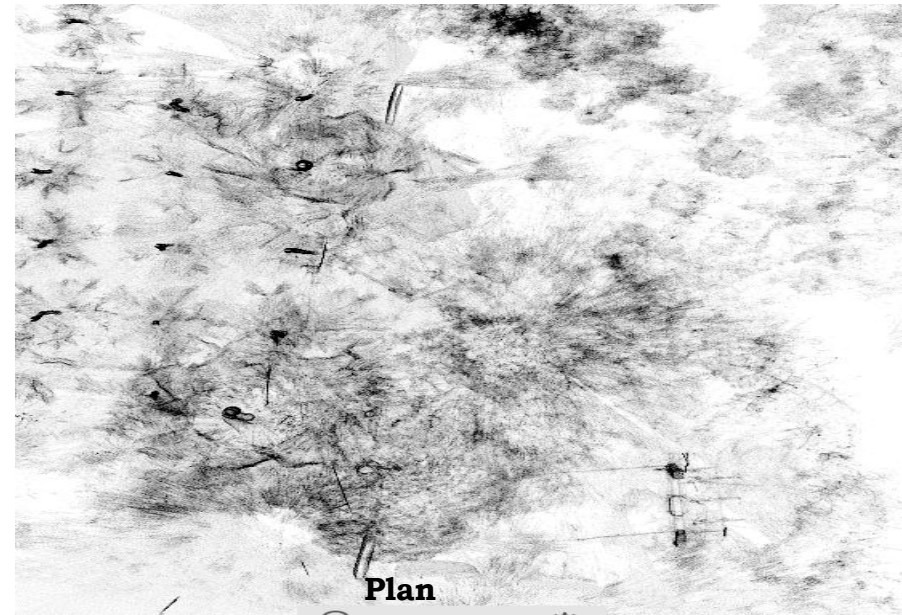


History

There are more than 20 *viragals* set up in a group and are located at Hiregundagal village in Tumakuru taluk, Tumakuru district. There are large, rough and heavy granite slabs of irregular shape; some of them measure more than 3 m high.

Many of these *viragals* have a single panel covering almost the whole surface of the slab; some of them however, contain two or three panels all carved in low relief. The warriors are shown as engaged in fierce combat holding shields in their left hands and uplifted swords in the right. Some of the warriors are armed with bow and arrows. In two or three of them, they are seen fighting from horse or elephant-back. Where there are three panels, the bottom panel depicts the battle scene, the middle panel shows the hero being carried off by a pair of *apsaras*, and in the top panel the hero is shown seated on a cushion seat in the *virasvarga*, attended on either side by celestial *chamara*-bearing, damsels. The inscriptions are usually found on the top of the single-panelled stones and on the bands in between the two panels.

3D Point Cloud



Plan