

01. Gangadhareshwara temple

Place- Gavipuram, Bengaluru

District : Bengaluru Urban
Taluk : Bengaluru (North)
Locality : Gavipuram, Bengaluru

Geo - Coordinates:
Lat : 12.948159° N
Long : 77.562920° E



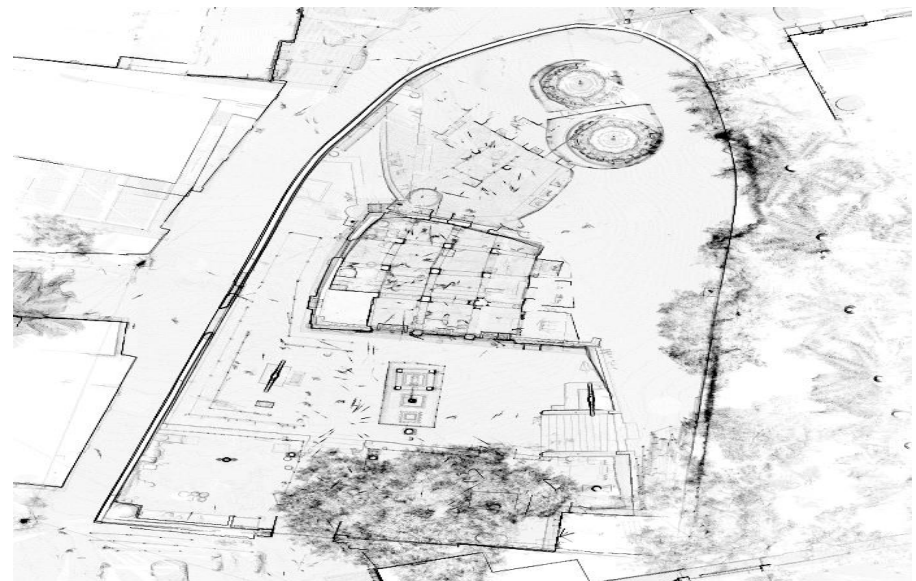
History

Gangadhareshwara temple is located in Gavipuram in south Bengaluru. This is a huge natural cave converted into a temple, by putting up walls here and there inside it. The *linga* in the central cave is wrought from a live rock and also the Nandi in front of it. It was built in the 16th century by Kempe Gowda, the founder of the city. The *pranala* of the *linga* is to the right, a special feature. To the right of the cella (in which the *linga* is installed) is another cella in which an image of Parvati is installed. To its further right is another small cella in which Durga is installed.

The courtyard of the temple contains several monolithic sculptures. The main attractions of Gavi Gangadhareshwara temple are two granite pillars that support the giant disk of the sun and moon, and two pillars having several carvings of Nandi in a sitting posture at the top.

On the occasion of Makara Sankranti, the temple witnesses a unique phenomenon in the evening where sunlight passes through an arc between the horns of Nandi and falls directly on the Linga inside the cave and illuminating the interior idol.

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