

Chapter - 5 Virtual Tour Online Tools

Duration: 40 Minutes

Objectives:

The students will be able to.....

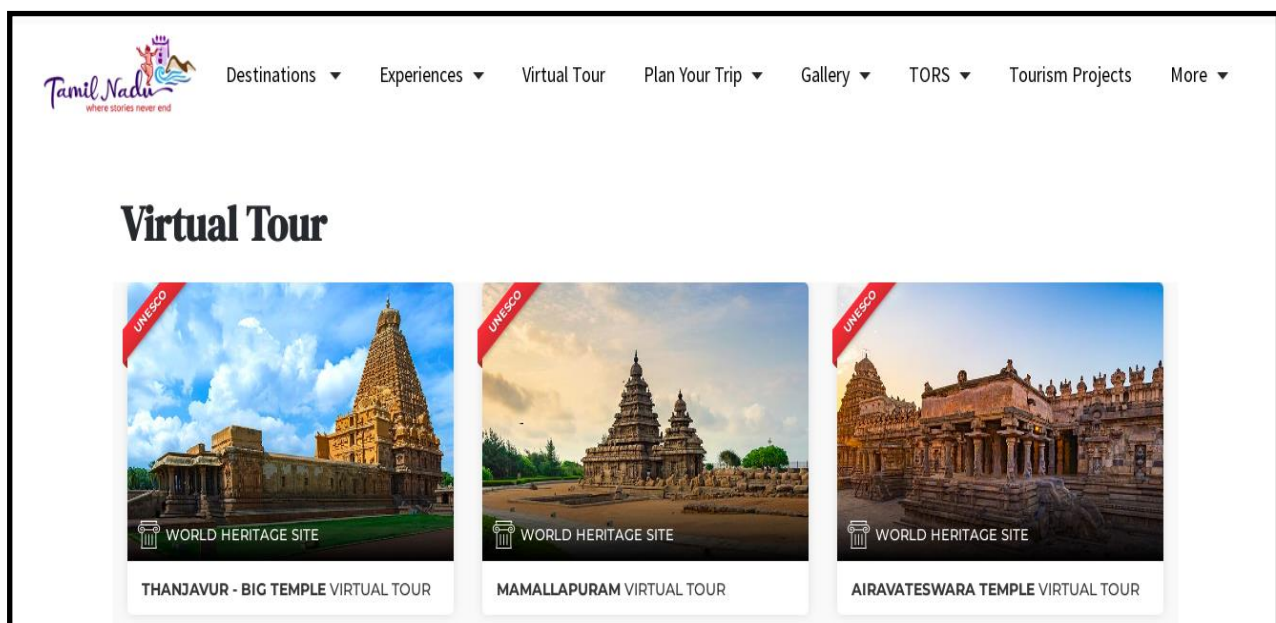
- To navigate virtual tour platforms effectively
- To Connect virtual experiences to historical and cultural knowledge
- To identify significant historical periods associated with the monuments

Skills to be attained:

Navigate the digital platforms and use technology effectively

Tools/ Website/ Resources:

<https://www.tamilnadutourism.tn.gov.in/virtualtour>



Overview of the TamilNadu Tourism Virutal Tour

The Tamil Nadu Tourism Department offers a captivating virtual tour experience, allowing users to explore the state's rich historical and cultural heritage from the comfort of their homes. This innovative initiative provides a 360-degree view of iconic UNESCO World Heritage Sites, transporting viewers to ancient temples, magnificent monuments, and breath-taking landscapes.

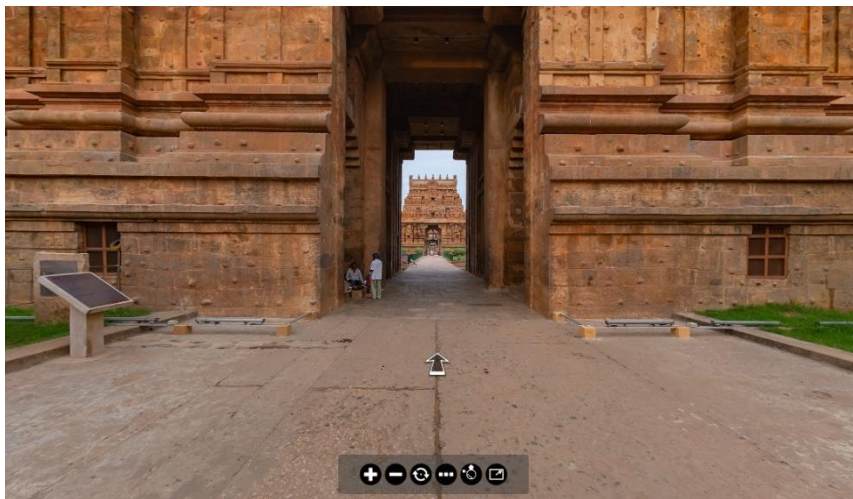
Teacher-Led Instructions:

Platform Introduction - Navigation - Zoom Controls - Hotspot Interactions

Browse Virtual Tour

- open firefox ☐ search tamilnadutourism.tn.gov.in/virtualtour ☐ click
- Select heritage sites (ex. Thanjavur_Big Temple)

Exploring the virtual tour



On-screen icons or buttons help you navigate, view information, or adjust settings within the virtual tour.



Zoom In: Click on the ‘+’ icon to zoom in on specific parts of the monument, such as sculptures or carvings

Zoom Out: Click on the ‘-’ icon to zoom out and get a wider view of the entire monument or scene.

Rotate View Icon: Click on this icon to spin the view around, letting you see everything in all directions (left, right, up, down).

Information Icons (...): Click on this icon to access to index of slides

Panorama view: This icon plays different type of styles view (panorama view, 360° panorama view to observe surroundings from all angles)

Full-Screen Icon: Finally, click on the **full-screen icon** to enjoy the tour with a larger view, making the experience more engaging



use arrow key for navigation

Student Activity:

- Go to the Tamil Nadu Tourism Virtual Tour page
- Select Mamallapuram world heritage site
- click icons and drag to look around. You can zoom in and use arrows on the screen to navigate through the site
- As you explore, look for information about the ancient rock-cut temples, carvings, and historical significance of Mamallapuram.

Conclusion

An exploring Tamil Nadu Tourism's Virtual Tour allows you to experience the beauty, history, and culture of Tamil Nadu right from your screen. It's a fun, interactive way to "visit" famous places like temples, beaches, and natural landscapes, gaining insights into why these sites are so important. By learning more about each location, you're better connected to Tamil Nadu's rich heritage and natural wonders. Happy exploring!