

Om Marakata Sri Lakshmi Ganapataye Namaha! Marakata

Sri Lakshmi Ganapati Temple, the source of all Vedas,

is Ganapati, the embodiment of the primordial sound Om. The first

deity to be worshipped, Vighneshwara, bestows knowledge,

wealth, contentment, and bliss.

"Kalau Chandi Vinayakau" is an ancient saying that Chandi and Vinayaka are the deities who grant blessings

immediately upon being worshipped in the Kali Yuga. Ganapati is the wondrous form that awakens the Muladhara Chakra Kundalini

energy within us, controls the six inner enemies (Arishadvargas),

paves the way for liberation, and instills extraordinary devotion and wisdom.

The Marakata Sri Lakshmi Ganapati Swami, carved from the world's

first and rarest emerald stone, along with the Navagraha

deities with their consorts and vehicles, is enshrined in the Marakata Sri Lakshmi Ganapati

Temple in Kanajiguda, Secunderabad, Telangana state, which shines as a highly sacred place.

The eternal, omnipresent Parabrahman's tri-guna (three qualities) energy, Mahakali,

Mahalakshmi, and Mahasaraswati, in their male form is Marakata

Ganapati, and the primordial nature's energy, Adiparashakti, in her female form is Sri Mahalakshmi,

who are worshipped daily by devotees with Suprabhata, Abhishekam, Homa, and Archana rituals.

Approximately two hundred years ago, Kanajiguda was a lush green agricultural

region abundant with dairy and crops. Currently, in the place where the temple stands, there was a large stepwell.

It is said that an idol of Goddess Sri Mahalakshmi was situated in the water of this well, and farmers used this water to irrigate their fields and cultivate crops. Every Diwali, the devout farmers would draw out the water from the well, descend into it, and before the water spring inside the well could overflow, they would worship Goddess Sri Mahalakshmi with devotion and reverence, praying for health, wealth, and prosperity for themselves, before coming back up. However, over time, the idol of the Goddess and the stepwell itself became completely filled with mud and boulders, according to local legend.

Now, in the very place where the Goddess was located in the well, the idol of Marakata Sri Lakshmi Ganapati Swamy has been consecrated.

Believing that selfless service is the service of Katyayani, and seeing the form of the Supreme Being they worship in every individual, Brahmasri Dr. Modkuru Satyanarayana Shastri, a scholar of Sri Vidya and an expert in palmistry, received a divine vision in a dream one night. Goddess Sri Lalita Parameshwari, whom he worshipped, appeared to him in a dream, commanding him to construct the Marakata Sri Lakshmi Ganapati temple and indicating the location in the stepwell where the Goddess was situated. After overcoming numerous difficulties and expenses,

and conducting modern technological surveys and soil tests,

the temple was strongly constructed, and in the year 2016, the magnificent emerald

idol of Sri Lakshmi Ganapati Swamy was

consecrated by the lotus hands of the Pushpagiri Peethadhipati,

Sri Sri Sri Abhinavodanda Vidya Shankara Bharati Swamy.

The devotees' lives are blessed by the darshan of the Lord,

who is the ruler of the entire universe, Sri Lakshmi Ganapati Swamy,

who possesses the form of Sri Maha Virat, embodying the Vishnu principle,

encompassing all great powers within himself and pervading everywhere.

He is depicted with ten hands, holding a sword, discus, goad, noose, lotus, mace, guava,

medicine pot, and sugarcane mace, showing a boon-bestowing hand with a tusk,

holding a jeweled pot with his trunk turned to the right,

and wearing a lotus flower on his left side,

with Lakshmi Devi, the bestower of wealth, seated on his lap.

It is the firm belief of the devotees that performing sixteen circumambulations

with devotion, chanting "Sri Manmarakatam Lakshmi Ganesham Satya Pujitam, Kanaji Guda Nilayam Vande Sankashtaharakam,"

will fulfill all their desires and bring success in all endeavors. The unique feature of the temple is that devotees first make a vow or express a wish, perform sixteen circumambulations around the deity, and after their wish is fulfilled, they perform one hundred and eight circumambulations and fulfill their vows with abhishekams (ritual bathing of the deity) and homas (fire rituals). Those born under the Ashlesha, Jyeshtha, and Revati constellations, those belonging to the Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Virgo, Scorpio, Capricorn, and Aquarius zodiac signs, and those suffering from Ashtama Shani, Ardhashtama Shani, and Sade Sati (Shani Dosha) will find the worship of Marakata Sri Lakshmi Ganapati Swamy highly beneficial. Participating in the special abhishekams and homas performed with thirty-two medicinal substances for the deity leads to high positions in education, employment, and business, attainment of marriage, harmonious married life, progeny, successful house construction, foreign travel, and resolution of financial and debt problems. To overcome the negative effects on human life caused by the planetary periods and sub-periods of the nine planets, performing abhishekams, donations, circumambulations, and homas to the Navagrahas (nine planets), each represented in the color of its respective planet and depicted with their consorts and vehicles, helps in gaining planetary favor, overcoming difficulties, and achieving success. Emerald Sri Lakshmi

Along with Ganapati, accompanied by her consorts and their respective mounts,

the darshan of the Navagraha temple is the destroyer of all sins and

extremely auspicious.

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