



## Archaeology and History

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### 1. A Rare book - Dhevaiula on Ramanathaswami - By: C.Rangarajan, Chennai

This classical work on Sri Ramanatha Swami of Rameswaram was composed by "Palapattadai Chokkanatha Pillai". This work was discovered by Sri U.Ve.Saminatha Iyer after comparing multiple versions. He also wrote a commentary on this rare text. He is affectionately called Tamil Thatha (literally, "Tamil grandfather"). This month, we will cover stanza 181 and 182



மூவர் முதல்வந்தான் முப்பத்து முக்கோடி  
தேவாதி போற்றுஞ் சிவன்வந்தான் - மேலவரும் 181

பாலாழி தூணியாக் கொண்ட பரன்வந்தான்  
நீலாழி யில்வாழ் நிதிவந்தான் - மேலோர்கள் 182

Lord Shiva, the supreme among the Trinity, is praised by 33 crores devas and revered in all the higher worlds. Here is the break-up of 33 crores devas:

12 Adityas, 11 Rudras, 8 Vasus and 2 Aswini devas

He is the eternal Supreme Being, associated with the great cosmic ocean, and is worshipped by all exalted divine beings.

*(To be continued)*

#### Ref:

1. <https://www.tamildigitalibrary.in/book-detail.php?id=jZY9lup2kZl6TuXGIZQdjZhdKJYy#book1/>
2. தேவையுலா, மூலமும் தெளிவுரையும், முத்து. இராமமூர்த்தி, சாரதா பதிப்பகம்

### 2. Pada pooja:

Pada pooja ceremony was organised at Anandalaya to inspire students to express gratitude, respect, and devotion toward their parents, who are regarded as their first teachers and guides. Students from various classes participated with enthusiasm, accompanied by their parents and teachers. The details are as follows:

S.No	Date	Anandalaya Center Name / Place	No. of participants
1	14.03.2026	Vivaan and Raghav, Pamban	46
2	26.03.2026	Tejas, Mangaadu	31

The programme began with a short prayer and the chanting of mantras, creating a serene and spiritual atmosphere. The students then performed Pāda Pūjā by gently washing their parents' feet, applying turmeric and kumkum, offering flowers, and receiving their blessings with folded hands.

Teachers spoke about the cultural and spiritual significance of Pāda Pūjā and encouraged students to honour, respect, and care for their parents throughout their lives. In the concluding moments, many parents expressed their joy and emotion, blessing the children wholeheartedly.

The ceremony beautifully strengthened the bond between students and their parents and helped instill the values of gratitude, humility, and Indian cultural traditions fostering positive attitudes and behaviour among the children.



*Pada Pooja - Vivaan & Raghav Anandalaya, Pamban*

## **2. Family Welfare Pooja:**

In March 2026, we conducted 13 Family Welfare Pūjās. This is a spiritual ritual performed for the welfare, peace, and prosperity of the family, fostering unity and harmony among its members.

The programme began with a prayer and the traditional lighting of the lamp, symbolizing devotion and the invocation of divine blessings. A collective Ārati was performed, signifying the dispelling of darkness and the awakening of spiritual energy. Special prayers were offered for family harmony and wellbeing, with a focus on resolving challenges faced by households. A total of 219 participants joined the pūjās with devotion, unity, and collective spirit. After the prayers, prasādam (Kesari) and manjal-kumkumam were distributed as blessings and a mark of auspiciousness. The events were conducted peacefully with deep spiritual

involvement, and all participants expressed their happiness and satisfaction with the arrangements.

S.No	Date	Pasumai Kutumbam	Venue	Participants
1	14.03.2026	Varahi	Preema House, VK, Nagar, Pamban	27
2	20.03.2026	Kannan	Natchiyar House, SK Patti, Rameswaram	25
3	14.03.2026	Munneswarar	Badam Priya House, Sambai, Rameswaram	09
4	16.03.2026	Kali Amman	Rama Priya House, Mangadu, Rameswaram	16
5	17.03.2026	Nambu Tamil Aruvi	Susila House, MurungaiVadi, Rameswram	17
6	19.03.2026	Sakthi Vel	Vijaya Lakshmi House, Thoppugadu, Rameswaram	17
7	23.03.2026	KarupanaSamy	BanuPriya House, Vadagadu, Rameswaram	29
8	28.03.2026	Sembaruthi	Ratha House, Kudiyeruppu, Thangachimadam	21
9	10.03.2026	Mullai	Revathi House, Parvatham, Rameswaram	11
10	14.03.2026	Krishna	Valli House, Sambai, Rameswaram	13
11	17.03.2026	Pathra kaliyammam	Sangariswari House, Pamban	07
12	20.03.2026	Vara Sakthi Vinayagar	Revathi House, Mangadu, Rameswaram	14
13	28.03.2026	Poo Mariyammam	Kavitha Mani House, Railway Feeder Road, Rameswaram	13



*Family welfare pooja at Smt. Prema's House, VK Nagar, Pamban*



*Smt. Natchiyar's House, SK Patti, Rameswaram – people gathered for Family Welfare pooja*

### 3. Online Palsuvai Nigaltchi

On 18 March 2026, an online *Palsuvai Nigaltchi* programme was organised through Google Meet. On this occasion, Smt. Kalaivani served as the compere. A total of 83 members participated in the programme. The schedule of the programme was as follows:

S.No	Programmes	Participant
1	Prayer	Lakshmi Krishna
2	Pasumai Rameswaram Song	Gayathri
3	Cooking Tips	Sowntharavalli Natchiyar
4	Monthly Special Teertha Pooja	Thillai pushpam
5	Medicinal Tips	Guganeswari
6	Thoughts of Vivekananda	Pratheeba
7	Monthly Special	Karpaga valli
8	Bhagavath Geetha	Kalyana Soundaravalli
9	Quiz	Rajeswari
10	Nayanmar Kathai	Manimegalai
11	Thirukovil Special	Revathi
12	Vidukathai	Kalaivani
13	Vote of thanks	Ramakrishnan
14	Shanthi Mantram	Rekha

