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EKAMBARANATHAR SHIVA KSHETRAM, KANCHIPURAM (TN)

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Pancha Bhoota Sthalam representing the element - Earth.

Also one of the 275 Paadal Petra Sthalams, where all 4 most revered Nayanars- Sambandhar, Appar, Sundarar n Manikkavasakar sang the glories of this kshetram.



Once, to relieve herself from Shiva's curse, Parvati came here and prayed to a Shivlinga made of sand under a mango tree. Shiva sent fire to test her. She took Sri Vishnu's help who calmed the fire by using the moon rays on Shiva's head. Shiva, then, sent Ganga to flood the area



Parvati requested her to calm down as Ganga was her sister.

It is also said that when river Vegavati flooded, Devi embraced the sand Shivlinga so that it would not melt. Her immense devotion pleased Shiva and she was reunited with him. Ekambareswarar is thus Lord of mango tree.



The sthala vriksham is a huge Mango Tree which is said to be 3,500 year old. It is said that under this tree Devi Parvati had meditated. Its branches are said to yield four different types of mangoes and believed to depict the four Vedas.

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A unique feature here is that sun rays fall directly on the main shivalinga on every 19, 20 and 21 of Phalguni months (March-April).

Also, in the inner corridor there are 10 pillars producing different musical sounds when tapped them with a stick.

