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**VAITHEESWARAN KOIL, NAGAPATTINAM (TN)**

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**One of the 9 Navagraha kshetram in TamilNadu with Shiva as Divine Doctor. His consort Thayyalnayaki Ambal stands with medicinal oil to cure diseases of the devotees.**

**The Kshetram is associated with Angaraka/ Chevvai (Mars).**



Once, Chevvai/ Angarakan was struck by leprosy. He was cured here by Sri Vaitheeswaran.

People come here to get relief from Chevvai dosham caused by unfavourable position of Mars.

Also here, Shiva cured the injured army of Sri Subramanya during his war with Soorpadaman.



Devotees take bath in the Siddhamruta Theertham Tank to cure them of their diseases, especially skin diseases. It is also called Goksheera (Go is cow n ksheera is milk)Theertham, as Kamadhenu's milk flowed in this tank when she performed milk abhishekam to the deity here.



It is believed that Rama and Lakshmana cremated Jatayu here.

The Nethrapidi Sandhanam and Thiruchandu Urundai are two of the prasadamams which are believed to cure all ailments.

This is the nerve centre for Naadi Josiyam, a popular form of astrology (predictions on palm leaves)

