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#DoYouKnow -The place where
Lalitha Sahasranamam -1000 names of Devi originated.

It is in Lalithambigai temple -Thirumeeyachur,Near Mayiladuthurai,TN

There is a Legend #story & it is related to this beautiful #sculpture of Kshetrapuraneswarar & Ambal Lalithambigai #Thread ■



#Legend #story

It is believed that this is birth place of Kashyapa Maharishi’s sons, Arunan& Garudan. Arunan(charioteer of Surya)was physically handicapped.He was a Shiva devotee.Arunan wanted to visit Kailash to have Shiva Darshan,but Surya Dev denied permission.

So Arunan disguised as a girl & was on his way to Kailash.On the way Surya Dev saw this girl & outraged her modesty.Shiva was very angry with Suryan for misbehaviour & cursed him to get darkened. Whole world plunged into darkness.Surya Dev pleaded to Bhagwan Shiv to forgive him.

Shiva Bhagwan asked him to go to Thirumiyachur & worship him there. As advised, Surya Dev performed rigorous penance, placed murthi of Shiva& Parvathy on an elephant & took them to the clouds.Shiva in this temple is known as Meganathaswamy,Devi is known as Lalithambigai



Even after severe penance,Shiva does appear,so Surya Dev cries out in agony.Disturbed by his call, Parvathy protests.Siva pacifies her & offers relief to Surya Dev.The sculpture of Shiva pacifying Ambal shows her sullen from one angle &smiling from another.



Shiva blessed her to be Shanta nayagi.Devatas called vasini emerged from Lalithambigai’s mouth &sung Lalitha Sahasranamam stotra in praise of Goddess here.Hayagrivar conveyed lalita sahasranamam to Agasthiya Rishi.Agasthiya came to this temple & worshiped the goddess.



This stotra is found in Brahmanda purana as discussion between Hayagreeva &Agasthya Rishi. Hayagreeva -incarnation of Vishnu with horse https://t.co/GyecRgjgwy his request Hayagreeva taught him sahasranama of Lalithambigai &gifted to us the lalitha Sahasranamam

Sri Lalitambika is seated resting her folded right leg on seat. Her left leg is in Sukhasana https://t.co/mcDDyBAcYD other unique feature -only temple where we can offer Anklets for Devi.There is provision for inserting Anklet/Golusu on Devi's leg...Amazing



■ - respective owners

Source text - based on details in various blogs,templesoftamilnadu & Dharisanam websites about this temple

Do read this #story #Thread about Lalithambigai temple where
Lalitha Sahasranamam originated.

Thanks for reading■

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