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Abstract.

Archaeology - Ancient Monuments and Sites Kovalan Pottal, Madurai District - Protection as a Monument - Under Tamil Nadu Ancient and Historical Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1966.

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

G.O.Ms.No.2751.

Dated: 26-12-1980.

Read:

From the Director of Archaeology, Ir.No.5098/A5/76,  
dt.14.10.80.

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ORDER:

The site known as "Kovalan Pottal" in Madakkulam Village of Madurai South taluk has yielded megalithic burials dating back to the beginning of the Christian era and is associated with the hero of the celebrated Tamil epic Silappathikaram. The Collector of Madurai suggested that this place be protected by the Tamil Nadu Archaeological Department on account of its historical importance. The Director of Archaeology, Madras has accordingly submitted draft Notification to declare the above site as protected Monuments under the Tamil Nadu Ancient and Historical Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1966 for approval and publication in Tamil Nadu Government Gazette.

2. The Government approve the draft notification under section 3(3) of the Tamil Nadu Ancient and Historical Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1966.

3. The Works Manager, Government Central Press, Madras is requested to publish the notification appended to this order in the next issue of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette. The Director of Archaeology is requested to affix the notification in a conspicuous place near the Monuments.

/ BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR/

C.RAMDAS,  
Commissioner & Secretary to Government.

To

The Works Manager, Central Press, Madras-I.  
The Director of Archaeology, Madras-28  
The Collector, Madurai.

Copy to:

The Special Officer, World Tamil Conference, Madras-9  
for information.

/Forwarded/ By order/

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NOTIFICATION.

Whereas the Government of Tamil Nadu are of opinion that the ancient monument specified in the Schedule below, require protection under the Tamil Nadu Ancient and Historical Monument and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1966 (Tamil Nadu Act 25 of 1966);

It is therefore, proposed to declare the aforesaid monument as protected monument under sub-section (3) of section 3 of the said Act and is hereby published for general information as required by sub-section (1) of the said section 3 of the said Act

Notice is hereby given that the proposal will be taken into consideration on or after the date of expiry of two months from the date of publication of this notification in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette and that any objection or suggestion, which may be received with respect to thereof from any person before the date of such expiry will be considered by the Government of Tamil Nadu. Objections and suggestions, if any, should be addressed to the Commissioner and Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu, Education Department, Fort St. George, Madras-600

THE SCHEDULE.

S.No.	State	District	Taluk	Village No.	Name of the monument	R.P. No. which monument
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1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Tamil Nadu	Madurai	Madurai South	Madakulam Village No.24	Kovalan Pottal Vurari

Area of the protected portion	Boundaries	Ownership
8	9	10
1.19785 Hectres	North / 140 East / 102  South / 138 & 137 West 137	Government Porambocku Railway line Patta to Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies  Patta to TVS Nagar Patta to TVS Nagar Patta to TVS Nagar

C.RAMDAS,  
Commissioner & Secretary