

## **Thrissur Pooram**

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In a recent ruling, the Kerala **High Court** has issued directives to ensure the safety and well-being of elephants and artists during the **Thrissur Pooram festivities**.

- Thrissur Pooram is a grand celebration of Kerala's cultural and spiritual essence.
- Celebrated in the Malayalam month of medam (April-May), the pooram is held at the Thekkinkadu Maidanam in Thrissur and is considered the mother of all poorams (annual festival).
- It was started by Raja Rama Varma, famously known as Sakthan Thampuran, the Maharaja of Cochin (1790-1805), with the participation of 10 different temples.
- Majestic elephants adorned in traditional attire and traditional orchestra music are part of the festival.
- The **Arattupuzha Pooram** was the biggest festival in Kerala before Thrissur Pooram.



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