



CHAVAKKAD MANATHALA NERCHA MANATHALA JUMA MASJID



LOCATION

**Panchayath/
Municipality/
Corporation**

Chavakkad Block Panchayat

District

Thrissur District



ACCESSIBILITY

**Nearest Town/
Landmark/
Junction**

Chavakkad – 400m

Nearest Bus station

Chavakkad Bus Stand – 850 m

**Nearest Railway
station**

Guruvayur Railway Station – 5.6 km

Nearest Airport

Cochin International Airport – 79 km



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TIME

DATES

January – February

FREQUENCY

Annually

DURATION

4 days



ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

Nercha festival of Chavakkad Manathala mosque is conducting in remembrance of a martyr called Nalakath Chaandipurath Hydrous Kutty Moopar who was the general of Mysore Sultan Hyder Ali buried in the courtyard of the mosque. Nalakath Chandipurath Hydrous Kutty Moopar fought for justice and truth and was a trusted lieutenant of Hyder Ali.



RELEVANCE-
(Local / National / International)

Local



NO. OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATED

Thousands of people

EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Muttum Vili
Aravanamutt
Band Melam
Thabooth Kazhcha
Chendamelam
Elephant procession
Kodikayattam
Serving of milk and egg
Chakkaravellam
distribution
Annadanam
Nattukazhcha
Kootti Ezhunellipu

DESCRIPTION *(How festival is celebrated)*

Manathala Mosque is flamboyantly decorated during the annual festival. Muttum Vili is a main event of the festival in which special persons will visit the surrounding areas with musical instruments like cheeni (pipe), otta (big che), murish (small che) and doal. They will move around by singing Makkam Fattah Badarul Muneer Susanur Jamal beths, Moyeenkutty Vaidyar's ishals and New Mappila songs. Chendamelam and elephant procession is a part of the festival.

The devotees will follow the elephant procession known as Thabooth. Then by reaching the mosque the Thabooth will be placed near the Khabar of Hydroos Kutty Moopar. Then Kodiyetta Kazhcha from Manathala Siddique mosque, Thiruvathra and Chavakkad town will reach there. The kodis from these places will be tied to the tree in front of the mosque. And thereby ends the Kodikayattam. The serving of milk and egg by Hindu families to the Thani maram(a type of tree) in the mosque premise will be conducted after that. Chakkaravellam distribution by the devotees and annadanam(free food serving) also are the part of this nercha. In the afternoon, Thiruvathra, Chapparamb and Chavakkad town arrange Nattukazhcha and Kootti Ezhunellipu. After all the nattukazhcha reach the mosque premises the Nercha festival will come to an end.

