

# Ayodhya Choti Devakali Mandir

# Linked to worship of specific form of Kali



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Jayantii Mangalaa Kaaalii Bhadrakaalii Kapaalini Durgaa Shivaa Kssamaa Dhaatrii Svaaha Svadhaa Namostu Te

We salute Devi Kali, who is always victorious and always auspicious; we offer salutations to Bhadrakali Devi, who wears a skull garland; we salute Shiva's consort and the embodiment of self-control and supports all beings; Devi Durga, who is Swaha as well as Swadha. We offer our salutations to you.

Choti Devakali Temple is located on the north east of Saptasagar, Ayodhya. After her marriage with

Sri Ram while coming to Ayodhya, Sita Devi brought with her the idol of her family goddess, Mata Parvathi. Maharaj Dasharatha built a temple for the goddess in Ayodhya, which is called Choti Devikali. There are nine goddesses present in the temple, whose forms are very beautiful and charming. Sita Devi and all the other queens of Dhasaratha used to go to this temple for worship every day. The significance of this temple is that it is linked to the worship of a specific form of Kali. The temple symbolises

the fierce and protective aspect of the goddess. The temple is also mentioned in Rudiyamal and Skandapuranam.

**History**  
According to history, the temple was destroyed twice due to the invasion by the Hudo and Mughals. It was in a dilapidated structure, and it was rebuilt by Maharaja Prushpamitra. The temple was ruined a second time by the Mughals. The Mahant of the Bindu sect built a smaller structure and placed the idol of Devi there. Chinese travelers Hiuen Tsann and Fa Hier have also mentioned the spiritual grandeur of this temple.

The temple was almost non-existent for a long time. During the Ram Mandir movement, an astrologer is believed to have calculated the future of the Ram Mandir on

a wire leaf. It appears that the Nadi astrologer informed Sri Ravi Shankar that unless the temple of Ram Kuladevi is reconstructed to its full glory, there will be no permanent solution to the Ram mandir movement.

This prophecy prompted a few devotees, including Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, to search for the temple. It is said that the devotees discovered two temples of Kali located in the middle of the city. The small temple of Choti Devikali was one of them. At the same time, another Devi Kali temple was also found at some distance from the city. The temple was in ruins, and the temple bond was found filthy with garbage. The Ram Mandir movement started work on the plan for renovating the temple. The Devkali temple was re-consecrated on the



morning of September 18, 2002. Once the consecration of the Kali temple was completed, it was foreseen that the Ram Mandir issue would be resolved in 14 years (Ram was exiled for exactly 14 years). In the year 2016-17, on the instruction of the Supreme Court, Hindus and Muslims sat across the issue, which was resolved in 2019. The temple today is prominent and is patronized by thousands of devotees who feel that the goddess played an invisible, active, and divine role in the construction of Ram Mandir.

be protected from evil. Devotees will end their sorrows and sins. The married couple gets happiness and peace in their married life and the prosperity of their children.

**Festivals**  
Apart from the usual festivals, the temple attracts lakhs of devotees during Navarathri days. On the occasion of Janaki Navami, Choti Devi is decorated in a grand manner. A splendid aarti of 1051 lamps is performed on the Chaitra Navarathri, Asadha Navarathri, and Ashwin Navarathri. Akhand Kirtan, Kanya Bhoj, and Bhandara are organized at the Basant Panchami and Janaki festivals. Rajbhog is offered at the time of Bal Bhog.



11:00 AM, at which Rajbhog is offered. In the evening, at 4:00 AM, Bal Bhog Aarti is held, in which fruits, sweets, dry fruits, etc. is offered to Maa kali. The time of the evening Aarti is 06:30 PM, in which Rajbhog is again offered to Mata Kali; after that, at 09:00 PM, the kapat is closed for the devotees. In summer, it opens at 6 a.m. and closes at 9:00 PM.



**Deities**  
In the sanctum sanctorum, the impressive deity of Goddess Devkali is seen. In the circumbulation area, there are 8 charming goddesses in different forms present.

**Benefits**  
Devotees who visit and pray to Kali will

## Sundara Kadam Sloka 9 to 16

अञ्जलिं प्राणमुखाहं कृत्वा पवनायाम्मयोनयो |  
ततो हविर्वधे गन्तुं दक्षिणो दक्षिणो दक्षिणो ॥५-११॥  
añjaliñ prāṇmukhaḥ kṛtvā pavanāyāmṁayōnayoḥ |  
tatō hi vavṛdhē gantuñ dakṣiṇō dakṣiṇāñ diśam ॥ 9

Hanuman decides to take his father, Lord Vayu (Wind), Bhagavan's help. He turned towards the east, saluted his father, and expanded his body to go in the southern direction.

एतवद्गम्य रवेर्दृष्ट्वा एतन्मन्त्रं कृतमिदं चयः |  
वदधे रामवदधे यत्तु यत्तु दद्वपरवत् ॥५-१२॥  
plavaṅgapravaraireḍṣṭāḥ plavanē kṛtaniścayāḥ |  
vavṛdhē rāmaṅgadhyaṛthañ samudra iva parvasu 10

With all the Varana sena watching, Hanuman decides to fly – like a mighty ocean swelling on full moon days. He takes the posture for Rama's success.

नपि ए रमाणशरीरः सन् ललिङ्घयति रर षवम् |  
वाहू भूयां पीडयामास चरणाम् वा चप्र वतम् ॥५-१३॥  
niṣpramāṇasārīraḥ saṅg lilaṅghayaṣuraraṇavam |  
bāhubhyañ piḍayāmāsa caraṇābhyāñ ca parvatam 11

Hanuman now desires and is ready to cross the vast ocean. His body has grown immeasurably, and he presses the mountain with his feet and hands.

सचचालाचक्षुः चापामुहूर्त्तं कर्पपीडतिः |  
तूर्णां पुष्पतिगणानां सर्वां पुष्पशशास्त्रवत् ॥५-१४॥  
sa cacālaścakṣuḥ cāpamuhūrtāñ kapipiḍitaḥ |  
tārñāñ puṣpitāgṛhāñ sarvañ puṣpamaśāstravataḥ ॥5.1.12॥

Pressed firmly by Hanuman, the mountain was shaken for a moment, which caused the flowers to drop from the treetops.

तेन पादयमु कृतेन पुष्पपौषे नमु गन् धनिः |  
सर्ववतः संवृत्तैः शैलो वभौ पुष्पपमयो यथा ॥५-१५॥  
tēna pādapamukṛtēna puṣpauṣhēṇa sugandhinā |  
sarvataḥ sarivṛtāḥ śailō babhau puṣpamayō yathā ॥5.1.13॥

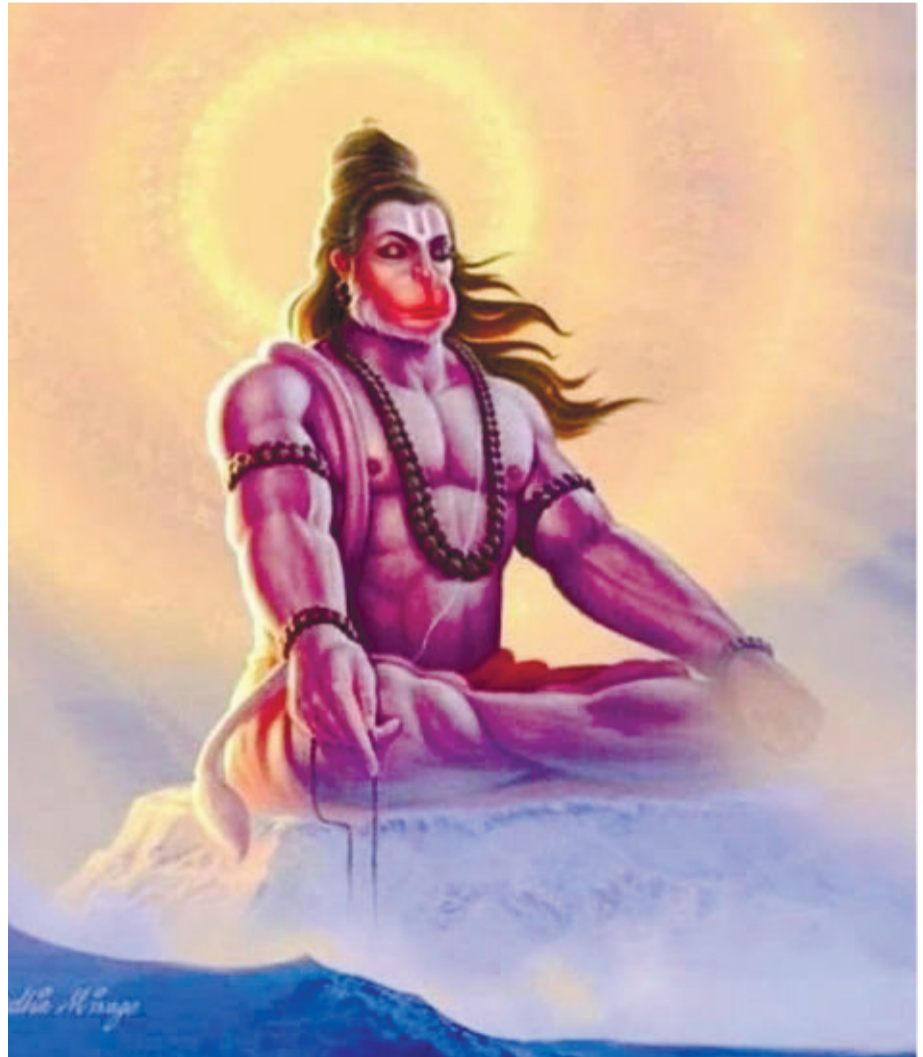
With heaps of flowers full of fragrance falling from the trees all over the mountain, it looked as though it was a mountain of flowers.

तेन चोत्तमविर्येण पीडयमानां सा पर्वताः |  
सलिलं संप्रसूतं रावमदं मत्तद्वत्तद्वत् ॥५-१६॥  
tēna cōttamaviryēṇa piḍayamāṇāñ sa parvataḥ |  
salilāñ samprasūtvā madanā matta iva divyāḥ 14

The mountain, pressed hard under the feet of the valiant (Hanuman), discharged streams of water just as an elephant in a rut would exude water of intoxication.

पीडयमानस्तु बलनिमहेन्दुस्तत्तेन परवतः |

# Hanuman sways mountain, fountain of flowers drop



रीतीरं नरिं वरं तयामास काञ्च चनाञ्च जनराजतीः ॥५-१६॥  
piḍyamānastu balinā mahēndrastēna parvatāḥ |  
rīṭīrivarṇayāmāsa kāñcāñāñjanarājatīḥ 15

Pressed by the powerful Hanuman, Mount Mahendra let out streams of the hue of gold and silver (containing the ores of these minerals).

सुमोच च शिलाः शैलो वशिलाः समन्तशिलाः |  
मधुयमे नारं चपिजुष्टो धूमराजीवनालः ॥५-१६॥  
mumōca ca śilāḥ śailō viśālāḥ samanāśilāḥ |  
madhyamēnārciṣā juṣṭā dhūmarājīvirivānalāḥ 16

The mountain threw down big boulders along with sulfur, just like fire emits columns of smoke, surrounded by flames.

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## NAME CHANGE

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R.Dhileep alias R.Dhilip  
Chennai, 04/October/2023.

## RELIANCE ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY LTD.

**NOTICE FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSETS** [See Rule 6(2) read with rule 8(6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable/movable properties mortgaged/hypothecated to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Secured Creditor.

That, Religare Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd. has vide Assignment Agreement dated 29.03.2019 assigned the financial assets/debts of your loan accounts along with its right, title and interest together with underlying securities in favour of Reliance Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd. (RARC) trustee of RARC 059 (RHFCL HL) Trust. By virtue of the said assignment we have become your secured creditor and lawfully entitled to recover the entire contractual dues. Therefore, the undersigned Authorised Officer of Reliance Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd., hereby give you notice of 15 days that the below mentioned mortgaged properties shall be sold by the undersigned by way of E-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 01.03.2024, for recovery of amount mentioned in demand notice u/s 13(2) plus future interest and cost due to Reliance Asset Reconstruction Company Limited as a trustee of RARC 059 (RHFCL HL) Trust Secured Creditor from mentioned borrowers/mortgagors. The reserve price and the earnest money deposit (EMD) are as under:

Lot No.	Borrowers name, Property Details, demand notice and possession date	Reserve Price	
		EMD	
1	Venkatachalam R/S/o Ramchandran And Keerthana V Both R/o Door No 5 Plot No E 12 Sri Apartment Ajish Nagar Main Road Kodambakkam Rangarajapuram, Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600024 Also At: Door No.87, Plot No.322, Second Floor, Trustpuram 9th Crossree, Trustpuram, Kodambakkam, Chennai. <b>Property:</b> All that piece and parcel of Land And Building, Bearing Plot No.332, Comprised in T.S. No.21 as Per TSLR New T.S. No.21/3, Measuring with an Extent of 100 Sq. Ft., UDS Out of 797 Sq. Ft., Along with Flat Measuring A Plinth Area of 420 Sq.ft., in Second Floor Situated at, Door No.87, 9th Cross Street, Block No.26, Trustpuram Planning Scheme, Puliyur Village, Egmore-Nungambakkam Taluk, Chennai District <b>Bounded By:-</b> North By : Plot No.321, South By : Plot No.323, East By : Trust Puram Scheme, West By: 20 Ft Road, Measuring An Extent Of 797 Sq.ft., <b>Demand notice: Rs. 20,24,787.04/-</b> (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Twenty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Seven and Paise Four Only) as on 17.11.2017 plus future interest & costs. <b>Constructive/Physical Possession date:</b> 27.03.2023	Rs.13,77,810/-	Rs.1,37,781/-

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE:**

- The property shall not be sold below the reserve price and sale is subject to the confirmation by RARC as a secured creditor.
- E-auction will be conducted ONLINE through M/s. C1 INDIA PVT LTD at Plot No 68 Gurgaon Haryana pin Code 122003.
- Before participating in E-auction, the intending bidders should hold a valid e-mail id and register their names at portal [www.bankauctions.com](http://www.bankauctions.com) and get their User ID and password from M/s. C1 INDIA PVT LTD., (Contact Person : Mr. Dharni Krishna on Mobile +91 9948162222, Delhi@getindia.com or Support@bankauctions.com (Helpline No 729198124,25,26).
- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) shall be deposited through RTGS/NEFT fund transfer to Current Account No. 6742557088 Name of the Bank: Indian Bank Branch: Santacruz West Branch Mumbai, 400054, Name of the Beneficiary: RARC 059 (RHFCL HL) Trust, IFSC Code: IDIB0005010. Please note that the Cheques/Demand Draft shall not be accepted towards EMD.
- The Bids below reserve price and/or without EMD amount shall not be accepted. Bidders may improve their further bid amount in multiple of Rs. 5000 per lot.
- The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the bid amount/sale price (including EMD) immediately after declaration of successful bid.
- The successful bidder shall deposit balance 75% of the bid amount/sale price within 15 days from the date of declaration of successful bidder.
- If successful bidder fails to deposit sale price as stated above, all deposits including EMD will be forfeited.
- The EMD amount of unsuccessful bidders will be returned without interest, after the closure of the E-auction sale proceedings within Seven days.
- The particulars given by the Authorised Officer are stated to the best of his knowledge, belief and records. Authorised Officer shall not be responsible for any error, misstatement or omission etc.
- The undersigned Authorised Officer has the absolute right and discretion to accept or reject any bid or adjourn/postpone/cancel the sale or modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice or assigning any reasons.
- The bidders should make discreet enquiries as regards to charge/encumbrances/statutory dues on the property and should satisfy themselves about the property and any other matter etc., shall be entertained after submission of the online bid.
- As per records available, the undersigned has no information about any encumbrance on the properties as on the date of this notice.
- Any arrears, dues, taxes, VAT, TDS, GST, charges on the property whether statutory or otherwise including stamp duty/registration fees on sale of property shall be borne by the purchaser only.

For any other information, please contact at 18001039711 / 18602664111 / 18003099711 may be contacted.

**STATUTORY 15 DAYS' NOTICE UNDER RULE 6(2), 8(6) & 9(1) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002**

The Borrower/Co-Borrowers/guarantors/mortgagors are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above, along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before E-auction, failing which the e-auction of mortgaged property mentioned above shall take place and balance dues if any shall be recovered with interest/cost. In Case of no bid received in the auction sale on the date fixed for auction, the secured creditor shall be at liberty to sell this property by way of private treaty on or above the reserve price fixed above to any prospective buyer. Borrower/Co-Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors are hereby called upon to SHIFT/REMOVE ALL HOUSEHOLD ARTICLES / PERSONAL BELONGINGS IF ANY LYING IN THE REPOSESSED PROPERTY, as per Panchnama/Inventory report prepared at the time of taking possession of the mortgaged property, within 7 (seven) days from the date of this notice. On failure to shift household articles/personal belongings within stipulated period of 7 (seven) days from the date of this notice, the company shall be constrained to remove/shift/discard the same on "as is where is, as is what is and whatever there is basis" and Borrower/Co-Borrowers/guarantors/mortgagors, risk, responsibilities & cost. Company shall not be responsible for any claim raised by any party in this regard.

Place : Chennai (Tamilnadu), Date : 03-02-2024

Authorised Officer  
Reliance Asset Reconstruction Co. Ltd.

Note: Amount paid if any after issuance of Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002, would be reckoned for ascertaining the dues payable at the time of realization/settlement.