Preface

Research is the search of knowledge. Kanyakumari district, which lies in the southernmost tip of peninsular India, is famous for its majestic hills, virgin beaches, pristine rivers and meandering rivulets. The district has a fragrance of architecture culture and customs of neighboring Kerala mixed with the rich deep traditions, culture and architecture of Tamil Nadu. However, for want of promotional campaign and lack of basic amenities most of the tourists coming to this district return back after seeing just Kanyakumari and Padmanabhapuram Palace. It was at this juncture that the district administration decided to take up tourism promotion initiatives in a major way. Attempt has been made to put up basic amenities at the virgin beautiful spots so as to facilitate the inflow of the tourists.

The study is based on a verity of sources collected from the archeological archival repositories in Tamil Nadu and Kerala. The primary sources were further supplemented by the secondary sources collected from District library, Nagercoil, Scott Christian College Library, Nagercoil, N.M. Christian College Library, Marthandam and University library, Tirunelveli. The primary and secondary data are supported by the corroborative sources gathered through field survey and interviews.

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