PREFACE

I have undertaken to bring out a research on the "Contribution of Religion to the Development of Temples with Special Reference to Saivism - A study" because it has not been studied sufficiently so far with a view to evaluate them in this view. This evaluation has eventually led me to make an emphasis on the "Contribution of Religion to the Development of Temples with Special Reference to Saivism". This is precisely the scope of my thesis. I consider this as a humble attempt towards a new way of reflecting the "Contribution of Religion to the Development of Temples with Special Reference to Saivism".

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