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Ambaji temple

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Why is in news? PM Narendra Modi goes for darshan and pooja at Ambaji Temple, Gujarat

As per some recent study Ambaji Temple was constructed by the **Suriyavans Emperor Arun Sen**, the **ruler of Vallabhi in 4th Century AD**.

Ambaji, a famous pilgrimage place of Gujarat in India is situated on the **border of States of Gujarat and Rajasthan**, near the origin of the famous Vedic virgin river SARASWATI, on the hills of **Arasur Parvat in Ambica forest**, towards south-west side to old hills of **Arvalli**, at the altitude of about 480 meters, at about 1600 feet high from sea level.

It is **one of the 51 Shakti Peethas**. Ambaji mata temple is a major Shakti Peeth of India.

It is situated at a distance of approximately 65 kilometres from Palanpur, 45 kilometres from Mount Abu, and 20 kilometres from Abu Road, and 185 kilometres from Ahmedabad, 50 kilometers from Kadiyadra near the Gujarat and Rajasthan border.

There are **12 main Shakti Peetha Tirth**, significant places of pilgrimage for the worship of Shakti, namely, Ma Bhagwati Mahakali Maha Shakti at **Ujjain**, Ma Kamakshi at **Kanchipuram**, Mata Bramaramba at **Srisailem**, Shri Kumarika at **Kanyakumari**, Mataji Ambaji at **Gujarat**, Mata Mahalaxmidevi at **Kolhapur**, Devi Lalita at **Prayag**, Vindhya Vasini at **Vindhya**, Vishalakshi at **Varanasi**, Mangalavati at **Gaya** and Sundari at Bangal & Guhyeshwari Temple in **Nepal**.

Ambaji Temple is key shrine of goddess, **worshiped from pre Vedic period**.

There is **no idol or photo of Ma Devi Ambe** but it has **Yantra**.

There is a Gokh -cave in the wall on which gold plated marble inscription of a **triangle Vishwa Yantra** is fixed.

It is copper plate with **Vedic text on sacred geometry** inscribed on with figures and Shree is written in the center. This **Vishwa Yantra** represents the deity in temple.

Amabji Temple is the **only temple in the world where every day the different vahan is used** as savari of Ma Devi Ambe.

Tiger on Sunday, Nandi on Monday, Lion on Tuesday, Aairavat on Wednesday, Garudjee on Thursday, Hans on Friday and Elephant of Saturday are used as Savari or Vahan or rider of Ma Devi Ambe.

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