

LIST OF HINDU TEMPLES DESTROYED AND CONVERTED TO MOSQUES IN ANDHRA PRADESH BY MUSLIMS

We give below, state-wise and district-wise, the particulars of Muslim monuments which stand on the sites and/or have been built with the materials of Hindu temples, and which we wish to recall as witnesses to the role of Islam as a religion and the character of Muslim rule in medieval India. The list is the result of a preliminary survey. Many more Muslim monuments await examination. Local traditions which have so far been ignored or neglected, have to be tapped on a large scale.

We have tried our best to be exact in respect of locations, names and dates of the monuments mentioned. Even so, some mistakes and confusions may have remained. It is not unoften that different sources provide different dates and names for the same monument. Many Muslim saints are known by several names, which creates confusion in identifying their mazārs or dargāhs. Some districts have been renamed or newly, created and a place which was earlier under one district may have been included in another. We shall be grateful to readers who point out these mistakes so that they can be corrected in our major study. This is only a brief summary.

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It should be kept in mind that the list below doesn't include all the temples destroyed by Muslims and which were converted to mosques. The below is the list of mosques and Darghas where evidences exists of having been made after destroying the temples at these locations. In many mosques, Muslim rulers were able to eradicate all signs of temples, and hence not given in below list.

Anyone is free to visit the below list of mosques and see the remnants and materials of Hindu temples used in their construction. Archaeological Survey of India should conduct an excavation of below mosques to find out more about the ancient temples in these locations and possible mass graves around the mosque sites.

I. ADILABAD DISTRICT

Mahur

1. Masjid in the Fort on the hill. Temple site.

II. ANANTPUR DISTRICT

Gooty

2. Gateway to the Hill Fort. Temple materials used.

Kadiri

3. Jami Masjid. Temple site.

Konakondla

4. Masjid in the bazar. Temple materials used.

Penukonda

5. Fort. Temple materials used.
6. Masjid in the Fort. Converted Temple.
7. Sher Khans Masjid (1546) Converted Temple.
8. Dargah of Babayya. Converted Azvara Temple.
9. Jami Masjid (1664-65). Temple site.
10. Dargah of Shah Fakbrud-dîn (1293-94). Temple site.

Tadpatri

11. Jami Masjid (1695-96). Temple site.
12. Idgâh completed in 1725-26. Temple site.

Thummala

13. Masjid (1674-75). Temple site.

III. CUDDAPAH DISTRICT

Cuddapah

14. Bhâp Sâhib-kî-Masjid (1692). Temple site.
15. Idgâh (1717-18). Temple site.
16. Bahâdur Khân-kî-Masjid (1722-23). Temple site.
17. Dargâh of Shâh Amînud-Dîn Gesû Darâz (1736-37). Temple site.

Duvvuru

18. Masjid. Temple site.

Gandikot

19. Jâmi Masjid (1690-91). Temple site.

Gangapuru

20. Masjid. Temple site.

Gundlakunta

21. Dastgîrî Dargâh. Temple site.

Gurrukonda

22. Fort and several other Muslim buildings. Temple materials used.

Jammaladuguu

23. Jâmi Masjid (1794-95). Temple site.

Jangalapalle

24. Dargāh of Dastgîr Swāmî. Converted Jangam temple.

Siddhavatam

25. Qutb Shāhî Masjid (restored in 1808). Temple materials used.

26. Jāmi Masjid (1701). Temple materials used.

27. Dargāh of Bismillāh Khān Qādirî. Temple materials used.

28. Fort and Gateways. Temple materials used.

29. Chowk-kî-Masjid. Temple site.

Vutukuru

30. Masjid at Naligoto. Temple site.

31. Masjid at Puttumiyyapeta. Temple site.

IV. EAST GODAVARI DISTRICT

Bikkavolu

32. Masjid. Temple materials used.

V. GUNTUR DISTRICT

Nizampatnam

33. Dargāh of Shāh Haidrî (1609). Temple site

Vinukonda

34. Jāmi Masjid (1640-41). Temple site.

VI. HYDERABAD DISTRICT

Chikalgoda

35. Masjid (1610). Temple site.

Dargah

36. Dargāh of Shāh Walî (1601-02). Temple site.

Golconda

37. Jāmi Masjid on Bālā Hissār. Temple site.

38. Tārāmatî Masjid. Temple site.

Hyderabad

39. Dargāh of Shāh Mûsā Qādirî. Temple site.

40. Masjid on the Pirulkonda Hill (1690). Temple site.

41. Tolî Masjid (1671). Temple materials used.

42. Dargāh of Miān Mishk (d. 1680). Temple site.

43. Dargāh of Mumin Chup in Aliyābād (1322-23). Temple site.

44. Hājî Kamāl-kî-Masjid (1657). Temple site.

45. Begum Masjid (1593). Temple site.
46. Dargāh of Islām Khān Naqshbandī. Temple site.
47. Dargāh of Shāh Dāūd (1369-70). Temple site.
48. Jāmi Masjid (1597). Temple site.

Maisaram

49. Masjid built by Aurangzeb from materials of 200 temples demolished after the fall of Golconda.

Secunderabad

50. Qadam RasUl. Temple site.

Sheikhpur

51. Shaikh-kī-Masjid (1633-34). Temple site.
52. SarāiwAlī Masjid (1678-79). Temple site.

VII. KARIMNAGAR DISTRICT

Dharampur

53. Masjid (1693). TrikūTa Temple site.

Elangdal

54. Mansūr Khān-kī-Masjid (1525). Temple site.
55. Alamgīrī Masjid (1696). Temple site.

Kalesyaram

56. Ālamgīrī Masjid. Temple site.

Sonipet

57. Ālamgīrī Masjid. Temple site.

Vemalvada

58. Mazār of a Muslim saint. Temple site.

VIII. KRISHNA DISTRICT

Gudimetta

59. Masjid in the Fort, Temple materials used.

Guduru

60. Jāmi Masjid (1497). Temple materials used.

Gundur

61. Jāmi Masjid. Converted temple.

Kondapalli

62. Masjid built in 1482 on the site of a temple after Muhammad Shāh Bahmanî had slaughtered the Brahmin priests on the advice of Mahmûd Gawān, the great Bahmanî Prime Minister, who exhorted the sultan to become a Ghāzî by means of this pious performance.
63. Mazār of Shāh Abdul Razzāq. Temple site.

Kondavidu

64. Masjid (1337). Temple materials used.
65. Dargāh of Barandaula. Temple materials used.
66. Qadam Sharîf of Ādam. Converted temple.

Machhlipatnam

67. Jāmi Masjid. Temple site.
68. Idgāh. Temple site.

Nandigram

69. Jāmi Masjid. Temple site.

Pedana

70. Iama-il-kî-Masjid. Temple site.

Rajkonda

71. Masjid (1484). Temple site.

Tengda

72. Masjid. Temple site.

Turkpalem

73. Dargāh of Ghālib Shahîd. Temple site.

Vadpaili

74. Masjid near NarsimhaSwāmîn Temple. Temple materials used.

Vijaywada

75. Jāmi Masjid. Temple site.

IX. KURNOOL DISTRICT

Adoni

76. Jāmi Masjid (1668-69). Materials of several temples used.
77. Masjid on the Hill. Temple materials used.
78. Fort (1676-77). Temple materials used.

Cumbum

79. Jāmi Masjid (1649). Temple site.

80. Gachinālā Masjid (1729-30). Temple site.

Havli

81. Jāmi Masjid. Temple materials used.

Karimuddula

82. Dargāh. Akkadevi Temple materials used.

Kottakot

83. Jāmi Masjid (1501). Temple site.

Kurnool

84. Pīr Sāhib-kā-Gumbad (1637-38). Temple site.

85. Jāmi Masjid (1667). Temple site.

86. Lāl Masjid (1738-39). Temple site.

Pasupala

87. Kalān Masjid. Temple site.

Sanjanmala

88. Masjid. Temple sites.

Siddheswaram

89. Ashurkhāna. Temple materials used.

Yadavalli

90. Mazār and Masjid. Temple sites.

Zuhrapur

91. Dargāh of Qādir Shāh Bukhārī. Temple site.

X. MAHBUBNAGAR DISTRICT

Alampur

92. Qalā-kî-Masjid. Temple materials used.

Jatprole

93. Dargāh of Sayyid Shāh Darwish. Temple materials used.

Kodangal

94. Dargāh of Hazrat Nizāmud-Din. Temple site.

95. Jāmi Masjid. Temple site.

Kundurg

96. Jāmi Masjid (1470-71). Temple site.

Pargi

Jāmi Masjid (1460). Temple site.

Somasila

Dargāh of Kamālud-Dîn Baba (1642-43) Temple site.

XI. MEDAK DISTRICT

Andol

97. Old Masjid. Temple site.

Komatur

98. Old Masjid. Temple site.

Medak

99. Masjid near Mubārak Mahal (1641). VishNu Temple site.

100. Fort, Temple materials used.

Palat

101. Masjid. Temple site.

Patancheru

102. Jāmi Masjid. Temple materials used.

103. Dargāh of Shykh Ibrāhîm known as Makhdûmji (1583). Temple site.

104. Ashrufkhāna. Temple site.

105. Fort (1698). Temple materials used.

XII. NALGONDA DISTRICT

Devarkonda

106. Qutb Shāhî Masjid. Temple materials used.

107. Dargāh of Sharîfud-Din (1579). Temple site.

108. Dargāh of Qādir Shāh Walî (1591). Temple site.

Ghazinagar

109. Masjid (1576-77). Temple site.

Nalgonda

110. Garhî Masjid. Temple site.

111. Dargāh of Shāh Latîf. Temple site.

112. Qutb Shāhî Masjid (Renovated in 1897). Temple site.

Pangal

113. Ālamgîrî Masjid. Temple site.

XIII. NELLORE DISTRICT

Kandukuru

114. Four Masjids. Temple sites.

Nellore

115. Dargāh named Dargāmittā. Akkasālīsvara Temple materials used.

Podile

116. Dargāh. Temple site.

Udayagiri

117. Jāmi Masjid (1642-43). Temple materials used.

118. Chhotî Masjid (1650-51). Temple materials used.

119. Fort. Temple materials used.

XIV. NIZAMBAD DISTRICT

Balkonda

120. Patthar-kî-Masjid. Temple site.

121. Idgāh. Temple site.

Bodhan

122. Deval Masjid. Converted Jain temple.

123. Patthar-kî-Masjid. Temple site.

124. Ālamgîrî Masjid (1654-55). Temple site.

Dudki

125. Ashrufkhāna. Temple materials used.

Fathullapur

126. Muaskarî Masjid (1605-06). Temple site.

XV. OSMANABAD DISTRICT

Ausa

127. Jāmi Masjid (1680-81). Temple site.

XVI. RANGAREDDY DISTRICT

Maheshwar

128. Masjid (1687). Madanna Pandits Temple site.

XVII. SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT

Icchapuram

129. Several Masjids. Temple sites.

Kalingapatnam

130. DargAh of Sayyid Muhammad Madnî Awliyā (1619-20). Temple materials used.

Srikakulam

131. Jāmi Masjid (1641- 42). Temple site.

132. Dargāh of Bande Shāh Walî (1641- 42). Temple site.

133. Atharwālî Masjid (1671-72). Temple site.

134. Dargāh of Burhānud-Dîn Awliyā. Temple site.

XVIII. VISHAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT

Jayanagaram

135. Dargāh. Temple site.

Vishakhapatnam

136. Dargāh of Shāh Madnî. Temple site.

XIX. WARANGAL DISTRICT

Zafargarh

137. Jāmi Masjid. Temple site.

XX. WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT

Eluru

138. Fort. Temple materials used.

139. Sawāi Masjid. Converted temple.

140. Qāzi's House. Somesvara Temple materials used.

Nidavolu

141. Masjid. Mahādeva Temple materials used.

Rajamundri

142. Jāmi Masjid (1324). Converted Venugopālaswāmin Temple.

EVIDENCE IS AVAILABLE THAT IN ANDHRA PRADESH THE ABOVE MENTIONED MOSQUES AND DARGHAS WERE CONSTRUCTED BY DESTROYING HINDU TEMPLES. BUT IN MANY OTHER CASES MUSLIMS SUCCEEDED IN REMOVING ALL TRACES OF TEMPLES FROM THE MOSQUES. IN SUCH CASES ONLY AN EXCAVATION BY ASI WILL REVEAL THE DESTROYED TEMPLES.

WHILE MUSLIMS ASK FOR REBUILDING THE ILLEGAL MOSQUE IN AYODHYA, WHY SHOULD NOT HINDUS DEMAND THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE DESTROYED TEMPLES IN INDIA?