



TALAKONA

The waterfalls is amidst beauty and greenery. The water of the Talakona is enriched with herbs and people believe that it has healing properties. Talakona was declared as Bio-Sphere Reserve during 1989-90 because of wide variety of plant species present in the region ([Pictures of Butterflies & Wild Flowers of Talakona forest](#)). A long and treacherous trekking route leads to the top of the hill, which can be reached by multiple paths. Talakona hills geographically is considered a part of [Eastern Ghats](#). There is a beautiful waterfall falling deep into the valley from solid rock cliff on the upper reaches. According to the local residents, it is said that the origin of water is difficult to be traced out since an underground stream suddenly surfaces here and this water has healing properties since it passes through lot of herbs of medicinal values.

There is a 240 meter long canopy rope walk, about 35 to 40 feet height, giving a thrilling experience to the visitors while walking. There are mighty trees around with birds and monkeys accompanying during the canopy walk. There are number of trek routes in different categories giving an option for you to choose a route that fits you. You also come across an ancient Siva temple **Sri Siddheswara Swamy** which is flooded with devotees during Sivarathri festival. There are also deep caves scattered over the mountains where it is believed that sages meditate eternally. A stream line flows near canopy walk area where a bathing ghat is under construction.



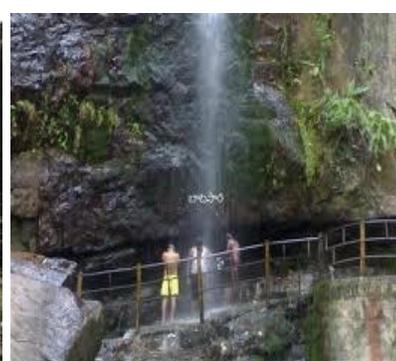
Habenaria at Talakona



Talakona Waterfall



Kaigal Waterfall



Kailasakona Waterfall

Kailasanathakona:

Kailasanathakona water falls are situated in the valley of Nagiri hills near **Puttur**. The water here is said to be rich in minerals and possess curative properties. Puranas reveal that Lord Kailasanatheswara Swamy attended the marriage of **Lord Venkateswara Swamy** and **Goddess Padmavati** at **Narayanavanam** and selected this water fall for meditation for sometime. Hence this place is called Kailasanathakona which is a picnic, scenic and picturesque spot.

Kaigal Water Falls (Dumukurallu Water Falls):

Kaigal Water Falls is popularly known as **Dumukuralla water falls** located at a distance of **2.5 km from Kaigal village on the Palamner - Kuppam Highway**. The popular name **Dumukurallu** water falls came into Prominence because of its sound resembling the fall of stones from above. The water fall is natural, perennial and water comes from a big rock at a height of **40 feet**, irrespective of seasons. The formation of lovely natural pond at water falls and water passing through sand plains with beautiful shrubs are other attractions of this place.