# 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 mazars or dargahs. 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

#### <u>Gooty</u>

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

# <u>Kadiri</u>

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-din (1293-94). Temple site.

# **Tadpatri**

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

# **Thummala**

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

# III. CUDDAPAH DISTRICT

#### **Cuddapah**

- 14. Bhap Sahib-ki-Masjid (1692). Temple site.
- 15. Idgah (1717-18). Temple site.
- 16. Bahadur Khan-ki-Masjid (1722-23). Temple site.
- 17. Dargah of Shah Aminud-Din Gesu Daraz (1736-37). Temple site.

#### **Duvvuru**

18. Masjid. Temple site.

# **Gandikot**

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

# Gangapuru

20. Masjid. Temple site.

# **Gundlakunta**

21. Dastgiri Dargah. Temple site.

# **Gurrumkonda**

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

# <u>Jammalmaduguu</u>

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

#### <u>Jangalapalle</u>

24. Dargah of Dastgir Swami. Converted Jangam temple.

### **Siddhavatam**

- 25. Qutb Shahi Masjid (restored in 1808). Temple materials used.
- 26. Jami Masjid (1701). Temple materials used.
- 27. Dargah of Bismillah Khan Qadiri. Temple materials used.
- 28. Fort and Gateways. Temple materials used.
- 29. Chowk-ki-Masjid. Temple site.

# <u>Vutuku</u>ru

- 30. Masjid at Naligoto. Temple site.
- 31. Masjid at Puttumiyyapeta. Temple site.

# IV. EAST GODAVARI DISTRICT

# <u>Bikkavolu</u>

32. Masjid. Temple materials used.

# V. GUNTUR DISTRICT

# <u>Nizampatnam</u>

33. Dargah of Shah Haidri (1609). Temple site

#### **Vinukonda**

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

# VI. HYDERABAD DISTRICT

# **Chikalgoda**

35. Masjid (1610). Temple site.

#### Dargah

36. Dargah of Shah Wali (1601-02). Temple site.

# Golconda

- 37. Jami Masjid on Bala Hissar. Temple site.
- 38. Taramati Masjid. Temple site.

### **Hyderabad**

- 39. Dargah of Shah Musa Qadiri. Temple site.
- 40. Masjid on the Pirulkonda Hill (1690). Temple site.

- 41. Toli Masjid (1671). Temple materials used.
- 42. Dargah of Mian Mishk (d. 1680). Temple site.
- 43. Dargah of Mumin Chup in Aliyabad (1322-23). Temple site.
- 44. Haji Kamal-ki-Masjid (1657). Temple site.
- 45. Begum Masjid (1593). Temple site.
- 46. Dargah of Islam Khan Naqshbandi. Temple site.
- 47. Dargah of Shah Daud (1369-70). Temple site.
- 48. Jami 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.

### **Sheikhpet**

- 51. Shaikh-ki-Masjid (1633-34). Temple site.
- 52. SaraiwAli Masjid (1678-79). Temple tite.

# VII. KARIMNAGAR DISTRICT

#### Dharampuri

53. Masjid (1693). TrikuTa Temple site.

#### **Elangdal**

- 54. Mansur Khan-ki-Masjid (1525). Temple site.
- 55. Alamgiri Masjid (1696). Temple site.

#### **Kalesyaram**

56. Alamgiri Masjid. Temple site.

# **Sonipet**

57. Alamgiri Masjid. Temple site.

#### <u>Vemalvada</u>

58. Mazar of a Muslim saint. Temple site.

# VIII. KRISHNA DISTRICT

# **Gudimetta**

59. Masjid in the Fort, Temple materials used.

#### <u>Guduru</u>

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

#### **Gundur**

61. Jami Masjid. Converted temple.

### **Kondapalli**

- 62. Masjid built in 1482 on the site of a temple after Muhammad Shah Bahmani had slaughtered the Brahmin priests on the advice of Mahmud Gawan, the great Bahmani Prime Minister, who exhorted the sultan to become a Ghazi by means of this pious performance.
- 63. Mazar of Shah Abdul Razzaq. Temple site.

# **Kondavidu**

- 64. Masjid (1337). Temple materials used.
- 65. Dargah of Barandaula. Temple materials used.
- 66. Qadam Sharif of Adam. Converted temple.

### **Machhlipatnam**

- 67. Jami Masjid. Temple site.
- 68. Idgah. Temple site.

# **Nandigram**

69. Jami Masjid. Temple site.

# <u>Pedana</u>

70. Iama-il-ki-Masjid. Temple site.

# **Rajkonda**

71. Masjid (1484). Temple site.

# Tengda

72. Masjid. Temple site.

# Turkpalem

73. Dargah of Ghalib Shahid. Temple site.

# Vadpaili

74. Masjid near NarsimhaSwamin Temple. Temple materials used.

#### <u>Vijaywada</u>

75. Jami Masjid. Temple site.

# IX. KURNOOL DISTRICT

# <u>Adoni</u>

- 76. Jami 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. Jami Masjid (1649). Temple site.
- 80. Gachinala Masjid (1729-30). Temple site.

### <u>Havli</u>

81. Jami Masjid. Temple materials used.

# **Karimuddula**

82. Dargah. Akkadevi Temple materials used.

#### **Kottakot**

83. Jami Masjid (1501). Temple site.

### **Kurnool**

- 84. Pir Sahib-ka-Gumbad (1637-38). Temple site.
- 85. Jami Masjid (1667). Temple site.
- 86. Lal Masjid (1738-39). Temple site.

# **Pasupala**

87. Kalan Masjid. Temple site.

### <u>Sanjanmala</u>

88. Masjid. Temple sites.

#### <u>Siddheswaram</u>

89. Ashurkhana. Temple materials used.

#### <u>Yadavalli</u>

90. Mazar and Masjid. Temple sites.

# **Zuhrapur**

91. Dargah of Qadir Shah Bukhari. Temple site.

# X. MAHBUBNAGAR DISTRICT

# **Alampur**

92. Qala-ki-Masjid. Temple materials used.

#### <u>Jatprole</u>

93. Dargah of Sayyid Shah Darwish. Temple materials used.

#### **Kodangal**

- 94. Dargah of Hazrat Nizamud-Din. Temple site.
- 95. Jami Masjid. Temple site.

#### **Kundurg**

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

#### <u>Pargi</u>

Jami Masjid (1460). Temple site.

### **Somasila**

Dargah of Kamalud-Din Baba (1642-43) Temple site.

# XI. MEDAK DISTRICT

#### Andol

97. Old Masjid. Temple site.

#### **Komatur**

98. Old Masjid. Temple site.

#### Medak

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

100. Fort, Temple materials used.

# <u>Palat</u>

101. Masjid. Temple site.

# **Patancheru**

- 102. Jami Masjid. Temple materials used.
- 103. Dargah of Shykh Ibrahim known as Makhdumji (1583). Temple site.
- 104. Ashrufkhana. Temple site.
- 105. Fort (1698). Temple materials used.

# XII. NALGONDA DISTRICT

#### **Devarkonda**

- 106. Qutb Shahi Masjid. Temple materials used.
- 107. Dargah of Sharifud-Din (1579). Temple site.
- 108. Dargah of Qadir Shah Wali (1591). Temple site.

#### **Ghazinagar**

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

#### Nalgonda

- 110. Garhi Masjid. Temple site.
- 111. Dargah of Shah Latif. Temple site.
- 112. Qutb Shahi Masjid (Renovated in 1897). Temple site.

# **Pangal**

113. Alamgiri Masjid. Temple site.

# XIII. NELLORE DISTRICT

#### **Kandukuru**

114. Four Masjids. Temple sites.

#### **Nellore**

115. Dargah named Dargamitta. Akkasalisvara Temple materials used.

### **Podile**

116. Dargah. Temple site.

### <u>Udayagiri</u>

- 117. Jami Masjid (1642-43). Temple materials used.
- 118. Chhoti Masjid (1650-51). Temple materials used.
- 119. Fort. Temple materials used.

# XIV. NIZAMBAD DISTRICT

#### Balkonda

- 120. Patthar-ki-Masjid. Temple site.
- 121. Idgah. Temple site.

#### **Bodhan**

- 122. Deval Masjid. Converted Jain temple.
- 123. Patthar-ki-Masjid. Temple site.
- 124. Alamgiri Masjid (1654-55). Temple site.

#### Dudki

125. Ashrufkhana. Temple materials used.

#### <u>Fathullapur</u>

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

# XV. OSMANABAD DISTRICT

# <u>Ausa</u>

127. Jami 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 Madni Awliya (1619-20). Temple materials used.

# **Srikakulam**

- 131. Jami Masjid (1641- 42). Temple site.
- 132. Dargah of Bande Shah Wali (1641- 42). Temple site.
- 133. Atharwali Masjid (1671-72). Temple site.
- 134. Dargah of Burhanud-Din Awliya. Temple site.

# XVIII. VISHAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT

#### <u>Jayanagaram</u>

135. Dargah. Temple site.

#### <u>Vishakhapatnam</u>

136. Dargah of Shah Madni. Temple site.

# XIX. WARANGAL DISTRICT

# **Zafargarh**

137. Jami Masjid. Temple site.

# XX. WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT

#### <u>Eluru</u>

- 138. Fort. Temple materials used.
- 139. Sawai Masjid. Converted temple.
- 140. Qazi's House. Somesvara Temple materials used.

# Nidavolu

141. Masjid. Mahadeva Temple materials used.

# **Rajamundri**

142. Jami Masjid (1324). Converted Venugopalaswamin 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?