



## Chennai's Veeranam Lake

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According to data from the **Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (CMWSSB)**, **Veeranam Lake**, a primary water source for Chennai **has dried up**.

- Veeranam Lake, a **vital water source** for Chennai, **lies in Tamil Nadu's Cuddalore district**.
- It was regarded as **one of the longest man-made lakes** in the world with a length of 14 km.
- The **source** of Veeranam is the **river of Kollidam**, which is the Northern distributary of the Cauvery River, where the **Vadavaru River** links both the **Veeranam and Kollidam**.
  - It was built **between 907-955 AD by Chola Prince Rajaditya Chola**.
  - He named this waterbody after **his father's title-Veeranarayanan**.
- It features in the historical novel "**Ponniyin Selvan**" by Kalki.



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