

## **About the Municipality**

### **History of Municipality and Municipality Place**

Mettur is a Selection Grade Municipality and Taluk Head quarters in Salem District .Mettur is situated at a distance of 52 Kilometres North-West of Salem. Mettur is known for its huge dam built 1934 which is still one of the best dams in the country and attracts tourists from all over India. It is one of the major sources of Power generation using the Hydro-resources. It is located at 11°45' of the Northern Latitude and 77°45' of Eastern Longitude. The population as per 1971 census is 38,380 and the area spreads over to an extent of 14.55 Sq. Kilometres. The Town is well connected with road services to Salem, Dharmapuri, Mysore, Bangalore and Erode. It is also well connected by rail with the Salem Town.

The Town is surrounded by the Stanley Reservoir on the North, Palamalai on the west and Vanavasi Panchayat forest on the East. The River Cauvery traverses in the middle of the town and divides the town into two parts namely Mettur and Mettur Railway Staion.

### **Key Events of Mettur Growth**

Year	Event
1934	Stanley Dam construction
1937	Hydro-electric Power House
1940	Constitution of Mettur Township Committee (Grade II)
1940	Water supply Scheme
1975	Constitution of Local Planning Authority
1975	Upgraded as Ist Grade Township committee
1978	Upgraded as Selection Grade Township committee
1978	Combined Water Supply Scheme
1987	Mettur Thermal Power House
1994	Changed as Selection Grade Municipality