

4 Vaathi

There are four main Vaathis in the Mannan governance structure. They serve as intermediaries between the community and the gods, interpreting divine messages and rituals, especially during times of difficulty or calamity.

A	A	A
s	s	s
p	p	p
er	er	er
R	R	Bi
a	a	ju
m	m	
es	a	
h	n	
a	R	
n	aj	
d	a	
el	m	
d	a	
er	n	
s	n	
	a	
	n	

(i) N e d u m p ur a V a at hi (ii) U d u m p ar a V a at hi (ii i) A di pi s h a V a at hi	(i) V al iy a V a at hi (ii) K a d a d u V a at hi (P ul i V a at hi) (K u nj u V a at hi) (ii i) E d as h er ik k a d u	(i) A di pi s h a V a at hi (k iz h a k u) (ii) K a n a pr a V a at hi (p a di nj ar u) (ii i) K ul at h u V a at hi (n a
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Aanavaathi & Pullivaathi : Due to increasing wild animal conflict, a meeting was adjourned and a resolution was reached. To instill Adukkattu Nagamalean as Aanavathi. Similarly, Kandamalath Paneekudi was given charge of being Pulivaathi

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