Om Sham Sharavana Bhavaya Namaha!

Subrahmanya Swamy is also known as:

- Skanda (seed),
- Shanmukha (one with six faces),
- Kumara Swamy (prince or child),
- Murugan (beauty, smart and clever),
- Swamy Mahasena (Commander in-chief of Devatas' army),
- Vaisakhudu (born in Vaisakha Nakshttram) and
- Kartikeya Swamy

Thai Poosam is one of the important festival observed by the Hindus of southern India during the Tamil month of Thai (January - February). Outside of India, it is celebrated mainly by the Tamil speaking community settled in Malaysia, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka and elsewhere around the world.

Thai Poosam is dedicated to Lord Muruga, the son of Shiva and Parvati. It is believed that on this day, Goddess Parvati presented a lance (Vel) to Lord Muruga to vanquish the demon army of Tarakasura and combat their evil deeds. Therefore, Thai Poosam is a celebration of the victory of good over evil.

Thai Poosam is celebrated during the full moon in the Tamil month of Thai and commemorates the birthday of Lord Muruga. To mark this day of penance and thanksgiving, Hindus pierce their body with metal skewers and carry pots of milk on their heads and take part in a procession during the Thai Poosam festival.