

A temple for demon king Ravana in Jodhpur

A temple dedicated to Ravana, the demon king in Hindu epic Ramayana, is coming up here.

Located about 320 km from here, it would be the first temple of its kind in north India.

The idol of Ravana is being sculpted using Jodhpur stone by Chunilal from Osian area and is likely to be installed in six months.

'The temple will be built in the premises of Navgrah (nine planets) temple in Chandpole area,' Kamlesh Kumar Dave, a priest, told IANS.

'The temple will project Ravana as a scholar, writer, thinker, philosopher and his religious devotion and perception,' he said.

According to historians, Jodhpur has had an association with Ravana. His wife Mandodari is said to be from Mandore, the ancient capital of Jodhpur state.

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