

GETTING FROM CHENNAI AIRPORT TO TS ADYAR

The airport is about fifteen kilometres south-west from our campus. See maps below. Both the International and Domestic (National) Airports are adjacent to each other. Once on the road, there are two separate entrances to the Theosophical Society (TS) campus. The best gate from the airport is the Besant Avenue Road entrance, the 'green gate'. (see photo below)

Do not be surprised if your driver has limited English. Inform your driver to bring you to 'Adyar - Besant Nagar (name of the district), Besant Avenue Road. You may mention **Adyar Allai Maram (Adyar big Banyan tree)**', a good landmark for the Society, as most won't understand 'Theosophical Society'. (See page 2 with map, photo and address details). It might be useful to mention also that **the TS area is the one opposite to Malar Hospital**, although the gate we are talking about is in Besant Avenue Road.

When you are at the gate of the TS, (photo on page 2, and which is clearly signposted *The Theosophical Society*) tell the guard which building to go to (Leadbeater Chambers or Bhojanasala).

Contact details prior to your arrival:

Theosophical Society, International Headquarters. Adyar, Chennai 600 020 INDIA.
Telephone: (Bus hrs only) +91 (044) 2491 2474, email: intl.hq@ts-adyar.org

If you are unfamiliar with India, or Chennai, we suggest you note and do the following for your safe and least stressful journey from the airport to Adyar:

1. After Arrival at the International/Domestic Airport, please proceed towards the Exit. Before you leave the Building you may notice PRE-PAID taxi booths.
2. If you miss this, just outside the arrival exit of the building, you will see just across the road (which leads out of the Airport Premises), another small booth marked PRE PAID TAXI, where Pre-paid Taxi (Cab) vouchers can be purchased for your destination. It may be helpful to show them the destination on page 2, 'Theosophical Society', as they will need to write that on your bill.
3. Be prepared with approximately Rs 500 to pre-pay and enough small notes (Rs 10 and Rs 20 notes) for tipping. You may find a man wanting his tip reward for picking up your ticket at the PRE-PAID BOOTH and leading you to the taxi stand! The amount you tip is up to you, but Rs 20 is adequate, as per local advice. These pre-paid taxis will be Black and Yellow in colour.
4. Printing out the map and photos page with address details might be very helpful for your airport taxi driver and later also for your 'auto' drivers to get you back to HQ.

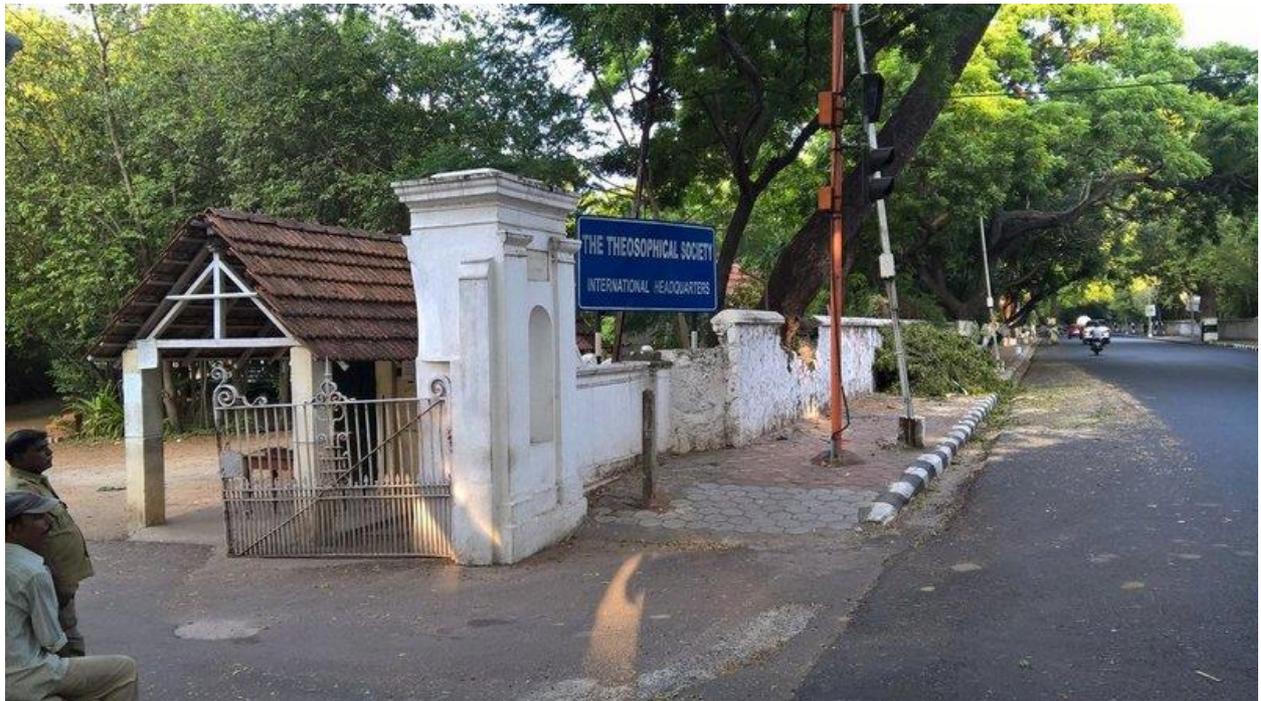
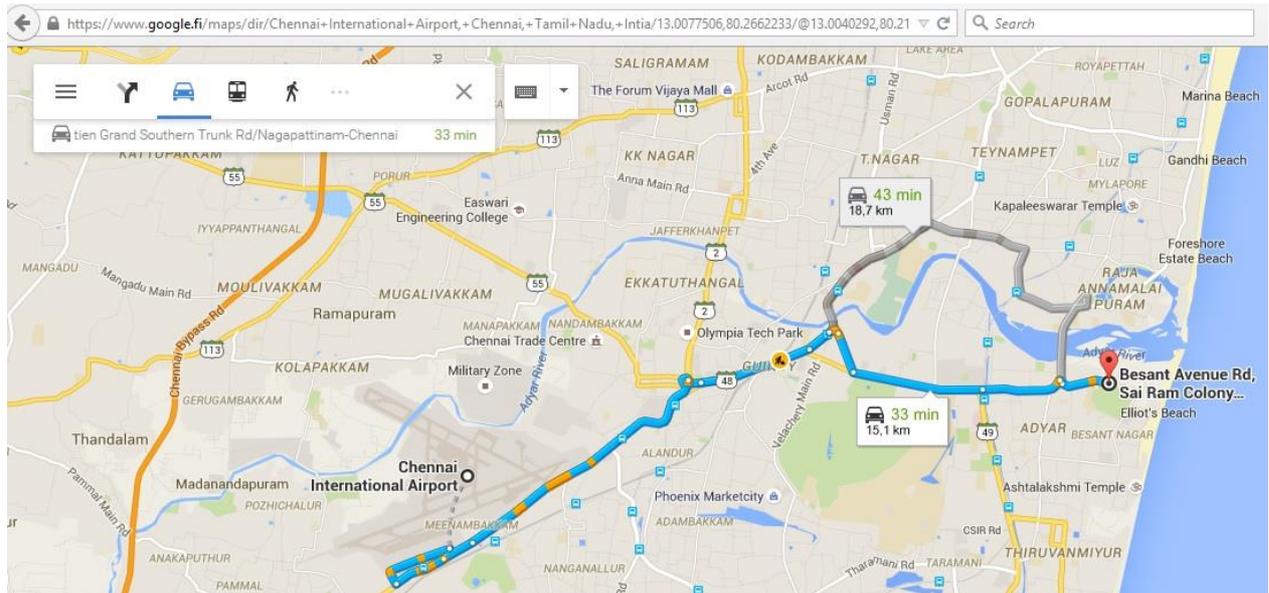
If you are travelling to Chennai between 10pm and 6am, an additional Rs 10 will be charged.

Reaching the TS after 10pm will take less than 25 minutes. During the day it may take 35 – 50 minutes, depending on the traffic.

A map and photo follows on page 2, with all details to help your driver also, which you may wish to print out, or click on this link to [Google map](#).

WELCOME TO ADYAR

THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY



Besant Avenue Road, TS Gate on the left with blue sign

For your driver:
International Theosophical Society Headquarters
Chennai Alai Maram (big banyan tree)
Besant Avenue Road
Besant Nagar, Adyar, Chennai

Telephone: (Bus hrs only) +91 (044) 2491 2474,

At night, there is a night watch to help at Leadbeater Chambers, call out at the 'Lounge' door.
For Bhojanasala the gate guard will help.