

*Mundiyānkalaṣam:*  
**An Eco-cultural Ritual of Ancient Farming Community**

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**ABSTRACT** In the ancient farming communities many rituals were associated with agriculture and allied operations. Most of these practices have been discarded today due to modernization and mechanization of life. This paper explores the ecological and socio-cultural dimensions of an agriculture related ancient ritual, *mundiyānkalaṣam*. Its relevance to agricultural operations, conservation of nature and propagation of healthy social practices in community life has been examined. The Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) tools were used for data collection.