



# **EXCAVATION AT KEELADI, TIRUPPUVANAM TALUK SIVAGANGA DT (T.N)**

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# ANTIQUITIES

- A total number of 4000 antiquities have been found till date.
- Semiprecious stone beads - Carnelian, Agate, & Chalcedony
- 3 small sized gold beads
- Quartz beads
- Glass beads of green, red and blue colours
- Copper coins – square, round
- Terracotta objects – human, animal figurines, beads, gamesmen, spindle whorl, seal, disc, wheel, finial (Kalasam)
- Bone stylus or points
- Metal objects - Iron objects & Copper objects
- Ivory objects
- Shell bangles
- Inscribed pot sherds – 45 nos



## Terracotta Figurines (2015 -16)



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## Terracotta Beads



## Terracotta Spindle whorls



## Semi precious stone beads (2015 -16)

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stone beads  
(2015 -16)



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## Quartz Beads (2015 -16)

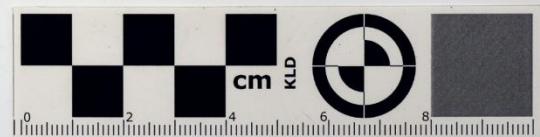
## Soap stone beads (2015 -16)





**Glass bangles  
(2015 -16)**

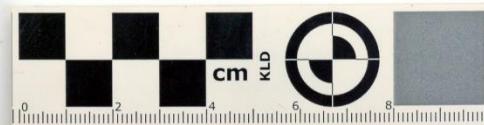
**Ivory Objects  
(2015 -16)**





## Bone/Horn Arrowheads (2015 -16)

## Terracotta Gamesmen





## Iron objects (2015 -16)

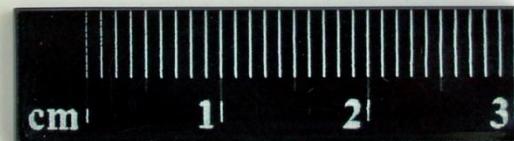
## Copper objects (2015 -16)





## Stone weights (2015 -16)

## Terracotta dice



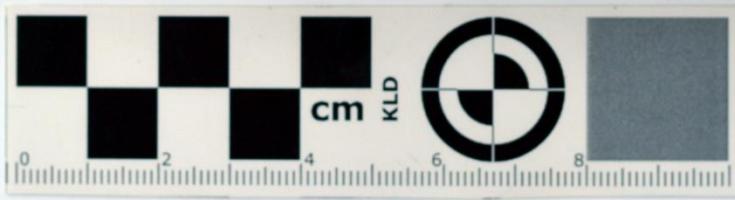


## Terracotta seal (2015 -16)





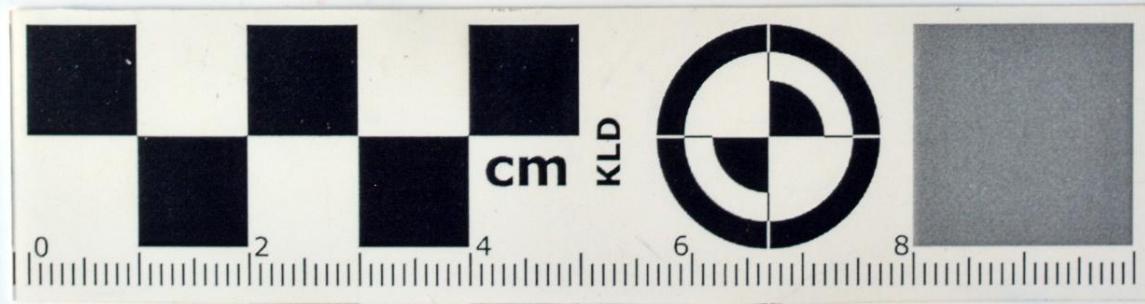
**Tamil – Brahmi inscribed potsherds  
Sandhan, Utta(ran), ....ravama (2015 -16)**



**Tamil – Brahmi inscribed potsherd**  
**'...n na thai kuviran kuravan' (2015 -16)**



**Tamil – Brahmi inscribed potsherd  
'eravathan' (2015 -16)**



**Tamil – Brahmi inscribed potsherd  
'va se i y pe ru mu va r u n.....' (2015 -16)**

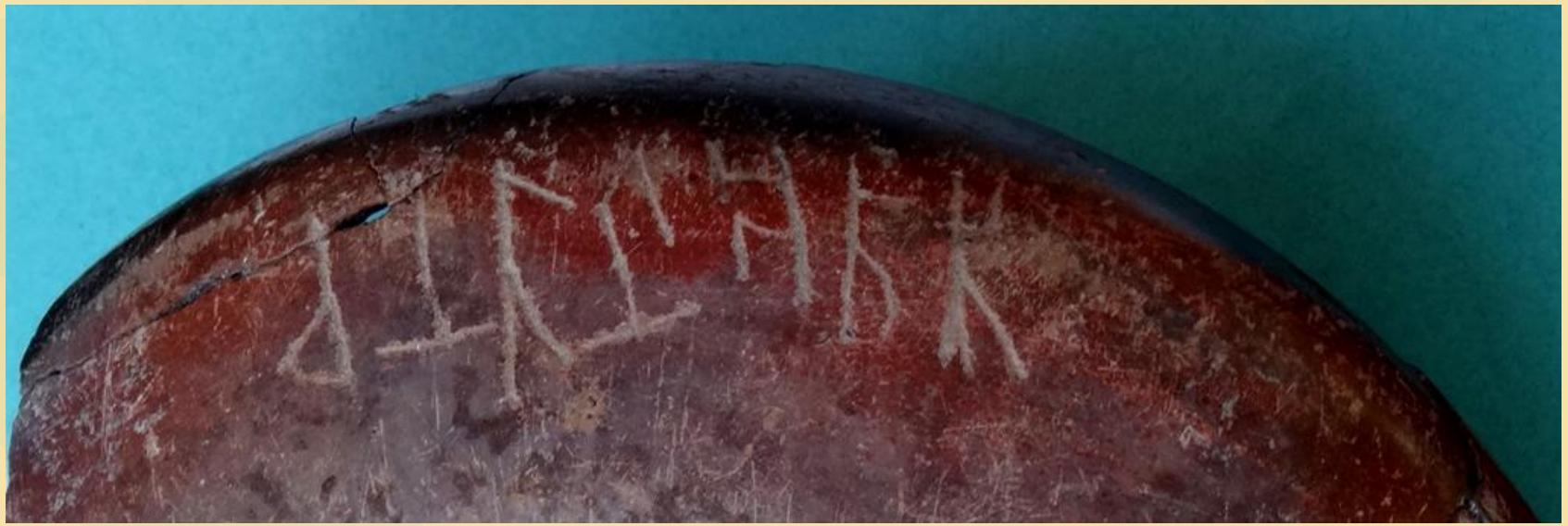


**Tamil – Brahmi inscribed BRW Dish *insitu* (2015 -16)**

# IMAGES - KEELADI



Tamil – Brahmi inscribed  
BRW Dish  
(2015 -16)



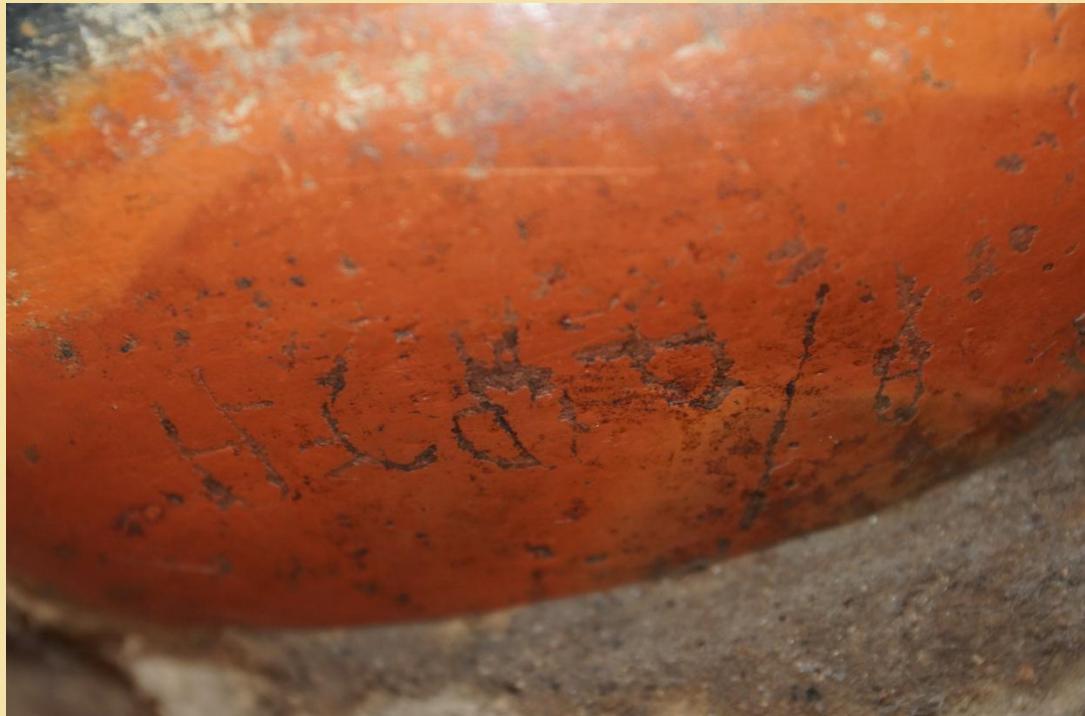
'ce n ta n a va (ta) thi'

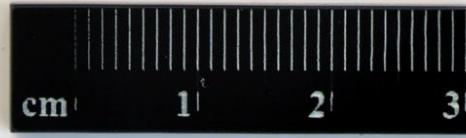


**Tamil – Brahmi inscribed BRW Dish *insitu* (2015 -16)**



**Tamil – Brahmi  
inscribed  
BRW bowl  
*'ma dai ci me'*  
(2015-16)**





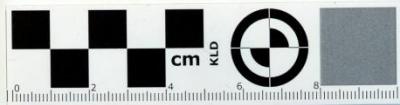
## Coins found from excavations (2015-16)



**Ivory Combs (2015-16)**

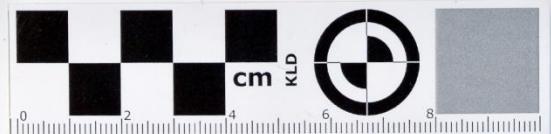


**Stone celts (2015-16)**



## Rouletted sherds (2015-16)

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(2015-16)**





**Perforated sherds  
(2015-16)**

**White painted red ware  
sherds**





**Russet coated ware  
(2015-16)**

**Black & Red ware**





## White painted Black & Red ware

## Graffiti sherds (2015-16)





## Black and red ware & Black ware (2015-16)

Red ware  
(2015-16)





**Insitu bowls**

**Insitu Pots (2015-16)**





## Exposed *insitu* storage pot (2015-16)



## Exposed *in situ* storage pot (2015-16)



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