

Things to answer:

Names

Daksha and Ira

What they represent?

My hindu avatar Ira (seated) is responsible for creation and Daksha (standing) is responsible for death/destruction and together they maintain the earth like the three hindu gods Vishnu, Shiva and Brahma do.

What is the purpose of the objects and what do they mean?

- Trident (gift from Shiva) -The trident is a symbol of power but it's three points represent Daksha and Ira's big purposes, to create, destroy and maintain. In addition to that, the trident is used to liberate souls in the cycle of rebirth and death.
- Prayer beads (gift from Brahma)- The prayer beads are a symbol to encourage the worship of Daksha and Ira. The prayer beads could be used to aid in meditation or throughout worship of the deities.
- Padma (Lotus) (gift from Brahma) and Vishnu- The padma symbolizes beauty fertility, prosperity, and spirituality. This padma also represents divine perfection between the two avatars.
- Gada (club) (gift from Vishnu)- The gada is a symbol of Dakas power and is used as a weapon to fight evils that threaten earth.
- Chakra (discus) (gift from Vishnu)- The chakra has the same purpose as it does with Vishnu. The chakra can be used to expel evil or fight evil creatures and it is used as a wheel of time.
- Snakes- The snakes are a gift from Shiva. The shedding of their skin is a symbol of the cycle of death and rebirth. The snakes around their necks also show that the twins have overcome their desires and control the snakes.
- Their figures are from their mother Ambika. Their exaggerated figures represent fertility and life.

What is their ride to the human world ?

Two moths named Banni and Anupa and the vehicles that transport Ira and Daksha to and from Earth. The moth is their vehicle because it represents fertility, this is because the moths triangular shape is similar to the shape of a uterus.

What messages do they want to send to people?

Daksha and Ira teach devotees to have an appreciation for life and death.

They also teach devotees to appreciate grief and celebrate life.

The twins do not support the caste system and prefer a system that allows for a hierarchy in a temple that does not translate to social status.

How were they created?

The three gods Vishnu, Shiva, and Brahma often visited the Ashoka tree and the Yakshi spirit, Ambika, that lived in an Ashoka tree. All three gods became infatuated with the Yakshi spirit and they all wanted a child with her. Ambika soon after became pregnant with twins. When the children were born they came from a flower bunch that had bloomed on the tree. To celebrate the birth of Daksha and Ira Shiva gifted Daksha a trident and gave both girls a snake, Brahma gifted Daksha prayer beads and gave Ira a padma (lotus), and Vishnu gifted Ira a Kaumodaki (club) and chakra (discus).