

Glossary

Vasthu Vidhya – is a script of building construction methods and dimensions passed from one generation to the other

Veedu – is a term used for a home or a house

Tharavad – is a term used for kinship or joint family system

Nalukettu – is term used for a house that is centered around a courtyard

Illam – is a term used to denote a home or a house

Padipura – is the entrance feature in a kerala house and is characterized by high walls and door

Poomukham – is the prime space that is present at entrance of the main house and is place of gathering in family to greet visitors

Ambal kulam – is a pond that is present in each house that is used by the family