

**Table: Comparing the Two Folk Hero movies of MGR, produced by Lena Chettiar**

Parameters	<i>Madurai Veeran (1956)</i> Hero of Madurai	<i>Raja Desingu (1960)</i> Raja Tej Singh
Release date	April 14, 1956	Sept 2, 1960
Running time	~3 h 17 min	~3 h 10 min
Director	D. Yoganand	T.R. Ragonath
Script writer	Kannadasan	Kannadasan and Makkal anban
Music director	G. Ramanathan	G. Ramanathan
Singer for MGR	T.M. Soundararajan	Chidambaram Jayaraman Sirkazhi Govindarajan
Lyricists	Udumalai Narayana kavi Tanjai Ramaiah das Kannadasan	Udumalai Narayana kavi Tanjai Ramaiah das Kannadasan
1 <sup>st</sup> heroine	P. Bhanumathi	P. Bhanumathi
2 <sup>nd</sup> heroine	Padmini	Padmini
Hero MGR	single role	double role as half siblings
sub-hero	none	S.S. Rajendran (SSR)
Comedy	N.S. Krishnan	N.S. Krishnan – minor role K.A. Thangavelu
Other actors	O.A.K. Thevar M.M.A. Sinappa Thevar	M.G. Chakrapani O.A.K. Thevar T.S. Balaiah
Other actresses	E.V. Saroja T.A. Mathuram	M.N. Rajam T.A. Mathuram
Villain	T.S. Balaiah T.K. Ramachandran	T.K. Ramachandran
Ending	MGR dies [deaths of Bhanumathi and Padmini implied.]	MGR dies -both characters sub hero SSR dies Padmini dies
Fan verdict	major hit movie – Silver Jubilee of 25 week run	mediocre or flop, with 7 weeks run.
<b>Notable event</b>	<b>N.S.Krishnan had died in Aug 30, 1957</b>	

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