



DEPARTMENT OF POSTS, INDIA

Philately Section

Office of the Chief Postmaster General, Tamilnadu Circle, Chennai 600002

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NOTIFICATION

Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana for students of class VI to IX

Department of Posts has launched a Philately Scholarship scheme “**Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana**” (Scholarship for Promotion of Aptitude & Research in Stamps as a Hobby) on 03.11.2017 for generating interest regarding Philately amongst students.

About Scheme:

Students of class VI to IX having good academic record and pursuing Philately as a hobby will be awarded scholarship on the basis of Philately Quiz & Philately Project which will be conducted by Tamil Nadu Circle. The amount of Scholarship per awardee is Rs.6000/-(Rupees Six Thousand only).

Eligibility Condition:

- The Candidate must be a student (class VI to IX) of a recognized School within India.
- Concerned School should have a Philately Club and the candidate should be a member of the Club.
- In case the School Philately Club hasn't been established, a student having his own Philately Deposit Account may also be considered.
- A candidate must have good academic record. At the time of selection for award of scholarship the candidate must have scored at least 60% marks or equivalent grade/grade point in the recent final examination. There will be 5% relaxation for SC/ST.

Syllabus:

- **Philately Written Quiz** will be a Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) quiz consisting of 50 (Fifty) questions from following subjects: Current Affairs, History, Science, Sports, Culture, Geography, Personalities and Philately (Local & National).
- **Philately Project** should not be of more than 4 to 5 pages. In the project, student may use not more than 16 stamps and not more than 500 words. Detailed guidelines regarding the Project & sample project template will be issued by Circle after announcement of Philately written quiz to the selected candidates.
- A communication will be issued by the Circle to the selected candidates of the quiz for detailing them on the list of Philately Project Topics & broad guidelines to be followed for writing their project and the last date for submission. The candidates

selected in Philately Written Quiz can submit their project on any one of the topics from the list provided by the Circle. The Project submitted by the students should not be repeated.

Application Procedure:

- Application form can be downloaded from www.tamilnadupost.cept.gov.in
- The last date for receipt of applications is **30-09-2026**.
- Applications should be addressed to any one of the following
 1. The Postmaster General, Chennai City Region, Chennai-600002
 2. The Postmaster General, Western Region, Coimbatore-641030
 3. The Postmaster General, Southern Region , Madurai-625002
 4. The Postmaster General, Central Region, Tiruchirappalli-620001
- There should be a clear superscription as “Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana 2026-27” on the envelope.
- Applications received after **30.09.2026** will be rejected.
- All the mandatory fields should be filled in the application form. While filling point no 8 & 9 in the application form if any of the fields is not applicable, it should be marked as N/A. It should not be left blank. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Selection Process:

The Selection Process will be consisting of two levels (Level 1- Philately Written Quiz & Level- 2- Philately Project).

- **Level 1: A Philately Written Quiz at Regional Level** will be conducted on **08.10.2026** by Postal authorities in their respective Regions.
- **Level 2:** Students selected at the Regional Level Written Quiz will have to submit a Philately Project for final selection.

Amount & disbursement of Scholarship:

The amount of Scholarship is to be Rs. 6000/- for the selected candidate. The Scholarship will be deposited in the joint account (with parents) of awardees in India Post Payments Bank or Post Office Savings Bank.

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