

From
Mrs S Shanthi,
Joint Director(NSS)
Directorate of School Education
Chennai-06.

To
Chief Educational Officer
Chief Educational Officer
All Districts.

R.C.No.016714/M2/S3/2026 Dated. 12.06.2026

Sub: School Education – Scholarship – Vidyadhan Scholarship Programme 2026 - SarojiniDamodaran Foundation (SDF) – Dissemination of information to eligible students through Government and Aided Schools – Requested – Reg

Ref: Letter from PankajTripathi, Principal Consultant, SarojiniDamodaran Foundation dated.05.06.2026

With reference to the letter cited above, all Chief Educational Officers are requested to instruct the Headmasters of Government and Aided High and Higher Secondary Schools under their jurisdiction to disseminate the details of the Vidyadhan Scholarship Programme 2026 offered by the SarojiniDamodaran Foundation (SDF) to eligible students.

Students who have passed the SSLC/10th Standard Examination in 2026 and satisfy the prescribed eligibility criteria may apply online through the Vidyadhan portal at www.vidyadhan.org on or before 12.07.2026.

Therefore, the details of the scholarship programme may be widely publicized among eligible students and their parents, and necessary action may be taken accordingly.

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வேலூர் மாவட்ட முதன்மைக் கல்வி அலுவலரின் செயல்முறைகள்
ந.க.எண்.2499/ஆ5/2026 நாள். 06.2026

(நகல்)– தக்க நடவடிக்கைக்காக அரசு/அரசுநிதியுதவி உயர்/மேல்நிலைப் பள்ளி தலைமை ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு அனுப்பலாகிறது.

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தலைமை ஆசிரியர்கள்
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To,

05th June 2026

The Director,
Tamil Nadu School Education.

Dear Sir / Madam,

HIS
mz/s3
40-8757
08-06-2026
Sarojini Damodaran Foundation (SDF) (www.sdfoundationindia.com) is a non profit organization set up by Mr. S.D. Shibulal (Co-Founder & Ex. CEO, Infosys) and Mrs. Kumari Shibulal (Patron) in 1999. We are glad to inform you that we have launched our prestigious Vidyadhan Scholarship Scheme for the students of Tamil Nadu State in 2016. Currently we have over 15,000 students in our program across Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Goa, Odisha, Delhi, Ladakh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Chandigarh, West Bengal, Rajasthan and Meghalaya. In the States so far, we have given more than 78,000 scholarships and have many Doctors, Engineers, Nurses etc. among our alumni. Our aim is to scale Vidyadhan to 1,00,000 scholarships covering most states/UTs of India within the next 4 -5 years.

Vidyadhan Scholarship Program supports the college education of meritorious students from economically challenged families. The students are selected after completion of 10th grade through a rigorous selection process. They will be initially eligible for a two-year scholarship of **Rs.10,000/year** for the 11th and 12th std studies. If they continue to do well, they will be given scholarships for pursuing any degree course of their interest; these scholarships are directly through the foundation or external sponsors who have registered with the Foundation. The scholarship amount for graduation varies from **Rs 25,000 to Rs 75,000** per year. The selected students are also provided **training on soft skills and career counselling**.

The scholarship is for economically backward students, from families with an annual income of below Rs. 2 lakhs.

Tamil Nadu Plus 1 Scholarship Program 2026:

The students should have passed their 10th or SSLC examination this year 2026 from Tamil Nadu with more than 85% (70% for students with disability). The selected students will be eligible for a two-year scholarship from the foundation. If they continue to do well, they will be given scholarships for pursuing any degree course of their interest. Those eligible can apply online by logging into www.vidyadhan.org before July 12th, 2026. For more details, please write to vidyadhan.tamilnadu@sdfoundationindia.com or contact +91 80683 33500 / +91 96635 17131.

We request your help in reaching the information to the stakeholders in the education department, especially **Government and Aided Schools**. We would appreciate it if the above notification could be published on the education website and shared this information in your respective schools under your control.

I will be happy to provide you with any additional information that you may need in this regard.

Thank you,

With kind regards

Pankaj Tripathi (ex-Civil Servant)
Principal Consultant
Sarojini Damodaran Foundation

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2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR

TAMIL NADU

Required Documents

1. Photograph
2. 10th Marksheet
3. Income certificate

Vidyadhan is a pan-India higher education scholarship program by the Shibulal Family Philanthropic Initiatives, founded by Kumari Shibulal and S. D. Shibulal. Since 1999, more than 18,260 students have benefited across Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Odisha, New Delhi, Ladakh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Chandigarh, West Bengal, Meghalaya, Rajasthan, Nagaland, Chhattisgarh and Jammu & Kashmir.

For inquiries vidyadhan.tamilnadu@sdfoundationindia.com

Call: 08068333500 or 9663517131

CRITERIA TO APPLY:

- FAMILY ANNUAL INCOME LEVEL < RS. 2.0 LAKH
- STUDENTS WHO HAVE PASSED 10TH STD PUBLIC EXAMINATION IN 2026.
- > 85 % MARKS: {70% FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY}.
- PLUS 1(+1) AND PLUS 2(+2) SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT - RS. 10,000 PER YEAR.
- SCHOLARSHIP CONTINUES FOR DEGREE, BASED ON MERIT.
- DEGREE SCHOLARSHIPS RANGE FROM RS. 25,000 UPTO 75,000 PER YEAR BASED ON THE COURSE.

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Last date to apply:
12th July, 2026

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Vidyadhan India

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வித்யாதன் கல்வி உதவித்தொகை 2026

சரோஜினி தாமோதரன் அறக்கட்டளையால் வழங்கப்படுகிறது

2026ஆம் ஆண்டிற்கான தமிழ்நாடு மற்றும் புதுச்சேரியைச் சேர்ந்த பொருளாதாரத்தில் பின்தங்கிய திறமையான மாணவர்களிடமிருந்து விண்ணப்பங்கள் வரவேற்கப்படுகின்றன.

யார் விண்ணப்பிக்கலாம்?

- ▶ குடும்பத்தின் ஆண்டு வருமானம் ரூ. 2 லட்சத்திற்குக் குறைவாக இருக்க வேண்டும்.
- ▶ 2026ஆம் ஆண்டு 10ஆம் வகுப்பு பொதுத்தேர்வில் தேர்ச்சி பெற்றிருக்க வேண்டும்.
- ▶ 85% அல்லது அதற்கு மேற்பட்ட சதவீதம் / 9+ CGPA பெற்றிருக்க வேண்டும்.
- ▶ மாற்றுத்திறனாளி மாணவர்கள் குறைந்தபட்சம் 70% சதவீதம் பெற்றிருக்க வேண்டும்.

தேர்ச்சி பெறும்
மாணவர்களுக்கு
11ஆம் வகுப்பு முதல்
பட்டப்படிப்பு வரை
உதவி



விண்ணப்பிக்க
கட்டணம்
இல்லை

தேவையான ஆவணங்கள்

- 10ம் வகுப்பு மதிப்பெண் சான்றிதழ் (2026)
- வருமானச் சான்றிதழ்
- மாணவர் புகைப்படம்
- மாற்றுத்திறனாளர் சான்றிதழ் (மாற்றுத்திறனாளி என்றால் மட்டும்)
- மாணவர் மின்னஞ்சல் முகவரி

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