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Annal Ambedkar Overseas Higher Education Scholarship Scheme

Tamil Nadu supports Adi Dravidar, Scheduled Tribe and Christian Adi Dravidar students who get admission to a top-ranked university abroad for a postgraduate or doctoral course.

What you may get

Up to Rs 36 lakh a year when family income is within Rs 8 lakh, and up to Rs 24 lakh a year when it falls in the band above Rs 8 lakh and up to Rs 12 lakh. The amount covers tuition fees and living costs.

Who it is for

Adi Dravidar, Scheduled Tribe and Christian Adi Dravidar students with an admission to a university ranked in the QS top 1000 for a postgraduate or doctoral course abroad.

Main conditions

- The student must have secured admission to an institution placed within the first 1000 of the newest QS World University Ranking.
- The course must be a postgraduate degree or doctoral research study in an institution abroad.
- Family income must be within Rs 12 lakh a year. The higher amount of Rs 36 lakh applies up to Rs 8 lakh of income, and the lower amount of Rs 24 lakh applies above that.
- Only one person from a family can take the scholarship.

Documents

- Admission or offer letter
- Community certificate
- Income certificate
- Passport copy
- QS ranking proof of the institution
- Bank account details

How to apply

1. Apply online on the Overseas Scholarship Portal, which is linked from the scheme page of the Directorate of Adi Dravidar Welfare.
2. Keep your documents ready for the form: the admission letter, the community and income certificates, a passport copy, the university's QS ranking proof and bank details.
3. The scheme page also lists the government orders and a press release, so read them before filling the form.
4. For questions, contact the Commissioner, Adi Dravidar Welfare, or the Director, Tribal Welfare, at Chennai.

Status

Active

Official source: https://www.tnadw.tn.gov.in/scholarships/overseas
Official application: https://tnadwscholarship.in/
Official PDF: https://cms.tn.gov.in/cms_migrated/document/docfiles/sj_e_pn_2026_27.pdf
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