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Higher Education Special Scholarship

Tamil Nadu gives a yearly special scholarship to Adi Dravidar, Scheduled Tribe and Christian Adi Dravidar college students who live in paid hostels, to help with their hostel costs.

What you may get

Rs 7,500 a year for degree or polytechnic courses and Rs 8,000 a year for post-graduate or professional courses, to meet the cost of staying in a paid hostel.

Who it is for

Adi Dravidar, Scheduled Tribe and Christian Adi Dravidar students of Government or aided institutions who stay in paid college hostels.

Main conditions

- The yearly income of the parent or guardian must not be more than Rs 2.50 lakh.
- The student must be staying in a paid college hostel and not in a government hostel.
- The student must be studying in a recognised Government or aided higher education institution.

Documents

- Community certificate
- Hostel residence proof
- Bonafide certificate
- Income certificate
- Bank account details

How to apply

1. Apply online on the Postmatric 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 community and income certificates, the bonafide certificate, proof of staying in the hostel and bank details.
3. For questions, contact the Principal of your college, the District Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Officer or the Directorate at Chennai.

Status

Active

Official source: https://www.tnadw.tn.gov.in/scholarships/higher-education-special
Official application: https://umisdashboard.tnega.org/
Official PDF: https://cms.tn.gov.in/cms_migrated/document/docfiles/sj_e_pn_2026_27.pdf
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