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Champions Development Scheme (CDS)

Tamil Nadu gives a yearly scholarship to young sportspersons below 25 who have won gold in national-level age group competitions.

What you may get

Each sportsperson can receive a scholarship of up to Rs 4.00 lakh a year to cover coaching, kit, trips abroad and entry into events. The 2026-27 policy note shows an outlay of Rs 8.00 crore and 209 sportspersons, 24 of them para sportspersons, who currently benefit.

Who it is for

Sportspersons below 25 years of age in Tamil Nadu who have won a gold medal in a national-level age group competition.

Main conditions

- The sportsperson must be below 25 years of age.
- The sportsperson must have won a gold medal in a national-level age group competition.
- The scheme is meant for young sportspersons with the potential to win medals in national-level competitions.

Status

Active

Official source: https://cms.tn.gov.in/cms_migrated/document/docfiles/ywsd_e_pn_2026_27.pdf#page=135
Official application: https://www.sdat.tn.gov.in/
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