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1. Introduction

எண்பொருள வாகச் செலச்சொல்லித் தான்பிறர்வாய்
நுண்பொருள் காண்ப தறிவு.

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நாம் சொல்ல வேண்டியவைகளை எளிய முறையில்
கேட்போரின் இதயத்தில் பதியுமாறு சொல்லிப் பிறர்
சொல்லும் நுட்பமான கருத்துகளையும் ஆராய்ந்து
தெளிவதே அறிவுடைமையாகும்.

-முத்தமிழ் அறிஞர் டாக்டர் கலைஞர் உரை

In accordance with the above Valluvar words, Education is the basis for improving individual human life and creating a knowledgeable society. The Tamil Nadu Government, fully aware that providing funds in education is the foundation for the versatile development of the lives of all sections of our Tamil society, has allocated Rs.46,767 crore as a grant to the School Education Department in the Budget estimates for the year 2025-26.

Directorate of School Education, Directorate of Elementary Education and Directorate of Private Schools come under the administration of School Education Department are implementing school education. Tamil Nadu Textbook and

Educational Services Corporation, State council of Educational Research and Training, Directorate of Government Examinations, Teachers Recruitment Board, and Directorate of Non-formal and Adult Education are working in support of Co-curricular schemes in School Education. Furthermore, Directorate of Public Library is working meticulously to improve the intelligence and enrich the thinking of the academically excellent students of Tamil Nadu.

The Government of Tamil Nadu is committed to ensuring that today's student generation receives quality education so that they can acquire knowledge and acquire learning experiences to keep up with the growing scientific and technological development, so that the future society can prosper by understanding the historical antiquity, cultural values, and lifestyle values of Tamil art, etc. The Government of Tamil Nadu, fully realizing that a society that receives equal education without social, economic and gender differences can be a noble society in the world, is developing and implementing various schemes with a view to achieving that.

2. Achievements

Elementary Education and School Education

- Government Primary school students studying from classes 1 to 5 to continue their education without hunger and with joy, the Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme was launched by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on 15.09.2022. This scheme implemented through the Department of Social Welfare and Women's Rights, has gradually expanded and now included students in Government aided schools as well. At present, 17.53 lakh students in 34,987 Government/Government aided schools benefit from this scheme.
- Students punctuality in attending school has been improved due to the Chief Minister Morning Breakfast Scheme. State planning commission report highlights notable improvements in students' interest in learning, classroom attentiveness, memory and participation in sports. Recognizing its importance, countries like Canada, UK and Telangana state in India are planning to

implement Morning Breakfast Scheme following Tamilnadu.

- Under Perasiriyar Anbazhagan School Development scheme, 8,370 classrooms, 52 laboratories, 184 unit toilets, 752-meter compound walls, 5 boys' hostels and 5 girls' hostels have been constructed at a cost of Rs.3527.50 crore by the Directorate of Elementary and Directorate of School Education and inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister at an estimated cost of Rs. 3497 crore. Further, 4412 classrooms, 105 laboratories, 323 toilets and 2290 meters of compound walls are being constructed.
- The Special fee of Rs. 200 has been withdrawn from students studying Computer Science as an optional subject in classes 11 and 12 in Government Higher Secondary Schools. The Government has taken over the Special Fee of Rs. 21 crore from 2022-2023 to 2024-2025. By this scheme every year 3.5 lakh students have benefited.
- The "Kodai Kondattam" training camp was conducted in hilly regions for class 11

students to spend the summer vacation effectively and to enhance students' skills and social learning. Training camp organized at an estimated cost of Rs. 50 lakh per year. The program includes training on Tamil culture, leadership skills and future goals. 3135 children have been benefited from 2022-23 to 2024-25.

- The cash assistance for higher education scholarship for the children of Government school teachers has been increased from Rs.5000 to Rs. 50,000 from 2023-2024. Over the last four years, 244 teachers have benefited under this scheme.
- From 2023-2024, 76 best schools (2 per district – one for Elementary Education and one for School Education) have been selected and awarded the Perasiriyar Anbazhagan Award with a certificate of appreciation at a cost of Rs.7.28 lakh.
- From 2023-24, Arignar Anna Leadership Awards are given to 50 headmasters of Primary/Middle schools and 50 from High/Higher Secondary Schools for outstanding implementation of Government

welfare schemes. For the development of schools additionally Rs.10 crore has been allotted for 100 schools (Rs.10 lakh for each school).

- In the academic year 2024-25, 55 teachers of the 380 selected teachers in Kannavu Asiriyar scheme were taken on an International Educational tour to France, and the remaining 325 teachers who received this award were taken on an educational tour across India.
- Rs.3 crore is allocated annually to take students who excel in club activities, book reading, fine arts, children's films, sports and science taken on International Educational Tours to world famous places. So far 323 students have visited countries such as the United Arab Emirates, Malaysia, Japan, South Korea, Singapore and Hong Kong.
- From the academic year 2023-2024 through the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Aptitude Test, Government identify and encourage the potential of students studying in 10th standard in Government schools, every year

1000 students are provided with a scholarship of Rs. 10,000 per academic year (Rs. 1,000 per month for 10 months) for two years.

- From the academic year 2023–2024, a Tamil Language and Literature Talent Test has been introduced to improve proficiency and Literature skills in Tamil. Annually, 1,500 class 11 students are given scholarship of Rs.1,500 per month for two years. With participation of these students, Thirukkural Student Conference to be conducted at a cost of Rs.40 lakh in Kanniyakumari to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the installation of Thiruvalluvar statue.
- 475 Assistants, 885 Junior Assistants, 29 Typists and 17 Steno-Typists a total of 1,406 candidates have been given appointment orders selected through the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission from 2021–2022 to 2024–2025.
- Appointment orders under 3% sports quota, were given by the Hon'ble Deputy Chief

Minister to 9 Junior Assistants and 11 Assistants.

- A scheme to alleviate the poverty of the heirs of Government school teachers and non-teaching staff who died in harness while working in the Department by providing employment on merit and conditions is being implemented from the year 1972. Under this scheme, 650 persons have been appointed as Junior Assistant and Typist on compassionate ground from 2021 to 2024.
- To enhance awareness and promote the welfare of students, parents, and teachers, the Tamil Nadu State Parent-Teacher Association organized "Pettroai Kondaduvom" event in 7 regions (Madurai, Trichy, Dharmapuri, Coimbatore, Kanchipuram, Tirunelveli, Cuddalore), with over 3 lakh Parent Teachers Association members participating. Parents who contributed to school development were honoured in each conference.
- From the academic year 2021–2022, restructured vocational education syllabi

and textbooks were introduced for classes 11 and 12, benefiting 60,000 students.

- Upper age limit for direct appointments to posts in aided primary/middle/high/higher secondary schools under the Tamil Nadu Private Schools Regulation Act, was increased from 45 to 53 for the general category, and from 50 to 58 for others in Government Order (MS) No.44, School Education(Bud1), dated 16.02.2024.
- Guidelines have been issued for expediting approval of Graduate teacher appointments in Government Aided High and Higher Secondary Schools vide Government Letter No. 4132/EE2(1)/2024 dated.10.05.2024 and Government Letter No.409/SE6(2)/2024-1 dated 10.05.2024.
- The Centenary Celebration of Former Chief Minister, Mutthamizh Arignar Dr.Kalaignar Karunanidhi and 75th Year Diamond Jubilee of the Bharat Scouts and Guides Movement a grand Jamboree was held in Manapparai, Trichy district. Around 20,000 Bharat Scouts and Guides participated from Tamil Nadu, other Indian States and abroad. Seven

records were set during this event. Silver Elephant Award was announced for Hon'ble Minister of School Education. Award will be given by the Hon'ble President of India.

Samagra Shiksha

- With the aim of addressing the learning loss among students caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Government of Tamil Nadu introduced the "Illam Thedi Kalvi" (Education at Doorstep) scheme for classes 1 to 8 on October 27, 2021. As part of this initiative, 1.65 lakh volunteers offered educational assistance to students beyond regular school hours.

Academic year	Fund allotment in crore	No. of ITK centres in lakh	Beneficiaries in Lakh
2021-22	164.17	1.81	30
2022-23	226.27	2	34
2023-24	200	1.65	24
2024-25	69.91	0.5	7.97
Total	660.35		95.97

A study conducted by the University of California, San Diego, has confirmed that this scheme has helped to recover approximately 25% of the learning loss experienced by students due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Massive Reading Movement was launched on 21.07.2023 as an initial phase across 914 Government schools in 11 districts, benefiting 66,618 students from classes 4 to 9 to promote reading habits among students. As part of this first phase, 53 books were printed with 9.045 million copies and distributed to all Government schools. In the second phase, the program was expanded to include students from classes 1 to 12, adding 70 more books. Among these, 8 stories were written by government school students and 20 stories by teachers. For students in classes 4 to 9, reading comprehension assessments are conducted. Currently, books under 123 titles along with a reading movement handbook have been printed and distributed to all Government schools, benefiting approximately 4.45 million students.

- To Achieve the goal that by 2025, all 8-year-old children in classes 1 to 3 can read, write, and do basic maths, the 'Ennum Ezhuthum' scheme was started in the academic year 2022-23 with a budget of Rs.152 crore. Under this mission, 1.13 lakh primary school teachers were given special training. In the Academic year 2023-24, the scheme was expanded to classes 4 and 5, with a budget of Rs.110 crore. It was also extended to government-aided schools for classes 1 to 5. Due to this initiative, 25.08 lakh students studying in 37,767 Government and Government-aided schools were benefited at a cost of 152.41 crore. A total of Rs. 414.41 crore has been used for this project so far.
- Simplified Ennum Ezhuthum practice notebooks have been provided separately for all three terms to 36,481 children with intellectual disabilities studying from classes 1 to 5. In connection with training these students, handbooks have been distributed to 40,732 teachers.
- The Nalam Nadi App has been introduced to identify students with disabilities in

government schools and to ensure they receive the special education and the support they need. This App is capable of identifying 21 types of disabilities, including congenital disabilities and developmental delays in children. It is designed to be used by the special educators and Therapists to register their school visits, school readiness program center trainings and home-based special education.

- 96,082 differently abled children have been identified through this App, during this academic year. Among them, 17,676 children with severe disabilities are being provided with special education and therapy services at their homes, based on their individual needs, through the special educators and therapists. This is being ensured through the Nalam Naadi App.
- Rs.93.35 crore has been sanctioned for inclusive education activities in the year 2024-25. Due to this, it is noteworthy that the enrolment ratio of children with disabilities (5-19 years) has increased from 76.64% in the academic year 2015-16 to 85.19% in 2023-24

as per Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4.5.1.

- In the academic year 2024–25, Aadhaar enrolment and update activities were successfully carried out for **76,56,074 students** across Government, Government-aided, and private schools. Additionally, the Aadhaar update process is currently in progress for **36,91,318 students**. This achievement marks a significant **milestone** in the progress of the initiative, covering **70%** of the total **1,12,81,426 students** in the State. In recognition of this remarkable accomplishment—both in terms of the scale and the accuracy of the Aadhaar enrolments—the **Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)**, Government of India, awarded a **Certificate of Appreciation** to the **Tamil Nadu School Education Department** on **08.04.2025**.
- To enhance the learning environment and encourage students to excel academically, necessary infrastructure, academic and co-curricular facilities 28 selected schools across 28 districts have been transformed into

Schools of Excellence at a cost of Rs.160.82 crore.

- To equip Tamil Nadu students to compete in today's digital era and to facilitate digital learning, 8,209 Hi-Tech Labs have been established in Government Middle, High and Higher Secondary Schools at an estimated cost of Rs. 519.73 crore. Additionally, 22,931 Smart Classrooms have been set up at a cost of Rs. 455.32 crore for the benefit of students in Classes 1 to 5 in Government schools. As a result, 44.50 lakh students can benefit. These schools have been fully equipped with technology to enable easy learning and conduct assessments without the need for individual student laptops.
- A sum of Rs. 41.86 crore has been sanctioned for establishing Hi-Tech Labs in 654 Government-Aided Higher Secondary Schools, including minority institutions. Government Order No. 184, School Education (SSA1) Department, dated 30.07.2024, has been issued in this regard.
- Under the funding of the Tamil Nadu Textbook and Educational Services Corporation, an

amount of Rs. 33.25 crore has been allocated to provide 1,750 Smart Classrooms to Government-Aided Primary, Middle, High and Higher Secondary Schools, including minority institutions. Government Orders No. 182 and 183, School Education (SSA1) Department, dated 30.07.2024, have been issued.

- To improve infrastructure facilities from government primary schools to higher secondary schools through Samagra Shiksha, 12,210 school construction works have been completed in last four years at an estimated cost of Rs. 435.96 crore and are being used by students. 92 percent of schools have infrastructure facilities (ramps and handrails) for students with disabilities.
- The "Vanavil Manram" mobile science laboratory program was launched on 28.11.2022 to foster scientific thinking among government school students and to spark interest in mathematics. This initiative benefits students from classes 6 to 8 across 13,236 government middle, high and higher secondary schools in Tamil Nadu. As part of the program, 710 resource persons visit

schools in person to demonstrate science experiments and explain mathematical concepts. For this initiative, a budget allocation of Rs.9 crore was made for the academic year 2022-23, Rs.10 crore for 2023-24 and Rs.11.69 crore for 2024-25. So far, under a total allocation of Rs.30.69 crore, 3.35 million (33.50 lakh) students have benefited from the program.

- "Tamizh Mozhi Karpom" scheme was launched in the year 2023 to teach migrant workers' children from other states studying in 1 to 8 standard to write and speak Tamil fluently in addition to their mother tongue without any hindrance. A total of 2806 migrant children, including 1261 students in 15 districts in the academic year 2023-24 and 1545 students in the year 2024-25, are learning Tamil as one subject and all other subjects in their mother tongue. This scheme is implemented at an estimated cost of Rs.1.21 crore for 2 years.
- In 28 Schools of Excellence, a Five-Day Residential Winter Camp was organized for students of Classes 6 to 9 and Class 11, focusing on STEM and Leadership skills. The

camp was conducted at an estimated cost of Rs. 21.45 lakh, benefiting 700 students (25 from each school) and 140 teachers.

- To keep alive the arts that are intertwined with the spirit of the Tamilians and to promote the artistic talents of students, annual art festival competitions were started in government schools in 2022-23 with a financial allocation of Rs.5.35 crore. Currently, students from government and government-aided schools studying in classes 1 to 12 are participating in this and showcasing their unique talents. So far, one crore fifteen lakh forty eight thousand students have participated at the school level with a financial allocation of Rs.16.05 crore. Since 2022-23, 34 students who have won at the state level have been awarded with the **Kalaiyaran** and **Kalaiyarasi** titles along with certificates and prizes. They are also taken on foreign educational tours.
- The 14417 Student Helpline is aimed at providing academic support and guidance to students. It offers counseling to help students succeed in their studies and face any challenges they may encounter. Over the past

two years, 19,39,633 inbound calls have been received and counseling services have been provided. From the academic year 2023–24, the helpline has been operating with an allocated budget of Rs.4.1 crore.

- To strengthen digital education practices, tablets have been distributed to 79,723 Secondary Grade Teachers working in 31,129 Government Primary and Middle Schools, at an estimated cost of Rs.81 crore.
- To empower schoolgirls to confidently face any situation, and to develop their self-confidence and self-defense skills and also thereby preventing dropout and encouraging continued education training in martial arts such as Karate, Judo, Taekwondo, and Silambam is being provided. This training is given over a period of three months to girls studying in classes 6 to 8 in 6941 government middle schools and to those in classes 6 to 10 in 6,267 high and higher secondary schools. An amount of Rs.15,000 per school (3x5,000 per month) has been allocated, for a total of Rs.19.81 crore for 13,208 schools. Through this

initiative, approximately 13 lakh girl students are being benefitted every year.

- Students from government schools have secured admissions in various higher education institutions. In the academic year 2023-24, the higher education enrollment rate of these students has increased from 47% to 74%. This is 46% higher than the national average of 28%.
- As a result of several initiatives undertaken with the vision of elevating Tamil Nadu's school education system to global standards, students from Class 12 have gained admission to premier institutions such as IITs, IIMs, and renowned international universities. In 2021-22, 75 students were admitted; in 2022-23, 274 students; and in 2023-24, 628 students are pursuing their studies in such institutions. So far, 961 students have been admitted to premier institutions within India, and 16 students have secured admission in abroad institutions. For this academic year, the Government of Tamil Nadu has sanctioned an amount of Rs. 6.23 crore to cover Under Graduate tuition fees for students studying

within India and the initial travel expenses for students receiving full scholarships to study abroad.

- For equality and progressive education to ensure the best quality, 38 model schools have been set up at an estimated cost of Rs. 352.42 crore, one per district. A total of 10,593 students have been admitted on communal rotation basis in the academic year 2024-25, including 762 students in class 9, 1,664 students in class 10, 4,329 students in class 11 and 3,838 students in class 12. Out of these, 5,439 students are studying in Tamil medium and 5,154 students in English medium.
- Through the Namma School Namma Ooru School scheme, more than Rs. 658.67 crore has been mobilized and utilized for the development of Government schools.

Mode of Donation	Amount (in crore)	Number of schools Benefited
Cash	65.28	1,398
Kind	355.90	3,802
School Engagement	237.49	6,390
Total	658.67	11,590

Through this scheme, various types of Infrastructure facilities, Smart classrooms, STEM labs and high-tech labs have been undertaken and the details are as follows:

S. No	Work Type	Total Works	Completed	Ongoing	Yet to Start
1	Toilets	861	633	195	33
2	Toilet Repairs	519	467	45	7
3	Additional Class rooms	462	207	157	98
4	Repair of Additional Class rooms	515	390	71	54
5	High-Tech Labs	15	14	1	0
6	Smart Classrooms	1112	1013	52	47
	Total	3484	2724	521	239

- The digital education platform "Manarkeni" was launched in July 2023 to provide high-quality digital content in Tamil and English for students and teachers. Manarkeni contains a substantial library of learning materials,

including 6,895 videos which are mapped to the 23000 concepts within the SCERT taxonomy. These videos have been created using both 2D and 3D animation techniques to make concepts come alive and relate them with the student's context and culture. Additionally, it provides 2,01,880 questions for practice and assessment. The Manarkeni app has seen significant adoption with over 8,91,261 downloads on the Play Store. This indicates its growing popularity and reach among users. An impressive 4.1-star average rating, reflecting strong student and teacher satisfaction.

- Over the centuries, 2,211 schools have shaped the lives of countless students and continue to stand as beacons of hope today. This enduring legacy reflects the Tamil Nadu government's unwavering commitment to advancing education through its government schools. The centenary celebrations for schools that have completed 100 years began on January 22, 2025, at Panchayat Union Middle School, Thirukuvalai, Nagapattinam district. So far, 883 schools have taken part in this milestone

event. In these institutions, essential needs such as infrastructure improvements and maintenance have been addressed through active community involvement at the cost of Rs.3.60 crore.

- The **IIT for All** scheme was launched by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu to create new opportunities in higher education for students studying in Government and Government Aided schools in Tamil Nadu and to pave the way for them to study in leading institutions like IITs. So far, more than one lakh students have been mentored under this scheme. 363 students are pursuing BS - Data Science degree at IIT Madras along with their desired higher education course.

Year	Eligible Students		Total Eligible students	Students who are studying
	Govt. School	Govt. Aided School		
2021		10	10	4
2022	71	36	107	48
2023	176	76	252	136
2024	94	133	227	175

2025	3	11	14	
Total	344	266	610	363

Directorate of Private Schools

- A separate Directorate has been created for private schools and functioning since January 2023.
- According to the Tamil Nadu Tamil Learning Act 2006, all students studying from classes 1 to 10 must study Tamil as a compulsory subject. In line with this, training has been provided to about 3,565 Tamil teachers working in CBSE and other board schools.
- To promote Tamil medium instruction, the Educational equipment, textbooks, notebooks, school bags and other welfare assistance given to Government school students has been extended to students of class 1 to 10th standard in Private Self-Financing Tamil Medium Schools. To implement this, Rs. 2.81 crore was allocated for the academic year 2023-24 and Rs. 3.33 crore was allocated for the implementation of this scheme in 2024-2025. In the academic year 2023-2024, the

number of students who benefited was 47,661. Currently, the number of students who have benefited in the 2024-2025 academic year is 49,498. Accordingly, 1,837 more students have benefited than last year.

- 2641 students studying in private schools who won the first three places in international, national and state level sports competitions in the academic year 2023-24 and the schools that achieved 100% pass rate in the 10th and 12th standard Government public examination were presented with certificates of appreciation under the patronage of the Honorable Deputy Chief Minister.

State Council of Educational Research and Training

- In order to effectively transfer the information on the civilisation of Tamils, culture, significance of tradition and the archaeological sites spread across Tamil Nadu to the students, a six day **Archaeological Training** was given to 1000 select Graduate Teachers working in Government Schools in the academic year 2023-24 and 1000 Graduate Teachers in the academic year 2024-25, totally 2000 teachers.

Through this, approximately, 70,000 students are getting benefitted.

- The State Council of Educational Research and Training has been developing videos of content for classes 1 to 12 and telecast them through **Educational Television**. In order to develop videos using the latest technologies, 5 Hi Tech studios including a virtual studio and one audio recording studio have been established at the cost of Rs. 7 crore. Effort has been taken to bring the distantly located historically important places and natural environment before the eyes of students using advanced technology of studios without visiting the places to enable the students to learn about them with interest.
- **Accessible Digital Textbooks** have been developed for the visually challenged students to have an access to educational materials like that of their peer. They have been uploaded in the website ad.tnschools.gov.in and they are being used by these students.

Directorate of Government Examinations

- Duplicate marks certificates were issued free of cost to 6,614 students who lost their original marks certificate due to the cyclones Michaung and Fengal.

Directorate of Non-formal and Adult Education

- 20 lakh learners have been benefitted from the effective implementation of various Adult Education Programmes at an overall outlay of Rs.39.21 Crore from the year 2021-22 to 2024-25.

Teachers Recruitment Board

- As per the notification issued in September 2021, 3,087 postgraduate teachers were selected through a computer-based competitive examination conducted by the Teachers Recruitment Board in February 2022 and were appointed by the user departments.
- Examinations were conducted to fill up 96 Block Educational Officer posts in 2021-22 and 33 Block Educational Officer posts in 2023-24

and appointment orders were issued to 129 candidates by the user department.

- An examination was conducted to select candidates 3192 Graduate Teacher/Block Resource Teacher Educator posts and eligible candidates have been selected.
- In the academic year 2022-2023, eligible candidates were selected to fill up 1038 posts of Lecturers in Government Polytechnic Colleges and sent to the concerned user department by the Teachers Recruitment Board and appointments were made by the user department.
- The State Eligibility Test (SET) for Assistant Professors was conducted by the Teachers Recruitment Board from March 6 to 9, 2025.

Directorate of Public Libraries

- The Kalaingar Centenary Library, in the name of the Honorable Former Chief Minister Muthamizh Arignar Kalaingar, has been established at an international standard in Madurai at a cost of Rs.218.19 crore and is functioning with 3,64,521 books.

Approximately 16,55,820 readers have benefited in the year 2024-25.

- The Senthamizh Sirpigal Arena has been established at the Anna Centenary Library to honor the Tamil writers who have made greatest contributions to the Tamil language and received valuable awards, at an estimated cost of Rs.40.00 lakh. So far, 25,816 readers have visited.
- In memory of the father of Indian libraries, Padmashree Dr.S.R.Ranganathan, a library has been built in Sirkazhi at an estimated cost of Rs.1.32 crore.
- In the name of the renowned poet Senna Pulavar A. Karmeganar, a new building has been constructed for the branch library in Abiramam, Ramanathapuram district, at an estimated cost of Rs.40.00 lakh.
- 152 virtual library devices, two / library, have been installed in 76 libraries in 38 districts to enable the students and the general public to learn by viewing the information in books using virtual reality technology at a 360-degree angle, rather than reading them, at an

estimated cost of Rs.57.20 lakh. Through this, 32,712 children and school students have benefited so far.

- The e-library services with WI-FI facility have been provided to 1,469 public libraries out of the 3,878 public libraries throughout Tamil Nadu as a first step to improve the intellectual search. This scheme is being implemented to help the students and the general public to read 10 lakh books in the Kindle app while using the government public libraries. So far, 18,50,123 readers and competitive examinees have benefited from this service.
- To promote the reading as a people's movement, book fairs were conducted in all districts of Tamil Nadu from 2022-23. Along with these, literary festivals and youth literary festivals are also being conducted excellently.

Year	Districts	Funds (Crore)	Reader Visits (Lakh)	Number of Books Sold (Lakh)	Sales Amount (Crore)
2022-23	37	4.96	52	45	34.40

2023-24	35	8.45	34	36	34.8
2024-25	37	8.45	39	38	36.20
Total		21.86	125	119	105.4

- The Government of Tamil Nadu provides annual financial assistance of Rs.75 lakh to the Chennai book fair conducted in Chennai by the South Indian Booksellers and Publishers Association (BAPASI). Approximately 10 lakh people visited and benefited from the January 2025 book fair. Books worth Rs.20 crore were sold in it.
- Five literary festivals, namely Chennai, Vaigai, Kaveri, Porunai, and Siruvani, and youth literary festivals in all districts are being conducted successfully to celebrate the literary traditions of the richly endowed Tamil language in Tamil Nadu. A financial assistance of Rs.63.50 lakh in the 2022-2023 financial year, Rs.1.82 crore in the 2023-2024 financial year, Rs.1.82 crore in the 2024-2025 financial year, and a total of Rs.4.28 crore has been provided.
- Taking our rich Tamil literary works to the whole world and bringing the works of great

international writers to the Tamil language, the Chennai International Book Fair (CIBF) has been successfully conducted since 2023 with an estimate of Rs.6.00 crore.

Year	Countries	Languages	From Tamil to Other Language	From Other Language to Tamil	Both Ways	MoU
2023	24	15	150	170	45	365
2024	40	39	521	229	2	752
2025	64	50+	1209	145	-	1354
Total			1880	544	47	2471

- A program named **"TN Talk"** is being conducted to help Tamils/readers stay informed about modern developments happening across various sectors globally. Through this platform, international experts from multiple fields, scientific researchers, and

renowned scholars share their insights and perspectives. The event was inaugurated at the **Anna Centenary Library** by the Honorable Minister of School Education. So far, **25 sessions** have been successfully conducted.

- In the last 4 years, 25 posts, including District Library Officer, Librarian and Information Officer and Information Assistant, have been filled by direct recruitment under the Directorate of Public Libraries. In addition, appointment orders have been given to 32 person on compassionate grounds and 32 visually impaired person.
- 446 Village Librarians who worked in Village libraries on a special time scale of pay (Level-4 Rs.7700 – 24200) have been upgraded as Librarian Grade III with a regular time scale of pay (Level-8 Rs.19500 – 71900) through counseling.

Tamil Nadu Text Book and Educational Services Corporation

- A total of 68 books have been published under this Thisaidhorum Dravidam project, which focuses on translation and publication of Tamil

literary and historical works into English and other languages at a cost of Rs.3.43 crore.

- A total of 139 books have been published at a cost of Rs.3.06 crore under the Muthamizharignar Mozhipeyarppu Thittam, which focuses on translation of Medical, Engineering, Technology, Arts, Literature and Science Books from English to Tamil.
- Total number of 138 books have been published at a cost of Rs.26.95 crore under the Ilanthalir Ilakkiya Thittam launched with the aim of imbibing the colours of life outside classroom in the minds of children,
- 22 books have been published under the World Children's Literature in Tamil project at a cost of Rs.8.24 lakhs.
- A collection of works by V.O. Chidambaranar (V.O.C.) has been published under four volumes at a cost of Rs.2.57 crore.
- Kalai Kalanjiyam and Siraar Kalai kalanjiyam (20 volumes) have been published as documentation editions at a cost of Rs.36000/-

- As part of the Nationalised Books' series, 44 books by renowned authors have been published at a cost of Rs.4.13 lakhs.
- As part of the Centenary Writers' Commemoration Series, seven books have been published at a cost of Rs.8.86 lakhs.
- Under the Tamil Books in English Project, 12 books have been published at a cost of Rs.7.57 lakhs.
- Under the Translation of Periyar's Thoughts in Indian and International Languages, 20 books have been published at a cost of Rs.50.25 lakhs.
- Under the Sangam Literature with Simplified Commentary scheme, 13 books which includes Pathuppattu and Ettuthogai have been published at a cost of Rs.4.70 lakhs.
- From January 2023 onwards, with an annual allocation of Rs.7.15 crore, children's bimonthly magazines 'Pudhu Oonjal' and 'Thenchittu' are being sent to 69,207 classrooms and 70,188 classrooms respectively in government schools, 'One per classroom' for students studying in classes 4 & 5 and 6-9

respectively. For teachers, the monthly magazine, 'Kanavu Aasiriyar' is sent free of postage to 37556 Government schools with one copy per School. Self-finance schools can also receive the magazine through post by paying subscription.

- Under the Comparative Etymological Dictionary of Tamil and Indo-European Languages Project for promoting the ancient heritage of Tamil, the TNTBC has executed an agreement with Oxford University press for publishing the findings in 12 volumes and an amount of Rs.8 Crore has been allocated for this project. In the first phase, the Honourable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu released the preface and the first volume of the dictionary on 25.03.2025.

3. Elementary, Secondary and Higher Secondary Education

3.1 Introduction

The vision of Primary Education, School Education and Samagra Shiksha includes creating a classroom environment where school children can learn with enthusiasm without any hindrance, providing quality education, using modern technological tools and resources in the classroom and improving the skills and development of students by providing equal learning opportunities to all.

3.2 Objectives:

- Identify school-age children and ensure their enrollment in schools preventing dropouts.
- Taking all measures to retain all children enrolled in school.
- Provide necessary infrastructure facilities in schools.
- Setting up smart classrooms with internet access in all schools.

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- Provide upgraded Hi-Tech Labs with latest technology for high-quality education.
- To ensure social and gender equality among students and to provide uniform education to all.
- Providing vocational education to students suitable for job opportunities
- To train students to succeed in competitive examinations and ensure their access to higher education.
- To ensure the safety of students within the school premises.
- To Ensure Right of Children to free and compulsory education.
- To ensure quality education by improving teaching–learning environment in schools.
- To develop scientific attitude and scientific temper among the students by involving them in Project-Based learning.

- Ensuring that every child in school completes their Higher Secondary Education and enrolls in Higher Education.

3.3 Schemes

Various proactive measures in the form of student welfare schemes have also been put in place to increase enrolment and retain them in school education till completion of secondary and higher secondary education.

3.3.1 Model Schools

In order to set a basis for progressive education in Tamil Nadu School Education, in each district, one residential Government Model School has been established for the students of classes 9 to 12. Students are selected for these Model Schools from the students studying in Government schools on the basis of their overall performance, duly providing opportunities to all categories of students. Special programs are being implemented to ensure the overall personality development of the students studying in these schools by providing them with special training to get admission in higher education.

institutions according to their choice and interest.

3.3.2 School of Excellence

28 existing Government schools have been upgraded as Schools of Excellence in the academic year 2023-2024 to improve the learning environment of Government school students and empower them to strive for excellence. Work has been carried out to improve school infrastructure, create a learning environment based on modern technologies, establish a framework for co-curricular activities and develop the individual skills of students.

3.3.3 Inclusive Education

The School Education Department has implemented several significant initiatives to provide equal and quality educational opportunities to every school-age child and to ensure that no child is excluded from education due to disabilities. A key component of this effort is the annual medical assessment camps, conducted in collaboration with concerned departments at the block level. These camps focus on screening children for disabilities, issuing

/ renewing of disability identity cards, and facilitating referrals for surgeries, aids, and appliances.

Transport and Escort allowance and incentives for girl children with disability are provided to encourage regular attendance of children with disabilities in school. Children with severe disability are provided with home-based education and therapy services by the Special Educators and Therapists respectively.

3.3.4 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV)

The Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) special scheme for girls education implemented in 44 Educationally Backward Blocks across 15 districts where the women literacy rate is less. Under this scheme, there are 61 Residential Schools and 44 Girls hostels are functioning. This initiative has contributed to reducing gender disparity in education.

To ensure that girls completing upper primary education continue their secondary education in schools without dropping out, hostel facilities are

provided for girls aged 14 to 18. Additionally, to encourage these girls to pursue education, a monthly stipend of Rs.200 is directly deposited into their bank accounts.

Every year, around 9,850 students benefit from this scheme. For the year 2024-25, Rs.57.89 crore has been made for its implementation. This scheme plays a crucial role in enhancing gender equality in education as per the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) indicators 4.5.1.

3.3.5 Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Avasya Vidyalaya (NSCBAV)

In Tamil Nadu, under the Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Avasya Vidyalaya (NSCBAV) scheme, 15 residential schools are functioning in 11 districts, and 4 hostels are operating in 4 districts are managed by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Avasya Vidyalaya (NSCBAV) scheme. To encourage students to pursue education, a monthly stipend of Rs.200 is directly deposited into their bank accounts. Every year, around 1,550 students benefit from this scheme. In the year 2024-25, Rs.12.21 crore has been made for its implementation. This scheme helps to

increase student enrollment in schools, aligning with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) indicator 4.1.1.

3.3.6 Transport and Escort

Transport and Escort facilities are provided to students studying in Primary to High School level to ensure the safe travel of students from remote, dense forest, hilly settlements, and areas with no school facilities, settlements lacking transportation access as well as in urban areas where there is no space for establishing schools. This initiative helps students attend school without dropout.

In the 2024-25 academic year, 34,182 students from Primary to Secondary level from 1907 settlements across 29 districts are provided with transport and escort facilities to ensure their safe travel to school at a cost of Rs.19.64 crore. The provision of transport and escort facilities plays a crucial role in reducing school dropout rates, aligning with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) indicator 4.1.7.

3.3.7 Illam Thedi Kalvi

"Illam Thedi Kalvi" (Education at the Doorstep) has been initiated by the Tamilnadu School Education Department from the year 2021 to bridge the learning loss and learning gap occurred among children in the Government school due to COVID-19 pandemic. In the year 2024-25 "Illam Thedi Kalvi" is implemented in Educationally Backward Blocks, Hilly regions, Slums in urban areas, Areas with a high population of marginalized communities and focused blocks for the benefit of primary students of classes 1 to 5 in all districts. Volunteers are provided with handbooks and Teaching-Learning Materials to facilitate effective teaching and learning.

3.3.8 School Grant

The School Grant is an annual financial provision aimed at enhancing the learning environment in all Government Schools. This grant is utilized for many purposes like Maintaining cleanliness of school toilets, providing internet facilities, providing learning and teaching equipment, conducting minor repair works in

school buildings. 37,471 Government Schools have benefited by this initiative in the academic year 2024-25.

3.3.9 Infrastructure Facilities

A financial sanction of Rs. 435.96 crore has been approved from 2021-22 to 2023-24 to improve infrastructure facilities from Primary to Higher Secondary schools through Samagra Shiksha and 12,210 works have been carried out. Infrastructure facilities (ramps and handrails) for differently abled students have been provided in 92 percent of schools. In the coming academic year, infrastructure facilities for differently abled students will be provided in all the schools.

3.3.10 Perasiriyar Anbazhagan School Infrastructure Development Scheme

The School Development Scheme named after Perasiriyar Anbazhagan, who contributed greatly to the educational development of Tamil Nadu, has been implemented since 2022-23 to improve the necessary infrastructure facilities in Government schools. All types of Government schools are being improved through this scheme,

including adequate infrastructure, quality classrooms, laboratories, toilet facilities, and compound walls.

In this scheme so far, 8370 classrooms, 52 laboratories, 184 unit toilets, 752 meters of compound walls, 5 boys' and 5 girls' hostels have been constructed at a cost of Rs.3527.50 crore and have been inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister. Further, 4412 classrooms, 105 laboratories, 323 toilets, and 2290 meters of compound walls are being constructed. In this financial year the budget statement states that school infrastructure facilities will be provided at an estimated cost of Rs 1,000 crore.

3.3.11 Hi-Tech Labs

It is important to improve the IT infrastructure to prepare students for the future in the current technological world. 8,209 Hi-Tech laboratories at a cost of Rs.519.73 crore developed as a part of the initiative of the Tamil Nadu Government to expand digital technology. Further, steps are being taken to upgrade the Hi-Tech laboratories currently in use in Government High and Higher

secondary schools with additional computers based on modern technology, according to the number of students, and also to set up Hi-Tec laboratories in Panchayat Union Middle Schools as well. Moreover 654 Hi-Tec labs to be established in Government Aided Higher Secondary Schools at a cost of Rs.41.86 crore.

3.3.12 Smart Classrooms

Under the vision of improving School infrastructure, the Government of Tamil Nadu established 22,931 Smart Classrooms in 21,984 Government schools across the state at a cost of Rs.455.32 crore. These classrooms are equipped with state-of-the-art technology to enhance the quality of education, promote the learning process and engage students in learning. Even though the technological infrastructure has been successfully established, adequate infrastructure is essential to ensure a conducive learning environment. To enhance the effectiveness of these Smart Classrooms, it is very important to provide suitable seating and workstations to the students.

In the year 2024-25, 1750 smart classrooms are being set up in Government Aided Primary,

Middle, High and Higher Secondary Schools at a cost of Rs.33.25 crore.

3.3.13 Namma School Namma Ooru Palli :

Namma School Namma Ooru Palli (NSNOP) is an initiative aimed at transforming Government Schools of Tamil Nadu which was launched on 19.12.2022. This program creates a better educational environment in Government schools with contributions from corporates, business organization, charities, social service organizations, alumni, and individuals.

Namma School Namma Ooru Palli initiative is strategically aligned with key Sustainable Development Goals and the funds mobilised through this initiative are purposefully allocated to upgrade infrastructure, digital education, and skill development initiatives which directly contribute by enhancing learning environments. Additionally, SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) is addressed through a strong focus on WASH initiatives, leveraging partnerships with social clubs for the construction and maintenance of sanitation assets to promote the health and well-being of students. Since its inception, a total of

633 new toilets have been constructed and 467 existing toilets have been renovated.

Till 2024-25 a total of Rs.658.67 crore has been raised in funds, kind donation and through school engagement activities under the Namma Palli Namma Ooru scheme. 1,512 Government schools have benefited from cash donations received in the form of funds, 4,983 Government schools benefitted from kind donations and 30,133 Government schools benefitted through school engagement activities.

3.3.14 Career Guidance

The Career Guidance Program is designed to facilitate the transition of all Class 10 students to Higher Secondary Education and to encourage Class 12 students to pursue Higher Education, in line with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4.3 - Equal access to technical, vocational and Higher Education.

In the previous years, the enrolment rate in Higher Education for students from Government Schools who completed Class 12 was only 40-45%. Rs.25.02 crore has been allocated for

Career Guidance in the academic year 2024-25. This includes the establishment of Career Guidance Cells in all Government Higher Secondary Schools, which will assist students with applications and training for Competitive Exams at block-level Career Guidance Centers. The Naan Muthalvan website has provided students with the necessary e-content and videos.

Through all the above measures, the number of students enrolled in higher education has increased from 47 percent to 74 percent in the academic year 2023-24. This has resulted in a significant improvement in the Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER).

The project is focusing on improving access, increasing awareness and providing necessary assistance to achieve the target of 100 percent GER in the coming years.

3.3.15 Special Training for Out of School Children (OoSC) :

Samagra Shiksha provides a strategy for bringing socially marginalized and economically disadvantaged groups into the educational system

and enrolling out-of-school children effectively. The percentage of out-of-school children in primary level decreased from 0.90 to 0.13 by 2023-24, and the percentage of Out-of-school children in upper primary level decreased from 1.55 to 0.17 by 2023-24. For this activity in the academic year 2024-2025, Rs.9.82 crore has been sanctioned. According to Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) indicator 4.1.7, this initiative plays an important role in reducing the percentage of out-of-school children.

3.4 Welfare Schemes

The Government is implementing the following Student Welfare Schemes to enable the students studying in Government schools to complete their education without any hindrance due to Socio economic reasons.

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Class	No.of Beneficiaries (in lakhs)
1	Text Book	1-12	70.08
2	Note Book	1-10	56.65
3	School Bag	1-12	66.47
4	Footwear	1-5	28.81
5	Shoes	6-10	55.25
6	Socks	6-10	79.21
7	Atlas	6, 7-10	8.0

		New admissions	
8	Crayon	1-2	8.15
9	Colour pencils	3-5	14.77
10	Geometry Box	6 & 9 (7,8 New admissions)	12.38
11	Special Cash Incentive	10-12	15.08 (2023-24)
12	Uniform	1-8	40.53
13	Bi-cycle	11	5.36
14	Woolen Sweater, Rain Coats, Boots and Socks	1-8 (Students in Hilly regions)	1.99
15	Puratchi Thalaivar M.G.R. Nutritious Meal Program	1-10	40.52
16	Chief Minister Breakfast Scheme	1-5	20.67
17	Bus Pass	1-12	18.99
18	Financial Assistance for students who lost their bread winning parents	1-12	2535 (Students)
19	Accident Relief Scheme	1-12	28 (Students)

3.5 Hon'ble Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme :

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has launched a new initiative of providing breakfast to students of classes 1-5 in Government schools to encourage regular attendance and to ensure nutritious morning breakfast to school students. This scheme is being implemented by the Department of Social Welfare. In 2024-2025 academic year, this pioneering scheme expanded to the Government aided schools situated in rural areas.

3.6 Sports and Cultural Competitions

3.6.1 State and National Level Sports Competitions

To identify the sporting potential of children and develop them into future national and international sportspersons, students who perform well in competitions held every year at school, zonal, district and state levels, participate in the national level games held by School Games Federation of India. So far 21 Games 33 Gold, 51 Silver and 84 Bronze totaling 168 were won by the children. Till now, 2293 students have

participated in the National Level Games. For the year 2024-2025, Rs.12.5 crore has been provided for the conduct of these sports events.

3.6.2 Chess Game

Chess is a game in which children from Tamil Nadu excel in various levels including international ranking. The Government has introduced the game of chess in all schools to hone the skills of the children. This game helps to develop their analytical thinking and problem solving skills. During the year 2024-2025 Chess competitions were conducted for various categories in the age group of 7 -17 years at School, Block, District and State level. 6,01,781 Children participated in the Chess competitions.

3.6.3 Children's Film Festival

Selected movies are screened for students studying in classes 6 to 9 in for Government schools. With a special focus on creating awareness, reinforcement of values, developing aspirations and skills like story criticism, individual acting, short film making and opportunities for interaction with field experts.

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3.6.4 Vanavil Mandram

Vanavil Mantram (Mobile Science Lab) is a pioneer programme being implemented in Government Middle, High and Higher Secondary schools for classes 6 to 8 at a cost of Rs.11.69 crore. This scheme is beneficial to improve the self-exploration and learning skills of students. 710 resource persons have been selected and trained to conduct the programme at schools. These resource persons demonstrate Science and Maths concepts through experiments and models. A total of 33.50 lakh Children were benefited under the scheme.

3.6.5 Student Club Activities

In order to develop the innate and potential abilities of the children and to foster group performance, Club activities related to Literature, Art, Drama, Science, Mathematics, General Knowledge, Health, Consumer Awareness, Voter Awareness and Environment are being regularly conducted in schools. Competitions are conducted at school, block, district and state levels. The students who excel in the state level competitions are shortlisted and the best performers are taken

on international Educational Tours. One Student and one Teacher participated in the Tsunami Summit for High School Students on World Tsunami Awareness Day 2024 in Kumamoto city in Japan from 19 to 25 October 2025.

3.6.6 Kodai Kondattam

Kodai Kondattam is a special training camp organised during the summer vacation in hilly areas of Tamil Nadu. During the year 2024-2025, the camp was conducted at 4 places namely Yercaud, Kolli Hills, Kodaikanal and Couttralam. 663 Children benefited from these camps at a cost of Rs. 34.73 lakh.

3.6.7 Kalaithiruvizha

Kalaithiruvizha, organized every year from 2022-23 onwards by the School Education Department of Tamil Nadu focuses the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by promoting Quality Education (Goal 4) through arts and plays a significant role in shaping the holistic development of students by fostering confidence, encouraging teamwork, and instilling the values of cultural unity and inclusivity. By celebrating

diverse cultural traditions, the event also helps reduce inequalities (Goal 10), giving every student, chance to participate and exhibit their innate talents.

In the academic year 2024-25, the competitions organized in five categories for students from classes 1 to 12 in both Government and Government-aided schools at various levels viz., School, Block, District, and State, to ensure maximum participation and to recognize the talents of students from all corners of the state. A total of 46.72 lakh students benefited from the school-level competitions. All competitions are conducted at a cost of Rs.5.35 crore. Kalaiarasan and Kalaiarasi awards were presented separately to Government and Government-aided schools in each of the five competition categories, recognizing the exceptional talent and efforts of students.

3.7 Educational Tours

The top performer students in different categories of competitions like Kalaithiruvizha, Literary club, Quiz club and Vanavil mandram, Children's film festival activities and Sports

competitions were taken to a Educational tour to United Arab Emirates, Singapore, Malaysia, South Korea, Japan and Hong Kong.

3.8 Massive Reading Movement

In all Government Schools to foster a reading habit among students from classes 1 to 12, simple 16-page books have been designed in a child-friendly language. These books are categorized into four reading levels: Enter, Walk, Run and Fly.

Under this scheme, 2.22 crore copies of 123 books have been printed and distributed to 37,594 Government schools. 44.50 lakh students have benefited from this massive reading campaign. In the year 2023-2024, Rs.10 crore has been allocated and this scheme is being implemented continuously.

3.9 Tamizh Mozhi Karpom

"Tamizh Mozhi Karpom" scheme has been implemented since 2023 to enable children of workers from other states to speak and write Tamil along with their mother tongue. Special training centres are functioning to enable these

children to join Tamil Nadu Government schools and learn Tamil as a subject and all other subjects in their mother tongue.

In 2024-2025, 67 special training centres in 15 districts are functioning under the "Tamizh Mozhi Karpom" scheme. 74 educational volunteers are educating 1545 migrant children in these centres. Rs.49.95 lakhs have been sanctioned for this scheme.

3.10 School Management Committee (SMC)

The School Management Committee (SMC) is a committee constituted under the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 for the first time in 2022 in all categories of Government Primary, Middle, High and Higher Secondary Schools. The primary objective of the SMC is to provide quality education which is inclusive, equitable, and promotes lifelong learning.

SMCs focus on providing a conducive environment for education, School Management Committee meetings have been held to identify, plan and pass resolutions for the various

requirements of the school. From September 2022 to December 2024, 2,01,224 SMC resolutions have been received out of which 1,37,482 resolutions have been completed.

The term (2 years) of the reconstituted School Management Committee (SMC) in 2022 was completed and a renewed 24 member School Management Committee was reconstituted in August 2024 and about 8.4 lakh members have been elected and registered on the EMIS platform. The institutionalization of the School Management Committee is further strengthened by the District Level Monitoring Committee (DLMC) headed by the District Collector and through the process of District Education Review (DER) and at the State-level by a State Level Monitoring Committee (SLMC) to monitor the status of School Management Committee resolutions department-wise. In the Academic Year 2024-25, a sum of Rs.16.88 crore has been spent for this purpose.

3.11 Services

3.11.1 National Service Scheme

With the aim of developing volunteerism and life skills among students studying in classes 11 and 12, 1953 National Service Scheme units are functioning in Higher Secondary Schools. Out of these, 97,650 students have joined as volunteers. National Service Scheme students are performing their voluntary service in various activities including health camps, clean environment activities, solid waste management, balanced diet, higher education guidance program, awareness on women and girls' rights, old age homes, dropout prevention, awareness on single-use plastic and consumerism and other awareness activities.

3.11.2 Scout and Guide Movement

The Scouts and Guide Units is essential to promote physical, emotional development and social responsibility among school children. 3,22,218 students and 12,750 teachers are involved in the Scout and Guide activities at school level. During the year 2024-25, Bharath

Scouts and Guides National Jamboree 2025 with international participation was organized at Manapparai in Trichy District from 28 January to 3 February 2025. It was a special event for the celebration of the Centenary year of former Chief Minister, Mutthamizh Arignar Dr.Kalaignar Karunanidhi and 75th Year Diamond Jubilee of the Bharat Scouts and Guides Movement. An allocation of Rs. 15 crore was made by the Government for organizing this event.

This Programme was an opportunity to celebrate Scouting to promote friendship, cultural exchange, leadership, and community service among Children. Totally 20,000 participants took part in the event. 90 Scouts and Guides from 4 International Countries like Nepal, Srilanka, Malaysia and Saudi Arabia took part in the Jamboree. Units from 26 States took part in the 7 days camp. In recognition of the successful conduct of Jamboree Hon'ble Minister for School Education has been awarded the Silver Elephant Award, the highest national honour in the movement, conferred by the President of India. Government has allocated Rs.15 crore to conduct the event.

3.11.3 Junior Red Cross

12,104 Junior Red Cross units are functioning in schools of Tamil Nadu. Each unit is headed by a Teacher counsellor and 4,73,112 student volunteer trained in various activities related to first aid, disaster management, road safety, fire accident prevention, drug abuse awareness.

3.12 Perasiriyar Anbazhagan Award for Best School

An award in the name of Perasiriyar Anbazhagan was introduced in the academic year 2023-2024 for the best Government schools that exhibit multi-faceted development in areas such as innovative teaching-learning methods, teacher capacity building, leadership and student development. In the year 2023-2024, a total of 76 schools, including 16 primary, 22 middle, 12 high school, and 26 higher secondary, were selected and awarded. Selecting the best schools for the year 2024-2025 is underway.

3.13 Magizh Mutram (Maatrathirrkana Payanam)

Magizh Mutram a programme to foster

leadership qualities and team spirit among school children is being implemented in 37,470 Government schools in the academic year 2024-2025. In this initiative childrens are grouped in any one of the five houses viz., Kurinji, Mullai, Marutham, Neithal and Paalai. Children performance based appraisal on attendance, academic performance, Club activities and participation in Kalai Thiruvizha is key for the ranking of the houses.

3.14 Teacher Welfare Scheme

3.14.1 Supply of Tablets to Secondary Grade and Graduate Teachers.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has announced a scheme of providing Tablets to Secondary Grade and Graduate Teachers working in Government schools under the control of School Education Department to honour the teaching community who are working relentlessly striving for the welfare of the students and enable the teachers to further upgrade their skills in tune with the emerging technological development in teaching and learning methodology. In the first phase, 79,723 teachers were provided with TABs

at a cost of Rs.81 crore. In the second phase, 54,259 TABs will be procured and provided to the teachers.

3.14.2 Kanavu Aasiriyar Award

The teachers for this award have been selected based on assessment test their subject knowledge, teaching techniques, student development activities through a three stage examination. In 2023-24, From 8096 participants 380 selected teachers were honoured with 'Kanavu Aasiriyar' award and certificate. 55 teachers who scored more than 90 percent in these exams were taken on an educational tour to France, a country renowned for its excellence in education, art, technology, heritage and culture. In addition, 325 other teachers who received this award were taken on educational tours across India.

3.14.3 Appointment on Compassionate Ground :

A scheme to alleviate the poverty of the heirs of Government school teachers and Government non-teaching staff who died in harness while

working in the School Education Department by providing employment on merit and conditions is being implemented from the year 1972. Under this scheme, 650 persons have been appointed as Junior Assistant and Typist on compassionate ground from 2021 to 2024.

3.14.4 Arignar Anna Leadership Award :

Arignar Anna Leadership Award and Shield of Appreciation to 100 School Headmasters awarded in every year from the year 2023-24 for their achievement in effective implementation of Government schemes including School Education, Sports, Student Development, School Infrastructure, School Management Committee and "Illam Thedi Kalvi". In order to encourage the awardees, Rs.10 crore as incentive for their school improvement i.e Rs.10 lakh for each school has been given.

3.15 Budget Allocation

The Government has made a budgetary provision of Rs.44,748.47 crore for these Directorates for the year 2025-2026.

4. PRIVATE SCHOOLS

4.1 Introduction

The Directorate of Private Schools oversees 12,970 private schools, catering to 63.42 lakh students. At the state level, administration is managed by the Directorate, while at the district level, the District Educational Officer (Private schools) handles monitoring and regulation.

4.2 Vision

- Safe and well-equipped infrastructure for all students in private schools.
- Effective implementation of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, along with the Rules of 2011.

4.3 Objectives

- To facilitate student enrollment through the EMIS website.
- To implement Government policies, regulations, and guidelines effectively.

- To act as the State Nodal Agency for Enforcing the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009.

4.4 Key Initiatives and Achievements

4.4.1 Academics and Sports

2,641 students who secured the top three positions in international, national, and state-level sports competitions and Headmasters of 1,622 schools that achieved a 100% pass in the 10th Standard Public Examination and 2,120 schools with 100% pass in the 12th Standard Public Examination were honoured by awarding certificates of appreciation.

4.4.2 Enrollment of students under the RTE Act, 2009

The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, has been effectively implemented in the State. During the 2023-24 academic year, 4,37,683 children from LKG to 8th Standard benefited from this scheme. In the 2024-25 academic year 70,452 children have been admitted in LKG.

4.4.3 Welfare Schemes for Tamil-Medium Students in Self-Financed Schools

Tamil-medium students of Standard 1 to 10 in self-financing schools are supported through cost-free welfare schemes. In the 2024-25 academic year, Rs.3.33 crore has been sanctioned and 49,498 such students were benefitted.

4.4.4 Awareness Programs on the POCSO Act.

To ensure the safety and well-being of students, awareness programs on the POCSO Act have been conducted for 87,609 teachers and non-teaching staff in private schools of all the districts with the assistance of District Child Protection Officers, Social Welfare Department and Police Department officials.

4.4.5 Streamlining School Permissions and Regulatory Compliance

The Hon'ble Tamil Nadu Chief Minister inaugurated a Regulatory Compliance Portal and an Inspection App for private schools on 31.12.2022. This initiative streamlines the

approval process for new self-financing schools, upgradation requests, and recognition renewals. The portal enables District Educational Officers (Private Schools) to conduct digital inspections. And it ensures a more transparent, efficient, and a swift system for delivering orders.

4.4.6 Implementation of the Tamil Nadu Tamil Learning Act, 2006

The Tamil Nadu Tamil Learning Act, 2006, mandates Tamil as a compulsory language from classes 1 to 10, has been effectively implemented since the 2006-07 academic year. From 2014-15, this law was extended to schools affiliated with other educational Boards. In confirmation to that, approximately 3,565 Tamil teachers in CBSE and other Board-affiliated schools have undergone training conducted by expert Tamil teachers from Government and Government-aided schools.

4.5 Budget Allocation

A budget of Rs.677.61 crore has been allocated for the financial year 2025-2026.

5. STATE COUNCIL OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING

5.1 Introduction

The State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) is carrying out relevant activities to enhance the quality of School Education and improve the teaching standards. Through continuous training, workshops, and research initiatives, SCERT ensures that teachers remain updated with innovations in education.

With the support of District Institutes of Education and Training (DIETs), SCERT follows the Lab Areas Approach for adoption through experimentation. SCERT plays a pivotal role in changing the Curriculum, Teaching Methodologies and Assessment strategies. Besides, SCERT is committed to building a dynamic and responsible educational system.

5.2 Vision

- Enhancing students' learning outcomes through innovative pedagogical methods.

- Developing critical thinking skills by integrating digital learning and modern assessment techniques.
- Preparing students to face the competitive challenges of the digital era.

5.3 Objectives

- Developing curriculum, syllabus and textbooks aligned with technological and societal advancements.
- Providing supplementary learning materials integrated with digital tools.
- Providing quality pre-service and in-service training to teachers to enhance classroom practices through innovative teaching strategies.
- Strengthening management and leadership skills of school administrators.
- Improving teaching methodologies through research activities.

- Refining instructional methods through monitoring and assessing student proficiency.

5.4 Programmes and Activities

5.4.1 Teacher Professional Development (TPD)

The State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) plays a crucial role in enhancing teachers' professional competencies by identifying their training needs and organizing structured development programs. In the academic year 2024-25, the State Council of Educational Research and Training conducted essential specialized training programs.

5.4.1.1 Spoken English :

To strengthen English language proficiency among classes 6 to 8 students using digital resources, 10,546 Graduate Teachers underwent online training.

5.4.1.2 Vasippu Iyakkam:

Designed to improve reading competency among students in Classes 4 to 9, this initiative

trained 93,704 teachers. Sessions covered book management, student grouping based on reading levels, reading facilitation techniques, storytelling, and fostering student expression.

5.4.1.3 Inclusive Education for Children with Special Needs:

In order to orient on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPWD) Act, SCERT trained 2,01,938 teachers from Classes 1 to 12 on identifying and addressing 21 types of disabilities, to help them and ensure tailored support and individual interventions.

5.4.1.4 Emotional Well-being and Life Skills:

To create a safe and supportive Learning environment, 51,507 Teachers handling classes 9 to 12 were trained. Training includes 30 activities, designed to help students develop emotional resilience, self-regulation and essential life skills.

5.4.1.5 ICT Training:

A total of 1,64,794 teachers including select DIET Faculty, Post Graduate Teachers (PGTs), Graduate Teachers (BTs), and Secondary Grade Teachers (SGTs) have been provided with Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

training through face-to-face and online mode.

5.4.1.6 POCSO Act Awareness:

Recognizing the importance of child safety, SCERT developed a comprehensive manual on child protection and sexual abuse prevention, which was made available online. A state-level seminar trained 1,000 Head Masters, followed by phased awareness trainings for 48,825 SGTs, BTs and PGTs in Government and Government-aided Primary, Middle, High, and Higher Secondary schools.

5.4.1.7 Training of Trainers (ToT)

To develop a pool of expert resource persons for future training programs, SCERT conducted Training of Trainers (ToT) programs:

- **Secondary Grade Teachers: 312** teachers were trained to enhance their pedagogical approaches, strengthen teacher-student interactions, and create inclusive learning environments.
- **Graduate Teachers: 152** Graduate Teachers received specialized training to

ensure high-quality instruction at the upper primary level.

- **Post Graduate Teachers:** Under the State Facilitator Program, 450 PG teachers across nine subjects engaged in intensive 25-day training sessions led by 24 expert professors and 45 digital content creators to deepen subject expertise and instructional proficiency.

5.4.1.8 Archaeology Training

To instill awareness of Tamil civilization, culture, heritage, and ancient sites among the students, a 6-day residential training programme focused on archaeology is being provided to 1,000 Graduate Teachers. This initiative enables teachers to seamlessly integrate archaeological concepts into their lessons, enriching students' understanding of Tamil Nadu's rich historical legacy.

5.4.2 School Leadership Training Programme (SLTP)

The School Leadership Training Programme is provided for Head Teachers of Middle Schools to

strengthen their leadership and administrative capabilities. This structured program adopts a comprehensive approach to enhance both academic and professional skills in school management. The program includes dissemination of successful school strategies, exposure visits to the Madurai Kalaignar Centenary Library (KCL), reviewing of books and movies, assessments and consolidation of feedback. From July to December 2024, a total of 4,456 Head Teachers successfully completed this specialized training.

5.4.3 Assessment Cell

The State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) established an Assessment Cell to enhance students' learning abilities from the foundational to the advanced level while equipping teachers to design Knowledge, Understanding, Application, and Higher-Order Thinking questions.

The State Assessment Cell conducted training sessions for teachers of the Assessment Cell focusing on creating Critical Learning Outcome-based questions, preparing students for the

National Achievement Surveys (NAS), and administering online Student Learning Surveys. Through the Assessment Cell, competency-based tests and quizzes were conducted across 13,209 Government Schools using hi-tech labs.

In an effort to analyze reading and fundamental numeracy skills among students of classes 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, an online Student Learning Survey was conducted in five phases, reaching 13,145 students in 2,468 Government schools. Additionally, the Assessment Cell leveraged hi-tech labs to efficiently generate question papers and administer examinations across 6,591 Middle Schools for all three academic terms. The results of these assessments are centrally documented, enabling seamless tracking of students' progress and learning outcomes.

5.4.4 State Level Achievement Survey (SLAS) 2025

The State Level Achievement Survey (SLAS) was conducted from February 4-6, 2025. The OMR based survey covered for a total of 9,80,341 students from 45,924 schools, including 3,08,701

in third grade; 3,43,270 in fifth grade; and 3,28,370 in eighth grade. The results help in identifying learning gaps in various subjects and plan activities for educational goals. Based on this, teachers can rationalize their teaching-learning strategies and assess students' higher order thinking skills with understanding.

5.4.5 Special Initiatives to Mitigate Learning Loss

Ennum Ezhuthum:

The Ennum Ezhuthum initiative, a flagship program of the Government of Tamil Nadu, was launched to address learning gaps in Primary Education caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. This programme is being implemented from classes 1 to 5 and level-based student workbooks, teacher handbooks, and educational kits have been developed and provided to teachers and students. Through activities such as drawing, singing, storytelling, puppetry, and games, learning has been made enjoyable. Under this scheme, implemented at the cost of Rs. 152 crore, 1.13 lakh Primary School Teachers have received a specialized training. 25.08 lakh

students studying in 37,767 Government and Government-aided schools in classes 1 to 5 have benefited.

5.4.6 State Resource Centre

The State Resource Centre serves as a hub for modern teaching methodologies and professional development. Designed to support continuous teacher growth, it offers workshops, seminars, and training programs. Equipped with subject-specific EE rooms, an ICT Lab, an Innovation Hub, STEM & DIY rooms, and a dedicated lab for students with special needs, the center fosters innovative learning experiences.

5.4.7 Research Activities

SCERT continues to empower skills of the teachers to conduct research on promoting innovation, removing learning barriers, and evaluating educational programs. For the 2024-25 academic year, 294 action research projects and 64 research studies are being undertaken by DIET faculty to enhance educational outcomes.

5.4.8 Lab Assistants Training

A total of 5,061 laboratory assistants working in Government High and Higher Secondary Schools received training on laboratory management, equipment handling, and safety procedures. Training manuals were prepared for science subjects, participants underwent a post-training assessment before being awarded certificates.

5.4.9 Accessible Digital Textbooks (ADT)

SCERT has developed Accessible Digital Textbooks (ADT) to support visually impaired students, to enable them to access educational materials on a par with their peers. Currently, the textbooks have been categorized into three levels (classes 1-5, 6-10, and 11 & 12) and developed ADTs. The ADT review process included students from schools for the visually impaired and mainstream institutions, and the finalized versions are uploaded at adt.tnschools.gov.in.

5.4.10 Digital Content Cell

SCERT's Digital Content Cell has developed Smartboard-compatible content, animated stories, and digital worksheets to simplify complex concepts. A digital library was also created by digitizing Puthaga Poongothu stories and for primary classes 250 animated stories were developed based on textbook concepts. Further, phonic cards and 670 interactive worksheets to support play-based learning.

110 postgraduate teachers were trained in scriptwriting, and among them, 47 teachers were selected as Video presenters for content creation.

5.4.11 Kalvi TV

Kalvi TV, Tamil Nadu's exclusive educational channel, has been upgraded with four High-Tech Studios and a Virtual Studio to produce high-quality digital content. These studios facilitate video lectures, animations, and interactive simulations for classes 1-12.

In order to support Government school students preparing for competitive entrance

examinations at national level higher educational institutions, solution videos for previous years question papers are prepared by the textbook development team and telecast through Kalvi TV. In addition, 1,027 educational videos related to Ennum Ezhuthum were produced, including animated songs, pronunciation cards, and classroom demonstrations.

Beyond academics, Kalvi TV documents Tamil Nadu Government's flagship initiatives, such as Naan Mudhalvan, Vanavil Mandram, Kalai Thiruvizha, Namma Palli Thittam, and Nam Palli Nam Perumai Thittam. The Employment and Training Department, with the support of Kalvi TV, developed 1,500 videos for TNPSC and other competitive exams and are being telecast to support job aspirants to achieve their goals.

5.4.12 Curriculum & Resource Books for Physical Education

Physical Education fosters motor skills, fitness, teamwork, and resilience among students. A Curriculum and Teacher Resource Book have been prepared for students in Primary (1-5), Secondary (6-10) and Higher Secondary (11-12)

grades. This will be implemented from the next academic year.

5.4.13 Fundamentals of Computer Science & AI Curriculum (Classes 6-9)

The curriculum and syllabus for Fundamentals of Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence were prepared and reviewed by a team of experts. After field trials, the modules were prepared in English and translated in Tamil.

5.5 Budget Allocation

A budgetary provision of Rs.176.14 crore has been allocated to this Directorate for the year 2025-2026.

6.GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS

6.1 Introduction

The Directorate of Government Examinations (DGE) is responsible for conducting Board Examinations for SSLC (Class 10), Higher Secondary First Year (Class 11), and Higher Secondary Second Year (Class 12) students in Tamil Nadu. In addition to these major examinations, the Directorate also conducts scholarship examinations to improve higher education and prevent dropout.

6.2 Vision

To conduct examinations with integrity, transparency, and efficiency by leveraging technology at every stage of the examination process.

6.3 Objectives

- Conducting fair and transparent Examinations.
- Ensuring timely and accurate publication of results.
- Digitalization of records.

- Reforming the evaluation system.
- Providing equal opportunities for all students.

6.4 Functions

DGE is responsible for 40 different types of examinations across Tamil Nadu, ensuring smooth operations through 32 Assistant Director Offices across the state.

6.5 Public Examinations

6.5.1 SSLC & Higher Secondary Examinations

The Directorate of Government Examinations (DGE) conduct the SSLC Public Examination in March/April 2025 for 8,86,876 students from 12,480 schools. Further, 8,18,369 students from 7,557 schools appeared for the Higher Secondary First Year Examination and 8,02,568 students from 7,518 schools appeared for the Higher Secondary Second Year Examination.

6.5.2 Diploma in Elementary Education Examination

DGE also conducts the Diploma in Elementary Education Examination for Class 12 completed students. In June/July 2024, 3,475 candidates appeared for both first and second-year examinations.

6.6 Scholarship Examinations for School Students

The **Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Talent Search Examination**, introduced in 2023-24, identifies and supports 1000 Government school students in every year from Class 10 by awarding Rs.10,000 per year (Rs.1,000 per month for 10 months) for two years. 1,39,415 students appeared for this exam in January 2025.

The **Tamil Language Literary Aptitude test** aims to strengthen Tamil language and literature skills among students. Each year, 1,500 students (750 from Government schools and 750 from Private schools) receive Rs.1,500 per month for two years. 2,35,022 Class 11 students participated in this exam in December 2024.

The **Tamil Nadu Rural Students Talent Search Examination** (TRUST), launched in 1991-92, supports Class 9 rural students, awarding Rs.1,000 per year for four years to 100 students per district (50 boys & 50 girls). 1,08,208 students appeared the exam in February 2025.

The **National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship** (NMMS), implemented by the Union Government, supports economically weaker students scoring at least 55% in Class 8. Recipients receive Rs.12,000 per year from Classes 9-12. In February 2025, 2,30,337 students appeared, with 6,695 students from Tamil Nadu selected annually.

6.7 Scholarship Examinations for Undergraduate Students

The **Naan Mudhalvan UPSC Prelims Scholarship Screening Test**, conducted by DGE on behalf of the Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation (TNSDC), selects 1,000 UPSC aspirants annually, offering Rs.7,500 per month for 10 months. In September 2024, 26,587 candidates appeared.

The **Naan Mudhalvan Residential Coaching Program** provides free hostel accommodation, food, and coaching to 300 SSC/Railway aspirants and 700 Banking aspirants every year. In July 2024, 21,080 candidates registered for the screening test.

6.8 Other Examinations

The Eighth Standard Examination for Private Candidates provides a minimum educational qualification for private students. In August 2024, 3,647 candidates appeared.

Supplementary Examinations are conducted in June/July for SSLC, Class 11, and Class 12 students, allowing them to clear arrears and continue their education without delay.

DGE also serves as the Nodal Agency for UPSC and SSC examinations, coordinating their annual conduct in Chennai.

6.9 Student Welfare Initiatives

- For **Children with Special Needs (CWSN)**, various examination concessions are provided, including fee exemptions,

extra writing time, ground floor seating, separate rooms, scribe assistance, and practical exam exemptions for Class 10 students. Additionally, visually impaired students can now write exams using computer-based screen reader software.

- **Tamil Medium students** appearing for **SSLC and Higher Secondary Examinations** are exempted from paying examination fees. In 2024-25, the following students benefited:

- SSLC: 4,23,599 students
- Higher Secondary First Year: 3,75,080 students
- Higher Secondary Second Year: 3,75,255 students

- To **prevent dropouts**, the Tatkai fee for supplementary exam applications has been waived for Government and Government-aided school students, and the application period has been extended from 7 to 15 days.

6.10 Public Welfare & Digital Initiatives

The **Digi Locker** system allows students to download digital mark certificates. As of 2024, 1.56 crore certificates (2016-2024) have been uploaded for easy access.

The **e-SANAD system** facilitates e-attestation of mark certificates for students applying abroad. So far, 2,477 certificates have been digitally attested.

252 Government Examination Service Centres operate within selected school premises, assisting private candidates with online applications for all board examinations. Additionally, online services such as Duplicate Mark Certificates, Certified Copies of Mark Lists, Migration Certificates for students pursuing higher education in other states or abroad and Tamil Medium Study Certificates for private candidates are provided through **Government E-Service Centres**.

Following Cyclones Michaung and Fengal, 6,614 students who lost their mark certificates were issued free duplicate certificates.

6.11 Online Facilities (www.dge.tn.gov.in)

A dedicated web portal provides students, parents, and educational institutions access to:

- Exam Notifications, Timetables and Application Forms.
- Fee structure and candidate instructions.
- Past question papers and sample papers.
- Duplicate and Certified mark certificate applications.
- Migration certificate applications.
- Hall ticket downloads and online fee payments.
- Mark certificate verification for authenticity.

6.12 Examination Centres in Prisons

To provide educational opportunities for inmates, board examinations are conducted within prison premises. In 2024-25, 873 inmates registered as private candidates for Class 8, 10, 11, and 12 examinations.

6.13 Publication of Results

Students receive their exam results via SMS, and results are also published online through www.dge.tn.gov.in and <https://tnresults.nic.in>. Schools can download Tabulated Mark Lists (TML) through the online portal. Additionally, students can apply for scanned copies of answer scripts for SSLC (Class 10), Higher Secondary (Class 11 & 12), and Diploma in Elementary Education, which can be downloaded for re-totalling or revaluation.

6.14 Issuance of Certificates

- Students who pass SSLC, Higher Secondary First Year, and Higher Secondary Second Year Examinations can download their Provisional Mark Certificates and Statement of Marks from www.dge.tn.gov.in the day after results are published.
- Mark Certificates issued for SSLC and Higher Secondary Examinations feature advanced security elements to prevent forgery. Failed candidates receive a Statement of Marks and those passing

through multiple attempts receive a Consolidated Mark Certificate.

- Upon request, 17,790 Duplicate Mark Certificates and 2,377 Certified Copies of Marks (CCM) were issued in 2024-25.
- Migration Certificates, essential for students pursuing higher education in other states, are issued within five days of application. In 2024-25, 8,947 Migration Certificates were provided.
- 3,49,033 mark certificates received from the appointing authorities have been verified for genuineness and issued.

6.15 Budget Allocation

The Government has allocated to this Directorate a budgetary provision of Rs.133.90 crore for the year 2025-2026.

7. NON-FORMAL AND ADULT EDUCATION

7.1 Introduction

Education is a key driver of social equality and progress, transforming individual lives and communities. Adult education plays a crucial role in providing learning opportunities for those who missed formal schooling, ensuring they continue to grow intellectually and economically.

The Government of Tamil Nadu, through the Directorate of Non-Formal and Adult Education (DNFAE), has been implementing various adult education programs since its establishment in 1976. These initiatives aim to eradicate illiteracy and achieve 100% literacy in the State.

7.2 Vision

To achieve total literacy by providing basic education and lifelong learning opportunities for all adults in Tamil Nadu.

7.3 Objectives

- Impart basic literacy and numeracy to illiterate adults.

- Enable neo-literates to continue learning and attain education equivalency.
- Provide vocational training to enhance employability and improve living standards.
- Promote lifelong learning and continuing education for sustained knowledge enhancement.

7.4 Special Literacy Programme for Prisoners (2024-25)

A Special Literacy Programme is being implemented in Central and District prisons across multiple districts in coordination with the Department of Prisons at a cost of Rs.30 lakh. Under this programme, provided basic literacy to 1,470 illiterate prisoners, with volunteer teachers assisting them in literacy and numeracy skills.

7.5 Puthiya Bharatha Ezhutharivu Thittam

Tamil Nadu is successfully implementing the Puthiya Bharatha Ezhutharivu Thittam (2022-27) in all 38 districts, following a 60:40 fund-sharing model between the Union and State Governments. The program targets 5.33 lakh illiterate adults (aged 15+) and has enrolled 5.09

lakh learners across 30,113 literacy centers in Government and Government-aided schools for 2024-25. These centers are facilitated by 30,113 volunteer teachers and a basic literacy assessment test has been conducted. An amount of Rs.9.20 crore has been allocated for this initiative in the year 2024-25. The State remains committed to achieving 100% literacy by 2027, with 15 lakh learners already benefiting from the program between 2022-23 and 2024-25.

7.6 Basic Education Programme for Neo-Literates

To support continuing education, the State plans to introduce a preparatory basic education program equivalent to V Standard for neo-learners who have completed basic literacy under various adult education programs.

7.7 Four-Year Achievements (2021-2025)

Between 2021-22 and 2024-25, Tamil Nadu has successfully implemented multiple adult literacy schemes, benefiting 20 lakh learners with an overall budget of Rs.39.21 crore. The key schemes include:

Schemes	Beneficiaries	Expendi- ture (Rs. in Cr.)
Karpom Ezhuthuvom Iyakkam (2020-22)	3,19,088	7.19
Special Literacy Programme (Ramanathapuram & Virudhunagar 2020- 23)	1,68,945	6.23
Special Literacy Programme for Prisoners (2023-25)	2,647	0.55
Puthiya Bharatha Ezhutharivu Thittam (2022-25)	15,18,850	25.24
Total	20,09,530	39.21

7.8 Budget Allocation

The Government of Tamil Nadu has allocated Rs.16.30 crore to this Directorate for the year 2025-26.

8.TEACHERS RECRUITMENT BOARD

8.1 Introduction

The Teachers Recruitment Board (TRB) was established in 1987 to recruit qualified Teachers for Government Schools and Professors for Colleges. Since its inception, the board has facilitated the recruitment of 1,72,793 teachers and professors across Tamil Nadu. In addition to recruitment, TRB serves as the State Nodal Agency for conducting the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test (TNTET).

Following its restructuring, TRB has taken on additional responsibilities, including:

- Selecting students for the Chief Minister's Research Fellowship (CMRF).
- Conducting examinations for Assistant Professor posts at Anna University.
- Acting as the Nodal Agency for the State Eligibility Test (SET), a key qualification for Assistant Professors.

Furthermore, to ensure transparency, the selection process is being carried out using

technology in collaboration with the Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency (TNeGA).

8.2 Objective

The primary goal of TRB is to recruit qualified teachers and professors based on vacancies notified by respective departments.

8.3 Recruitments

8.3.1 Recruitment of Teachers and Professors

The Teachers Recruitment Board (TRB) conducted the competitive examination for 3,192 Graduate Teachers / Block Resource Teacher Educators on February 4, 2024, in a transparent manner. A total of 40,136 candidates appeared for the exam. After the process, subject-wise provisional selection lists were published on the TRB website.

For filling up of 2768 Secondary Grade Teachers vacancies, the examination was held on July 21, 2024, using the OMR method. A total of 25,319 candidates appeared, and publication of result is in progress.

Notification for recruitment for 132 Associate Professors, Assistant Professors and Assistant Professors (Pre-Law) in Government Law Colleges was issued and online applications received.

A notification for 4,000 Assistant Professors in Government Arts & Science Colleges and Colleges of Education was issued. The competitive examination will be conducted after the State Eligibility Test (SET) results are declared.

8.3.2 Recruitment in Anna University

The notification has issued by Anna University that the 232 + 88 vacancies for Assistant Professors, Assistant Librarians, and Assistant Directors (Physical Education) in Anna University's engineering colleges and regional campuses will be filled through TRB and the work is in progress.

8.4 State and Teacher Eligibility Tests

The Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) Certificates (Paper-I and II) were issued until June 2023. From July 17, 2023, online issuance of duplicate TET certificates via e-service centers began. As of 9,131 certificates have been issued.

The State Eligibility Test (SET), a prerequisite for Assistant Professors has been conducted from March 6 to March 9, 2025.

8.5 Chief Minister Research Fellowship (CMRF)

The Chief Minister's Research Fellowship (CMRF) was launched to enhance research skills and encourage innovation in Tamil Nadu. In 2023, 120 students were selected and awarded fellowships by the Directorate of College Education. In the year 2025, Orders has been issued to select 180 students through a merit-based exam conducted by TRB.

8.6 Question Bank Management Software (QBMS)

TRB, responsible for recruiting teachers across multiple sectors, traditionally conducted question paper-setting camps with subject experts, a time-consuming process. To streamline this, QBMS software was introduced, allowing efficient collection, management, and organization of exam questions. This software enables automated question paper generation and randomization for online and offline exams.

Upcoming examinations planned using QBMS. AI Panini software is also utilized for translation purposes.

8.7 Restructuring and Financial Operations

The Teachers Recruitment Board was restructured, with 71 new positions sanctioned, including a Controller of Examinations. TRB's financial transactions have been transitioned to PD Accounts, operating under the Chairman, Teachers Recruitment Board

8.8 Budget Allocation

The Government has allocated Rs.51.42 crore for TRB for the year 2025-2026.

9.PUBLIC LIBRARIES

9.1 Introduction

Public Libraries in Tamil Nadu play a crucial role in fostering education and knowledge dissemination across the state. They serve as accessible hubs for lifelong learning to all age groups with a vast collection of books, periodicals, and digital resources.

9.2 Vision

To promote education, art, culture, literature, science, and socio-economic and intellectual development through well-equipped and easily accessible public libraries.

9.3 Objectives

- Strengthen technological infrastructure in Public Libraries to meet evolving informational needs.
- Digitize and preserve rare books for future generations.
- Ensure timely availability of high-quality books that cater to readers' interests.

- Improve library infrastructure to create an inviting and engaging environment for readers.
- Provide inclusive resources such as audiobooks, e-books, and Braille books to support individuals with disabilities.

9.4 Achievements

9.4.1 Book Fairs

Since 2022-23, District-wide Book Fairs have been organized across Tamil Nadu, with Rs.4.96 crore allocated in 2022-23, benefiting 55.50 lakh book enthusiasts. Continuing this initiative, Rs.8.45 crore has been allocated annually from 2023-24 for conducting book fairs successfully.

9.4.2. Literary Festivals

Tamil Nadu has also celebrated its riverine civilization through Literary Festivals in various regions: Porunai (Tirunelveli), Siruvani (Coimbatore), Kaveri (Trichy), Vaigai (Madurai), and Chennai Literary Festival. Over the past two years, Rs.2.18 crore was allocated to these festivals. Additionally, Youth Literary Festivals

have been conducted successfully with Rs.30 lakh allocated annually in 2023-24 and 2024-25.

9.4.3 Chennai International Book Fair

The Chennai International Book Fair (CIBF) was launched in 2023 to promote Tamil literature globally and translate international works into Tamil. With an estimated cost of Rs.6.00 crore, the event witnessed remarkable growth—365 MoUs were signed with 24 countries in 2023, 752 MoUs with 40 countries in 2024, and 1,354 MoUs with 64 countries in 2025.

9.4.4 Honoring Tamil Scholars & Expanding Library Infrastructure

The 'Senthamizh Sirpigal Arangam' (Hall of Fame for Tamil Scholars) has been established at Anna Centenary Library for Rs.40 lakh, showcasing Tamil literary pioneers and their works. In tribute to Padma Shri Dr.S.R. Ranganathan, the Seerkazhi Model Library was built at Rs.1.32 crore. Additionally, a new library building in Abhiramam, Ramanathapuram district, was constructed for Rs.40 lakh in honor of poet A. Karmegamar.

To enhance access to knowledge, Wi-Fi-enabled e-library services have been extended to 1,469 rural public libraries. A virtual reality library system, featuring 152 VR devices, has been installed in 76 libraries across 38 districts at a cost of Rs.57.20 lakh, benefiting students and children.

9.4.5 Librarianship

446 Village Librarians who were working in village libraries on a special time scale of pay of Rs.7700 - 24200 have been promoted to the post of Librarian Grade-III on a regular time scale of pay of Rs.19500-71900, through counselling.

9.4.6 Book Procurement Policy

To ensure fairness in acquisitions, the Transparent Book Procurement Policy – 2024 was introduced, improving book selection and distribution across all public libraries.

9.5 Public Libraries in Tamil Nadu

Under the Tamil Nadu Public Library Act, 1948, the Directorate of Public Libraries, formed in 1972, oversees 4,681 libraries, including:

- Connemara Public Library (State Central Library), Chennai
- Anna Centenary Library, Chennai
- Kalaingar Centenary Library, Madurai
- 37 District Central Libraries
- 1,926 Branch Libraries
- 1,915 Village Libraries
- 14 Mobile Libraries
- 786 Part-Time Libraries

Additionally, Government-aided libraries include the Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Saraswati Mahal Library, Dr. U. Ve. Sa. Library, Maraimalai Adigal Library, and the Roja Muthiah Research Library in Chennai.

9.5.1 Notable Libraries

9.5.1.1 Connemara Public Library, Chennai

A national depository library since 1896, it receives copies of all Indian publications under the Delivery of Books and Newspapers Act, 1954. With 9.61 lakh books and 1.49 lakh members, it

benefited 2.03 lakh readers in 2024-25.

9.5.1.2 Anna Centenary Library, Chennai

This library was inaugurated in 2010. Housing 7.01 lakh books, it has sections for visually challenged readers, competitive exams, e-books, Tamil literary archives, palm leaves and manuscript collections. In 2024-25, it benefited 5.17 lakh readers.

9.5.1.3 Kalaingar Centenary Library, Madurai

Opened in July 2023, this state-of-the-art library features 3.64 lakh books, an art gallery, e-library, children's theater, audiobook recording room for the visually impaired, and a rare books section. It served 16.56 lakh readers in 2024-25.

9.5.2 District, Branch, Village, and Mobile Libraries

- **37 District Central Libraries:** 70 lakh books, 13.65 lakh members, and 21.84 lakh readers in 2024-25.
- **1926 Branch Libraries:** 6.09 crore books, 66.45 lakh members, and 2.50 crore readers in 2024-25.

- **1915 Village Libraries:** Established since 1996, with 2.31 crore books, 23.25 lakh members, and 1.42 crore readers in 2024-25.
- **Mobile Libraries:** Operating in 14 districts, reaching remote areas with 35,959 members and 38,798 readers in 2024-25.
- **Part-Time Libraries:** 786 libraries serve rural communities, with 3.61 lakh members and 25.02 lakh readers in 2024-25.

To further improve access, 100 Special Part-Time Libraries will be set up in high-footfall areas such as District Collector Offices, Government Hospitals, and Bus Terminals.

9.6 Library Cess

The Library Cess, collected as 10 paise per rupee from property tax, remains the primary revenue source for Public Libraries. Since 2022-23, the Cess has been prepaid from local body devolution funds, ensuring smooth operations. From 2024-25, library development projects are funded directly via a Single Nodal Account banking system.

9.7 Readers Forums & Library Awards

To foster community engagement, Readers Forums have been established in libraries, bringing together academics, writers, and readers. The Library Activist Award (shield worth of Rs.5,000 + certificate) is presented annually for outstanding contributions. Libraries excelling in services receive shields and the outstanding librarians are honoured with Dr.S.R. Ranganathan Award (silver medal + Rs.5,000).

9.8 Ongoing Schemes

9.8.1 Thanthai Periyar Grand Library & Science Center, Coimbatore:

A Rs.300 crore project, foundation laid by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on November 6, 2024. Construction is in progress.

9.8.2 Grand Library & Knowledge Center, Tiruchirappalli:

A world-class facility planned at Rs.290 crore. Foundation laid by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 21.03.2025. Work to commence soon.

9.8.3 Library Infrastructure Enhancement:

A special assistance scheme worth Rs.213.46 crore is being implemented across 821 public libraries to improve facilities for children and adolescents. This includes new buildings, books, equipment and computers.

9.9 Budget Allocation

The Government has allocated Rs.946.04 crore for the Directorate of Public Libraries for 2025-2026.

10. TAMIL NADU TEXTBOOK AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CORPORATION

10.1 Introduction

The Bureau of Tamil Publications was established in 1961 to translate scholarly works from other languages into Tamil and create original academic books to enrich students' knowledge.

In 1970, the Bureau was restructured as the Tamil Nadu Textbook Society, expanding its role to include the printing and distribution of textbooks. Over time, its scope grew to encompass literature, science, and technology books, leading to its renaming as the Tamil Nadu Textbook Corporation in 1993. The organization later took on the procurement and distribution of educational kits for students, culminating in its transformation into the Tamil Nadu Textbook and Educational Services Corporation. To enhance its operational efficiency, it was officially registered and functioning as a Section 8 company under the Companies Act, 2013, effective from July 2, 2024.

10.2. Infrastructure

The Corporation operates from its own building at the Perasiriyar Anbazhagan Educational Campus in Chennai. 22 godowns are functioning in regional level.

10.3 Printing Services

10.3.1 Textbooks

The Corporation prints high-quality school textbooks on 80 GSM paper, ensuring durability and readability. These textbooks are equipped with QR codes, enabling students to access online videos and question banks related to the content, thereby enhancing their learning experience.

10.3.2 Textbook Distribution

Free textbooks are provided to students in Government and Government-aided Schools. For Private Schools, textbooks are available for purchase through 22 regional offices. Textbook are sold to the general public through online platforms, and designated sales outlets, including the Perasiriyar Anbazhagan Educational Campus, Anna Centenary Library, and the Corporation's

Adyar warehouse. Additionally, textbooks can be purchased through e-Sevai centres (TACTV) and district book fairs, ensuring wider accessibility.

From 2021-22 to 2024-25, Rs.27.11 crore number of free and sale textbooks, amounting to Rs.1979.76 crore, have been printed and distributed. For the year 2025-26, printing of 4.19 crore of textbooks is in progress.

10.3.3 Printing of Other Books

The Corporation prints books for various departments, including the State Council for Educational Research and Training (SCERT), Samagra Shiksha, Directorate of Non Formal and Adult Education, Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation, Directorate of Technical Education, and Welfare Departments. In 2024-25, a total of 435.56 lakh copies of books worth Rs.100 crore were printed.

10.4 Publishing Activities

10.4.1 Digitization and Reprinting of Rare Books

Tamil Nadu Government has introduced Higher Education through Tamil Medium in later 1960s. Between 1968 and 1978, the Corporation published around 900 books of which 875 have been digitized and reprinted. Books worth Rs.6 crore have been sold.

10.4.2 Books for Competitive Examinations

A total of six volumes of question banks covering Physics, Chemistry, and Biology were co-published with private organisations and provided to schools while also being made available for purchase.

10.4.3 Thisaithorum Dravidam

This initiative aims to promote Tamil literature and history by translating novels, short stories, poetry, and historical works into other Dravidian and international languages. Accordingly, 68 books have been published under this project in a first of its kind collaboration with

20 English language publishers, 7 Kannada, 6 Malayalam, one in Telugu.

10.4.4 Muthamizharignar Mozhipeyarppu Thittam

This scheme focuses on translating renowned multi-disciplinary books on arts, science, medicine, engineering, and technology into Tamil, in collaboration with leading publishers.

In January 2023, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu released five medical books co-published with Elsevier and Routledge. 45 books during 2023, 62 books in January 2024, 32 books in January 2025 totalling 139 books have been published under this scheme.

10.4.5 Ilanthalir Ilakkiya Thittam

Launched to fulfill Arignar Anna's vision of a library in every home, this initiative focuses on introducing children to literature through age-appropriate books. To date, 138 books have been published.

10.4.6 Nationalised Books for the Next Generation

A total of 36 books by notable Tamil authors, including Tho. Mu. Si. Raghunathan, Mayilai Seeni Venkatasamy, Pudhumaipithan, and Rajam Krishnan, have been published under this initiative.

10.4.7 A Reader on Centenary Writers

As a tribute to the prominent Literary figures on their centenary year, the Government has been compiling collections of their works since 2022-23. Readers featuring the writings of K. Anbazhagan, Azha. Valliappa, Thi. Janakiraman, and Ki. Rajanarayanan were published in 2023.

Additionally, the book “Kalaignarin Padaippulagam”, compiled by writer Imayam, was released by the Hon’ble Chief Minister on December 27, 2024. At the third Chennai International Book Fair, books on K. Alagirisamy and Kavignar Tamil Oli were also published.

10.4.8 Periyar Thoughts Translation Project

The teachings of Periyar have been translated into 21 languages, with the first volume (five books) released at the Second Chennai International Book Fair in Malayalam, Kannada, Marathi, Telugu, Urdu, English, French, Spanish, Arabic, Russian, and Japanese.

At the Third Chennai International Book Fair, 10 additional books were published in Assamese, Bengali, Odia, Gujarati, Punjabi, Bhojpuri, Hindi, German, Italian, and Korean.

10.4.9 Collaborative Publications

A total of 21 books have been published in collaboration with the Tamil Development Department, covering Classical Tamil literature, A Comparative Etymological Dictionary of Tamil and Indo-European Languages, and Dravida Kalanjiyam. Additionally, a book titled "Social Justice and Reservation" was released in partnership with the BC, MBC & Minority Welfare Department.

10.4.10 Nationalised & Rare Books in English

Twelve books have been published under this scheme, including Veerapandiya Kattabomman, Buddhism and Tamil, and Jainism and Tamil, which were released by the Hon'ble Chief Minister at the Third Chennai International Book Fair.

10.4.11 World Children's Literature in Tamil

A total of 22 internationally acclaimed children's books have been translated into Tamil and published under this scheme.

10.4.12 Sales of books published under various schemes

Books published under various schemes were sold to institutions including Public Libraries, Government and aided colleges, coaching centres, knowledge centres for an amount approximately Rs.6 crore. At the 48th Chennai Book Fair held in (January 2025) books worth Rs.9.40 lakhs were sold.

10.4.13 Thiruvalluvar Statue Silver Jubilee Book Release

To commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Thiruvalluvar Statue (Statue of Wisdom) in Kanyakumari, the book "Thirukkural – A Gem for Each Day", compiled by Tmt. Thirunavukkarasu, was reprinted with Kalaignar's commentary and released on December 31, 2024.

10.5 Procurement Activities

The corporation oversees the procurement and distribution of essential educational kits to students every year. Rs.764 crore was spent on free educational kits from 2022-2023 to 2024-25.

For 2025-26, procurement orders worth Rs.213 crore were issued to ensure kits reach students on school reopening day.

11.FINANCIAL OUTLAY

The outlay for School Education in 2025-2026
in Demand No.43 is Rs.46,766.68 crore.

Budget Estimate 2025-2026					
(Rupees in Lakhs)					
Head of Account			State Expenditure	Schemes shared between State and Centre	Total
Revenue Section					
2051	Public Service Commission		5141.49		5141.49
2059	Public Works		20105.00		20105.00
2202	General Education				
	1	Elementary Education	2073086.23	262567.51	2335653.74
	2	Secondary Education	1984305.74	118189.70	2102495.44
	4	Adult Education	309.52	1320.02	1629.54
	5	Language Development	2487.35		2487.35
		Recoveries	7790.70		7790.70
	Total-General Education		4067979.54	382077.23	4450056.77
2204	Sports and Youth Services		33.19		33.19
2205	Art and Culture		51899.27		51899.27
2225	Welfare of SC & ST and Other Backward Classes		36409.51		36409.51
2235	Social Security and Welfare		371.20		371.20
2251	Secretariat-Social Services		1581.68		1581.68
Revenue Section Total			4183520.28	382077.23	4565598.21

Capital Section				
4202	Capital Outlay	110970.28		110970.28
Loan Section				
7610	Loans to Government Servants	100.00		100.00
Grand Total		4294591.26	382077.23	4676668.49
Grand Total for Demand No. 43				4676668.49

Tamil Nadu Government's annual increase in funding allocation for School Education, along with reforms such as implementing changes in Secondary and Higher Secondary Education, is paving the way for uplifting marginalized sections of society through our education system. As a result, Tamil Nadu has been recording progress not only in terms of quantity in Primary, Secondary and Higher Secondary Education but also in terms of quality, achieving consistent and sustainable development.

Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi
Minister for School Education



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin received a report from the Hon'ble Minister for School Education Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozi on the completed works by the School Education Department in Kolathur Assembly Constituency on 11.4.2025.



The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. Udhayanidhi Stalin received a detailed review report from the Hon'ble Minister for School Education Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyamozhi on the works undertaken by the School Education Department in the Chepauk-Triplicane Assembly Constituency on 16.04.2025.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin was met by the Hon'ble Minister for School Education Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyamozhi on 17.12.2024 to express gratitude for implementing the Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme. The scheme resulted in an increase in the number of students arriving at school on time and enhanced memory retention in over 90 per cent of the children, as per the report released by the State Planning Commission.



The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. Udhayanidhi Stalin inaugurated the renovated and air-conditioned Marina Beach Library, which cost Rs.38.40 lakh, on 16.04.2025 and distributed patron certificates to nine persons.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin issued admission letters to the students on the occasion of the commencement of student admissions for the academic year 2025-2026 in a function held at Lady Willingdon Government Model Girls Higher Secondary School in Triplicane, Chennai on 01.03.2025.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin inaugurated 326 library buildings constructed under the Directorate of Public Libraries of the School Education Department and 199 school classroom buildings built under the Child-Friendly School Infrastructure Development Scheme of the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department on 11.04.2025.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin felicitated Principal Secretary of School Education Department Dr. B.Chandra Mohan, IAS on 11.04.2025 for the Certificate of Appreciation given by the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) of the Union Government for Tamil Nadu, securing the first position in students' Aadhaar enrollment.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin accepted the Guard of Honour of the Scouts and Guides during the celebrations of the Bharat Scouts and Guides Diamond Jubilee and Muthamizh Arignar Dr.Kalaighnar Centenary Jamboree closing ceremony held in Sipcot Complex, Manapparai, Tiruchirappalli District on 02.02.2025.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin was met by Students, Teachers and Parents on 21.03.2025 and expressed their gratitude for the allocation of necessary funds for the welfare of the students and to ensure the smooth implementation of the Samagra Shiksha scheme due to the non-release of the Union Government's 60 per cent share amounting to Rs.2152 crore allocated to Tamil Nadu.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin felicitated Government school students heading to premier higher educational institutions by presenting them with a Certificate of Appreciation and Laptops in a function held on 02.08.2024 at Anna Centenary Library.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin released 30 translated books and Thiru Shashi Tharoor, Former Union Minister and Member of Parliament received the same during the Chennai International Book Fair 2025 closing ceremony at Chennai Trade Centre on 18.01.2025.



The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. Udhayanidhi Stalin presented the Kalaiyarasan and Kalaiyarasi awards, prize trophies, and certificates to the students who won at the State-level Kalai Thiruvizha competitions organised by the School Education Department on 24.01.2025 at Anna Centenary Library.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin released a special magazine during the “Celebrating the Parents” ceremony organised by the Tamil Nadu State Parent Teacher Association on 22.02.2025 at Thiruppayar, Cuddalore District.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu issued appointment orders to the athletes to work in the School Education Department under a 3 per cent sports quota. The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. Udhayanidhi Stalin, felicitated the athletes on 06.01.2025.



Her Excellency the President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu, was met by the Hon'ble Minister for School Education Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi in New Delhi on 22.01.2025 relating to the celebrations of the Bharat Scouts and Guides Diamond Jubilee and Muthamizh Arignar Dr.Kalaignar Centenary Jamboree held at Manapparai, Tiruchirappalli District.



The Hon'ble Minister for School Education Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi interacts with students in the classroom to assess their learning skills.



The Hon'ble Minister for School Education Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi assessing the progress made in students' learning outcomes.



The Hon'ble Minister for School Education Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozi inspects the drinking water and sanitation facilities in a Government school.



The Hon'ble Minister for School Education Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi handed over the government order to the Head Master of the School on 25.11.2024 by removing the name 'Harijan Colony' and renaming as "Mallasamudram East" Panchayat Union Primary School in Namakkal District.

