

**Government of India
Ministry of Communications
Department of Posts**

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NOTIFICATION

Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana for students of class VI to IX

Department of Posts has launched a philately scholarship scheme **Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana** (Scholarship for Promotion of Aptitude & Research in Stamps as a Hobby) on 03.11.2017 for generating interest regarding Philately amongst students.

About scheme:

Students of class VI to IX having good academic record and pursuing philately as a hobby will be awarded scholarship on the basis of Philately Quiz & Philately Project to be conducted by Circle Offices. The amount of Scholarship per awardee is to be Rs. 6000/- per annum @ Rs. 500/- per month.

Salient Features:

1. Eligibility Condition:

- a) The Candidate must be a student (class VI to IX) of a recognized School within India.
- b) Concerned School should have a Philately Club and the candidate should be a member of the Club.
- c) In case the School Philately Club hasn't been established a student having his own Philately Deposit Account may also be considered.
- d) A candidate must have good academic record. At the time of selection for award of scholarship the candidate must have scored at least 60% marks or equivalent grade/ grade point in the recent final examination. There will be 5% relaxation for SC/ST.

2. Selection Process:

The Selection Process will be consisting of two levels (Level 1- Philately Written Quiz & Level- 2- Philately Project).

Level 1: A **Philately Written Quiz** at **Regional Level** will be conducted by **20.12.2017** by postal authorities in their respective circles.

Level 2: Students selected at the Regional Level Written Quiz will have to submit a Philately Project for final selection by 15th Jan, 2018.

A communication will be issued by the Circle to the selected candidates of the quiz for detailing them on the list of Philately Project Topics & broad guidelines to be followed

for writing their project. The candidates selected at Philately Written Quiz can submit their project on any one of the topic from the list provided by the circles

3. **Syllabus:**

Philately Written Quiz will be a Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) quiz consisting of 50 (Fifty) questions from following subjects: Current Affairs, History, Science, Sports, Culture, Geography and Philately (local & National).

Philately Project should not be of more than 4 to 5 pages. In the project, student may use not more than 16 stamps and not more than 500 words. Detailed guidelines regarding the Project & sample project template will be issued by Circles after announcement of Philately written quiz to the selected candidates.

4. **Amount of Scholarship:**

The amount of Scholarship is to be Rs. 6000/- per annum @ Rs. 500/- per month for a selected candidate.

5. **Disbursement of Scholarship:**

The scholarship will be transferred in the joint account (with parents) of awardees in India Post Payment Bank or Post Office Savings Bank in a branch, which has core banking facility.

6. **Application Procedure:**

- **Application form can be downloaded from www.tamilnadupost.gov.in**
- **Applications should be addressed to any one of the following and sent so as to reach on or before 12.12.2017**
 - 1) The Postmaster General, Chennai City Region, Chennai 600 002
 - 2) The Postmaster General, Western Region, Coimbatore 641 002
 - 3) The Postmaster General, Southern Region , Madurai 625 002
 - 4) The Postmaster General, Central Region, Tiruchirapalli 620 001
- **There should be a clear superscription as “Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana” on the envelope.**
- **Applications received after the last date will be rejected.**
- **All the mandatory fields should be filled in the application form. While filling point no 8 & 9 in the application form if any of the fields is not applicable, it should be marked as N/A. It should not be left blank. Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

Competent authority
O/o CPMG Tamilnadu Circle
Chennai 600002

Application Form

Passport size
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1. Name of the Student(*) : _____
2. Mother's Name : _____
3. Father's Name : _____
4. Date of Birth (*) : __/__/____
5. Class(*) : _____ Academic Year(*) : _____
6. Name of School (*) : _____
7. % of marks (in previous year final examination)(*) : _____
8. Philatelic Deposit Account (Yes/No)(*) : _____
If yes, Account no and Philatelic Bureau (*) : _____
Date of opening of Philatelic Deposit Account: _____
9. Member in School (*)
Philatelic Club (Yes/No): _____ Club Membership No.: _____
10. Address(*) : _____

PIN: _____
11. Contact No. Mobile(*) : _____ Landline _____
12. Email Id : _____

Place : _____ Signature of candidate : _____

Date : _____ Attestation by the institution : _____

For Office Use

Name of Office

Date of Quiz

Other details

***(All the mandatory fields should be filled in the application form. While filling point no 8 & 9 in the application form if any of the fields is not applicable, it should be marked as N/A. It should not be left blank. Incomplete applications will not be considered)**