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RAJ BHAVAN, TAMIL NADU, ANNOUNCES 3rd EDITION OF STATE LEVEL ESSAY COMPETITIONS FOR SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS, STUDYING IN TAMIL NADU AS PART OF THE BIRTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS OF MAHAKAVI SUBRAMANIA BHARATHIAR

The Birth Anniversary of Mahakavi Subramania Bharathiar falls on 11th December and is celebrated with great fervor every year. As part of the commemorative celebrations of the 144th Birth Anniversary of Mahakavi Subramania Bharathiar, Raj Bhavan, Tamil Nadu announces a 3rd Edition of State Level Essay Competition both in Tamil and English for School and College students studying in Tamil Nadu.

Competitions will be held separately for School and College Students both in Tamil and English. Students can send their entries either in Tamil or in English and the prizes will be given separately for both the entries.

The topics of the essay competitions, under the various categories are:

S. No	Category	Topics
1.	School Students	English Bharathiar: The Beloved Son of Bharatha Matha
		Tamil பாரதியார்: பாரதத் தாயின் தவப்புதல்வர்
2.	University / College Students	English Subramania Bharathiar's vision for celebrating the Linguistic Diversity of India
		Tamil சப்பிரமணிய பாரதியாரின் பார்வையில் இந்தியாவின் பன்மொழிச் சிறப்புகள்

The essays should ONLY be handwritten (not typed) in A4 size white sheets written only on single side and the length of the Essays should be:

- a) For School students **maximum of 10 (TEN) pages** (with approximately 20 lines per page and a total of 1500 words to 2000 words).
- b) For College students **maximum of 15 (FIFTEEN) pages** (with approximately 20 lines per page and a total of 2500 words to 3000 words).

The participants should send only the 'Hard Copy' of the handwritten essays (not typed) on or before 05.00 p.m., 30th September 2025 to the following address:

The Deputy Secretary to Governor (Universities), Governor's Secretariat, Raj Bhavan, Chennai – 600 022.

Entries received after the above date and time will not be considered. Entries should be sent only by post or courier and not to be brought / handed over in person.

Students should clearly mention their Name, Residential address, Class/Discipline in which they are studying, Address of the Educational Institution and Personal / Parental Contact mobile number in a separate paper that shall be prefixed to / attached to the first page of the essay.

The entries should be accompanied by a Self-Declaration Certificate as follows:

Self - Declaration Certificate					
Istudying					
(Class/year) in	(Institution),	residing in			
	(addres	ss) hereby			
declare that, I have written this essay titledin					
(English/Tamil) on my own and contents of my essay has not been copied from					
any sources. I understand that if at a later date, any information provided by me					
is found to be incorrect, I may be disqualified from the Competition.					
Date:	Signature of the Student				
Place:	(Name:)			

The student who gets first prize will be given a cash award of ₹50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only), the student who gets the second prize will be given a cash award of ₹30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand only) and the student who gets the third prize will be given a cash award of ₹25,000/- (Rupees Twenty-Five Thousand only).

The results of the competitions will be announced on 11th December, 2025, the Birth anniversary of Mahakavi Subramania Bharathiar. The organisers reserve the right to publish the winning entries in the Tamil Nadu Raj Bhavan Official Website with appropriate / necessary editing.

The prizes will be awarded during the Republic Day celebrations, 2026 at Raj Bhavan, Chennai.

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Raj Bhavan, Chennai.

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