

# Child Adoption - Tamil Nadu

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## Objectives (Child Adoption - Tamil Nadu)

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## Important Features (Child Adoption - Tamil Nadu)

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- Tamil Nadu" was launched by the Social Welfare and Women Empowerment Department, Government of Tamil Nadu. The scheme aims to provide a family for orphaned, abandoned, destitute and neglected children. According to Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA), "adoption is a process by which a child who is abandoned / separated from biological parents, becomes the legitimate child of a new set of parents referred to as adoptive parents, with all the rights, privileges and responsibilities that are attached to this relationship".

## Benefits (Child Adoption - Tamil Nadu)

- Accommodation, food, and health care to the babies till they are given in adoption.
- A family to the destitute child and a child to childless parents.
- Special concessions are given to female government employees to adopt children: Special adoption leave of 270 days is extended to female government servants of the state government who adopt a child below one year.
- The leave is eligible only from the date of legalization of adoption.

## Eligibility (Child Adoption - Tamil Nadu)

- The parents must have at least two years of a stable marital relationship. The single prospective adoptive parents should be between 30
- 55 years of age. An unmarried/single male persons are not eligible to adopt a girl child. The parents should have adequate financial resources to upbringing the child. Age Criteria: For a child up to 4 years old: Maximum composite age of the Prospective Adoptive Parents: 90 years. For a single Prospective Adoptive Parent: Minimum age 25 years, maximum age 45 years. For a child above 4 years up to 8 years old: Maximum composite age of the Prospective Adoptive Parents: 100 years. For a single Prospective Adoptive Parent: Minimum age 25 years, maximum age 50 years. For a child above 8 years up to 18 years old: Maximum composite age of the Prospective Adoptive Parents: 110 years. For a single Prospective Adoptive Parent: Minimum age 25 years, maximum age 55 years. ■ ■ ■ ■

## Application Process (Child Adoption - Tamil Nadu)

- Step 1: The interested applicant should visit (during office hours) the office State Adoption Resource Agency/Directorate of Social Defence/Concerned Probation Officer and request a hard copy of the prescribed format of the application form from the concerned staff.
- Step 2: In the application form, fill in all the mandatory fields, paste the passport-sized photograph (signed across, if required), and attach copies of all the mandatory documents (self-attest, if required).
- Step 3: Submit the duly filled and signed application form along with the documents to the State Adoption Resource Agency/Directorate of Social Defence/Concerned Probation Officer.
- Step 4: Request a receipt or acknowledgment from the concerned authority to whom the application has been submitted.
- Ensure that the receipt contains essential details such as the date and time of submission, and a unique identification number (if applicable).

## **Documents Required (Child Adoption - Tamil Nadu)**

- PAN Card/Passport. Proof of Residence (Aadhaar Card/Voter ID card/Passport /Driving License/ Electricity Card). Proof of Income of Last Year (Pay Bill/ Income Tax Certificate). Copy of Marriage Certificate & Photograph. Copy of Birth Certificate of the Prospective Adoptive Parents. Medical Certificate. Letter of Identification (from their friends/relatives).

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