

LADY MEHERBAI D TATA EDUCATION TRUST

Scholarship announcement (2026-2027)

The Lady Meherbai D Tata Education Trust awards scholarships to Indian women graduates of reputed universities who wish to pursue higher education abroad. This support is specifically aimed at covering part of the tuition fee component.

The Trust invites applications for the academic year 2026-2027 to the courses of study listed below.

The focus and concentration of study must be on issues related to women and children in all subjects.

Requests for educational programmes which do not focus on the following will not be accepted at the first stage of applying:

- Child Health – Development and Nutrition
- Counselling – with a focus on children, adolescents and women.
Use of creative arts in this field is encouraged.
- Education – Teachers' Training Programme
- Education and Welfare of Children with Special Needs
- Speech and Language Pathology
- Gender Studies:
 - a. Combating gender-based violence – various forms of violence, the impact on victims, and effective prevention and support mechanisms
 - b. Issues concerning Indian women as singles, single mothers, and married women
- Health Policy and Health Education – Mental Health and Well-being of women, children and female youth.
- Healthcare Access for Women - (Access to healthcare, including reproductive health services, which is crucial for women's empowerment).
- Human Rights
- Law (for women's and children's issues and not any branch of law)
- Needs of Adolescents
- Psychology (Cognitive, Clinical, Counselling, Health, Teaching, Learning and Social)

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- Public Health (Community Health Services, Reproductive Health, Epidemiology)
- Urban Poor and Rural Community Development
- Public and Social Policy – related to children, adolescents and women
- Social Work (in areas such as families, women and children and special groups such as women in prison and marginalised groups)

VISION OF THE TRUST

The vision of the Trust is that the knowledge and skills acquired by scholars through their international education are to be brought back to India, in order to serve and contribute meaningfully to the nation's development.

If selected, a candidate will need to fulfil certain requirements with the Trust, which will be detailed once they are selected for the award of a scholarship.

Eligibility requirements:

- Indian women graduate from a reputed university.
- A consistent and remarkable academic record.
- Candidates are required to have ALL their results in hand to be considered eligible to submit their application. Individuals still awaiting their results are not eligible to apply. (This requirement applies to those who have completed their Bachelor's / Master's degree and have their results in hand.)
- Applicants must have applied for admission, or preferably secured admission, to reputed universities or institutions in the **United States, UK or Europe** for the year 2026-2027
- Graduates with at least two years of relevant paid work experience are desired.

Interview:

- Shortlisted candidates will be required to attend either an in-person or an online interview with the Board of Trustees on a designated day in late June or early July 2026, details of which will be communicated later.

Selection and scholarship details:

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- A gift scholarship towards part of the tuition fee component is awarded to the selected student; the approximate value ranges from Rs 3 lakhs to Rs 6 lakhs, based on the candidate's performance in the interview.

Steps to request a link to the application form:

- In order to get the link to download the application form, kindly send an email with the requested information to the specified email id — **igpedulmdtet@tatatrusters.org**, giving:
 - 1) Name/s of the university/ies to be attended, in order of merit of your choice.
 - 2) The name of the course and specialisation you wish to pursue, and the duration.
 - 3) The reason behind your decision to choose the university of your studies. Please provide a brief in about four lines.
 - 4) Kindly inform us about the status of your admission – whether it is confirmed or conditional or sought for each course.
 - 5) A brief in about 4 to 5 lines, about what you are currently pursuing/ doing.
- Please upload clear, scanned copies of the letter/s you have received from the college/s in response to your request for admission, in a PDF, Word or Excel format only. **(No Google or any other links are allowed.)** Kindly label the document appropriately.
- Please respond pointwise in the manner given above. Incomplete requests from candidates will not be considered by the Trust office, and further correspondence will not be entertained.
- Sharing the link with the candidates will be at the discretion of the Trust office.

REQUEST FOR THE LINK AND SUBMISSION OF THE FILLED-IN FORM AND DOCUMENTS THROUGH EMAIL AND HARD COPIES:

- Requests for a link to the application form will be accepted from candidates from:
Monday, 23 February 2026 to Monday, 30 March 30, 2026, till 6.00 pm.
No requests will be accepted after **30 March 2026, 6.00 pm.**

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All requests received after the last date and time will stand null and void.

- Candidates are requested to fill in and submit their Microsoft application form by **the end of the day, Monday, 06 April 2026**, as there will be **no access to the form** after the given date and time.
 - The last date to accept the required documents by the Trust office on the designated email ID is **Tuesday, 14 April 2026, by the end of the day.**
 - Last date to accept the hard copies of the required documents given within 'Mandatory documents to be submitted 2026' at the designated address is **Monday, 20 April 2026, by the end of the day.**
 - Please note that the above-mentioned dates will be strictly adhered to.
- After scrutiny of the forms, only those candidates shortlisted for an interview will receive an email from the Trust office by end-June / early July 2026.

Please note:

Candidates who are pursuing part-time, short-term, correspondence courses, certificate courses, exchange programmes, undergraduate courses, distance learning, and those who have yet to receive their final Bachelor's degree marksheets or have already commenced their studies abroad or are proceeding to countries besides those mentioned above, are NOT eligible to apply.

DISCLAIMER

Candidates sharing data pursuant to this announcement will be presumed to have:

- i. Read the Privacy policy and the rights in respect of the information disclosed, and that the candidate has furnished the same, having read and understood the contents of the documents referred to, and
- ii. consented to share the personal information requested above

Shortlisting of candidates for the interviews and award of scholarships will be at the discretion of the Trustees of the Lady Meherbai D Tata Education Trust.

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