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National Level Letter Writing Competition 2025-26

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SCHOOL PARTICIPATION GUIDE

Dhai Akhar 2025-26

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Theme: "Letter to My Role Model"

What is Dhai Akhar?

An annual competition by the **Department of Posts** that inspires children to rediscover the joy of handwritten letters, creativity, and self-expression.

How Students Can Participate

- **Dates:** 8th Sept 8th Dec 2025
- Who: Any student (no age bar). Teachers (no age bar).
- Languages: English / Hindi / Regional
- Categories:
 - Up to 18 years: Inland Letter Card (ILC) / Envelope (A4)
 - Above 18 years: Inland Letter Card (ILC) / Envelope (A4)
- Word Limit:
 - A4 Letter max 800–1000 words
 - Inland Letter Card (ILC) max 500 words
- **Handwritten only.** Typed/printed entries not accepted.
- Certification line:

"I certify that I am below/above 18 years as on 01/01/2025."

• Submission Address (for all schools):

Chief Postmaster General, [Name of Your Postal Circle], Department of Posts, India. [Postal Pincode]

(Schools simply need to post entries to the CPMG of their Circle using this format. Local postal staff will guide you.)

Prizes

- **Circle Level:** ₹25,000 / ₹10,000 / ₹5,000 (per category)
- **National Level:** ₹50,000 / ₹25,000 / ₹10,000 (per category)
- Certificates & recognition

Support for Schools

- Schools can invite India Post teams to host a free Dhai Akhar session.
 - Includes: introduction, short film, philately quiz, and the letter-writing activity.
 - All stationery (ILCs & envelopes) will be provided free of cost for participants.
- A **Dhai Akhar letterbox/photo corner** will be set up during the session for children to post their letters.

Why Should Schools Participate?

- Builds writing skills, creativity & critical thinking
- Encourages gratitude, empathy & values
- Connects students to India Post & Philately
- Opportunity to **open Philatelic Clubs** in schools
- Chance to win exciting cash prizes & recognition

This Year's Theme

"Letter to My Role Model"

Schools are encouraged to guide students by helping them think about the everyday heroes who make a difference in their lives. This could be:

- A family member (parent, grandparent, sibling)
- A teacher or mentor
- A community helper (postman, doctor, nurse, farmer, shopkeeper, driver)
- An unsung hero from society
- Anyone else you wish to write about

Teachers can inspire students to reflect on values such as kindness, hard work, honesty, service, and courage. Encourage them to write heartfelt letters that share gratitude, admiration, and real-life stories of how these role models inspire them.

Quick Reminders

- Letters must be posted on or before 8th Dec 2025
- Each student can submit only one entry
- Winning entries in regional languages must include **English translation**

For details & to book a free school session:

Contact your local **Sr. Superintendent / Superintendent of Post Offices**More info: www.indiapost.gov.in