## TAMIL NADU FOUNDATION – HOUSTON CHAPTER SHORT STORY WRITING COMPETITION RULES

- Story must be the participant's original creation in Tamil.
- Story should not have been published elsewhere.
- Story should not be adapted from any other Story.
- Story should convey topic's central theme.
- Contestants can write the short story at their own convenience and send them before the deadline via email as a "pdf" attachment.
- Story should be at least two pages long with 500 words (font size 12) and not to exceed 4 pages with 2000 words (font size 12).
- If the contestant is willing to convey the story with pictures (as in comics), then story should not exceed 10 pages.
- It's mandatory that the Story has to be written in Tamil without the influence of other language. (e.g. English words, phrases etc.)
- Story should not criticize or hurt any individual, organization, political party, race, religion and caste.
- The story should include a brief description about the author.
- A contestant can submit only one story for the competition.
- Stories received after the closing date will not be accepted.
- Decision of Judges will be final.