Kashi Tamil Sangamam 5.0 will be held from 28 Nov 2026 to 12 Dec 2026 under the theme “Thirukkural Payilvom – Thirukkural Abhyas Karen”. The programme seeks to celebrate the cultural and civilisational bonds between Kashi and Tamil Nadu and to promote the timeless ethical and moral values of the Thirukkural.

KTS 5.0 takes the Thirukkural, the 1,330 couplets of Thiruvalluvar, as its unifying theme. The couplets speak of virtue, wealth and love in a language that every Indian tradition recognises as its own, which is why the Central Institute of Classical Tamil has translated the text into all twenty-two languages of the Eighth Schedule.

Under this theme, 1,000 Participating Institutions across India, selected by the Nodal Institutions of the States/UTs, each of these institutions assess their interested students on the Thirukkural and nominate one on merit; the selected students take part in a two-lecture academic orientation in their own language and a one-month research and academic engagement, write a 4–5 page article or research note under a Faculty Supervisor/Guide, and carry the text back to their campuses through a one-hour presentation of their own.

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