

UDAVI SCHOOL

Located adjacent to the Edayanchavadi village near Auroville , Udavi School was started in the early 1970s by Auroshikha, a unit of the Sri Aurobindo Ashram, and is managed by SAIIER since 1999.

Udavi is trying to follow the guidelines on education laid down by The Mother and Sri Aurobindo, while taking the children up from 1st to 10th standard in preparation for their government Matriculation examination around the age of 17-18.

The school today, which is divided into 11 classes is limited to a maximum of 18 children per class, is attended by a total of 270 children, of whom 70-75 are in the Kindergarten, with a combined faculty of 30 teachers.

The school starts each day with a short period of prayer and meditation. This helps calm the children physically and mentally before the day's teaching programme starts, while also providing an opportunity for them to become aware of their inner self and develop powers of concentration.

To develop children's full potential, in addition to intellectual education they must also have a strong and supple body. With this object in view, the school has introduced physical culture into the curriculum. Children do athletics and yoga, and play games like volley ball, hand ball, foot ball, cricket, badminton, table tennis and kabbadi. The school curriculum includes vocational activities like carpentry, tailoring, clay works, electronics and computers and creative activities like dance, music, Art and theater.