The Maha Swamiji of Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam had cherished a desire to revive Kanchipuram to its pristine glory as a center of learning. The Viswa Mahavidyalaya at Kanchi was established with the benign Blessings of Their Holiness Pujyasri Jayendra Saraswathi Swamiji and Pujyasri Sankara Vijayendra Saraswathi Swamiji and it attained the status of Deemed University in 1993.

Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi Viswa Mahavidyalaya, formed under the aegis of Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam Charitable Trust in 1993, is located in a sprawling complex of 50 acres at Enathur, at a distance of about 4 Kilometres from Kanchipuram. The University has a campus in Poonamalle, Chennai, housing an ayurveda College, research centre and hospital.

The University has a unique focus on integrating traditional knowledge with modern scientific practices with a global outlook.

To provide "quality higher education coupled with Indian Value system and at the same time make it affordable to all sections of the society irrespective of their social or economic standing".

It is to identify innate talents of students and bring out their hidden potentialities and help in development of their all-round personality with value systems.

The mission is a holistic approach to higher education with academic standards consistent with an embedded value system, enriched by a dynamic process of synergy. The Mantra is "Educational Delight" of students engaged in study and faculty engaged in teaching and research in their journey Towards Excellence with Creativity.

To devise and implement schemes for effectively imparting proficiency in modern technology, at the same time instilling social responsibility and lofty value system enshrined in our culture.

To mould a new generation of universal citizens with confidence, Self dependence, self realization, scientific temper, professionalism, thirst of knowledge, and contentment by the fusion of Indian thought and modern scientific methodology, in higher education.