



## 13<sup>th</sup> Chennai Open International Grandmasters Chess Tournament 2022 for Sakthi Group Dr. N. Mahalingam Trophy

FIDE/AICF Event Code: 283835/TN/2022 & TNSCA Approval No: INT-01/TN/22-23

Organised by Tamil Nadu State Chess Association  
Under the guidance of All India Chess Federation

**From 19<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**Venue: Hotel Ambassador Pallava**

30, Red Cross Road, Egmore, Chennai - 600 008.

(Near Indian Red Cross Society) Ph: 7397750085, 044-28554476

**The venue is about one hour drive from Chennai Airport (17 kms)**

**15 minutes from MGR Central Railway Station (4 kms) &**

**10 minutes from Egmore Railway Station (1.8 kms)**

**Total Cash Prize : Rs. 15,00,000/-**

### Main Prize

1 <sup>st</sup>	Rs. 3,00,000/-	8 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 40,000/-
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rs. 2,00,000/-	9 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 30,000/-
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rs. 1,25,000/-	10 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 25,000/-
4 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 1,00,000/-	11 <sup>th</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 20,000/-each
5 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 80,000/-	16 <sup>th</sup> - 20 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 15,000/- each
6 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 60,000/-	21 <sup>st</sup> - 40 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 10,000/- each
7 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 45,000/-		

### Category Prize

1801 to 2000: 1) Rs.9,000/- 2) Rs. 8,000/- 3) Rs. 7,000/-  
1601 to 1800: 1) Rs.9,000/- 2) Rs. 8,000/- 3) Rs. 7,000/-  
1401 to 1600: 1) Rs.9,000/- 2) Rs. 8,000/- 3) Rs. 7,000/-  
1201 to 1400: 1) Rs.9,000/- 2) Rs. 8,000/- 3) Rs. 7,000/-  
Below 1201 : 1) Rs.9,000/- 2) Rs. 8,000/- 3) Rs. 7,000/-  
& Unrated

**However a player is eligible for one prize only (whichever is higher)**

**Indian Income Tax Act and Rules in force will be applicable for TDS purpose**

**Tournament Schedule:**

**Arrival**

**8:00 AM June 19, 2022**

**Technical Meeting**

**1:00 PM June 19, 2022**

**Inaugural Ceremony**

**2:00 PM June, 19, 2022**

**Departure**

**07:00 PM June 26, 2022**

19.06.2022	Sunday	03.00 PM	Round 1
20.06.2022	Monday	10.00 AM	Round 2
20.06.2022	Monday	04.00 PM	Round 3
21.06.2022	Tuesday	10.00 AM	Round 4
22.06.2022	Wednesday	10.00 AM	Round 5
22.06.2022	Wednesday	04.00 PM.	Round 6
23.06.2022	Thursday	10.00 AM	Round 7
24.06.2022	Friday	10.00 AM	Round 8
25.06.2022	Saturday	10.00 AM	Round 9
26.06.2022	Sunday	10.00 AM	Round 10
26.06.2022	Sunday	05.00 PM.	Closing Ceremony

Entry Fee: GMs. IMs, WGMs, WIMs and Rated 2400 and above - **No Entry Fee**

FIDE Rating as on 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2022	With Lodging	Without Lodging
Rated 2300 to 2399	Rs. 9,000/-	Rs. 5,000/-
Rated 2200 to 2299	Rs. 9,500/-	Rs. 5,500/-
Rated 1900 to 2199	Rs.10,000/-	Rs. 6,000/-
Rated 1500 to 1899	Rs.10,500/-	Rs. 6,500/-
Rated 1200 to 1499	Rs.11,000/-	Rs. 7,000/-
Below 1200 & Unrated	Rs.11,500/-	Rs. 7,500/-

No request towards waiver of entry fee will be entertained

**The last date of entry will be Wednesday, June 15, 2022**

Address for sending the entries:  
Tamil Nadu State Chess Association,  
No. 75, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium,  
Periamet, Chennai - 600003.

**Phone: 044-25384477,**

E-mail: [tnchesstmt@gmail.com](mailto:tnchesstmt@gmail.com)

Website: [www.tamilchess.com](http://www.tamilchess.com)

Entry fee can be transferred online to our bank account.

A/c holder Name	Tamil Nadu State Chess Association
Bank	Indian Bank
Branch	Park Town, Chennai
A/C type	OD
A/C no	440756872
IFSC Code	IDIB000P024

Entries can also be paid  
online through:

[www.chessfee.com](http://www.chessfee.com)

[www.chezzcircle.com](http://www.chezzcircle.com)

[www.easypaychess.com](http://www.easypaychess.com)

[www.signinchess.com](http://www.signinchess.com)

After paying the entry through Online, please fill-in the G-form of the entry to the following link with attachments showing proof of all payments. It is mandatory for all Indian players to fill the G-form.

**G-form link:** <https://forms.gle/BRpDYXmfRJJUqAie9>

## Tournament Rules:

### System of Play

The tournament will be conducted as per FIDE Laws of Chess and FIDE Swiss System with 10 rounds.

### Time Control

90 Minutes each with 30 seconds increment from move no.1.

### Default Time

15 Minutes. Any player who arrives at the chess board after the default time shall lose the game.

### Tie Break

(1) Buchholz cut -1 (2) Buchholz (3) Sonneborn - Berger (4) Direct Encounter (5) Greater number of wins including forfeit games (6) Number of wins with black pieces.

**In the event of tie the cash prizes will not be shared.**

**Players should not agree for a draw in a game without completing 30 moves each**

### **Ban on Electronic devices and Wrist watch**

All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall.

### **Boarding & Lodging**

All GMs will be provided free boarding and hotel accommodation on double sharing basis.

All IMs/WGMs/WIMs will be provided free boarding and hotel accommodation on triple sharing basis.

All participants who also pay for Lodging along with the entry fee will be provided hotel accommodation on triple sharing basis/dormitory accommodation for entire duration of the tournament. The accompanying persons if they require accommodation should make a request and also pay for their accommodation along with the entry.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Entry Form**

It is mandatory to forward the entry form in the given format for accepting the entries along with the details of payment of entry fee, AICF registration and copy of Covid Vaccination (2 doses) certificate.

### **AICF Registration**

All Indian players must be registered with AICF for the year 2022 - 2023 before the registration deadline to participate in the tournament. Those who have not registered with AICF are required to do AICF registration online at <https://prs.aicf.in/players> before sending their entry.

### **Protest**

Protest, if any against the decision of the Chief Arbiter, shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.1,000/- within one hour of the completion of the game. The amount shall be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

### **Appeals Committee**

Before the commencement of the tournament, a Seven member Committee of Appeal with two reserves shall be formed by the organisers. All the members and reserves shall be from different Federation. No member of the committee can vote on a dispute in which a player from his own Federation is involved and in such case the reserve member(s) shall take his/her place in the committee.

## **Covid Protocol**

1. All players are required to mandatorily adhere the Covid protocol issued by Government of India/Government of Tamil Nadu at the time of tournament.
2. Any symptomatic players will be removed from the tournament as precaution. All players are obliged to obey this rule and no protest can be made against this decision of organizing committee on this.
3. Players are obliged to undergo random RT PCR/Antigen Test conducted by the organizing committee.
4. All the players should be compulsorily vaccinated before the tournament.
5. All Officials and Arbiters will be fully vaccinated.
6. Sanitization of Chess Board and Chess pieces will be carried out at regular intervals.
7. Parents and accompanying persons are not allowed inside tournament hall at all times.
8. Due to any unforeseen scenario, if the event needs to be cancelled, then TNSCA's obligation is limited to refunding the entry fee paid by the players.
9. By enrolling for the events, the players abide by all the terms and conditions of the tournament for participation.

**Organizing Secretary**  
**Mr. B. Murugavel,**  
Vice President,  
TNSCA

**Tournament Director**  
**Mr. P. Stephen Balasamy,**  
General Secretary,  
TNSCA

**Technical Director**  
**Mr. R. Anantharam,**  
Chairman, Arbiters commission  
TNSCA

**For further assistance please contact:**

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**Hotels near the tournament venue:**

Lakshmi Lodge, No,16, Kennet Lane, (opp. to Egmore Railway Stn.)  
Ph: +91 44 42148725/26/27, Mob: +91 98409 00342

Hotel Pandian, No.15, Kennet Lane, (opp. to Egmore Railway Stn.)  
Ph: +91 44 28192727, Mob: +91 98414 21207, +91 98414 21202

Vestin Park Hotel, No. 39, Red Cross Road, Egmore,  
Ph: + 91 44 28527171, Mob: +91 99400 11946

Hotel Ramada, Egmore Ph: +91 44 4610 4777, Mob: +91 99400 13269



**Arutchelvar Dr. N. Mahalingam**

Dr. N. Mahalingam founder, Sakthi group of companies was chess philanthropist beyond comparison. His compassion for chess players in distress was phenomenal. He expressed his appreciation of the achievements of chess players with meaningful gifts that inspired them to higher efforts. As a former President of Tamil Nadu State Chess Association and All India Chess Federation, Dr.N.Mahalingam championed the growth and the development of the game.