



ICC - CHESSFEE International FIDE Rated OPEN Chess Tournament 2026 - 3rd Edition

AICF Event Code : 437623/TN/2025; TNSCA Event Code : RO-22/CBE/25-26

Under the aegis of Coimbatore District Chess Association, TNSCA & AICF

Organised by **Indian Chess Consortium (ICC)**

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(Affiliated to Coimbatore District Chess Association)

TOTAL PRIZE AMOUNT

Rs. 5,00,000/-

Total No. of Rounds - 8

Date

**1st to 4th
October
2026**

Venue

**Sri Krishna
Gounder
Kalayana Mandapam**

Maniyakarampalayam Road,
Ganapathy, Coimbatore,
Tamil Nadu - 641006

Entry Fee - Rs. 2500/-

**Early Bird Offer
Rs. 2250/- till 31st
August**

**TOTAL PRIZES 299
TROPHIES 78**

**CASH PRIZES 121
SHIELDS 100**

**TIME CONTROL :
90 MINUTES EACH + 30 SECONDS
INCREMENT FROM MOVE NO. 1**

**Free Dormitory Hall
Accommodation
(Register before 15th September*)
FA P Harsendra 90256 39997**

Contact

**IA Dr. G.G. Sathiesh 98422 05003
ICC Coordinator 63699 56505**

**Entry Fee can be paid @
www.chessfee.com**

Total Number of Cash Prizes - 121

Prizes Open

1 st	Rs. 40000 + 
2 nd	Rs. 30000 + 
3 rd	Rs. 20000 + 
4 th	Rs. 14000
5 th	Rs. 11000
6 th	Rs. 9500
7 th	Rs. 8000
8 th	Rs. 7000
9 th	Rs. 6000
10 th	Rs. 5000
11 th	Rs. 4500
12 th	Rs. 4000
13 th	Rs. 4000
14 th	Rs. 4000
15 th	Rs. 4000
16 th	Rs. 3500
17 th	Rs. 3500
18 th	Rs. 3500
19 th	Rs. 3500
20 th	Rs. 3500
21 st	Rs. 3000
22 nd	Rs. 3000
23 rd	Rs. 3000
24 th	Rs. 3000
25 th	Rs. 3000
26 th	Rs. 2500
27 th	Rs. 2500
28 th	Rs. 2500
29 th	Rs. 2500
30 th	Rs. 2500

Unrated

1 st	Rs. 9000 + 
2 nd	Rs. 7000
3 rd	Rs. 5000
4 th	Rs. 4000
5 th	Rs. 3000
6 th	Rs. 3000
7 th	Rs. 2500
8 th	Rs. 2500
9 th	Rs. 2500
10 th	Rs. 2500
11 th	Rs. 2500
12 th	Rs. 2500
13 th	Rs. 2500
14 th	Rs. 2500
15 th	Rs. 2500

1400-1500

1 st	Rs. 9000 + 
2 nd	Rs. 7000
3 rd	Rs. 5000
4 th	Rs. 4000
5 th	Rs. 3000
6 th	Rs. 3000
7 th	Rs. 2500
8 th	Rs. 2500
9 th	Rs. 2500
10 th	Rs. 2500
11 th	Rs. 2500
12 th	Rs. 2500
13 th	Rs. 2500
14 th	Rs. 2500
15 th	Rs. 2500

1501-1600

1 st	Rs. 9000 + 
2 nd	Rs. 7000
3 rd	Rs. 5000
4 th	Rs. 4000
5 th	Rs. 3000
6 th	Rs. 3000
7 th	Rs. 2500
8 th	Rs. 2500
9 th	Rs. 2500
10 th	Rs. 2500
11 th	Rs. 2500
12 th	Rs. 2500
13 th	Rs. 2500
14 th	Rs. 2500
15 th	Rs. 2500

1601-1700

1 st	Rs. 9000 + 
2 nd	Rs. 7000
3 rd	Rs. 5000
4 th	Rs. 4000
5 th	Rs. 3000
6 th	Rs. 3000
7 th	Rs. 2500
8 th	Rs. 2500
9 th	Rs. 2500
10 th	Rs. 2500
11 th	Rs. 2500
12 th	Rs. 2500
13 th	Rs. 2500
14 th	Rs. 2500
15 th	Rs. 2500

Best Coimbatore Players

- 1st Rs. 9000 + 🏆
- 2nd Rs. 7000
- 3rd Rs. 5000
- 4th Rs. 4000
- 5th Rs. 3000

Best of Specially Challenged

- 1st Rs. 3500 + 🏆
- 2nd Rs. 2500 + 🏆

Best Veteran (55+)

- 1st Rs. 3500 + 🏆
- 2nd Rs. 2500 + 🏆

Best Girls / Women (Above 16)

- 1st Rs. 3500 + 🏆
- 2nd Rs. 2500 + 🏆

Best of Veteran- Coimbatore (Above 55 years)

- 1st Rs. 3500 + 🏆
- 2nd Rs. 2500 + 🏆

(18) Cash Prizes – Top 3 for Boys and Girls Separately - Under 9, Under 12, Under 16

- 1st Rs. 1250 + 🏆
- 2nd Rs. 1000 + 🏆
- 3rd Rs. 750 + 🏆

100 Nos.

***Encouragement Shield (7") for Non-prize Winners based on the rank list order**

(30) Category Prizes - Top 5 Trophies for Boys and Girls Separately - Under 9, Under 12, Under 16

(30) Special Category Prizes - Top 5 Trophies for Boys & Girls Separately for Coimbatore Players - Under 9, 12 & 16

****All Under 8 players will be appreciated with medals****

Best Youngest Boy / Girl – 1 Trophy Each

Based on the year of birth and no. of points secured (Min. 1 point)

Age Limit :

- Under 8 : Born on or after 01.01.2018
- Under 9 : Born on or after 01.01.2017
- Under 12 : Born on or after 01.01.2014
- Under 16 : Born on or after 01.01.2010

ROUND SCHEDULE

Inauguration	1 st October (Thursday)	09.30 A.M.
Round 1	1 st October (Thursday)	10.00 A.M.
Round 2	1 st October (Thursday)	03.30 P.M.
Round 3	2 nd October (Friday)	09.30 A.M.
Round 4	2 nd October (Friday)	03.00 P.M.
Round 5	3 rd October (Saturday)	09.30 A.M.
Round 6	3 rd October (Saturday)	03.00 P.M.
Round 7	4 th October (Sunday)	08.30 A.M.
Round 8	4 th October (Sunday)	01.30 P.M.
Prize Distribution – 6.00 P.M / Departure 7.30 PM		

Rules and Regulations

Eligibility

The tournament is Open to all irrespective of their Age, Gender and FIDE rating.

Foreign Players

A valid FIDE ID (LICENSED) is mandatory.

Indian Players

Active AICF ID for the period 1st April 2026 – 31st March 2027 is mandatory for all the Indian players. In case of Tamilnadu players, Active TNSCA ID for the period 1st April 2026 – 31st March 2027 is compulsory.

System of Play

Tournament will be conducted as per FIDE Laws of Chess. Latest FIDE Rules and Fair Play Rules shall be enforced.

Mode of Tournament

Total 8 rounds shall be played.

Time Control

90 minutes each + 30 seconds increment per move from Move No.1

Default Time

Default time is 15 minutes. Players have to be at the boards within 15 minutes from the start of the round.

Tie break

Buchholz tie-break system will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared.

AICF Player Registration

AICF player registration is compulsory for Indian players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs. 300/- for the period 1st April 2026 – 31st March 2027.

New entrants to the field of chess are informed that AICF players registration is mandatory and it should be done well before participating in any tournament.

For fresh AICF registration please click <http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/>

For fresh AICF registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address (unique) not used by any other person/ player for AICF, ready before the registration process. For renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click <http://aicf.in/players/>

Note : Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.

TNSCA Player Registration

TNSCA player registration is compulsory for all Tamil Nadu players. TNSCA Player Registration fee is Rs.150/- for the period 1st April 2026 – 31st March 2027. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Tournament). New entrants to the field of chess are informed that TNSCA players registration is mandatory and it should be done well before participating in any tournament. For fresh TNSCA registration please click <https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/> For fresh TNSCA registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address ready before the registration process. For renewing TNSCA player registration of existing players, please click <https://registration.tamilchess.com/>
Note : Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.

Coimbatore Player Registration

Coimbatore District Player Registration fee Rs. 75/- for the period 1st April 2026 – 31st March 2027 is compulsory for Coimbatore players only. Register at <https://cdcachess.com/membership>

Protests

Protests if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with protest fee of Rs. 1000/- within 15 minutes of the occurrence of the incident to the appeals committee. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

Appeals Committee

Before the commencement of the Tournament, appeals committee will be formed from the senior participants present at the players meeting. The appeals committee decisions will be final and binding on all players concerned.

Withdrawals

A player may withdraw at any stage of the event, after informing the Chief Arbiter in writing.

Last date

Entries will be closed at 6 P.M on 28/09/2026

Rights of admission

The AICF/ TNSCA/ Coimbatore DCA/organizer Indian Chess Consortium (ICC) – CHESSFEE reserve the rights of admission to the venue.

Wrist Watches

As per AICF regulations, wrist watches are prohibited inside the playing hall. Players are requested not to wear any type of wrist watches during the tournament.

Electronic Devices

During play, a player is forbidden to possess any sort of electronic gadgets like mobile phones, Bluetooth devices etc. on their body.

Discipline

Any person - whether player, parent, coach or accompanying person who disrupts the decorum of the tournament will face exclusion from the event.

Prizes and Certificates

Only E-certificate will be awarded to all the participants. E-certificate can be downloaded from the link that will be provided in www.chess-results.com

A player is eligible for only one prize whichever is higher.

"Income Tax Applicable as per Rule"

Prizes will not be given in advance. Prizes should be collected during the Prize distribution function otherwise, prize will be forfeit.

Important Information

Drinking water will be provided, kindly bring your water bottles to fill.

Chief Arbiter

Dr. G.G.Sathiesh International Arbiter

Accommodation

Free unfurnished Dormitory Hall Accommodation on prior booking basis will be provided for players who register by paying the entry fee before **15th September 2026** subject to availability. Thereafter unfurnished Dormitory Hall Accommodation will be charged nominally subject to priority booking.

All are requested to bring their own bedding.

Paid accommodation

Individual Rooms (Limited) can be booked at the Playing Venue,
Contact Mr. Vijayakumar, Manager – 98428 99255

WITH BEST WISHES from
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of Coimbatore District Chess Association