



# 1st Harda Open International FIDE Rapid Rating Chess Tournament 2026

Under The Aegis of All India Chess Federation & MP Chess Ad-hoc Committee

AICF Event Code: 458236/MP(R)/2026

**Total Prize Fund**  
**₹ 1,51,000/-**

**Date: 24<sup>th</sup> January 2026**



**Venue: Harda Degree College, In Front of Collector  
Residence, Indore Road, Harda M.P**



# PRIZES



₹ 20,000/-



₹ 25,000/-



₹ 15,000/-

4<sup>th</sup> ₹ 10,000/-

5<sup>th</sup> ₹ 7,000/-

6<sup>th</sup> ₹ 5,000/-

7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> - ₹ 3,000/-

11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> - ₹ 2,500/-

16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> - ₹ 2,000/-

## Category Prizes

### 1400-1699

1<sup>st</sup> - ₹ 2,000  
2<sup>nd</sup> - ₹ 1,500  
3<sup>rd</sup> - ₹ 1,000

### 1700-1999

1<sup>st</sup> - ₹ 2,000  
2<sup>nd</sup> - ₹ 1,500  
3<sup>rd</sup> - ₹ 1,000

### Unrated

1<sup>st</sup> - ₹ 2,000  
2<sup>nd</sup> - ₹ 1,500  
3<sup>rd</sup> - ₹ 1,000

### Vetran 60+

1<sup>st</sup> - ₹ 2,000  
2<sup>nd</sup> - ₹ 1,500  
3<sup>rd</sup> - ₹ 1,000

### Best M.P

1<sup>st</sup> - ₹ 2,000  
2<sup>nd</sup> - ₹ 1,500  
3<sup>rd</sup> - ₹ 1,000

### Best Female Player

1<sup>st</sup> - ₹ 2,000  
2<sup>nd</sup> - ₹ 1,500  
3<sup>rd</sup> - ₹ 1,000

### Best Harda

1<sup>st</sup> - ₹ 2,000  
2<sup>nd</sup> - ₹ 1,500  
3<sup>rd</sup> - ₹ 1,000  
4<sup>th</sup> - ₹ 750  
5<sup>th</sup> - ₹ 750  
6<sup>th</sup> - ₹ 500  
7<sup>th</sup> - ₹ 500  
8<sup>th</sup> - ₹ 500

**Trophies For Top 3**  
**Under- 7,9,11,13 age groups.**

**10 extra Prizes for Promising Players**  
**One year Shatranj Samrat Magazine Subscription.**

**E-Certificate For All Participants**



# TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Player Meeting - 09:00am  
Inauguration - 09:15am  
Round 1 - 09:30am  
Prize Distribution - 07:00pm

## ENTRY FEE

**Entry Fee - ₹ 750**  
**Entry Fee For Harda Player - ₹ 500**

Free entry for GM/IM/WGM/WIM/ and players rated above 2300  
50% concessions in the Entry fees will be given to especially abled players.

**Last date of Entry- 06: 00 PM 22 January 2026**

**For Any Technical Query Contact**  
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**Registration by online Circle Chess**  
Please use the link below or scan the  
QR Code for Registration

[link:https://circlechess.com/registration?id=49722](https://circlechess.com/registration?id=49722)



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Through Circle Chess



# RULES & REGULATION

**System of Play:** The Championship will be conducted as per FIDE laws of Chess & FIDE Swiss system in no of rounds 09.

**Time Control:** 15minutes + 5 seconds increment from move one, .

**Default Time:** Default time for arriving to the chessboard is 15 minutes.

**Electronic Devices:** Any Electronic Devices including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall.

**Tie-break:** Following is the order of tie-break:

(a) Buchholz Cut1, (b) Buchholz, (c) Sonneborn Berger, (d) Direct encounter, (e) The greater number of wins (forfeit included), (f) Greater Number of wins with Black.

**Withdrawal:** In the event of absence to any round without prior information to the CHIEF ARBITER in writing the Player's name will be removed from the pairing for further rounds.

**Protest:** Protest, if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with a Protest fee of Rs. 1000/- within 30 minutes of the occurrence of the incident. The protest fee will be refunded, if the appeal is upheld.

**Disqualification:** No participant will leave the venue before the Prize Distribution function without the permission of the Chief Arbiter. The participants disregarding the rule will be suspended for one year.

**Appeals Committee:** Before the commencement of the championship, a five- member Appeals Committee shall be formed by the organizers. All the members and reserves shall be from the different units. No member of the committee can vote on dispute in which a player from his own district is involved and in such case the reserves shall take his place in the committee.

**Interpretation:** On any point not covered under these rules, the decision of the Championship Committee shall be final and binding on all. The Championship Committee has every right to make any addition or amendment to these rules, without prior notice. Such changes will, however be displayed in the tournament hall.

Prize money will be transferred via online mode and in INR (Indian National Rupee) only

There will be tax deductions of foreign players' prize money as per the Govt. guidelines. Indian Income Tax Act and Rules will be applicable.

**Note:** - Organizer reserves the right to accept or reject any Entry without assigning the reason at any moment.

AICF registration is compulsory for all Indian players. Registration fee is Rs300/- For Year 2025-2026 and which should be paid before the start of the tournament. It is accepted only through Online Payment.

New Players AICF Registration Link <https://prs.aicf.in/new-register>

Renewal of AICF Registration for Old Players link: <https://prs.aicf.in/players>

## How to Reach Harda

### By Air

Harda is not well connected to other major cities of the country via regular flights. The nearest airport is Raja Bhoj Airport Bhopal which is 175 Kms from Harda and Devi Ahilya Airport Indore which is 175 Kms from Harda.

### By Rail

Harda railway station is a main Bhopal – Mumbai railway line. Its code is HD. The station consists of three platforms. Trains are available for many big cities. The nearest Railway Junction is ITARSI which is 76 km from Harda.

### By Road

Harda is well connected via Road link. Harda is located on Betul – Indore national highway (NH-59A). it is 162 Kms from Bhopal and 165 Kms from Indore



# PATRON

**IAS Siddharth Jain Sir**  
**Collector & DM Harda**

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**ORGANISING SECRETARY**

**Mr. Alok Jain**

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**Mr. Diljeet Khanna (Ex Jt. Secretary AICF)**  
**Mr. Anil Fatehchandani (Member)**  
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Event Schedule, Venue Directions,  
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