



EIGHT SQUARE CHESS ACADEMY

1st INTERNATIONAL RAPID FIDE RATED OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT 2026

Organized by
EIGHT SQUARE CHESS ACADEMY
(Affiliated to Chennai District Chess Association)

ENTRY FEE
₹1,500

11th JAN 2026

Hall of Chess,
Jawaharlal Nehru
Stadium,
Chennai

TOTAL PRIZE MONEY
₹ 3 LAKHS
₹

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

PARTICULARS	DATE	TIME
Round – 1	11.01.2026	09:30 Hrs
Round – 2	11.01.2026	10:30 Hrs
Round – 3	11.01.2026	11:30 Hrs
Round – 4	11.01.2026	12:30 Hrs
Round – 5	11.01.2026	13:30 Hrs
Round - 6	11.01.2026	14:30 Hrs
Round – 7	11.01.2026	15:30 Hrs
Round – 8	11.01.2026	16:30 Hrs
Round – 9	11.01.2026	17:30 Hrs
Prize Distribution	11.01.2026	18:30 Hrs



ENTRY FEE

Rs. 1500

Free Entry for GM, IM, WGM and WIM



ENTRY FEE ONLINE MODE

www.easypaychess.com
www.chessentry.in
www.signinchess.com
www.chessfee.com
www.bookmyfee.com
www.circlechess.com



BANK DEPOSIT

Account Name:
EIGHT SQUARE CHESS ACADEMY
Account Number: 8092424627
Bank Name: INDIAN BANK
Branch Name: CHETPUT
IFSC Code: IDIB000C017

After completing the payment, kindly send the payment proof along with the player details to the following email address: chessacademy32@gmail.com

OPEN CATEGORY PRIZES

1 st ₹30000/- + Smart Tv + Trophy	10 th & 11 th ₹3000/-	21 st ₹1500/-
2 nd ₹25000/- + Trophy	12 th ₹2500/-	22 nd ₹1500/-
3 rd ₹15000/- + Trophy	13 th ₹2500/-	23 rd ₹1500/-
4 th ₹12000/-	14 th ₹2500/-	24 th ₹1500/-
5 th ₹7000/-	15 th ₹2500/-	25 th ₹1500/-
6 th ₹6000/-	16 th ₹2000/-	26 th ₹1500/-
7 th ₹5000/-	17 th ₹2000/-	27 th ₹1500/-
8 th ₹4000/-	18 th ₹2000/-	28 th ₹1500/-
9 th ₹3500/-	19 th ₹2000/-	29 th ₹1500/-
	20 th ₹1500/-	30 th ₹1500/-

1400 - 1500

1 st ₹10000/- + Smart Tv + Trophy
2 nd ₹7500/-
3 rd ₹6000/- 7 th ₹2000/-
4 th ₹5000/- 8 th ₹1500/-
5 th ₹3500/- 9 th ₹1500/-
6 th ₹2500/- 10 th ₹1500/-

1501 - 1600

1 st ₹10000/- + Smart Tv + Trophy
2 nd ₹7500/-
3 rd ₹6000/- 7 th ₹2000/-
4 th ₹5000/- 8 th ₹1500/-
5 th ₹3500/- 9 th ₹1500/-
6 th ₹2500/- 10 th ₹1500/-

1601 - 1700

1 st ₹10000/- + Smart Tv + Trophy
2 nd ₹7500/-
3 rd ₹6000/- 7 th ₹2000/-
4 th ₹5000/- 8 th ₹1500/-
5 th ₹3500/- 9 th ₹1500/-
6 th ₹2500/- 10 th ₹1500/-

UNRATED

1 st ₹5000/- + Smart Tv + Trophy
2 nd ₹4000/-
3 rd ₹3000/- 7 th ₹1500/-
4 th ₹2000/- 8 th ₹1500/-
5 th ₹2000/- 9 th ₹1500/-
6 th ₹1500/- 10 th ₹1500/-

BEST FEMALE (16 AND ABOVE)

1st ₹2000/- + Smart Tv + Trophy

2nd ₹1500/- + Trophy

3rd Trophy

4th Trophy

5th Trophy

BEST VETERAN (55 AND ABOVE)

1st ₹2000/- + Smart Tv + Trophy

2nd ₹1500/- + Trophy

3rd Trophy

4th Trophy

5th Trophy

CATEGORY PRIZES

	U07 BOYS AND GIRLS EACH	U09 BOYS AND GIRLS EACH	U11 BOYS AND GIRLS EACH	U13 BOYS AND GIRLS EACH	U15 BOYS AND GIRLS EACH
1st	Cycle + Trophy	Cycle + Trophy	Cycle + Trophy	Cycle + Trophy	Cycle + Trophy
2nd	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy
3rd	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy
4th	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy
5th	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy
6th	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy
7th	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy
8th	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy
9th	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy
10th	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy

RULES AND REGULATIONS

SYSTEM OF PLAY

The Latest FIDE Rules in force shall apply and the Swiss system will be followed.

MODE OF TOURNAMENT

Total 9 rounds shall be played.

TIME CONTROL

10 minutes each + 05 seconds increment per move from move no.1

DEFAULT TIME

Default time is 10 minutes. Players have to be at the boards within 10 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 year 2025-2026. As per latest AICF regulation dated 31.07.2017, it is informed that from 01st September, 2017 all AICF registrations will be accepted only through online. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Tournament). 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 renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click <http://aicf.in/players/> For fresh AICF registration please click <http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/>

TNSCA PLAYER REGISTRATION

TNSCA player registration is compulsory for all Tamil Nadu players. TNSCA Player Registration fee is Rs.150/- for the year 2025-2026. 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 renewing TNSCA player registration of existing players, please click <https://registration.tamilchess.com/> For fresh TNSCA registration please click <https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/>

NOTE: For both Fresh AICF & TNSCA 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/TNSCA ready before the registration process.

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

CHENNAI DISTRICT PLAYER REGISTRATION

CDCA player registration fee is **Rs.75/- for the year 2025 – 2026** (for Chennai district players only)

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 close at **06.00 P.M on 09-01-2026**

RIGHTS OF ADMISSION

The AICF/ TNSCA/CDCA/organizer Eight Square Chess Academy reserve the rights of admission to the venue.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

Ms. Sivaranjani S

CHIEF ARBITER

IA Nandhakumar V

DEPUTY CHIEF ARBITER

IA Sivaranjani S

WRIST WATCHES

As per AICF regulations, any type of wrist watches or other electronic devices are strictly prohibited inside the playing hall. It will lead to loss of game.

INTERPRETATION

For further interpretations of the rule(s), and deciding any aspect not covered by the said tournament prospectus, the decision of the Tournament Director shall be final and binding on all the participants. The Tournament Director has every right to make any addition/deletion/amendment to these rules. However, such changes shall be displayed on the notice board with the prior approval from AICF & TNSCA.

CERTIFICATES & PRIZES

E-Certificates will be awarded to all players. Winner of any prize should collect it at the venue only, during the Prize Distribution Function, otherwise, Prize will be forfeited. No substitute or Third person will be permitted to collect the prize; Concern player must receive their own prize.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Secretary, CDCA &
Vice President, TNSCA**

Joint Secretary, CDCA

