

11. In addition to the above, the following Districts can field additional entries as mentioned below, by virtue of their players securing top four ranks in the 19th TN State Rapid Chess Championship held at Salem: KGI -1, Kanchi -1, Chennai -1, TLR-1

Note: While sending the Entries District Chess Associations should certify that the players have been duly selected from the selection/District Chess Championship. If the Certificate is not sent all the entries will be treated as special entries.

Previous Winners:

1988	Madras	Paul Arokiaraj
1991	Madras	IM T.S.Ravi
1993	Madurai	IM P.Konguvel
1994	Madurai	Y.Syed Anwar
1996	Palani	IM B.T.Muralikrishnan
1997	Chennai	GM Sasikiran
1999	Chennai	S.Mari Arul
2001	Chennai	IM P.Konguvel
2002	Chennai	IM S.R.Kidambi
2003	Cuddalore	Y.Syed Anwar
2004	Kanchi	S.Mari Arul
2006	Perumalpattu	IM R.R.Laxman
2007	Virudhunagar	Syed Anwar Shazuli
2009	Kalpakkam	Ram S.Krishnan
2010	Coimbatore	Ram S.Krishnan
2012	Trichy	P.Lokesh
2013	Karur	Saravana Krishnan
2014	Nagercoil	Sa.Kannan
2015	Salem	Lokesh N.
2016	Pudukkottai	?????

Organising Committee : Fr.A.Arul Francis, Principal S.F.S.H.S.S
M.Danapal, President-PDCA
S.Ganesan, Secretary -PDCA (Mobile: 9786382393)
M.Jayaraman, Treasurer - PDCA & Other Office Bearers - PDCA

Lodges in Pudukkottai (5-10 minutes drive to the venue)

Sri Lakshme Lodge Ph:04322-221821, 230821 (Budget)
 Prince Lodge A/C Ph:04322-222409, 224991(Budget)
 AKGN Lodge A/C Ph:04322-224462, 9788724764(Budget)
 Hotel Sathyam Ph:04322-223311, 221177(Three Star)

Kindly Note: Pudukkottai lies in Central Tamil Nadu. It has a good Museum and many temples. Places of great Tourist Importance : Thanjavur (1 hr.), Pillaiyarpatti/Kundrakudi (1 ½ hrs.), Madurai (around 2 hours), Rameswaram(5 hours).

Dear Chess Players! Welcome to Pudukkottai!!



20th TAMILNADU STATE OPEN RAPID CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

1. TNSCA Approval No: S12/PUD/16-17

Sponsored by **PALACE CITY ROTARY CLUB, PUDUKKOTTAI**

on 19/11/2016(Saturday) & 20/11/2016(Sunday)
 organized by Pudukkottai District Chess Association

on behalf of

Tamil Nadu State Chess Association

2. Venue : **S.F.S. Matric. Hr. Sec. School, Marupani Road, (TVS Corner) Pudukkottai - 622 001.**

3. Schedule :

Arrival	:	19.11.2016(Saturday)	
Manager's meeting	:	19.11.2016	10.30 A.M.
Inaugural Function	:	19.11.2016	11.00 A.M.
Round 1	:	19.11.2016	11.30 A.M.
Round 2	:	19.11.2016	1.30 P.M.
Round 3	:	19.11.2016	3.00 P.M.
Round 4	:	19.11.2016	4.30 P.M.
Round 5	:	19.11.2016	6.00 P.M.
Round 6	:	20.11.2016(Sunday)	09.00 A.M.
Round 7	:	20.11.2016	10.30 A.M.
Round 8	:	20.11.2016	12.00 Noon
Round 9	:	20.11.2016	2.00 PM
Prize Distribution	:	20.11.2016	3.30 PM

4. TOTAL CASH PRIZES: Rs.21,000/-

1st Rs.5,000 2nd Rs.3000, 3rd Rs.2000 4th Rs.1,000 5th Rs.700
 6th to 10th Rs.600 each. 11th to 13th Rs.500/- 14th to 25th Rs./400 each.

Special Category Prize

U-8 Boys : 5 Trophies Girls : 3 Trophies

U-10 Boys : 5 Trophies Girls : 3 Trophies

U-12 Boys : 5 Trophies Girls : 3 Trophies

U-14 Boys : 5 Trophies Girls : 3 Trophies

Additional Special Prizes for Pudukkottai District Players

Entry Fees :

Normal : Rs. 400/-

Special : Rs. 800/-

All entries be it special or regular, should be routed through the respective District Chess Associations before 5.00 P.M **15.11.2016**.

Entry fee to be sent by a bank draft (any Nationalized Bank) in favour of "Pudukkottai District Chess Association" payable at Pudukkottai to Dr.S.Ganesan Secretary Pudukkottai District Chess Association, Plot.No.10- 11. 1267A, Subramaniapuram 5th Street, NGO colony Extn., Machuvadi, Pudukkottai 622005. Mobile: 97863 82393 e-mail: lecganesan@yahoo.co.in

"Please note that only players who take part in this State Championship will be permitted to represent Tamil Nadu as selected/donor entries in the forthcoming National Rapid Chess Championship. Hence participation in this State Championship is **COMPULSORY**."

Rules and Regulations:

Registration of Participants with TNSCA:

All the Participants of TN State Open Rapid Chess Championships are required to register themselves with TNSCA by paying Rs. 100/- as **player** registration fee for the year 2016-2017, the players have to submit their Date of Birth Certificate copy and one passport size photo along with the duly signed TN players' Registration Form. Already registered players of TNSCA must produce proof thereof.

Lodging: Free Dormitory type of Lodging will be provided in the venue itself to the seeded / selected players plus one team manager (nominated by the district association). Players are requested to bring their own beddings. **All special entries and accompanying persons have to arrange accommodation of their own.**

Zero Tolerance: The "Zero Tolerance" rules will be followed. i.e: "Any player who arrives at the chess board after the start of the session shall lose the game. Thus the default time is Zero minutes".

Rules: FIDE rules in force shall apply.

System of play: The Tournament shall be conducted on a Nine rounds Swiss System.

Time Control: 25 minutes each plus 5 seconds increment per move from number one.

Tie-break Buchholz tie-break rules will be applied. In case of tie, prizes **amount** will not be shared.

Chess Clocks: Each Association is requested to provide at least two chess clocks for every four players.

Appeals Committee:

An Appeals Committee comprising of five members plus two reserves will be formed at the managers meeting. All the members and reserves shall be from different districts. No member of committee can vote on dispute in which a player from his own district involved and in such case(s), the reserve member takes his place. The decision of the appeals committee is final and binding on all players concerned.

Tournament Committee:

The tournament committee consisting of the General Secretary, TNSCA or his representative, The Secretary of Pudukkottai DCA or his representative and representative from another district to be nominated by the TNSCA shall decide on all emergency matters.

Protest: Protest, if any against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.500/- within **15 minutes** of the incident. The decisions of the appeals committee shall be final and binding on all concerned. The protest fee is refundable one if the protest is upheld.

Withdrawals: A player may withdraw from the tournament at any stage after informing the Chief Arbiter in writing.

Arrears: The players belonging to Districts which are in arrears to TNSCA will not be allowed to take part.

Rights of Admission:

The TNSCA /organizer Pudukkottai DCA / reserve the right to admit / reject any entry without assigning any reason thereof. The TNSCA / organizer Pudukkottai DCA reserve the rights of admission to the venue and lodging place.

Silence in the Tournament Hall

Strict silence must be observed in the Tournament Hall. Players who have finished their games shall not remain in the tournament hall. Players shall not analyze the game in the tournament hall.

Interpretation For interpretation of the rules and deciding on any point not covered by the above rules of the tournament the tournament 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.

Eligibility: The following are eligible

1. Only Indian Nationals are eligible to participate.
2. Two players from each District/Special Unit
3. The TNSCA General Secretary can nominate one player.
4. All GMs, WGMs, IMs and WIMs are eligible to play as seeded players.
5. **Any player who has qualified to represent India in Asian /World FIDE Championship.**
6. If the number of participants at the start of the Championship is an odd number the host Pudukkottai District Chess Association is entitled to add one more player to make the total number even.
7. The host Pudukkottai District Chess Association is entitled to field one additional entry
8. Any player who remits the prescribed special fee of Rs.800/-
9. Two players approved by TNSCA will be permitted from areas where no district association exists.
10. Top four players from 19th TN State Open Rapid Chess Championship held at Salem, Lokesh N.(KGI), Prasanna S.(KAN), Sekar B.(CHE), Nikhil Magizhnan (TLR).