



### Schedule

Arrival	26.01.2020	
Inauguration	26.01.2020	09.00 AM
Players' Meeting	26.01.2020	09.15 AM
Round 1	26.01.2020	09.30 AM
Round 2	26.01.2020	10.30 AM
Round 3	26.01.2020	11.30 AM
Round 4	26.01.2020	12.30 PM
Round 5	26.01.2020	02.30 PM
Round 6	26.01.2020	03.30 PM
Round 7	26.01.2020	04.30 PM
Prize Distribution	26.01.2020	05.45 PM

**Entry Fee: Rapid – Rs.600, Sivagangai District Players-Rs.500**

**Free for GMs/IMs/WGMs &WIMs**

**Entries close on 22.01.2020**

### RULES & REGULATIONS

System of Play	The latest FIDE Rapid Rules in force shall apply and the Swiss system will be followed.
Mode of Tournament	Total 7 rounds shall be played.
Time Control	15 minutes each + 5 seconds per move from move no.1.
Tie break	Direct Encounter, Buchholz, Buchholz Cut 1, Sonneborn-Berger and number of wins (forfeit included) tiebreak systems will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared. If still there is a tie for the 1 <sup>st</sup> Place, rankings will be decided by playoff (Armageddon will be applied). Other placing as per rankings.
Default Time	15 Minutes
AICF Player Registration	<p>AICF registration is compulsory. AICF Registration fee is Rs. 250/- for the year 2019 - 2020. It will be accepted only through online. Players/Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of the event. New entrants to the field of chess are informed that player's registration is mandatory and it should be done well before participating in any tournament. For renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click <a href="http://aicf.in/players/">http://aicf.in/players/</a> For fresh AICF registration please click <a href="http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/">http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/</a></p> <p>For fresh AICF registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address (unique and not provided to fide for another player/arbiters) ready before the registration process.</p> <p>Note: Only passport size (less than 1MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.</p>
TNSCA Player Registration	TNSCA registration is compulsory for all Tamil Nadu players. TNSCA Registration fee is Rs. 150/- for the year 2019 - 2020. Players registering with

	TNSCA should submit duly filled and signed TNSCA Players Registration form along with a copy of their Date of Birth certificate and one passport size photograph. Those who have already paid the same must attach/ show the proof for that, failing which they will have to pay the registration fee.
SivagangaiRegistration	Sivagangai DCA registration is compulsory for Sivagangai District players. The registration fee Rs.50/- for the year 2019 – 20.
Protests	Protests if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with protest fee of Rs.500/- 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 closes on 22.01.2020
Rights of admission	The AICF/TNSCA /Sivagangai DCA /Organizer Castle Chess Academy reserve the right to admit/reject any entry without assigning any reason thereof. The AICF/TNSCA/Sivagangai DCA/ Organizer Castle Chess Academy reserve the rights of admission to the venue.
Wrist watches	AICF has banned the wrist watches while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear wrist watches while playing. Mobiles, if brought to the hall, must be kept in a separate bag in switch off mode. Violating the rule in both cases will lead the loss of the game.
Lodging	Free dormitory lodging will be given at the venue itself

**Entry Details:** Entries can be paid through [www.signinchess.com](http://www.signinchess.com),  
[www.easypaychess.com](http://www.easypaychess.com), [www.paychessentry.com](http://www.paychessentry.com), [www.chessfee.com](http://www.chessfee.com)

**Only paid entries with completed AICF registration will be accepted**

**Tournament Chief Arbiter**

**Prof R Anantharam, International Arbiter**

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**All are Welcome**

**Shri SP. Kumaresan** Chairman, Chettinad Public School

**Shri K Arun** Managing Trustee, Chettinad Public School

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## All India Chess Grand Prix

### General Information

There will be five Grand Prix tournaments with the following schedule.

1. Tiruvarur 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019
2. Sivakasi 17<sup>th</sup> November 2019
3. Madurai 25<sup>th</sup> December 2019
4. Karaikudi 26<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and
5. Coimbatore 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020

### Eligibility for the Grand Prix Prizes

- ❖ To be eligible for a Grand Prix prize, a player must have played at least three of the five tournaments
- ❖ The overall top ten finalists of the Grand Prix will be decided by the sum of the Grand Prix points earned by a player from the best four tournaments he/she played
- ❖ The Grand Prix points to be earned by a player in one tournament is mentioned below:

Rank	GP Points
1	200
2	160
3	130
4	110
5	100

Rank	GP Points
6	80
7	70
8	60
9	50
10	40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1000</b>

The entry fee for each tournament is Rs.600/-. If the player plays in all the five tournaments, the total entry fee is Rs.2500/-. If he/she plays in four tournaments, the total entry fee is Rs.2000/-. For three tournaments, the entry fee is Rs.1500/-. This amount has to be paid before the player participates in his/her first tournament.

The top ten rankers of the overall standings of the Grand Prix will play a round robin Blitz playoff in April/May to decide the final ranking of the Grand Prix.

GP Rank	Amount
1	35000
2	25000
3	15000
4	10000
5	10000

6	8000
7	7000
8	5000
9	5000
10	5000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>125000</b>

### Tiebreak Conditions for the Grand Prix Points

If two or more players are tied for any rank (to be eligible to earn the Grand Prix points in that tournament) in each leg, prize money will not be shared but GP points will be shared. For example, if three players tie for the first place with same points (and different tiebreak score), prize money will be according to the ranking and each player will earn  $(200 + 160 + 130)/3 = 163.3$  GP points.

In the case of the playoff tournament, Armageddon will be applied to decide the Champion of the Grand Prix, if there is a tie for the first place. White will have five minutes on his clock and Balck will have four minutes. If the game ends in a draw, Black is the winner.