



MPL 42nd NATIONAL TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP - 2023
(Event Code:308897/TN/2022)

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MPL 20th NATIONAL TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP FOR WOMEN - 2023
(Event Code:308898/TN/2022)

TNSCA event code : NAT-02/CBE/22-23

Date: 10th to 16th February, 2023

Organized by

Dr. Mahalingam College of Engineering and Technology, Pollachi
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Coimbatore District Chess Association

In Celebration of

The birth centenary of Arutchelvar Dr. N. Mahalingam
(Former President, AICF & TNSCA)

&

80th Year of Coimbatore District Chess Association

On behalf of

Tamil Nadu State Chess Association

Under the aegis of

All India Chess Federation

Supported by

Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India

AICF's Official National Championships Sponsor

Venue:

Dr. Mahalingam College of Engineering and Technology.

Pollachi, Coimbatore Dt. Tamil Nadu

Total Prize Fund: Rs. 10,00,000/-



**Last date for entries: to be received on or before 27th January 2023,
(late entries will be received till 5th February 2023 with a late fee of
Rs.1,000/-)**

**Total Prize Money: Rs.5,00,000/- for Open &
Rs.5,00,000/- for Women**

1. Tournament Schedule:

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| 10.02.2023 | Friday | Arrival | 0700 hrs. |
| 10.02.2023 | Friday | Technical meeting | 1100 hrs. |
| 10.02.2023 | Friday | Inauguration | 1415 hrs. |
| 10.02.2023 | Friday | Round - 1 | 1500 hrs. |
| 11.02.2023 | Saturday | Round - 2 | 1000 hrs. |
| 11.02.2023 | Saturday | Round - 3 | 1600 hrs. |
| 12.02.2023 | Sunday | Round - 4 | 1000 hrs. |
| 13.02.2023 | Monday | Round - 5 | 1000 hrs. |
| 13.02.2023 | Monday | Round - 6 | 1600 hrs. |
| 14.02.2023 | Tuesday | Round - 7 | 1000 hrs. |
| 15.02.2023 | Wednesday | Round - 8 | 1000 hrs. |
| 16.02.2023 | Thursday | Round - 9 | 1000 hrs. |
| 16.02.2023 | | Closing Ceremony | 1500 . |

2. Total Prize Fund: Rs.10,00,000/-

The cash prizes will be awarded amounting to Rs.5,00,000/-for men and women each, as given below:

| Rank | Men |
|-------------|------------|
| 1 | 1,25,000 |
| 2 | 1,00,000 |
| 3 | 75,000 |
| 4 | 60,000 |
| 5 | 50,000 |
| 6 | 30,000 |
| 7 | 20,000 |
| 8 | 20,000 |
| 9 | 10,000 |
| 10 | 10,000 |
| Total | 5,00,000 |

Medals (Gold, Silver and bronze) will be awarded to top three board prize winners in all five boards.

3. LODGING:

Free dormitory accommodation will be provided to seeded/selected players (normal entries) and one accompanying official (Manager or Coach) nominated by the concerned State Chess Association for each State. The address of accommodation for seeded/selected players (normal entries) is Dr.Mahalingam College of Engineering & Technology, Pollachi. Request for official accommodation must reach before

4th February 2023, Otherwise players/officials will have to make their own arrangements.

All affiliated institution teams are required to make their own arrangements for stay. However, suitable accommodation may be arranged to such teams on payment basis, if informed well in advance.

4. ELIGIBILITY:

(a) Each affiliated state association can send maximum three teams only (one regular entry + 2 special entries) with suffixing the letters "A", "B" and "C" with their state name. Institution members of AICF shall be entitled to send two teams for each championship with suffixing the letters "A" (regular entry) & "B" (special entry).

(b) The host Tamil Nadu State Chess Association is entitled to fill one additional team in each championship.

(c) In case of odd number of entries, the host has the right to add one more entry to make it even in both categories.

(c) Only Indian nationals are eligible to participate in the championships.

(d) No teams will be allowed to play in Club/Academy/district names.

5. COMPOSITION OF THE TEAM:

Each team (men & women) shall consist of four players and one reserve player. The seeding of the teams will be done on the basis of the average rating of the best 4 players. While sending entries, the names of all the players with their FIDE ID and their respective FIDE ratings, if any, should be given to enable the arbiters to arrive at the teams' average rating for seeding purposes. These names and ratings should be reconfirmed in person at the Technical Meeting. The Fixed Board Order should be decided by the respective team Captain/Manager before/at the Technical meeting.

6. DRESS CODE:

As per AICF regulations on Dress code for players participating in all the national championships, all state associations/institution members should

send their players with proper uniform. Players should at least wear uniform T-Shirts/formal shirts (name of the state/institution printed prominently at the back and the state chess/institution emblem in the front left side). Players without proper uniform will not be permitted to take part in the championship. This will be strictly enforced.

7. SYSTEM OF PLAY:

The Tournament shall be played by Team Swiss system under the FIDE Laws of Chess. The number of rounds shall be nine for men and shall be decided based on the entries for women (accordingly, the schedule may be changed for women).

Teams from the same state/affiliated unit shall not be paired against each other in the last round of a national championship. However, they may be paired if there is no compatible opponent with the same point group or score group with a maximum difference of 1 match point. It is applicable only for the top 50% score of the penultimate round.

8. TIME CONTROL:

A time control of 90 minutes each plus 30 seconds increment per move from move number one will be followed.

9. STANDINGS & TIE BREAK:

(a) Match Points (b) Game Points (c) Direct Encounter (d) Buchholz Cut 1 (e) Sonneborn Berger based on match points of the opponents multiplied by game points scored against the opponent by the team .

10. DEFAULT TIME:

The default time is 15 minutes.

11. APPEALS COMMITTEE:

Before the commencement of the Championship a five member committee of Appeal with two reserves shall be formed from amongst the senior participants and officials present at the Technical meeting. All the five members and reserves will be from different states. No member of the committee shall vote on a dispute in which a player from his own unit is involved and in such cases the reserve members(s) shall take his/their places in the committee.

12. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE:

The organizers will form a tournament committee for the smooth conduct of the National Championship.

13. PROTESTS:

Protests, if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing to the Chief Arbiter at least within 30 minutes of the of the

incident with a protest fee of Rs.3,000/- which shall be refunded if the appeal is upheld. The decision of the appeals committee shall be FINAL and BINDING on all the participants.

14. ARREARS:

All arrears of affiliation fee, tournament fee including that of the current year, must be cleared by the affiliated association/unit at the time of submitting the entries. Otherwise, the entries are liable to be rejected.

15. DISQUALIFICATION:

No participant will leave the venue before the prize distribution function without the permission of the Chief Arbiter. The participants disregarding this rule will be suspended for one year.

16. INTERPRETATION:

For interpretation of the rule(s) and deciding any point not covered by the above rules of the tournament, the decision of the tournament committee shall be final and binding on all. The tournament committee has every right to make any addition or amendment to these rules, without **prior** notice. **However, such changes should be approved by the AICF.** Such changes will, however, be displayed in the tournament hall.

17. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS WITH AICF IS COMPULSORY:

All participants should get their names registered with AICF for the year 2022 - 23 before the event through online registration system of All India Chess Federation website: www.aicf.in/players.

18. ENTRIES & ENTRY FEES:

- Regular entry: **Rs.3750/-**(three thousand seven hundred and fifty Only)
- Special entry: **Rs.6250/-**(six thousand two hundred and fifty Only)

There will be a 50% concession for participants of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and North Eastern States.

All entries including special entries should come through the concerned state chess association/institutional members of AICF. However, AICF will have the right to accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason.

Entry fee would be accepted on line through Entry fee will be accepted strictly online through:

<https://prs.aicf.in/entry>

For clarification and guidance regarding submission of entries, please contact:

aicfnationalentries@gmail.com

Last date for entries: to be received on or before **27th January 2023**, (late entries will be received till **5th February 2023** with a late fee of Rs.1,000/-)

COVID PROTOCOL

1. All players are required to maintain social distancing and hand sanitization at the tournament hall.
2. The players are requested to wear the mask at all times when inside the tournament hall.
3. All the players are obliged to cooperate with the organizing committee to undergo RT PCR test during the championship, if required.
4. Players may be allowed inside tournament hall only after checking. Any symptomatic players will be removed from the tournament as pre-caution and all players are obliged to obey this rule.
5. All officials and arbiters will be fully vaccinated.
6. Sanitization of chess boards and chess pieces may be carried out at regular interval.
7. Parents and accompanying persons are not allowed inside tournament hall at all times.
8. Tamil Nadu State Chess Association takes all the measures for safe tournament environment. However, in case any untoward situation arises, the players shall not ask damages from AICF/Tamil Nadu State Chess Association/CDCA/MCET.
9. By enrolling for the events, the players have to abide by all the terms and conditions of the tournament for participation.

**For query regarding registration:
(E-mail:nationalteamchess2023@gmail.com)**

For Further Enquiries & Accommodation, Please Contact

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| Mr. R. Anantharam IA (Tournament Coordinator) | +91 94431 55852 |
| Dr. A. Devarajan, DPE, NPTC (Campus Coordinator) | +91 94429 22316 |
| Mr. J.T. Jose Maria Packiaraja, DPE, MCET (Campus Coordinator) | +91 88383 31980 |
| Dr. G.G. Sathiesh IA (in Hindi) | +91 98422 05003 |
| Mr. K Dhanasekar FI Organising Secretary & Secretary, Coimbatore District Chess Association | +91 99448 98753 |

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| S.NO | HOTEL NAME | Mobile | WEB SITE | E MAIL ID |
|------|---------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | Madhava Inn | 984371779999 426 27799 | www.madhavainn.in | Madhavainn25@gmail.com |
| 2 | Sri Ramanuja Hotels | 7708232075 | | sriramnujahotels@gmail.com |
| 3 | BG Lodge | 9566608323 | | bgmobilespollachi@gmail.com |
| 4 | Rathna Square | 9486231112 | www.rathnasquare.com | rathnasquare@gmail.com |
| 5 | Sakthi Hotels | 9626412343 | www.sakthihotels.in | sakthihotel@yahoo.com |
| 6 | Nivetha's Inn | 8122738732 | www.nivethasinn.com | info@nivethasinn.com |
| 7 | NRM Lodge | 9976591457 | | |

Note: Players can use Google search for additional information about Hotels/Resorts in and around Pollachi.

General Information to Players:

Only Vegetarian foods will be provided and allowed inside the campus.

Smoking is strictly prohibited inside the campus.

All players including normal entry/special entry will be received by the Organizing committee from Railway Station/Airport from 9th February 2023 and they will be dropped at the accommodation provided. All the players including normal entry/special entry will be dropped by the Organizing committee at the Railway Station/Airport on 16th February 2023. For both pick up and drop, the players have to inform the accommodation and transport committee via email before 5th February 2023.

Pick up and drop as mentioned above will be done only in groups in periodic intervals only to and from the venue.

ID Cards are mandatory for the players and parents/managers to remain inside the campus.

The confirmed list of participants as received from AICF will be displayed in the www.chess-results.com. All confirmed players are requested to send their recent passport size photograph along with their Name, AICF Id/FIDE Id, State via Email to nationalteamchess2023@gmail.com

For incorporating the photos in ID Cards before 9 P.M., 5th February 2023.

Players failing to send their photographs before 9 P.M., 5th February 2023 will have to bring recent passport size photograph to be pasted in the ID card and get attested as soon as they reach the venue.

Players without photo ID card will not be allowed inside the playing hall.

Lodging will be provided to seeded/selected players and one manager per team. Only one accompanying person is allowed along with the player. Seeded/selected players along with the managers are requested to confirm the accommodation before 09.00 P.M., 9th February 2023. Male & female will be provided a separate accommodation irrespective of age. All players and accompanying persons have to send a copy of their Aadhar card.

No request towards accommodation of a boy with female parent and a girl with male parent will be entertained.

Soon after receiving the details of the player from AICF, the player's names will be added in www.chess-results.com

The organizing committee will add all the players (Men & Women) to respective separate Whatsapp groups and following which accommodation & other details will be communicated to the player concerned.

The Founder: Arutchelvar Dr. N. Mahalingam

Arutchelvar Dr. N Mahalingam was the Founder Chairman of Sakthi Group, 6,000 crore industrial conglomerate operating in sugar, automobiles, finance, power and logistics. As a polymath, he excelled in industry, entrepreneurship, culture, Gandhian politics, sports, religion, spirituality, philosophy, journalism etc. He received the Padma Bhushan award from the Government of India in 2007 for his contributions to the nation in the field of Trade and Industry.



He was born on 21st March, 1923 to Thiru. P.Nachimuthu Gounder in an agriculture family at Pollachi. He was the founder of many educational institutions, from schools to colleges. Some of his educational institutions are Kumaraguru College of Technology, Nachimuthu Polytechnic College, Dr. Mahalingam College of Engineering & Technology, NGM Arts College, Kumaraguru Institute of Agriculture and Kumaraguru College of Liberal Arts and Science.

Dr. Mahalingam's contribution to chess in India and in particular Tamil Nadu is immense. As the president of All India Chess Federation and Tamil Nadu State Chess Association, he championed the growth and development of chess in the county and the state. It is worth mentioning to say that the five times world champion Vishy Anand achieved his final GM norm in the Sakthi Sugars GM tournament organised by Dr. Mahalingam at Coimbatore. He was also the President of Tamil Nadu Basketball Association for many number of years.

Arutchelvar Dr. N. Mahalingam was a chess philanthropist beyond comparison. His compassion to chess players in distress was phenomenal. He instituted incentives to players who achieved international and grand master titles which inspired the chess players to higher efforts.

Dr. N. Mahalingam held several important positions and played major roles fostering the development of agricultural, industrial, human resource and institutional development at the state and national levels. He served as a Member of Legislative Assembly of Tamil

Nadu from 1952 to 1967 and was on the Tamil Nadu State Planning Commission for two terms.

The enigmatic and simple Gandhian way of life merged into the light on October 2, 2014, the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Throughout his life Dr. NM carried the twin torches of Gandhian values and Vallalar's way of life, a pathway to lead a life of consciousness.

Dr. Mahalingam College of Engineering and Technology



The able guidance and patronage of Arutchelvar Dr. N. Mahalingam along with effectual administration of Dr.M. Manickam, Chairman, and the resourcefulness of Shri. M. Hari Harasudhan, Correspondent have equipped the Dr. Mahalingam College of Engineering and Technology with state-of-the-art infrastructure and exceptional sporting amenities stretching around 44 acres in the outskirts of Pollachi.

Dr. Mahalingam College of Engineering and Technology (MCET), is a private autonomous Engineering College (Affiliated to Anna University, Chennai) started in 1998 under the auspices of NIA Trust, a charitable educational trust functioning under Sakthi Group. Nachimuthu Polytechnic College (NPTC), Vanavarayar Institute of Agriculture (VIA) and 6 Schools are also governed by the NIA trust. MCET holds 24 years of excellence in enlightening technical education to young minds.

MCET has been accredited by NAAC with the highest A++ grade for the period 2018-2023 and MCET is the only engineering institution from Tamil Nadu to be awarded the highest

NAAC grade consecutively in Cycle 1 & 2. MCET awards 2.5 crore rupees as scholarships to merit-cum-mean students under Arutchelvar Vidhyasakthi Scholarship (AVS) and Dr. NM Tuition Fee Waiver Scheme (TFW).

Four Techno commercial ventures (VVDN, Caresoft, ABT Maruti, ABT info cloud) are functioning inside the campus with 19 Centers of Excellence for up skilling students' practical knowledge and an extra mile to industrial automation. A salient feature is the consistent milestone in placement with 90% every year, with 150+ prominent recruiters.

Programmes Offered @ MCET:

1. B.E. – Automobile Engineering*
2. B.E. – Civil Engineering*
3. B.E. – Computer Science and Engineering*
4. B.E – Electrical and Electronics Engineering*
5. B.E – Electronics and Communication Engineering*
6. B.E. – Mechanical Engineering*
7. B.Tech. – Information Technology*
8. B.Tech – Artificial Intelligence and Data Science
9. B.E. – Computer Science and Engineering
(Artificial Intelligence and Machine learning)
10. B.E. – Computer Science and Engineering
(Cyber Security)

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PG Programmes

1. M.E. – CAD/CAM
2. M.E. – Communication Systems
3. M.E. – Computer Science and Engineering
4. M.E. – Embedded System Technologies
5. M.E. – Structural Engineering
6. MCA - Master of Computer Applications

Research Centers:

1. Civil Engineering
2. Computer Science and Engineering
3. Electronics and Communication
4. Engineering
5. Mechanical Engineering
6. Physics

To:
The Divisional/ Commercial /Area Superintendent,
.....Railway.....

Dear Sir,

Sub: Rail Concession

This is to certify that the following players and officials are bona-fide participants of the “**National Team & National Women Team Chess Championships – 2022-23**” to be organized by us at Pollachi, Coimbatore on behalf of All India Chess Federation at Delhi from **10th to 16th February, 2023**. This is a recognized event of the All India Chess Federation.

| S.No | Name of the Player | Date of Birth |
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We therefore, request the Rail Concession order may please be issued to them to travel from _____ to Pollachi Coimbatore and back. The game of Chess is recognized for Rail Concession by the Railway Board by their letter no TC/11I2035/76, dated 5th May 1971.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

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Hon. Secretary
Tamilnadu State Chess Association