



37th TAMILNADU STATE UNDER – 13 OPEN & GIRLS FIDE RATED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS – 2025

(AICF Event Code: 413133/413134/TN(S)/2025&TNSCA APPROVAL No. SO-08/RAM/25-26)

Organized by

RAMNAD DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION

On behalf of

TAMIL NADU STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION

Date :21.05.2025 to 25.05.2025

Venue: Mohamed Sathak Polytechnic College, Kilakarai,

ECR Road, Ramanathapuram District - 623806. Tamilnadu.

Total Cash Prizes: Rs. 50,000/-

(Rs. 25,000 for Open & Rs. 25,000 for Girls)

Prizes	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 to 10
Boys	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 2500/-	Rs.2000/-	Rs. 1250/-
Girls	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 2500/-	Rs.2000/-	Rs. 1250/-

Normal (District Selected) Entry Fee: Rs.500/-

Special Entry Fee: Rs.1200/-

Entries can be paid through :

<https://registration.tamilchess.com/online-entry/>

****Please note that only the players who take part in this State Championship will be permitted to represent Tamil Nadu as selected/special entries in the forthcoming National U-13 Chess Championship. Hence participation in this State Championship is COMPULSORY****

Note to District Chess Associations: Advise all your U-13 players to take part in this State Championship.

All entries, be it regular or special, should be routed through the respective district chess association on or before 13.05.2025. No entry will be entertained after 13.05.2025.

Entries / Entry fee : All entries (normal or special) should be paid only through online portal (<https://registration.tamilchess.com/online-entry/>) along with the copy of date of birth certificate for verification. Payments made through other modes will not be accepted. Player's participation will be accepted only after obtaining the recommendations from their concern district chess association. The entry fee, once paid, shall not be refunded if the withdrawal from the championship is done after the publication of the first-round pairings.

Tournament Schedule					
Arrival: 21.05.2025 at 08.00 AM			Managers Meeting and Inauguration: 21.05.2025 at 9.30 AM		
1st Round	21-05-2025	11.00 AM	6th Round	23-05-2025	03.00 PM
2nd Round	21-05-2025	04.00 PM	7th Round	24-05-2025	09.30 AM
3rd Round	22-05-2025	09.30 AM	8th Round	24-05-2025	03.00 PM
4th Round	22-05-2025	03.00 PM	9th Round	25-05-2025	09.30 PM
5th Round	23-05-2025	09.30 AM	PD	25-05-2025	03.00 PM

Chief Arbiter: Mr. Vinothkumar T, International Arbiter	
Deputy Chief Arbiter: Mr. Murrukaananth A, FIDE Arbiter	
Tournament Coordinators	Venue Coordinators
Mr. Ramesh M 9443408096	Mr. Maruthachala Moorthy 9976360307, 9842285005

Eligibility: Subject to Age Stipulation

1	Only Indian nationals are eligible to participate
2	Every affiliated District Chess Association / Special Unit of TNSCA is entitled to field two entries in each category.
3	The TNSCA General Secretary can nominate one entry.
4	The top four rankers from TN State Under – 13 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2024 held at Thanjavur.
5	The champion from TN State Under – 11 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2024 held at Salem.
6	The host RAMDCA (Ramnad District Chess Association) is entitled to field one additional entry in each category.
7	Any players who pay the prescribed entry fee: Open & Girls - Rs.1200/- may be considered for participation with recommendation of the respective District Chess Association.
8	In the event of odd entry, the host Ramnad DCA is entitled add one more entry to make total number as even in each category.
9	Those who have qualified to represent the country in official FIDE events.
10	Any Current National Champion in any category is to be seeded to All State Championships subject to age stipulation.
11	In addition to above the following Districts can field additional entries by virtue of three medal winners (Gold, Silver and Bronze) secured by their players in the last Tamil Nadu State Under – 13 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2024 held at Thanjavur Boys: Gold (3) + Silver (2) + Bronze (1) – Chennai. Girls: Gold (3)&Silver (2) – Chennai & Bronze (1) – Tiruvallur.
12	All GMs, WGMs, IMs and WIMs are eligible to play as seeded players in the eligible category

Rules and Regulations:

Age Eligibility	Those born on or after 01.01.2012 are eligible to participate. Age proof is required. Certificate should be from the Panchayat/Municipality or corporation obtained soon after birth. Players without the date of birth certificate will not be allowed to participate. As per the rules of AICF, only players whose dates of birth are registered within one year of their birth are permitted to take part in respective age group State/ Nationals. Other country passport holders shall not be allowed to participate in the State Chess Championship.
Boarding & Lodging:	Lodging will be provided to seeded/selected players and one manager per team at <u>college hostel campus</u> as first preference. For special entry players rooms are subject to availability. Only one accompanying person is allowed. (with common rest room). Players are requested to

	<p>bring their own beddings.</p> <p>Seeded/Selected players are requested to confirm the accommodation while sending entry. Male & female will be provided a separate accommodation irrespective of age. Canteen facilities are available on payment basis at the college premises itself.</p>
AICF Player Registration:	<p>AICF player registration is compulsory for all players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs.300/- for the year 2025-2026. AICF player registrations will be accepted only through online. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Championship). For renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click http://aicf.in/players/ and click extend membership. For (New) Fresh AICF registration please click http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/</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) not used by any other person/ player for AICF, ready before the registration process.</p> <p>Note: Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.</p>
TNSCA Player Registration	<p>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/</p> <p>For fresh TNSCA registration please click https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/</p> <p>For fresh TNSCA registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address ready before the registration process.</p> <p>Note : Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.</p>
RamnadDistrict Player Registration	<p>Ramnad DCA Registration fee is Rs.75/- for the year 2025 – 2026 (for Ramnaddistrict players only)</p>
Default Time	<p>Default time is 15 minutes. Players have to be at the boards within 15 minutes from the start of the round.</p>
Rules:	<p>FIDE rules in force shall apply.</p>
System of play:	<p>The Tournament shall be conducted on a nine rounds Swiss System.</p>
Time Control:	<p>90 minutes each plus 30 seconds increment from the move one.</p>
Tie-break	<p>Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz, Sonneborn Berger Direct encounter, and number of wins (forfeit included) & Number of wins with Black pieces tie-break rules will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared.</p>
Chess Clocks:	<p>Each association is requested to provide at least two chess clocks for every four players.</p>

Wrist Watches	AICF has banned the wrist watches while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear wrist watches while playing. It will lead to loss of the game.
Appeals Committee:	An Appeals Committee comprising 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 the committee can vote on dispute in which a player from his own district is involved and in such case(s), the reserve member takes his/her 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 host RamnadDCA Secretary 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.1000/- within 15 minutes of the incident. The decisions of the appeals committee shall be final and binding on all concerned. The protest fee is a 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 RAM DCA reserves 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 analyse the game in the tournament hall.

Instruction to the District Chess Associations:	While sending the entries, District Chess Associations should certify that the players have been duly selected from the selection/District Chess Championship giving details of venue and date. If such a certificate is not sent, all their entries will be treated as special entries.
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THE PREVIOUS WINNERS LIST

S.No.	Year	City	Boys	Girls
1	1989	Coimbatore	T.N.Murali	M.Safira Shanaz
2	1990	Pollachi	V.Krishnakumar or Asif Mohammed	M.Safira Shanaz
3	1991	Salem	S.Vinit Kumar	M.Safira Shanaz
4	1992	Madurai	G.Vinod	R.Anita

5	1993	Madurai	VMS.Lenin	M.Sigappi
6	1994	Madurai	TV.Karthikeyan	PL.Sivagami
7	1995	Madurai	R R.Laxman	M R.Sangeetha
8	1996	Selaiyur	K.Dwarak	S.Sasi Rekha
9	1997	Coimbatore	R.R.Laxman	Beulah Alagammai
10	1998	Chennai	S.Poobesh Anand	J.E.Kavitha
11	1999	Sivakasi	S.Poobesh Anand	C.Delphin
12	2000	Chennai	R.S.Prassanna	M.Kasthuri
13	2001	Salem	M.K.Narasimhan	R.Mahima
14	2002	Tiruvallur	S.Arun Prasad	L.Ishwarya Shobana
15	2002	Madurai	Sa.Kannan	J.Rajasurya
16	2003	Karaikudi	R.Prem Nath	H.Sowmya
17	2004	Chennai	P.Syaam Nolhil	A.Seethalatchmi
18	2005	Tirunelveli	M.Shyam Sundar	Pon.N.Krithika
19	2006	Chennai	K.Priyadharshan	J.Saranya
20	2007	Palani	M.Hariharasudan	J.Mohanapriya
21	2008	Rajapalayam	Vasantharubavarman	J.Vaishnavi
22	2009	Coimbatore	G.Akash	P.Michelle Catherina
23	2010	Madipakkam	Karthikeyan Murali	M.Mahalakshmi
24	2011	Salem	B. Kumaran	R. Dharani Sree
25	2012	Karur	B. Vignesh	R.Vaishali
26	2013	Tiruvarur	R. Prajesh	D. Meera
27	2014	Kanyakumari	V S Rathanvel	A. Harshini
28	2015	Hosur	H. Balasubramaniam	L .Jyothsna
29	2016	Tirupur	Harshavardhan G B	Poorna Sri M.K
30	2017	Namakkal	H. Balasubramaniam	L .Jyothsna
31	2018	Coimbatore	Vignesh. N	Mohana.R
32	2019	Krishnagiri	Nikhil Magizhnan	Akshaya Rajaraman
33	2021	Tirunelveli	Aswath S	Pragnya H G

34	2022	Erode	Aakash G	Siyona Judith C
35	2023	Sivagangai	Vignesh, Kannan P	Nivedita V C
36	2024	Thanjavur	Pranav, Ganesh Prabhu	Nivedita V C
37	2025	Ramnad	It might be you	It might be you

Organising Coordinators

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