



29th Tamil Nadu State Open Rapid Chess Championship-2026
28th Tamil Nadu State Blitz Chess Championship-2026

“K.K.B -80 Trophy”

(TNSCA Event No. Rapid: SO-06/ERO/26-27 (TNSCA Event No. Blitz: SO-07/ERO/26-27)

Organized By
Erode District Chess Circle &
on Behalf of Tamilnadu State Chess Association

Venue : Dr R.A.N.M Arts & Science College
No: 710, Chennimalai Road, Rangampalayam
,Erode-638009. Tamilnadu, India
Date: 09.05.2026 to 10.05.2026

Tournament Schedule	Arrival: 09.05.2026, 08.00 AM	Managers Meeting and Inauguration: 09.05.2026, 9.00 AM
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Rapid						
1 st Round	09.05.2026	09.30 AM		5 th Round	09.05.2026	03.15 PM
2 nd Round	09.05.2026	10.45 AM		6 th Round	09.05.2026	04.30 PM
3 rd Round	09.05.2026	12.00 Noon		7 th Round	10.05.2026	09.00 AM
4 th Round	09.05.2026	02.00 PM		8 th Round	10.05.2026	10.15 AM
				9 th Round	10.05.2026	11.30 AM

Blitz						
1 st Round	10.05.2026	01.00 PM		5 th Round	10.05.2026	02.20 PM
2 nd Round	10.05.2026	01.20 PM		6 th Round	10.05.2026	02.40 PM
3 rd Round	10.05.2026	01.40 PM		7 th Round	10.05.2026	03.00 PM
4 th Round	10.05.2026	02.00 PM		8 th Round	10.05.2026	03.20 PM
				9 th Round	10.05.2026	03.40 PM

Prize Distribution - 10.05.2026, 04.30 PM

Rapid Entry Fee: Rs.500/-

Blitz Entry Fee: Rs.400/-

Entry Fee can be paid online through

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

All entries, be it regular or special, should be routed through the respective district chess association on or before 06.05.2026.

No entry will be entertained after 06.05.2026

TOTAL PRIZE FUND

Rapid Rs. 30,000/- Blitz Rs. 20,000

PRIZE Breakup

Rapid						BLITZ			
1	Rs. 7000/-	6	Rs. 1500/-	11	Rs. 500/-	1	Rs. 5000/-	6	1000
2	Rs. 6000/-	7	Rs. 1000/-	12	Rs. 500/-	2	Rs. 4000/-	7	1000
3	Rs. 4000/-	8	Rs. 1000/-	13	Rs. 500/-	3	Rs. 3000/-	8	1000
4	Rs. 3000/-	9	Rs. 1000/-	14	Rs. 500/-	4	Rs. 2000/-	9	1000
5	Rs. 2000/-	10	Rs.1000/-	15	Rs. 500/-	5	Rs. 1000/-	10	1000

Special Prizes (Trophies)

**Rapid & Blitz separately DOB certificate
mandatory for category prizes**

Category	Boys	Girls	Age
UNDER-09	5	3	Born on or after 2017
UNDER-12	5	3	Born on or after 2014
UNDER-15	5	3	Born on or after 2011

Chief Arbiter: Mr. Umapathy, International Arbiter

For Details Contact

Tournament Director:
Dr. S. RAMESH
(Secretary, EDCC)
Joint Secretary, TNSCA 9443364966

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Eligibility	Only Tamil Nadu players can participate in this championship. Other country passport holders shall not be allowed to participate in the State Chess Championship.
Boarding and Lodging	Unfurnished dormitory type of lodging will be provided to seeded / selected players and one manager per team. (Nominated by the district association). Players are requested to bring their own beddings. All other entries and accompanying persons have to arrange accommodation of their own.
AICF Player Registration	AICF player registration is compulsory for all players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs.300/- for the year 2024-2025. 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/ 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. Note: Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.
TNSCA Player Registration	TNSCA player registration is compulsory for all Tamil Nadu players. TNSCA Player Registration fee is Rs.150/- for the year 2024-2025. 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/ 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. Note: Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.
EDCC Player Registration	All players of Erode should have been registered with Erode District Chess circle for the year 2026-2027 by paying Rs.50 and filling up the prescribed form.
Default Time	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 minute.
Rules	FIDE rules in force shall apply.
System of Play	The Tournament shall be conducted on a Nine rounds Swiss System.
Time Control	Rapid-15 minutes each with 10 seconds increment from move number 1 Blitz - 3 minutes each with 2 seconds increment from move number 1.
Tie-break	Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz, Sonneborn Berger, Direct Encounter, number of wins (forfeit included) and greater number of wins by black tie-break rules will be applied. In case of tie, prizes 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 is 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 host Erode DCC 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.500/- within 15 minutes of the completion of the game. 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.
Rights of Admission	The AICF/TNSCA/organizer Erode DCC reserve the rights of admission to the venue and lodging place.
Wrist watches of players	AICF has banned the wrist watches while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear wrist watches while playing.

ELIGIBILITY	
1	Only Indian Nationals are eligible to participate.
2	Every affiliated district / Special unit can field two players.
3	The TNSCA General Secretary can nominate one player.
4	The top four rankers of the from TN State Rapid & Blitz Chess Championship 2025 held at Pudukkottai are seeded to respective category
5	Any current National Champion in any category is to be seeded to All State championships subject to age stipulation.
6	Any current World champion in any category is to be seeded to All state championship subject to age stipulation.
7	All GMs, IMs, WGMs & WIMs are seeded to all state championships subject to age Stipulation
8	Any player who pays the prescribed entry fee: Rs. 500 /- for rapid and Rs.400/- for blitz may be considered for participation with recommendation of the respective District Association.

ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Thiru. Rtn. MPH. C.
Ravichandran President,
EDCC Dr. S. Ramesh
Secretary, EDCC
Thiru. Master Sri Ji, Treasurer, EDCC