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# 32<sup>nd</sup> TAMIL NADU STATE FIDE TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026

(AICF Event Code: 469643/TN(S)/2026)

(TNSCA Approval: SO-12/PDU/26-27)

Organized by:

**PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION**

On behalf of

**TAMILNADU STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION**

**02.07.2026 – 05.07.2026**

**Venue : MUAR MANDAPAM.**  
Marthandapuram 2nd street, opposite to santhi theatre,  
Pudukkottai-622001.

**TOTAL CASH PRIZES: Rs. 50000/-**



### TEAM PRIZES

1. Rs. 10,000/-; 2. Rs. 8,000/-; 3. Rs. 6,000/-; 4. Rs. 5,000/-; 5. Rs. 4,000/-;  
6. Rs. 3,000/-; 7. Rs. 2,500/-; 8. Rs. 2,000/-; 9. Rs. 1,500/-; 10. Rs. 1,500/-.



### BOARD PRIZES

1<sup>st</sup> Board- Rs. 2,000/-; 2<sup>nd</sup> Board- Rs. 1,500/-; 3<sup>rd</sup> Board- Rs. 1,250/-;  
4<sup>th</sup> Board- Rs. 1000/-; 5<sup>th</sup> Board- Rs. 750/-



### ENTRY FEE:

**Rs.3000/- (per team)**



Entries can be paid through :

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



Note to District Chess Associations: Advise all your district 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 **23.06.2026**.  
No entry will be entertained after **23.06.2026**.

### TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Arrival: 02.07.2026 at 08.00 AM			Managers Meeting and Inauguration: 02.07.2026 at 9.30 AM		
1 <sup>st</sup> Round	02.07.2026	11.00 AM	5 <sup>th</sup> Round	04.07.2026	09.30 AM
2 <sup>nd</sup> Round	02.07.2026	04.00 PM	6 <sup>th</sup> Round	04.07.2026	03.00 PM
3 <sup>rd</sup> Round	03.07.2026	09.30 AM	7 <sup>th</sup> Round	05.07.2026	09.30 AM
4 <sup>th</sup> Round	03.07.2026	03.00 PM	P D	05.07.2026	02.00 PM

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**Chief Arbiter: Mr. Dhenegaran B, International Arbiter**

**Deputy Chief Arbiter: Mr. Murrukaananth A, International Arbiter**

**Tournament Coordinators**

**Venue Coordinators**

**Dr. Ganesan.S,**  
Secretary, PDU DCA

**Mr. IA Angappan.A,**  
Joint Secretary, PDU DCA

**Mr. Adaikkalavan.A,**  
VP, PDU DCA



## RULES AND REGULATIONS



### ELIGIBILITY

(a) All affiliates of TNSCA.  
(b) Special units / Schools / Colleges / Educations institutions / Clubs / Academy affiliated to district chess association can send any number of teams.  
(c) Each district can send as many teams as possible.  
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 date of birth are registered within one year of their birth are permitted to participate in the respective age group State / National championship. Only Indian Nationals will be permitted to participate in the State / National championship. Other country passport holders shall not be allowed in any State / National championship.



### TEAM COMPOSITION

Each team will consist of Maximum five players. Each team match will be played on four boards. A team's fixed board order (FBO) for the whole championship shall be given in writing at the captain's meeting which shall be final. Board replacement in any round shall be in ascending order. Fifth board player can play on board 4. Fourth board player can play only on board 4 or board 3 (if any player of the higher board is rested) and so on. Order for each round (Round Team List - RTL ) shall be submitted to the chief arbiter within the time frame specified at the Captain's meeting. If a team does not submit any board order for any round, then only their first four players according to their fixed board order can play in that particular round.



### LODGING & CANTEEN FACILITY

Free Unfurnished Dormitory Lodging will be provided at the venue for the participating team & its district representative. All are requested to bring their bedding, etc. Accompanying persons have to make their own arrangements.



### AICF PLAYER REGISTRATION

AICF player registration is compulsory for all players. AICF Player Registratinn fee is Rs.300/- for the year 2026 – 2027. 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.

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## TNSCA PLAYER REGISTRATION

TNSCA player registration is compulsory for all Tamil Nadu players. TNSCA Player Registration fee is Rs.150/- for the year 2026 – 2027. 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/>

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## PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT PLAYER REGISTRATION

Pudukkottai DCA Registration fee is Rs.75/- for the year 2026 – 2027 (for Pudukkottai district players only)



## DEFAULT TIME:

Default time is 15 minutes. Players have to be at the boards within 15 minutes of the start.



## RULES:

FIDE rules in force shall apply.



## SYSTEM OF PLAY:

The tournament shall be a 7 round Swiss. FIDE Rules will be followed.



## TIME CONTROL:

Digital Clock 90 minutes each + 30 seconds increment per move from number one.



## TIE-BREAK:

Pairing will be done by match points. The position of the teams that finish with the same number of match points shall be determined by application of the following in sequence, proceeding from (1) to (2) to (3) to the extent required

- 1) Match Points (default as the primary score)
- 2) Direct Encounter using Match Points
- 3) Game Points (applying Unplayed Round Management)
- 4) Sonneborn Berger EMGSB (applying Unplayed Round Management)
- 5) Scores and Scheduled Strength Combination (SSSC)



## APPEALS COMMITTEE:

An Appeals Committee comprising five members – Three main 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 Pudukkottai DCA 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 AICF/TNSCA/ Pudukkottai DCA reserve the rights of admission to the venue and lodging place.

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## Wrist Watches

As per AICF regulations all sorts of wrist watches are restricted while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear wrist watches while playing.



**E-certificate:** E-certificates to all participants will be issued only by TNSCA after the completion of the championships.



## PREVIOUS WINNERS - TN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

- |    |      |              |                        |    |      |                |                                |
|----|------|--------------|------------------------|----|------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| 01 | 1974 | Madras       | Madras "B"             | 20 | 2012 | Sattur         | ICF                            |
| 02 | 1976 | Pollachi     | Madras "A"             | 21 | 2013 | Karaikudi      | Bloom Chess Academy            |
| 03 | 1977 | Madurai      | Madras "A"             | 22 | 2014 | Coimbatore     | ICF                            |
| 04 | 1978 | Mettur       | Madras "B"             | 23 | 2015 | Erode          | ICF                            |
| 05 | 1980 | Chengalpattu | Madras "A"             | 24 | 2015 | Thanjavur      | T Nagar CA-A                   |
| 06 | 1981 | Tuticorin    | Madras "A"             | 25 | 2016 | Kovilpatti     | Velammal-A                     |
| 07 | 1982 | Madras       | Indian Bank            | 26 | 2017 | Tiruvallur     | Viyugam Chess Academy          |
| 08 | 1983 | Pollachi     | Madras "A"             | 27 | 2018 | Madurai        | Golden Knights Chess Academy A |
| 09 | 1984 | Sivakasi     | Madurai                | 28 | 2019 | Karur          | Golden Knights Chess Academy A |
| 10 | 1988 | Dharmapuri   | Thanjavur              | 29 | 2022 | Madurai        | Golden Knights Chess Academy A |
| 11 | 1998 | Chennai      | Indian Bank            | 30 | 2023 | Ananthi        | Chess Academy A                |
| 12 | 2001 | Rajapalayam  | Indian Bank            | 31 | 2024 | Hatsun         | Chess Academy-A                |
| 13 | 2002 | Avadi        | T. Nagar 'A'           | 32 | 2025 | Salem District | chess association Team-H       |
| 14 | 2002 | Chennai      | ICF                    | 33 | 2026 | ???            |                                |
| 15 | 2003 | Not Held     |                        |    |      |                |                                |
| 16 | 2005 | Avadi        | Southern Railway       |    |      |                |                                |
| 17 | 2006 | Neyveli      | ICF - Chennai          |    |      |                |                                |
| 18 | 2007 | Chennai      | Velammal "A"           |    |      |                |                                |
| 19 | 2008 | Chennai      | SRM University         |    |      |                |                                |
|    |      |              | 2009, 10 & 11 Not held |    |      |                |                                |



**Tournament director:** Dr. Ganesan.S, Secretary, PDU DCA ☎ 9786382393



**Organising Co-ordinator:** Mr. Angappan A, (International Arbiter) ☎ 6380812829

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**Mr. P. Stephen Balasamy**, (Hon. Secretary, TNSCA)

- ◆ **Mr. V. Vijayaragavan** (VP, TNSCA)
- ◆ **Mr. S. Ramachandran**, (President, PDCA)
- ◆ **Mr. R. Srivatsan** (VP, TNSCA)
- ◆ **Mr. R. P. Senthil kumaran**, (Jt. Secretary, TNSCA)
- ◆ **Mr. M. Kannan** (Jt. Secretary, TNSCA)
- ◆ **Mr. S. Ganesh Babu**, (International Arbiter)
- ◆ **Mr. P. Pragadesh**, (Jt. Secretary, TNSCA)
- ◆ **Mr. V.L. Anandh Babu**, (FIDE IPCA Councillor, General secretary, CFPD)

## PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION

<b>Ramachandran S</b> President	<b>Dr. Ganesan S</b> Secretary	<b>Jayaraman M</b> Treasurer
<b>Adaikkalavan A</b> Vice president	<b>Jayakumar V</b> Vice president	
<b>Parthiban V</b> Joint Secretary	<b>Angappan A</b> Joint Secretary	<b>Dr. Gopalakrishnan M</b> Joint Secretary

## TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

- ◆ Mr. P. Pramesh
- ◆ Mr. RM. Selvam
- ◆ Mr. S. Manikandan
- ◆ Mr. T. Sridhar
- ◆ Mr. J. Mohamed Iqbal
- ◆ Mr. G. Ganesan
- ◆ Mr. R. Ussain
- ◆ Mr. R. Assan
- ◆ Mr. A. Subramanian

## LIST OF HOTELS

- |   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| Hotel MA Grand (04322-233444, 9442593652)<br>9790287666 | Saradha Grande (04322-229736, |
| Prince Lodge (04322-222409, 9842448000)                 | Hotel Shivalaya (9698889595)  |
| Geo park (7598565000)                                   |                               |

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