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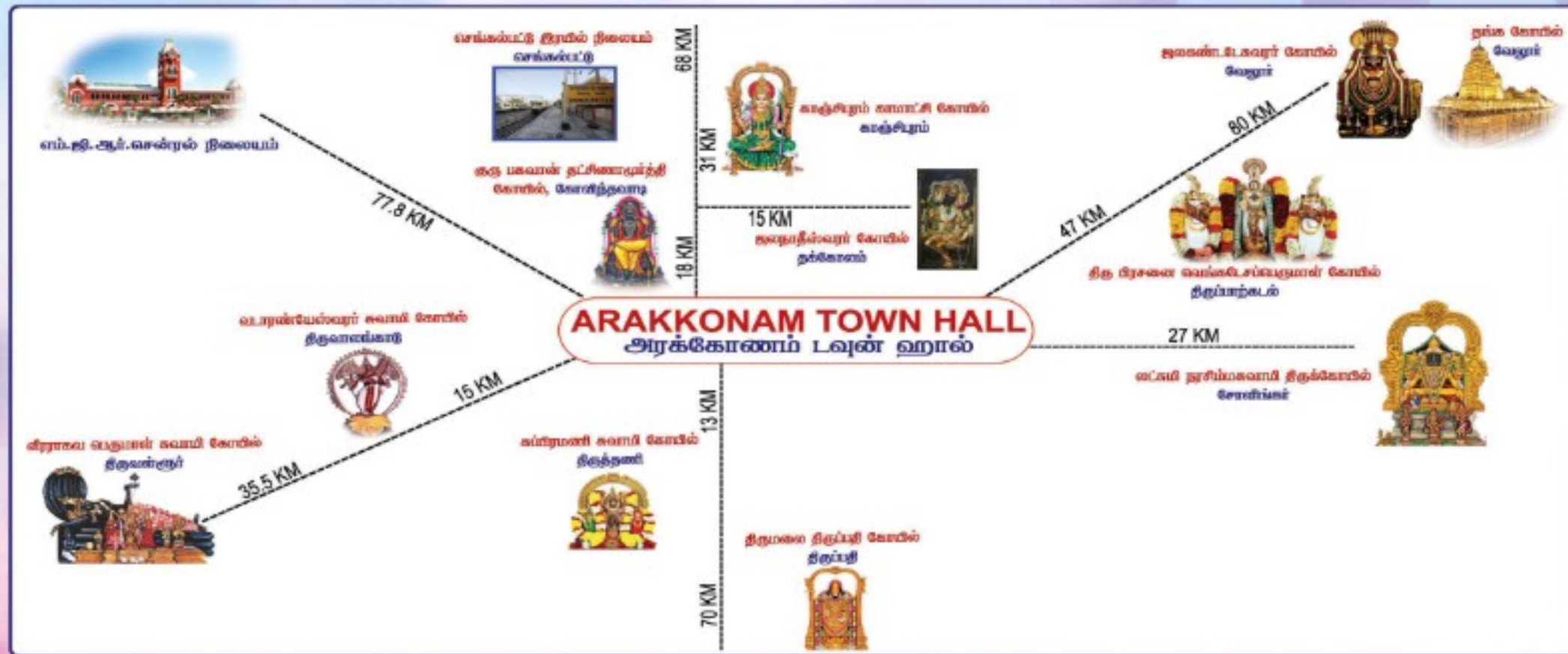
**Organising Coordinators**

RANIPET DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION

Mr. N. Saravanan, Mr. S. Cholavandan, Mr. A. Vijayakumar,  
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Vice President Joint Secretary Vice President Joint Secretary  
Mrs. D. Thamaraiselvi, Mr. S. Sivakumar, Mr. D. Sathish,  
Joint Secretary Joint Treasurer, EC Member

**Tournament Committee**

Mr. G.K. Babuji, Mr. K. Munusaway, Mr. T. Kamesh, Mr. D.M. Subash Sankar,  
Mr. V. Sankaran, Mr. M. Mohanasundaram, Mr. N. Srinivasan,  
Mr. B. Sankar, Mr. A. Vinothkumar



Tournament Hall Near by Rooms

<b>AMBARI SQUARE ROOMS &amp; Party Hall</b> ☎ 9363686823	
<b>S.S.M.LODGE</b> ☎ 7010733395	<b>HOTEL NEW SAIRAM</b> ☎ 7010575653
<b>NEW LAKSHMI LODGING HOUSE</b> ☎ 9385578336	<b>M.S.N.LODGE</b> ☎ 6385638574
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**24<sup>th</sup> TN State Under – 25 Open FIDE Rated  
21<sup>st</sup> TN State Under – 25 Girls FIDE Rated  
Chess Championship 2026**

AICF Event Code - Open - 485016/TN(S)/2026 / AICF Event Code - Girls - 485017/TN(S)/2026  
TNSCA Approval No: SO-13/RAN/26-27



**Venue The Town Hall**  
Gandhi Road, Arakkonam 631001, Ranipet District.

**15-07-2026 to 19-07-2026**  
Total Cash Prizes: Rs.30,000/-  
(Rs.15,000 for open & Rs.15,000 for girls)

Prizes	1	2	3	4	5	6 to 10
<b>Men</b>	3000 + 🏆	2250 + 🏆	1750 + 🏆	1500/-	1500/-	1000/-
<b>Women</b>	3000 + 🏆	2250 + 🏆	1750 + 🏆	1500/-	1500/-	1000/-

**Open & Girls Top 5 Player Trophies ( Total Cup 86)**

Category Prize U-09 ,U-11 U-13 ,U-15	Special Prize for Rainpet District U-09 ,U-11 U-13 ,U-15
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All Remaining Participants Will Receive Medals

Rs.800/- Entry Fee - Normal (District Selected)      Entries can be paid through :      Special - Entry Fee Rs.1200/-

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

Note to District Chess Associations: Advise all your U-25 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 07.07.2026. No entry will be entertained after 07.07.2026.



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.

<b>Tournament Schedule</b>					
<b>Arrival : 15.07.2026 at 8.00 am</b>			<b>Manager Meeting and Inauguration : 15.07.2026 at 9.30 am</b>		
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Round</b>	<b>15.07.2026</b>	<b>11.00 am</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Round</b>	<b>17.07.2026</b>	<b>03.00 pm</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Round</b>	<b>15.07.2026</b>	<b>04.00 pm</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Round</b>	<b>18.07.2026</b>	<b>09.30 am</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Round</b>	<b>16.07.2026</b>	<b>09.30 am</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Round</b>	<b>18.07.2026</b>	<b>03.00 pm</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Round</b>	<b>16.07.2026</b>	<b>03.00 pm</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Round</b>	<b>19.07.2026</b>	<b>09.30 am</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Round</b>	<b>17.07.2026</b>	<b>09.30 am</b>	<b>PD</b>	<b>19.07.2026</b>	<b>03.00 pm</b>

Chief Arbiter: **Mr Chopan Babu R.K. IA**  
Deputy Chief Arbiter: **Ms Kavya Senthil, FA**

<b>Tournament Coordinators</b>		<b>Venue Coordinators</b>
<b>Mr. Cholvandhan,</b> Secretary, RAN DCA	<b>Mr. A. Vijayakumar,</b> Treasurer, RAN DCA	<b>Mr. N. Saravanan,</b> President, RAN DCA

**Accommodation**  
For Normal (District Selected) Player - Accomodation is Free.  
For Special Entry Player & Parents - Accomodation is **Rs.500/-** (Per Person) for 5 days. Limited accomodation only available. Pre booking through Google form is mandatory (For Enquiry: **Mr. N. Saravanan, 9840304388 / Mr. M. Mohanasundaram, 9944229388**)

**Many Hotels are available near the tournament venue for food**

**Eligibility: Subject to Age Stipulation**

1 Only Indian nationals are eligible to participate	8 In the event of odd entry, the host Ranipet DCA is entitled add one more entry to make total number as even in each category.
2 Every affiliated District Chess Association / Special Unit of TNSCA is entitled to field two entries in each category. Only Tamil Nadu players are eligible to participate in this championship	9 Those who have qualified to represent the country in official FIDE events.
3 The TNSCA General Secretary can nominate one entry.	10 Any Current National Champion in any category is to be seeded to All State Championships subject to age stipulation.
4 The top four rankers from TN State Under - 25 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2025 held at Chengalpattu are seeded to respective category.	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 TN State Under - 25 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2024 held at Cuddalore. Boys: Gold (3) - Chennai + Silver (2) - Coimbatore & Bronze (1) - Tiruvanamalai Girls: Gold (3) + Silver (2) - Chennai & Bronze (1) - Madurai
5 The championship of TN State Under - 19 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2025 held at Tirupattur are seeded for respectively category.	12 All GMs, WGMs, IMs and WIMs are eligible to play as seeded players in the eligible category
6 The host RANDCA (Ranipet 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.	

## Rules and Regulations:

<b>Age Eligibility</b>	Those who are born on or after 01st January 2001 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. Other country passport holders shall not be allowed to participate in the State Chess Championship.
<b>Lodging &amp; Boarding</b>	Lodging (unfurnished dormitory accomodation in an open hall will be provided to seeded/selected players and one team manager near the playing venue. Players are requested to bring their own beddings. Seeded/Selected players are requested to confirm their accomodation while sending entry. Male and female will be provided a separate accomodation irrespective of age. You are requested to use only the facilities available at the accomodation; no additional facilities will be provided. Many hotels and lodges are available near the tournament venue for food and accomodation. Accomodation for <b>Special Entry players</b> and all the accompanying persons: Rs. 500 per head for 5days. Limited accomodation only available. Pre booking through Google form is mandatory.
<b>TNSCA Player Registration</b>	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 <a href="https://registration.tamilchess.com/">https://registration.tamilchess.com/</a> For fresh TNSCA registration please click <a href="https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/">https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/</a> 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.
<b>Ranipet DCA Player's Registration</b>	Ranipet DCA Registration fee is Rs.75/- for the year 2026 - 2027 (for Ranipet district players only)
<b>Default time</b>	Default time is 15 minutes. Players have to be at the boards within 15 minutes of the start of the round.
<b>Rules</b>	FIDE rules in force shall apply.
<b>System of play</b>	The Tournament shall be conducted on a nine rounds Swiss System.
<b>Time Control</b>	90 minutes each plus 30 seconds increment from the move one.
<b>Tie-break</b>	Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz, Sonneborn Berger, Direct encounter and number of wins (forfeit included) tie-break rules will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared.
<b>Wrist Watches</b>	As per the AICF regulations, all sort of wrist watches are prohibited while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear wrist watches while playing. It will lead to loss of the game.
<b>Appeals Committee</b>	An Appeals Committee comprising of five members, three main members and two reserves members 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/states 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.
<b>Tournament Committee</b>	The tournament committee consisting of the General Secretary, TNSCA or his representative, the host Ranipet DCA Secretary or his representative and representative from another district to be nominated by the TNSCA shall decide on all emergency matters.
<b>Protest</b>	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 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.
<b>Withdrawals</b>	A player may withdraw from the tournament at any stage after informing the Chief Arbiter in writing.
<b>Arrears</b>	The players belonging to Districts which are in arrears to TNSCA will not be allowed to take part.
<b>Rights of Admission</b>	The TNSCA /RANDCA organizer reserve the rights of admission to the venue and lodging.
<b>Participation certificate</b>	E-certificates to all participants will be issued only by TNSCA after the completion of the championships.