



# 1st RCA INTERNATIONAL FIDE RATING BELOW 1800 CHESS TOURNAMENT - 2026

★ A GRANI INTERNATIONAL CHESS FESTIVAL ★

**TOTAL CASH PRIZE**  
**₹2,00,000/-**

**First Prize**  
**₹25,000**

★ Attractive Cash Prizes up to 30th Place

★ Special Prizes for Unrated Players

17th July 2026 to 19th July 2026 | Hall of Chess, Jawaharal Nehru Stadium, Chennai



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### TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ International FIDE Rated Event
- ✓ 9 Round Swiss League Format
- ✓ Latest FIDE Rules Applicable
- ✓ Professional Playing Venue
- ✓ Attractive Cash Awards
- ✓ Participation Certificates
- ✓ Excellent Playing Conditions
- ✓ Experienced Arbiters & Organizers

### FIDE Rated Event

- 9 Round Swiss System
- Players Rated Below 1800



### TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

- 17th July 2026**
- 08:30 AM – INAUGURATION
  - 09:30 AM – ROUND 1
  - 12:30 PM – ROUND 2
  - 03:30 PM – ROUND 3
- 18th July 2026**
- 09:30 AM – ROUND 4
  - 12:30 PM – ROUND 5
  - 03:30 PM – ROUND 6
- 19th July 2026**
- 09:30 AM – ROUND 7
  - 12:30 PM – ROUND 8
  - 03:30 PM – ROUND 9

06:00 PM onwards – **PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY**

**LAST DATE FOR ENTRY**  
**14th JULY 2026**

### PRIZE DETAILS (CASH PRIZES)

Rank	Prize (₹)	Rank	Prize (₹)
1st	25,000	16th	4,000
2nd	15,000	17th	4,000
3rd	12,500	18th	4,000
4th	10,000	19th	4,000
5th	8,500	20th	4,000
6th	7,500	21st	3,000
7th	7,000	22nd	3,000
8th	6,500	23rd	3,000
9th	6,000	24th	3,000
10th	5,500	25th	3,000
11th	5,000	26th	2,000
12th	4,500	27th	2,000
13th	4,000	28th	2,000
13th	4,000	29th	2,000
15th	4,000	30th	1,500

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### ENTRY FEE

**₹1000/- ONLY**

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### ONLINE ENTRY PORTALS

- easypaychess.com
- chessentry.in
- bookmyfee.com
- chessfee.com
- signinchess.com
- thefee.in
- vschess.co.in

### BANK DETAILS

Account Name  
**RAJAM CHESS ACADEMY**

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### VENUE



### SPECIAL PRIZES FOR UNRATED PLAYERS

Rank	Prize (₹)
Unrated 1st	3,000
Unrated 2nd	2,000
Unrated 3rd	1,750
Unrated 4th	1,500
Unrated 5th	1,250

### BELOW RATED PRIZES

Rank	Prize (₹)
1600 & Below	4,000
1600 1st	4,000
1600 2nd	3,000
1600 3rd	2,000
1400 & Below	4,000
1400 1st	4,000
1400 2nd	3,000
1400 3rd	2,000

### OTHER SPECIAL PRIZES

Category	Prize (₹)
Best Women / Top in Prize List	1,500
Best Veteran / Top in Prize List	1,500
Best Differently Abled / Top in Prize List	Trophy

### AGE GROUP PRIZES (CUPS)

Age Group	Prize
Under – 08	Cups to Top 5 places
Under – 10	Cups to Top 5 places
Under – 12	Cups to Top 5 places
Under – 14	Cups to Top 5 places

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

System of Play	The Latest FIDE Rules in force shall apply and the Swiss system will be followed.	Chennai District Player's Registration	Chennai DCA player registration fee is Rs. 75/- for the year 2026 – 2027 (for Chennai district players only)
Mode of Tournament	Total : 9 rounds shall be played.	Protests	Protests if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbitrer shall be made in writing with protest fee of Rs.500/- within 15 minutes of the occurrence of the incident to the appeals committee. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.
Time Control	30 minutes each + 30 seconds increment per move from move no.1	Appeals Committee	Before the commencement of the Tournament, appeals committee will be formed from the senior participants present at the players meeting. The appeals committee decisions will be final and binding on all players concerned.
Tie break	Latest Aicf tie rules shall apply. The order of tie break will be announced before starting of the first round at the tournament hall	Withdrawals	A player may withdraw at any stage of the event, after informing the chief arbitrer in writing
Default time	Default time will be 15 MINUTES from the start of the game. Players who arrive at their boards after the default time shall lose their game.	Last date	Entries Closes on 14th JULY, 2026
AICF Player Registration	AICF player registration is compulsory for Indian players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs. 300/- for the year 2025-2027. As per latest AICF regulation dated 31.07.2017, it is informed that from 01st September, 2017 all AICF registrations will be accepted only through online. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Tournament). New entrants to the field of chess are informed that AICF players registration is mandatory and it should be done well before participating in any tournament. For renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click <a href="http://aicf.in/players/">http://aicf.in/players/</a> For fresh AICF registration please click <a href="http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/">http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/</a> 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 1MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.	Rights of admission	The AICF/TNSCA/CDCA/organizer reserve the rights of admission to the venue for any unauthorized person.
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 the tournament. For fresh TNSCA 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.	Chief Arbitrer	FIDE Instructor & International Arbitrer N.K.Nandakumar – 9176673939
		Wrist watches	As per AICF regulations the wrist watches are restricted inside the playing hall in all FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear any kind of wrist watches while playing.
		Prizes	Players can claim only prize in higher category only

★ ALL CHESS PLAYERS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED ★  
**LET YOUR NEXT MOVE CREATE HISTORY**