



ATHENS — OF THE — EAST

2ND INTERNATIONAL GRANDMASTER OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

CATEGORIES A & B

ANANTHI CHESS ACADEMY

INSPIRING SUCCESS WITH EACH MOVE

(Affiliated to Madurai District Chess Association)

TOTAL CASH PRIZE

₹ **30,00,000**

DATE

CATEGORY A: JUN.28 - JUL.05

CATEGORY B: JUL.01 - JUL.03

2022

VENUE

THE THANGAM GRAND HOTEL, A/C

48, BYPASS RD, KALAVASAL, MADURAI - 625016,
TAMIL NADU

FREE HOTEL ACCOMMODATION TO ALL PLAYERS

CATEGORY A

FOR PLAYERS OF RATING **1600 & ABOVE**

TOTAL CASH PRIZE **20,00,000**

ENTRY FEE

FREE

GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs

INR 10,000/-

For All Players Rated 1600 & Above

INR 9,000/-

For Madurai District Players



ENTRY FEE CAN BE PAID THROUGH

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www.chessfee.com
www.easypaychess.com
www.chezzcircle.com



BANK DEPOSIT

Account Name :
Ananthi Chess Academy
A/C No: 601605014842
IFSC: ICIC0006016
Type : Current Account
Bank : ICICI



LAST DATE OF ENTRY
24th June 2022



DD IN FAVOUR OF
Ananthi Chess Academy
Payable at Madurai

REPORTING

ALL THE PLAYERS WHO NEED ACCOMMODATION MUST REPORT AT

The Thangam Grand Hotel, 48, Bypass Rd, Kalavasal, Madurai, Tamil Nadu - 625016.

PRIZES - OPEN (INR)

1st 3,00,000

+ Smartphone + Trophy

2nd 2,00,000

+ Trophy

3rd 1,50,000

+ Trophy

4th 1,00,000

10th 25,000

5th 75,000

11th-14th 20,000

6th 50,000

15th-19th 16,000

7th 40,000

20th 15,000

8th 35,000

21st-25th 12,000

9th 30,000

26th-30th 10,000

Best Madurai District Player

10,000

2201 - 2300

1st 50,000

+ Trophy

2nd 30,000

3rd 20,000

2101 - 2200

1st 50,000

+ Trophy

2nd 30,000

3rd 20,000

2001 - 2100

1st 50,000

+ Trophy

2nd 30,000

3rd 20,000

1901 - 2000

1st 50,000

+ Trophy

2nd 30,000

3rd 20,000

ROUND SCHEDULE

Round 1

28-06-2022

10:00 hrs

Round 4

30-06-2022

10:00 hrs

Round 2

29-06-2022

10:00 hrs

Round 5

01-07-2022

10:00 hrs

Round 3

29-06-2022

16:00 hrs

Round 6

02-07-2022

10:00 hrs

1801 - 1900

1st 50,000

+ Trophy

2nd 30,000

3rd 20,000

1701 - 1800

1st 50,000

+ Trophy

2nd 30,000

3rd 20,000

1600 - 1700

1st 50,000

+ Trophy

2nd 30,000

3rd 20,000

Please note that Titled player will Not be eligible for rating category prizes.
For rating-based category prizes, all the players below that rating category will be considered even though there is another below rating category is available.

*Indian income tax rules will be applicable

Round 7

02-07-2022

16:00 hrs

Round 8

03-07-2022

10:00 hrs

Round 9

04-07-2022

10:00 hrs

Round 10

05-07-2022

10:00 hrs

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY: 16:00 HRS / 05-07-2022

RULES

SYSTEM OF PLAY:

The tournament will be conducted as per FIDE Laws of Chess and FIDE Swiss System with 10 rounds.

TIME CONTROL

90 Minutes plus 30 seconds increment from move 1 for the entire game.

TIE BREAK

In case of a tie, the latest FIDE Rules shall come in to effect.
The cash prizes however will not be shared.

DRAW OFFER

Players shall not agree for a draw before 30th move of black.

NOT ALLOWED

As per AICF regulations wrist watches are strictly prohibited inside the playing area.

ACCOMMODATION

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- All foreign and Indian GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs will be given free accommodation in the Tournament Star hotel with three meals.
- For other Players free Three sharing/Four sharing will be given (2KM from the venue).
- Each accompanying person will be charged INR 4000/- for the entire tournament.
- In case of their requirement for accommodation in Tournament Star Hotel, they are requested to contact the organizing committee.

FOR ACCOMMODATION CONTACT



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Mr. Murukananth



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Mr. Nagarajan

REPORTING:

The Thangam Grand Hotel,
48, Bypass Rd, Kalavasal,
Madurai, Tamil Nadu
625016.

CATEGORY B

FOR PLAYERS OF RATING **1599** & BELOW

TOTAL CASH PRIZE

10,00,000

ENTRY FEE

INR 5,000/-

For All Players Rated 1599 & Below

INR 4,500/-

For Madurai District Players



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27th June 2022



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1st **1,20,000**
+ Smartphone + Trophy

2nd **1,00,000**
+ Trophy

3rd **60,000**
+ Trophy

4th **40,000**

7th-9th **15,000**

21st-25th **7,000**

5th **30,000**

10th-15th **10,000**

26th-30th **6,000**

6th **20,000**

16th-20th **8,000**

31st-40th **5,000**

0 - 1350

1st **60,000**
+ Smartphone + Trophy

2nd **40,000**
+ Trophy

3rd **25,000**
+ Trophy

4th **15,000**

7th **8,000**

11th-20th **5,000**

5th **10,000**

8th **7,000**

6th **9,000**

9th-10th **6,000**

0 - 1250

*Indian income tax rules will be applicable

1st **40,000**
+ Trophy

2nd **25,000**
+ Trophy

3rd **15,000**
+ Trophy

4th **10,000**

6th & 7th **8,000**

9th **6,000**

5th **9,000**

8th **7,000**

10th **5,000**

For other details kindly refer general instructions

ROUND SCHEDULE

Round 1 01-07-2022 09:30 hrs	Round 2 01-07-2022 13:30 hrs	Round 3 01-07-2022 17:30 hrs	Round 4 02-07-2022 09:30 hrs	Round 5 02-07-2022 13:30 hrs
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PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY 18:45 HRS / 03.07.2022

BOYS

UNDER 07 UNDER 09 UNDER 11 UNDER 13 UNDER 15

1st	CYCLE	CYCLE	CYCLE	CYCLE	CYCLE
2nd	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
3rd	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
4th	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
5th	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY

GIRLS

UNDER 07 UNDER 09 UNDER 11 UNDER 13 UNDER 15

1st	CYCLE	CYCLE	CYCLE	CYCLE	CYCLE
2nd	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
3rd	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
4th	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
5th	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY

RULES

SYSTEM OF PLAY:

The tournament will be conducted as per FIDE Laws of Chess and FIDE Swiss System with 9 rounds.

TIME CONTROL

60 Minutes plus 30 second increment from move 1 for entire game.

TIE BREAK

In case of a tie, the latest FIDE Rules shall come in to effect.
The Cash prizes however will not be shared.

DRAW OFFER

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REPORTING

ALL THE PLAYERS WHO NEED ACCOMMODATION MUST REPORT AT

The Thangam Grand Hotel, 48, Bypass Rd, Kalavasal, Madurai, Tamil Nadu 625016.

All participants will be provided **FREE** Hotel accommodation on triple/four sharing basis for entire duration of the event.

Each accompanying person will be charged INR 1500/- for the entire tournament.

Room Mate Preference will be given for a group of 4 people of your choice incase of friends or known persons. (same gender only) for a single room.

Allocation of room for your preferred group of 4 persons will be given only when the 4 persons join & arrive at the time of allocation at the Reporting place.

Registration & allocation of rooms will begin from 30th June 11:00 A.M and get close on 1st July 9:00 P.M.

CHECK IN TIME :
JUNE 30TH - 11.00 A.M

CHECK OUT TIME:
JULY 3RD - 9.00 A.M

In case of their requirement for accommodation in Tournament Star Hotel, they are requested to contact the organizing committee. Limited Accommodations are only available in the Tournament Star Hotel.

ELIGIBILITY

CAREER RATING MUST BE 1599 & BELOW

Players having Career rating of 1599 & below for the last three years (Aug 2019) are only eligible to participate in the event.

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President. MDCA

VISA ASSISTANCE TO FOREIGN PLAYERS:

- Foreign players with valid FIDE ID who desire visa assistance are required to write to the All-India Chess Federation (AICF)
- ALL INDIA CHESS FEDERATION #101-102, A Block, First Floor, Naurang House, 21, Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi 110001
- Email indianchessfed@gmail.com / www.aicf.in
- IM Vishal Sareen (+919958030007, delhiinternationalchess2014@gmail.com)
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COVID PROTOCOLS:

- All players are required to mandatorily adhere the Covid Protocol issued by Government of India/Government of Tamil Nadu at the time of championship.
- All participants, above 16 years of age must be fully vaccinated. All players need to submit a negative RTPCR test obtained within 48 hours of their arrival.
- Players must sign the Self Declaration form on their arrival with respect to Covid-19.
- All players are required to maintain social distancing and hand sanitization at all times.
- Wearing of mask is not mandatory at present in Maharashtra but at the time of the tournament everyone will have to abide by the guidelines of state and central government at the time.
- Any symptomatic players will be removed from the championship as precaution. All Players are obliged to obey this rule and no protest can be made against this decision of Organizing Committee.
- All Officials and Arbiters should be fully vaccinated.
- Sanitization of Chess Board and Chess pieces will be carried out at regular intervals.
- Parents and accompanying persons are not allowed inside the tournament hall always.
- Organizers take all the measures for safe championship environment however, in case any untoward situation arises, the players will not ask damages from Organizers/All India Chess Federation.
- Due to any unforeseen scenario, if the event needs to be cancelled, then the organizers obligation is limited to refunding the entry fee paid by the players.
- By enrolling for the events, the players are abiding by all the terms and conditions of the championship for participation.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

AICF Registration 2022-2023 for Indian Players: Indian players should be compulsorily registered with AICF. Players not yet registered can do so by remitting a sum of Rs.250/- online on <https://prs.aicf.in>. (*Entries from unregistered players will not be entertained*)

Default Time (Walkover Time): The default time will be 15 minutes.

The Drawn Game: The players shall not agree for a draw without consent of arbiter before each player makes 30 moves.

Tie-Break: The following tie break rules will be applicable for all the FIDE Rated Swiss Events under AICF.

- i. Buchholz Cut 1
- ii. Buchholz
- iii. Sonneborn-Berger
- iv. Direct encounter
- v. The greater number of wins including forfeits
- vi. Number of wins with Black pieces

Protests: If any, against the decision of the Arbiter or the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.1000/- within 15 minutes of the occurrence of the incident to the appeals committee. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

Appeals Committee: Before the commencement of the tournament, a five-member appeals committee with two reserves shall be formed by AICF/ORGANISERS. All the members and reserves shall be from different federations/states for A & B categories). No member of the committee can vote on a dispute in which a player from his own federation is involved and in such case the reserve member(s) shall take his/her place in the committee formed by the Organizers.

Interpretation: For further interpretations of the rule(s) and deciding any aspect not covered by the said tournament prospectus, the decision of the Tournament Director shall be final and binding on all the participants. The Tournament Director has every right to make any addition/deletion/amendment to these rules. However, such changes shall be displayed on the noticeboard with the prior approval from AICF&TNSCA.

WHY WE ARE NAMED ATHENS OF THE EAST?

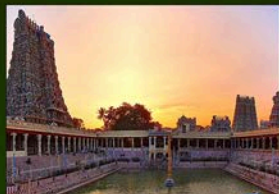
Greek relation with Madurai : As early as the 3rd century BC, Megasthenes (a Greek ethnographer) visited Madurai. Thereafter, many people from Rome and Greece visited Madurai and established trade with the Pandya kings. Athens had the Greek pantheon located at an elevated plane which could be seen from anywhere in the city. Similarly, Madurai had the lofty towers of Meenakshi Sundareswarar Temple till concrete structures hid their view. Another distinct feature of Greek and Roman cities was the provision of pedestrian walkways and lanes for single vehicle and two vehicles. The two-lane roads were mostly located on the outskirts. "The original structure of Madurai gives preference only for pedestrians." Madurai is culturally as rich as Athens of Greece, and so it is equivalent. Thus we are proud to take the name **ATHENS OF THE EAST** to our tournament.

THINGS TO DO IN MADURAI

Having earned the sobriquet "Athens of the East", Madurai has never left any of its travellers less than being awe inspired. The city, which is second largest in the state of Tamil Nadu, is a hotbed of tourist attractions as its culture and architectural marvels speak of grandeur and brilliance. Major credit goes to Nayaka rulers who during their reign got many temples and buildings constructed.

The city is graced by attractions like Meenakshi Amman Temple, Tirumalai Nayak Palace, Gandhi Memorial Museum and also there are various other places where you can breathe in the authentic Tamilian culture at its best.

You can have a look at the top 4 best places to visit in Madurai which will make it an interesting and enjoyable experience:



MEENAKSHI AMMAN TEMPLE

20 min from Event Location



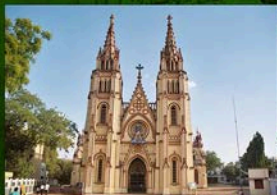
THIRUMALAI NAYAKKAR PALACE

25 min from Event Location



GANDHI MUSEUM

20 min from Event Location



SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL

18 min from Event Location

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JUN. 28 - JUL. 05, 2022

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