



AICF Event Code: 488289/TN(R)/2026 | TNSCA Approval No: RFR-11/MDU/26-27

ANANTHI CHESS ACADEMY  
PRESENTS

# ATHENS OF THE EAST

UNDER THE AEGIS OF  
TAMIL NADU STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION & ALL  
INDIA CHESS FEDERATION

## 2<sup>ND</sup> INTERNATIONAL FIDE RATED RAPID CHESS TOURNAMENT



**02 AUG 2026**



VALLABA VIDYALAYA CBSE SCHOOL  
ALAGAR KOVIL MAIN ROAD, ARAMBANUR,  
MADURAI – 625104.



TOTAL CASH PRIZE  
**₹3,00,000**

ENTRY FEE  
**₹1,500**



## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:

| PARTICULARS        | DATE                | TIME      |
|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Inauguration       | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 09:00 A.M |
| Round – I          | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 10:00 Hrs |
| Round – 2          | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 11:00 Hrs |
| Round – 3          | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 12:00 Hrs |
| Round – 4          | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 13:00 Hrs |
| Round – 5          | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 14:00 Hrs |
| Round - 6          | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 15:00 Hrs |
| Round – 7          | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 16:00 Hrs |
| Round – 8          | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 17:00 Hrs |
| Round – 9          | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 18:00 Hrs |
| Prize Distribution | 02-08-2026   Sunday | 19:00 Hrs |

## CHILDREN CATEGORY PRIZES:

**Under – 07** (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2019)

**Under – 09** (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2017)

**Under – 11** (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2015)

**Under – 13** (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2013)

**Under – 15** (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2011)

## OPEN CATEGORY PRIZES

1<sup>st</sup> ₹30000/- + Trophy

2<sup>nd</sup> ₹25000/- + Trophy

3<sup>rd</sup> ₹17500/- + Trophy

4<sup>th</sup> ₹12500/-

5<sup>th</sup> ₹7500/-

6<sup>th</sup> ₹6250/-

7<sup>th</sup> ₹5000/-

8<sup>th</sup> ₹4000/-

9<sup>th</sup> ₹3750/-

10<sup>th</sup> ₹3250/-

11<sup>th</sup> ₹3000/-

12<sup>th</sup> ₹2500/-

13<sup>th</sup> ₹2500/-

14<sup>th</sup> ₹2500/-

15<sup>th</sup> ₹2500/-

16<sup>th</sup> ₹2000/-

17<sup>th</sup> ₹2000/-

18<sup>th</sup> ₹2000/-

19<sup>th</sup> ₹2000/-

20<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

21<sup>st</sup> ₹1500/-

22<sup>nd</sup> ₹1500/-

23<sup>rd</sup> ₹1500/-

24<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

25<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

26<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

27<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

28<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

29<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

30<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

### 1400 - 1500

1<sup>st</sup> ₹10000/- + Trophy

2<sup>nd</sup> ₹7500/- + Trophy

3<sup>rd</sup> ₹6250/- + Trophy

4<sup>th</sup> ₹5000/-

5<sup>th</sup> ₹3500/-      7<sup>th</sup> ₹2000/-

6<sup>th</sup> ₹2500/-      8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

### 1501 - 1600

1<sup>st</sup> ₹10000/- + Trophy

2<sup>nd</sup> ₹7500/- + Trophy

3<sup>rd</sup> ₹6250/- + Trophy

4<sup>th</sup> ₹5000/-

5<sup>th</sup> ₹3500/-      7<sup>th</sup> ₹2000/-

6<sup>th</sup> ₹2500/-      8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

### 1601 - 1700

1<sup>st</sup> ₹10000/- + Trophy

2<sup>nd</sup> ₹7500/- + Trophy

3<sup>rd</sup> ₹6250/- + Trophy

4<sup>th</sup> ₹5000/-

5<sup>th</sup> ₹3500/-      7<sup>th</sup> ₹2000/-

6<sup>th</sup> ₹2500/-      8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

### UNRATED

1<sup>st</sup> ₹5000/- + Trophy

2<sup>nd</sup> ₹4000/- + Trophy

3<sup>rd</sup> ₹3000/- + Trophy

4<sup>th</sup> ₹2500/-

5<sup>th</sup> ₹2000/-      7<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

6<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-      8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> ₹1500/-

# ENTRY FEE

## FREE

GMs, WGMs, IMs & WIMs

## INR 1,500/-

For All Other Players Rated & Unrated



### ENTRY FEE ONLINE MODE

[www.ananthichessacademy.com](http://www.ananthichessacademy.com)

[www.bookmychess.com](http://www.bookmychess.com)



### BANK DEPOSIT

Account Name :  
Ananthi Chess Academy  
A/C No: 625601010050603  
IFSC: UBIN0562564  
Type : Current Account  
Bank : Union Bank of India



### LAST DATE FOR ENTRY FEE

31<sup>st</sup> July 2026



### DD IN FAVOUR OF

Ananthi Chess Academy  
Payable at Madurai

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

AICF Registration must for all Players & TNSCA Registration must for  
Tamil Nadu State Players & MDCC Registration must for Madurai District Players.



# RULES AND REGULATIONS:

## SYSTEM OF PLAY

The Latest **FIDE Rules** in force shall apply and the **Swiss system** will be followed.

## MODE OF TOURNAMENT

Total 9 rounds shall be played.

## TIME CONTROL

**10 minutes** each + **05 seconds increment** per move from move no.1

## TIE BREAK

Buchholz tie-break system will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared.

## AICF PLAYER REGISTRATION

AICF player registration is compulsory for Indian players. AICF Player Registration fee is **Rs. 300/- for the year 2026-2027**. 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 visit <http://aicf.in/players/> For fresh AICF registration please visit <http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/>

## 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 visit <https://registration.tamilchess.com/>

For fresh TNSCA registration please click <https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/>

NOTE: For both Fresh AICF & 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/TNSCA ready before the registration process. And Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.

## MADURAI DISTRICT PLAYER REGISTRATION

MDCC player registration fee is **Rs.75/- for the year 2026 – 2027** (for Madurai district players only) Visit: <https://registration.maduraichesscircle.com>



## PROTESTS

Protests if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter 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.

## 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.

## WITHDRAWALS

A player may withdraw at any stage of the event, after informing the chief arbiter in writing

## LAST DATE

Entries close at 06.00 P.M on 31-07-2026

## RIGHTS OF ADMISSION

The AICF/ TNSCA/MDCC/organizer ACA reserve the rights of admission to the venue.

## CHIEF ARBITER

IA Ganesh Babu S

## TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

Mr. Pragadesh P

## WRIST WATCHES

AICF has banned the wrist watches while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear wrist watches while playing.

## 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 notice board with the prior approval from AICF & TNSCA.

## CERTIFICATES

E-Certificates will be awarded to all players.

## SPECIAL NOTE

Winners of any prize must collect their prizes at the venue during the Prize Distribution Function. Prizes will not be distributed on the following day.

**No substitute or third party will be allowed to collect the prize;**  
the concerned player must receive their prize in person.





## TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

**P. PRAGADESH**

Tournament Director

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Organizing Secretary

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## ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## TOURNAMENT CO-ORDINATOR

**PROF. ANANTHARAM RATHINAM, IA**



The official brochure for the  
**6<sup>TH</sup> EDITION OF THE ATHENS OF THE EAST  
INTERNATIONAL GRANDMASTER CHESS TOURNAMENT**  
will be grandly released on 2<sup>nd</sup> August  
during the inauguration ceremony of our rapid chess tournament.

All participants in the Rapid tournament will receive an exciting surprise!