



# 12<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL SCHOOLS CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP-2024

## EVENT & AICF EVENT CODE

U-7 OPEN | U-9 OPEN | U-11 OPEN | U-13 OPEN | U-15 OPEN | U-17 OPEN  
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U-7 GIRLS | U-9 GIRLS | U-11 GIRLS | U-13 GIRLS | U-15 GIRLS | U-17 GIRLS  
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Organized by  
**ALL BIHAR CHESS ASSOCIATION**

In association with

**Bihar State Sports Authority**

**Date: 6<sup>th</sup> February to 10<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**Venue:**



**Gyan Bhavan , Ground Floor**

**Supported by**  
**Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports**  
**Government of India**

## 1. Invitation:

All Bihar Chess Association , Bihar State Sports Authority and All India Chess Federation (AICF) takes immense pleasure in inviting all the State Associations and all schools\* (any syllabus) in India to participate in the All India School Chess Championships-2023 (Under-7, Under-9, Under-11, Under-13, Under-15 & Under-17 for Open & Girls categories) which is going to be held at Patna, Bihar from 06<sup>th</sup> February to 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2024.

## 2. Schedule:

PARTICULARS	DATE	TIME
Inauguration/Managers Meeting	06/02/24	09:00 A.M.
Round – I	06/02/24	10:30 A.M.
Round – II	06/02/24	04:00 P.M.
Round – III	07/02/24	09:30 A.M.
Round – IV	07/02/24	03:30 P.M.
Round – V	08/02/24	09:30 A.M.
Round - VI	08/02/24	03:30 P.M.
Round – VII	09/02/24	09:30 A.M.
Round – VIII	09/02/24	03:30 P.M.
Round – IX	10/02/24	09:30 A.M.
Prize Distribution	10/02/24	03:30 P.M.

## 3. Eligibility for Participation:

Only individuals who are school students and who are Indian nationals are eligible to participate in this Championship. **Players who are foreign nationals, and who are with PIO or OCI card cannot participate.**

- I. **All entries should be strictly routed through the respective AICF affiliated state chess association. No direct entries shall be entertained in any circumstances.**
- II. Each State Association or School Association or School may enter an **unlimited number of players in each of the 12 age groups**. The player should be a bona-fide student at a school (any syllabus). In case that one girl group is less than 10 participants then it will be merged with the same open age group category.
- III. Entitled to participate are players (Boys & Girls) who shall not have reached the age of 07,09, 11,13,15 and 17 before 01 January 2024.
  - a) Under 07: Born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017
  - b) Under 09: Born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015
  - c) Under 11: Born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013
  - d) Under 13: Born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011
  - e) Under 15: Born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2009
  - f) Under 17: Born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2007

iv. **\*\*** Since there is no separate National School Chess Championship for Under 5/6, players for the Under 5/6 Asian School Chess Championship 2024, will be identified as per rankings from among the participants in the National School Under 7 Chess Championship 2024 subject to their age. Therefore, those planning to participate in the Asian Youth Under 5/6 -2024 (if held) should participate in the National School Under – 7 Chess Championship 2024 to be eligible for consideration. **\*\***

**4. Age Proof:** Each participant must produce a valid certificate to prove his/her age. **Certificates from School are not accepted.** Certificates should preferably be from the Panchayat, Municipality or Corporation obtained soon after birth. Players without date of birth certificates will not be allowed to participate.

**The date of birth certificates registered within one year of the birth of the child alone will be recognized and allowed to participate. No state association shall recommend any player who doesn't come under the above criteria. However, player/state can appeal to AICF in this regard as per the notification published at <https://aicf.in/public-notice-dob-issue/> with undertaking and supporting documents.**

If any doubt arises about the claimed age of a player, the Tournament Committee has the right to refer the player during the championship for a due evaluation of age by competent medical experts. A player if declared over-age by such experts shall not continue in the championship and the matter shall be reported to AICF. Protest about the age of players may be made to the Chief Arbiter in writing along with a fee of **Rs. 5000/-** per player. This will not be refunded. No protest about over age of a player will be entertained after the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the championship.

Only the Coach or Manager deputed by the participating State Chess Association can lodge such protests. The Tournament Committee has the right to decide the day, time and place for such medical evaluation of age. AICF/Organizers will have the right to refer any player to the medical evaluation of age at any time during the Championship. Players refusing to take the test as decided by the Tournament Committee shall be deemed to have failed the test and shall be disqualified from the Championship.

**5. Prizes:** The cash prizes will be awarded to 12 (twelve) players in each category amounting to Rs.5,04,000/- (Rs. five lakhs four thousand only) as given below:

Prizes	Open Each Category	Girls Each Category
1 <sup>st</sup>	Rs. 10,000	Rs. 10,000
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rs. 7,000	Rs. 7,000
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rs. 6000	Rs. 6000
4 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 5,000	Rs. 5,000
5 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 4,000	Rs. 4,000
6 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 3,000	Rs. 3,000
7 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 2,000	Rs. 2,000
8 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 1,000	Rs. 1,000

**6. Dress Code:** As per AICF regulations on the dress code for players participating in all the National championships, all State Associations should send their players including special/donor entry players with proper uniform (as regards special/donor entry players, the respective State chess associations may collect the cost of the uniform from the players).

Players should at least wear uniform T-Shirts/formal shirts (same color and brand with the name of the state printed prominently at the back and the state chess emblem in the front left side).

The name/logo of the sponsors can be permitted. The girls/women are also given appropriate uniform dress. The above rule will also be applicable to Special units. Players without proper

**7. Registration:** All entries including special entries should come through the concerned State Association. However, AICF will have the right to accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason. The entry form should be sent together with attested copy of original date of birth certificate (Birth Certificates from Panchayat/Municipality/Corporation only accepted).

**Entry fee: RS. 1,500/- (one thousand five hundred only)**

There will be a 50% concession in the entry fee for participants from North eastern states and Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

**Entry fee will be accepted strictly online through: <https://prs.aicf.in/entry>. For further clarification and guidance regarding submission of entries, please contact: [aicfnationalentries@gmail.com](mailto:aicfnationalentries@gmail.com)**

**8. Late Fee:** Please note that the entry fee structure is valid till **20<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. Thereafter a late fee of **Rs. 250/-** per player will be levied. No entry will be accepted after **25<sup>th</sup> January 2024** (up to 18:00 hrs.).

**Players should come with the below mentioned documents:**

- (1) Passport size photo
- (2) Original date of birth certificate
- (3) AICF certificate (if medical test qualified)
- (4) Payment proof
- (5) The certificate from the school mentioning that he/she is a bonafide student of the school

**9. System of Play:** The Championship will be played under FIDE Laws of Chess and the Swiss system. Totally 9 rounds shall be played in each category. In case that one girl group has less than 10 participants then it will be merged with the same age group open category.

Players from the same state shall not be paired against each other in the last round. However, they may be paired if there is no compactible opponent with the same point group or score group with the maximum difference of 1 point. It is applicable only for the top 50% score of the penultimate round.

**10. Default Time:** Default timing for arriving to the chess board is 15 Minutes. Those who arrive at the board 15 minutes after the start of the game will be declared lost.

**11. Time Control:** The rate of play shall be **90** minutes with an increment of **30** seconds per move from move number one.

**12. Chess Clocks:** Each participating State Chess Association must provide at least one clock in working order for every two players entered in the Championship.

**13. Tie-Break:** Following is the order of Tie-Break:

- (a) Buchholz Cut1
- (b) Buchholz
- (c) Sonneborn Berger
- (d) Direct encounter
- (e) The greater number of wins (forfeit included)
- (f) Number of wins with black pieces

In case of tie, cash prizes will not be shared.

**14. Draw Agreement:** Players shall not agree for a draw without the consent of the arbiter, before each player makes 30 moves.

**15. Protest:** Protests, if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter, shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.1,000/- within one hour of the occurrence of the incident. The amount shall be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

**16. Appeals Committee:** Before the commencement of the tournament, a five-member Appeals Committee shall be formed by the AICF/Organizers. All the members and reserves shall be from different states. No member of the Committee can vote on dispute in which a player from his own state is involved and, in such case(s), the reserve member(s) shall take his/her place in the committee. The decision of the Appeals Committee is final and binding on players concerned.

**17. Tournament Committee:** The organizers will form a tournament committee for the smooth conduct of the National Championship.

**18. Interpretation:** For interpretation of the rule(s) and deciding any point not covered by rules of the tournament, the decision of the Tournament Director shall be final and binding on all. The Tournament Director has every right to make any addition or amendment to these rules without prior notice. However, such changes or inclusion will be subject to AICF & TNSCA clearance. Such changes, however, will be displayed at the Championship venue.

**19. Withdrawal:** If any player withdraws from the last two rounds in any National Championship on medical grounds, he/she should undergo treatment by a doctor recommended and supervised by the tournament committee.

**20. Disqualification:** No participant will leave the venue before the prize distribution function without the permission of the Chief Arbiter. The participants disregarding this rule will be suspended for one year.

**21. AICF Registration:** All participants in the National Championship should be registered with AICF for the year 2023-2024. Online AICF registration is available on the website [www.aicf.in](http://www.aicf.in). Those who have paid the AICF Registration fee but are yet to receive the AICF registration card should send a photocopy of the acknowledgment for having paid the fee to organizers of earlier tournaments or to their association. Before the start of the championship all the players must be registered with AICF for the year 2023-2024. No entry will be accepted without AICF Player's Registration for 2023-2024.

**22. Electronic Devices:** All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall.

If a player is found to possess a mobile (switched on/off)/wristwatch, either on the person or in a separate bag, he will be declared as lost. Player wearing any kind of watch during the game will also be declared lost.

### **23. Accommodation:**

**Players & Accompanying persons have to make their own arrangements of stay.**

we understand the importance of comfortable and convenient accommodation for players and their parents. The Gandhi Maidan area of Patna , where the event is set to take place, offers a plethora of hotel options to suit varying preferences and budgets.

For those looking to indulge in a luxurious experience, Gandhi Maidan boasts several high-end star hotels known for their impeccable service and lavish amenities. Also there are numerous mid-range and budget-friendly accommodation hotels is available surrounding Gandhi Maidan area. Online platforms allow you to browse through various options, compare prices, and read reviews to make an informed decision that aligns with your preferences. One of the key factors

to consider when choosing accommodation is the proximity to the championship venue. Online platforms provide detailed information about the distance between hotels and Gandhi Maidan, enabling participants to select a stay that minimizes travel time and maximizes convenience.

Secure your ideal accommodation early to ensure a stress-free and enjoyable experience during this exciting event. We look forward to welcoming players and parents for a memorable National School Championship in Patna, Bihar ! Fraser road , Exhibition Road , Jamal Road or Station Road area are closer to the Venue . For your convenience , we are providing the names & numbers of some the reputed & recognized hotels located around Gandhi Maidan area . Before booking , you are advised to check their rating, tariff , distance , review and other details through google .

### Some of the Hotels & their contact near the Gandhi maidan area

Name of Hotels	Contact No.
Hotel Maurya	Ph-0612-2203040
Hotel Panache	Ph-0612- 2221166,2221133, Mob-7544002850/56
Lemon Tree Premier Hotel	Ph: 0612-2502700
Hotel Gargee Grand,	Ph-0612-2500535/38
Hotel Chanakya, (3 Star)	Ph-0612-2220590-96-98 Mob-9410175502
Hote Kautilya Vihar	Ph: 0612-2225411, 0612- 25062219
Hotel Windsor	Ph-0612- 2203250/58/0612- 6457224 Mob-9934623620
Hotel President	Ph-0612-2209203-04-05 3062880
Hotel Samrat Internationnal	Ph-091-0612-2220560/63
Hotel Republic	Ph -0612-2321024/ 2323747/ Mob-9334314838/ 9334318652
Hotel Astor	Ph-0612-2233283, 32242255
Republic Hotel	Ph- 0612-2675520, 2675521, 2675524 Mob 9334117111
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**Welcome to Patna!!**

**Chief Patron**



**Jitendra Kumar Rai**  
Hon'ble Minister  
Art, Culture & Youth Department  
Govt. Of Bihar

**Mentor**



**Raveendran Sankaran ,IPS**  
Director General  
Bihar State Sports Authority  
Govt. Of Bihar

**Organising President**



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## Places of tourist interest nearby venue

Patna is an ancient city located on the southern banks of holy river Ganges. It is the capital of the state of Bihar. There are so many different places to see in Patna such as Mahavir Mandir, Patna Museum, Golghar, Takht Sri Patna Sahib, etc. From religious sites to archaeological hot spots, the city has a lot to offer to the tourist. If you are a history enthusiast, you must visit the Patna Museum and Agam Kuan . For street food lover, Patna Marine Drive , an expressway along the Ganga river , is best place. Then there is Golghar that is a granary which offers you amazing views.



**Golghar: 600 m from venue**



**Sabhyata Dwar:200 m (backside) from venue**



**Takht Sri Patna Sahib: 16 KM from**



**Mahavir Mandir: 2.5 KM from venue**



**Patna Old Museum :, : 2 KM from venue**



**Bihar Museum :, : 3.5 KM from venue**



**Patna Marin Drive: 10 KM from venue**



**Agam Kuan: 7.4 KM from venue**



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To:  
The Divisional/ Commercial /Area Superintendent,  
.....Railway.....

Dear Sir, Sub: Rail Concession This is to certify that the following players and officials are bona-fide participants of the "MPL 12<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL SCHOOLS CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS-2024" to be organized by us on behalf of All India Chess Federation at Patna, Bihar, from 6<sup>th</sup> February to 10<sup>th</sup> February 2024. This is a recognized event of the All-India Chess Federation.

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We, therefore, request that the Rail Concession order may please be issued to them to travel from \_\_\_\_\_ to ..... and back. The game of chess is recognized for Rail Concession by the Railway Board by their letter no TC/11I2035/76, dated 5th May 1971.

Thanking you.