



# **50<sup>th</sup> National Women Chess Championship 2024**

**AICF Event Code: 375385/TN/2024**

**TNSCA event code: NAT-01/SIV/24-25**

**03<sup>rd</sup> October to 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2024**

Organised by

**Chettinadu Public School**

Supported by

**Sivagangai District Chess Association**

On behalf of

**Tamil Nadu State Chess Association and  
All India Chess Federation**

Supported by

**Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India**

**Venue Partner: Chettinadu Public School,  
70 E, Madurai Main Road, Managiri,  
Karaikudi, 630307**

**Total Prize Fund: Rs.30,00,000/-**

## Tournament Schedule

**03/10/2024 from 06.00 AM      Arrival      Thursday**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Particulars</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>03/10/2024</b>	Players' Meeting	Thursday	11:30hrs
<b>03/10/2024</b>	Inauguration	Thursday	12:00hrs
<b>03/10/2024</b>	Round - 1	Thursday	14:00hrs
<b>04/10/2024</b>	Round - 2	Friday	10:00hrs
<b>05/10/2024</b>	Round - 3	Saturday	10:00hrs
<b>06/10/2024</b>	Round - 4	Sunday	10:00hrs
<b>07/10/2024</b>	Round - 5	Monday	10:00hrs
<b>08/10/2024</b>	Round - 6	Tuesday	10:00hrs
<b>09/10/2024</b>	Round - 7	Wednesday	10:00hrs
<b>10/10/2024</b>	Round - 8	Thursday	10:00hrs
<b>11/10/2024</b>	Round - 9	Friday	10:00hrs
<b>12/10/2024</b>	Round - 10	Saturday	10:00hrs
<b>13/10/2024</b>	Round - 11	Sunday	10:00hrs
<b>13/10/2024</b>	Closing Ceremony	Sunday	15:30hrs

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<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>700000</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>200000</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>550000</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>150000</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>450000</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>150000</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>350000</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>100000</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>250000</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>100000</b>

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## **Eligibility:**

1. Every affiliated State Association/Institutional Members of All India Chess Federation shall be entitled to send four entries. If any state association/institution failed to send its full quota, the vacancies so caused shall not be filled.
2. All Women Grandmasters and Women International Masters and women holding IM & GM titles are seeded. Such entries should come through their respective state associations/affiliated units of AICF.
3. First six players from the previous Women National Championship rankings other than IM, GM, WGMs and WIMs.
4. National Junior Girls Chess Champion of 2023, held in Ahmedabad (September 2023).
5. Current World Champion in any category (OTB).
6. Current Asian Junior Girls Champion and first three from the last Asian Women Chess Championship (OTB).
7. The host, Tamil Nadu State Chess Association shall be entitled to fill additional entries of four players.
8. All board prize winners of the 2023 National Women Team Chess Championship held in Himachal Pradesh (March to April 2024).
9. Four players approved by AICF will be permitted from areas where no state chess association exists.
12. A nominee of Hon. Secretary of AICF.
13. If the total number of entries is an odd number, then the host Tamil Nadu State Chess Association may add one more entry to make it an even number.
14. Players with a FIDE Standard / Classical rating as per **October 2024 FRL** and remits the prescribed special entry fee of Rs. 6,250/-. All such entries should come through their respective State Associations/Affiliated Units of AICF.

**Only Indian Nationals are eligible to participate in this championship.**

## **Entries & Entry Fee:**

Ordinary entry: Rs.2,500/- (Rupees two thousand five hundred only)

Special entry: Rs.6,250/- (Rupees six thousand two hundred fifty only)

**Note: There will be 50% concession in the entry fee for participants from North Eastern States and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.**

**All entries including special entries should come through the concerned state chess association/institutional members of AICF.**

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

**Last Date of Entry:** 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2024. With a late fee of Rs.250/- up to 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.

❖ **No entry will be accepted after 5.00 pm on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2024**

❖ **AICF Players Registration:** All participants in the National Championship shall be registered with AICF for the year 2024-2025 before the registration on AICF Online portal for national entries. Online AICF registration can be done at the website [www.aicf.in/players](http://www.aicf.in/players)

❖ **System of Play:** The Championship will be played under FIDE's Laws of Chess and the Swiss system. Totally, eleven rounds shall be played. Players from the same state shall not be paired against each other in the last round of a national championship. However, they may be paired if there is no compatible opponent with the same point group or score group with a maximum difference of one point. It is applicable only for the top 50% score of the penultimate round.

❖ **Default time:** Default time for arriving to the chess board is 15 minutes.

❖ **Draw Offer:** Players shall not agree for a draw before Black's 30<sup>th</sup> move, without the consent of the arbiter.

❖ **Time Control:** Time control of 90 minutes for the first 40 moves and 30 minutes for rest of the game with 30 seconds increment per move from move no. 1.

**Chess Clocks:** Each participating association must provide at least two DGT chess clocks in working order for every four players sent by that association in the championship.

**Tie-Break:** Following is the order of tie-break:

1. Buchholz Cut1
2. Buchholz
3. Sonneborn-Berger
4. Direct encounter
5. The greater number of wins including forfeits
6. Number of wins with Black pieces

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

**Electronic Devices:** All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall. Those who are having mobile phone or wearing watches during their play will be declared lost.

**Lodging:** Free accommodation (dormitory on sharing basis) will be provided to all the normal entry participants and one accompanying official (Manager) nominated by the concerned state chess association for each state. Players and officials availing this facility have to inform the same on or before 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.

Accompanying persons and special entries have to make their own arrangements. If they want to avail this facility they may contact the organizers on or before 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

**Boarding:** A lump sum of Rs.1500/- (Rupees one thousand five hundred only) will be paid by the organizers towards the boarding expenses, only to the **Affiliated State Associations** seeded and selected players who play this championship under normal entry fee.

**Dress Code:** As per AICF regulation on dress code for players participating in all the national championships, all State Associations/affiliated units should send their players including special entry players with proper uniform (as regards special entry players, the respective state chess association may collect the cost of the uniform from the players). Player should at least wear T-Shirts/formal shirts (same colour 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. Girl/Women to be also given appropriate uniform dress. The above rule will also be applicable to special units. Players without proper uniform will not be permitted to take part in the championship. This will be strictly enforced.

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

**Protests:** Protest if any, against the decision of the chief arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee Rs.3000/- within 30 minutes of occurrence of the incident. The amount shall be refunded if the appeal is upheld. The decision of the appeals committee is final and binding on all players concerned.

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

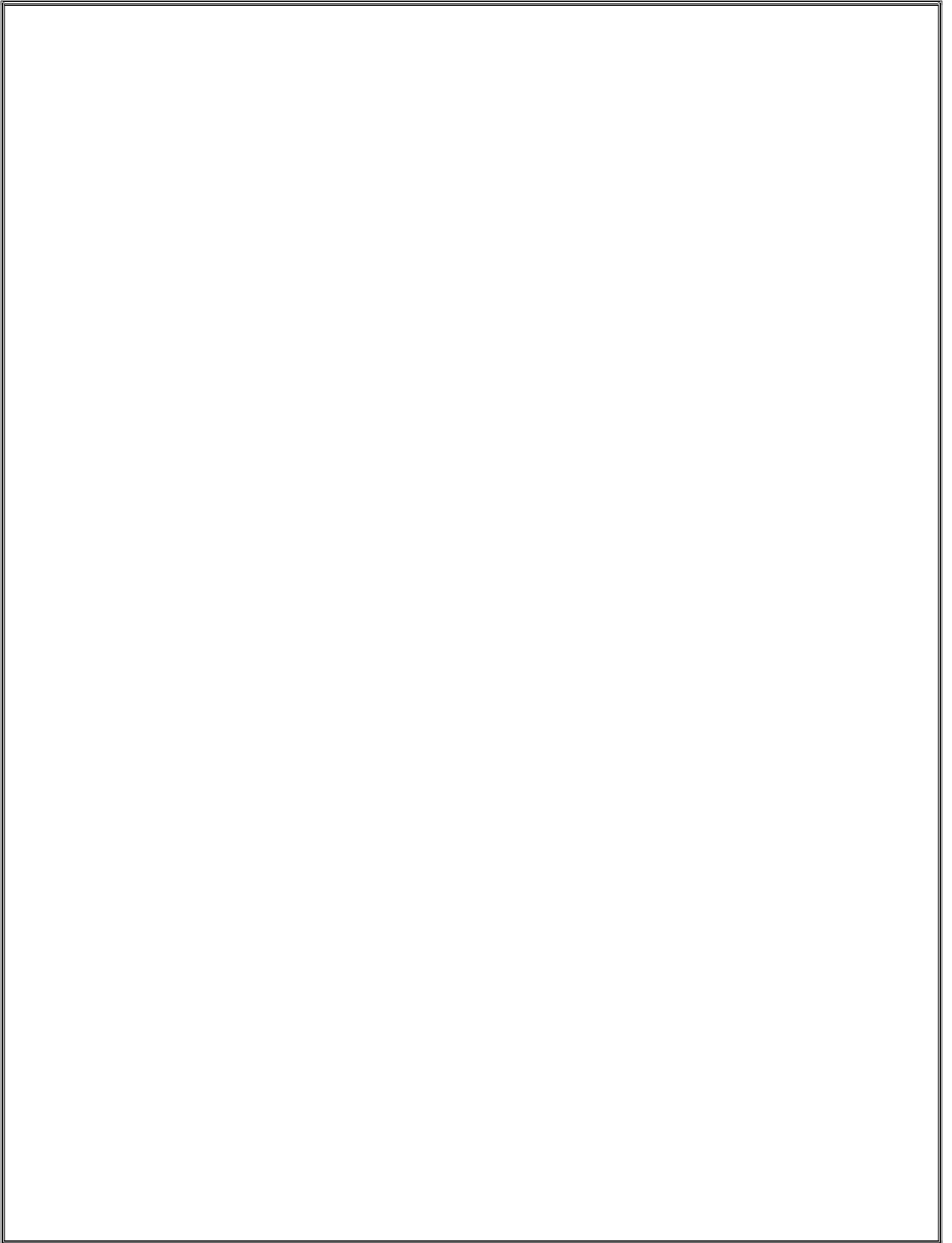
**Withdrawals:** If any player withdraws from the last two rounds in any national championship on medical grounds, he/she should undergo treatment by a doctor recommended and supervised by the tournament committee. The entry fee once paid shall not be refunded if the withdrawal from championship is done after the publication of first round pairings

**Disqualification:** No player shall leave the venue before the prize distribution function without the permission of the chief arbiter. The participants disregarding this rule shall be suspended for one year.

**Arrears:** The affiliated associations must clear all arrears of affiliation fee/tournament fee including those of current year at the time of submitting the entries. Otherwise the entries are liable to be rejected.

**Interpretation:** For interpretation of the rules and deciding any point not covered by the rules, the decision of the tournament committee shall be final and binding. The tournament committee has every right to make any addition or amendment to these rules, without notice. However, such changes/or inclusion will be subject to AICF clearance. Such changes will, however be displayed at the tournament hall.

<b>Coordinating Committee - Chettinadu Public School</b>		
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## **Tournament Committee**

**Dr. M Manickam**  
President, TNSCA

**Stephen Balasamy P**  
General Secretary, TNSCA

**Srinivasan R**  
Treasurer, TNSCA

**SP Kumaresan**  
Chairman, Chettinadu Public School

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President, SIV. DCA

**Mr. M. Kannan**  
Secretary, SIV. DCA & Jt. Sec., TNSCA

**Mr. A.G. Prakash**  
Treasurer, SIV. DCA

## **Organising Committee**

**Shri. SP. Kumaresan,**  
Chairman, Organizing Committee  
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**Mr. K. Arun Kumar**  
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**TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENT:**

From Karaikudi bus stand to Chettinadu Public School:

Chettinadu Public School (CPS) will operate buses from new bus stand (Karaikudi) to CPS/accommodation venue between 06.00 AM and 08.00 AM on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2024.

From Karaikudi railway station to Chettinadu Public School/accommodation venue to the selected players: 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024 (Saturday) - 11.00 PM, and 03.00 AM & 05.00 AM on 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

**Nearby Land Mark:** Apollo Hospital, Managiri (next building)

**Bus Stop:** Apollo Hospital stop, Managiri (Buses from Karaikudi to Thirupathur/Madurai via. Managiri)

**Nearest Railway Station:** Karaikudi (KKDI)

**Nearest Airports:** Madurai or Tiurchirappalli (two hours by Road from Karaikudi)

**TRAINS FROM CHENNAI EGMORE**

S.No	Train Number	Departure	Arrival
1	Pallavan Express 12605	15.45 hrs	23.00 hrs
2	Rameswaram Express 22661	17.50 hrs	00.30 hrs
3	Rameswaram Express 16101	19.15 hrs	04.30 hrs

**Prominent Hotels in Karikudi:**

Name of the Hotel	Phone Numbers
Hotel Narayana Inn	04565-283199 / 81249 03089
Golden Singar	04565-235521 / 91500 03335
Nachiappa Palace	04565-230077 / 94875 56587
L T Lodge	04565-238792
SMS Lodge	04565- 227741 / 227741
Hotel Subalakshmi	04565-235200 / 82200 13751
Hotel Sathguru Grand	04565-230400 / 91504 44888
Hotel Sathguru Grand	04565-239601/ 602 /603