



NATIONAL RAPID

AND

NATIONAL BLITZ

CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024-25

Event Code: 406707/JH(R)/2025 & 406709/JH(B)/2025

PRIZE
FUND FOR
RAPID

Rs. **4 Lakh**

PRIZE
FUND FOR
BLITZ

Rs. **2.5 Lakh**



20 to **23** MARCH
2025

Sarala Birla University
Mahilong, Ranchi

Organised by
Ranchi District
Chess Association

On behalf of
All Jharkhand
Chess Association

Under the aegis of
All India
Chess Federation

1. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

RAPID		
PARTICULARS	DATE	TIME
Arrival	19th March 2025	14:00 hrs
Technical Meeting	20th March 2025	09:00 hrs
Inauguration	20th March 2025	09:30 hrs
Round - 1	20th March 2025	11:30 hrs
Round - 2	20th March 2025	13:00 hrs
Round - 3	20th March 2025	15:00 hrs
Round - 4	20th March 2025	16:30 hrs
Round - 5	21st March 2025	10:00 hrs
Round - 6	21st March 2025	11:30 hrs
Round - 7	21st March 2025	13:00 hrs
Round - 8	21st March 2025	15:00 hrs
Round - 9	22nd March 2025	10:00 hrs
Round - 10	22nd March 2025	11:30 hrs
Round - 11	22nd March 2025	13:00 hrs
Prize Distribution	22nd March 2025	16:30 hrs
Departure	22nd March 2025	18:00 hrs

BLITZ		
PARTICULARS	DATE	TIME
Round - 1	23rd March 2025	09:00 hrs
Round - 2	23rd March 2025	09:30 hrs
Round - 3	23rd March 2025	10:00 hrs
Round - 4	23rd March 2025	10:30 hrs
Round - 5	23rd March 2025	11:00 hrs
Round - 6	23rd March 2025	11:30 hrs
Round - 7	23rd March 2025	12:00 hrs
Round - 8	23rd March 2025	12:30 hrs
Round - 9	23rd March 2025	14:00 hrs
Round - 10	23rd March 2025	14:30 hrs
Round - 11	23rd March 2025	15:00 hrs
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2. PRIZES

The cash prizes will be awarded to 25 players in Rapid category amounting to Rs. 4,00,000/- and in Blitz category to 15 players amounting to Rs.2,50,000/- as given below:

PRIZES	RAPID	PRIZES	BLITZ
1	75000	1	50000
2	60000	2	40000
3	50000	3	30000
4	40000	4	25000
5	30000	5	20000
6	20000	6	15000
7	15000	7	15000
8	15000	8	10000
9	10000	9	10000
10	10000	10	10000
11 to 25	5000	11 to 15	5000

3. ELIGIBILITY

- Every affiliated state association/institutional member of the All India Chess Federation shall be entitled to send two entries in each category. If any association/affiliated unit fails to send its full quota, the vacancies so caused shall not be filled.
- All Grandmasters, International Masters and Women Grandmasters.
- Top four players from the previous National Rapid & Blitz Chess Championships in their respective category.
- The host shall be entitled to fill one additional player in each category.
- Two players in each category from areas where no state chess association exists. Players from such areas shall write to Hon. Secretary, All India Chess Federation, 101-102, First Floor, A block, Naurang House, KG Marg, New Delhi-110001 for their entries.
- For rapid any player who remits the prescribed special entry fee of Rs.2,500/-. For blitz any player who remits the prescribed special entry fee of Rs.1,250/-. Such entries should come through the respective affiliated state association.
- The secretary of the All India Chess Federation can nominate one player in each category.
- If the total number of entries is an odd number, then the host association may add one more entry in the respective category to make it an even number.

4. DRESS CODE

As per AICF regulations on dress code for players participating in all the national championships, all state associations should send their players special/donor entry players with proper uniform (as regards special/donor 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 Girls/Women have also to be given appropriate uniform. 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.

5. ENTRIES/ENTRY FEE

All entries including special entries should come through the concerned state association.

6. ENTRY FEE STRUCTURE

CATEGORY	RAPID	BLITZ
Ordinary	1,250/-	625/-
Special	2,500/-	1,250/-

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

Entry fee will be accepted strictly online through:

<https://prs.aicf.in/entry>

For clarification and guidance regarding submission of entries, please contact: aicfnationaleentries@gmail.com

7. LATE FEE

Please note entry fee structure is valid till 6th March 2025.

Thereafter a late fee of Rs.250/- per player will be levied. No entry will be entertained after 13th March 2025 (up to 17:00 hrs.)

8. SYSTEM OF PLAY

The championship will be played under FIDE's Laws of chess and the swiss system, eleven rounds shall be played.

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 compatible opponent with the same point group or score group with a maximum difference of 1 point. It is applicable only for the top 50% score of the penultimate round.

9. DEFAULT TIME

Default time for arriving to the chessboard is 15 minutes for rapid and 3 minutes for blitz. Players have to be at their table before the default time.

10. TIME CONTROL

The rate of play shall be 15 minutes with an increment of 10 seconds additional time per move, starting from move number one for rapid tournament and 03 minutes with increment of 2 seconds additional time per move, starting from move number one for blitz tournament.

11. CHESS CLOCK

Each participating state chess association must provide at least one clock in working order for every two players entered into the championship.

12. 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. The greater number of wins by black

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

13. PROTEST

Protest, if any, against the decision of the chief arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.3000/- for rapid and Rs.1000/- for blitz within 15 minutes of the occurrence of the incident. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

14. 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 a dispute in which a player from his own state is involved and, in such case(s) the reserve member(s) shall take his place in the committee.

15. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

The organizers will form a tournament committee for the smooth conduct of the national championship.

16. INTERPRETATION

For interpretation of the rule(s) and deciding any point not covered by the above rules of the tournament, the decision of the tournament committee shall be final and binding to all. 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 in the tournament hall.

17. 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.

18. 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.

19. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS WITH AICF

All participants in the national championship shall be registered with AICF for the year 2024-25 before the registration on AICF online portal for national entries. Online AICF registration can be done at the website: www.aicf.in/players

20. ARREARS

All arrears of affiliation fee/tournament fee including those of the current year must be cleared by the affiliated association at the time of submitting the entries; otherwise the entries are liable to be rejected.

21. ELECTRONIC DEVICES

All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall. Players in possession of such devices, including sim will be declared lost.

22. ACCOMMODATION

Free dormitory accommodation will be provided to all the selected and seeded players and one manager from each state from 19th March, 2025 to 23rd March, 2025 & one accompanying official (Manager/Coach) nominated by the concerned state chess association of each state. All state selected players are requested to inform regarding accommodation to the organizers. No request will be entertained after 11th March 2025 regarding accommodation of selected & seeded players.

All state associations are requested to send the list of official players with manager to nrbranchi@gmail.com for free accommodation.

For special entries and accompanying persons, they will have to make their own arrangement for stay. However, organiser is providing lodging/boarding on payment as follows:

Lodging Charges (for Special Entry/ accompanying person)			
	Arrival Dt./Time	Departure Dt./Time	Charges @ person
Rapid	19.03.2025 (14:00 hrs)	23.03.2025 (12:00 hrs)	2000.00
Blitz	22.03.2025 (14:00 hrs)	24.03.2025 (12:00 hrs)	1200.00
Rapid & Blitz	19.03.2025 (14:00 hrs)	24.03.2025 (12:00 hrs)	2500.00

Fooding Charges (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)			
	Arrival	Departure	Charges @ person
Rapid	19.03.2025 (on arrival day only dinner will be served)	23.03.2025 (on departure day only breakfast will be served)	1250.00
Blitz	22.03.2025 (on arrival day only dinner will be served)	24.03.2025 (on departure day only breakfast will be served)	550.00
Rapid & Blitz	19.03.2025 (on arrival day only dinner will be served)	24.03.2025 (on departure day only breakfast will be served)	1600.00

Pick & Drop facilities from station and airport will be available for player & accompanying person @500/- per person.

Lodging (for special entry) and boarding charges along with pick & drop will be accepted strictly online through: <https://www.jharkhandchess.in/nrb>. For clarification and guidance regarding submission of entries, please contact: nrbranchi@gmail.com

Under the leadership and Guidance from:

Dr. Pradip Kumar Varma

Hon'ble MP (Rajya Sabha)

President, AJCA & RDCA

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- Mr. Prabhat Ranjan Kumar (Technical) - 9431187725
- Mr. Vishal Kumar Minz (Technical) - 8797356009
- Mr. Rahul Ranjan (Accommodation) - 7707004286
- Mr. Manoj Kumar Singh (Accommodation) - 7004569425
- Mr. Subhendu Chakraborty (Food) - 9609731191
- Mr. Vikash Mishra (Food) - 7004815899
- Mr. Prakash Kumar Jamuar (Transport) - 6299521453
- Mr. Mahesh Yadav (Transport) - 8825204141
- Mr. Pappu (Transport) - 9570155755

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Heritage of Ranchi



Dassam Falls (39.5 km)

The **Dassam Falls** is a waterfall located near Taimara village in the Bundu subdivision of Ranchi district in the Indian state of Jharkhand. **Dassam Falls** is a natural cascade across the Kanchi River, a tributary of the Subarnarekha River. The water falls from a height of 44 metres (144 ft). The sound of water echoes all around the place. Dassam Falls at one of the edges of the Ranchi plateau is one of the many scarp falls in the region.



Maa Dewri Temple (65.0 km)

Maa Dewri Temple is an ancient temple, situated in Diuri village, Tamar near Ranchi in Jharkhand in India. The main attraction of the temple is, 700 year old murti of 16-armed village deity **Maa Dewri**. It is an ancient temple and was renovated few years back. The ancient temple was constructed by interlocking stones without using chalk or binding material. The temple was earlier known as Dewri Diri, meaning sacred stone of Diuri village.



Surya Temple (38.7 km)

The **Surya Temple** or Surya Mandir, located near Bundu, is a Hindu temple complex dedicated to the solar deity, Surya.

It is situated on top of a hill. The temple is constructed in the form of huge chariot with elegantly designed eighteen wheels and seven naturalistic horses. The temple also houses several other deities including Shiva, Parvati and Ganesha.



Hundru Falls (47.1 km)

Hundru Falls is a waterfall located in Ranchi District in the Indian state of Jharkhand. It is the 34th highest waterfall in India, and one of the most famous tourist places in the region. Hundru Falls are located on the course of the Subarnarekha River where it falls from a height of 98 metres (322 ft), creating one of the highest waterfalls in the state. The spectacular scene of the waterfalls has been described as "a sight to behold".



Maa Chinnamastika Temple (70.1 km)

Chhinnamastika Temple is a Hindu temple, dedicated to Goddess Chinnamasta is a Hindu pilgrimage centre located in Rajrappa, in Ramgarh district of Jharkhand, India. The place attracts devotees from all parts of Jharkhand, and also from the neighbouring states of West Bengal and Bihar. The Chhinnamasta temple is popular for its Tantric style of architectural design. Apart from the main temple, there are ten temples of various deities such as the Surya, Hanuman and Shiva