



**27th Tamil Nadu State Open Rapid &
25th Tamil Nadu State Blitz - Chess Championship 2025**
(TNSCA Event No. Rapid: SO11/PDU /25 -26) (TNSCA Event No. Blitz: SO12/PDU /25 -26)

Organized by

PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION

On behalf of

TAMILNADU STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION

Date: 14.06.2025 to 15.06.2025

Venue:

Vijay Palace,

TS No.8506 / 8507, Sathyamurthy Road, near new Bus Stand, Pudukkottai

Tournament Schedule				Arrival: 14.06.2025, 08.00 AM		Managers Meeting and Inauguration: 14.06.2025, 9.00 AM	
Rapid							
1 st Round	14.06.2025	09.30 AM		6 th Round	14.06.2025	04.30 PM	
2 nd Round	14.06.2025	10.45 AM		7 th Round	15.06.2025	09.00 AM	
3 rd Round	14.06.2025	12.00 Noon		8 th Round	15.06.2025	10.15 AM	
4 th Round	14.06.2025	02.00 PM		9 th Round	15.06.2025	11.30 PM	
5 th Round	14.06.2025	03.15 PM					
Blitz							
1 st Round	15.06.2025	01.00 PM		5 th Round	15.06.2025	2.20 PM	
2 nd Round	15.06.2025	01.20 PM		6 th Round	15.06.2025	2.40 PM	
3 rd Round	15.06.2025	01.40 PM		7 th Round	15.06.2025	3.00 PM	
4 th Round	15.06.2025	02.00 PM		8 th Round	15.06.2025	3.20 PM	
				9 th Round	15.06.2025	4.00 PM	
Prize Distribution - 15.06.2025, 04.30 PM							

Rapid Entry Fee: Rs.500/-

Blitz Entry Fee: Rs.400/-

Entries can be paid through :

<https://registration.tamilchess.com/online-entry/>

****Please note that only the players who take part in this State Championship will be permitted to represent Tamil Nadu as selected/special entries in the forthcoming National Rapid & Blitz Chess Championship. Hence participation in this State Championship is COMPULSORY****



Note to District Chess Associations: Advise all your players to take part in this State Championship. All entries, be it regular or special, should be routed through the respective district chess association on or before 07.06.2025. No entry will be entertained after 07.06.2025.

Entries / Entry fee : All entries (normal or special) should be paid only through online portal (<https://registration.tamilchess.com/online-entry/>) along with the copy of date of birth certificate for verification. Payments made through other modes will not be accepted. Player's participation will be accepted only after obtaining the recommendations from their concern district chess association. The entry fee, once paid, shall not be refunded if the withdrawal from the championship is done after the publication of the first-round pairings.

TOTAL PRIZE FUND

Rapid Rs. 30,000/-

Blitz Rs. 20,000/-

RAPID						BLITZ			
1	Rs. 7000/-		6	Rs. 1500/-	11	Rs. 500/-	1	Rs. 5000/-	
2	Rs. 6000/-		7	Rs. 1000/-	12	Rs. 500/-	2	Rs. 4000/-	
3	Rs. 4000/-		8	Rs. 1000/-	13	Rs. 500/-	3	Rs. 3000/-	
4	Rs. 3000/-		9	Rs. 1000/-	14	Rs. 500/-	4	Rs. 2000/-	
5	Rs. 2000/-		10	Rs.1000/-	15	Rs. 500/-	5	Rs. 1000/-	

Category	Eligibility (Born on or after)	Boys (Top 5)	Girls (Top 5)
U-08	01-01-2017	5 Trophies	5 Trophies
U-11	01-01-2014	5 Trophies	5 Trophies
U-14	01-01-2011	5 Trophies	5 Trophies
U-17	01-01-2008	5 Trophies	5 Trophies

Chief Arbiter: Mr. Arasu B, International Arbiter Deputy Chief Arbiter: Mr. Banel Andross J, International Arbiter		
Tournament Coordinators		Venue Coordinators
Dr. Ganesan S, Secretary, PDU DCA 9786382393	Mr. Adaikkalavan A, Vice president, PDU DCA 6380812829	Mr. IA Angappan A, Jt. Secretary, PDU DCA 8608036535

ELIGIBILITY	
1	Only Indian Nationals are eligible to participate.
2	Every affiliated district / Special unit can field two players.
3	The TNSCA General Secretary can nominate one player.
4	The top four rankers of the from TN State Rapid & Blitz Chess Championship 2024s held at Erode are seeded to respective category

5	Any current National Champion in any category is to be seeded to All State championships subject to age stipulation.
6	Any current World champion in any category is to be seeded to All state championship subject to age stipulation.
7	All GMs, IMs, WGMs & WIMs are seeded to all state championships subject to age Stipulation
8	Any player who pays the prescribed entry fee: Rs. 500/- for rapid and Rs.400/- for blitz may be considered for participation with recommendation of the respective District Association.

RULES AND REGULATIONS	
Eligibility	Only Tamil Nadu players can participate in this championship. Other country passport holders shall not be allowed to participate in the State Chess Championship.
Boarding and Lodging	Unfurnished dormitory type of lodging will be provided to seeded / selected players and one manager per team. (Nominated by the district association). Players are requested to bring their own beddings. All other entries and accompanying persons have to arrange accommodation of their own.
AICF Player Registration	AICF player registration is compulsory for all players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs.300/- for the year 2025-2026. AICF player registrations will be accepted only through online. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Championship). For renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click http://aicf.in/players/ and click extend membership For (New) Fresh AICF registration please click http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/ For fresh AICF 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, ready before the registration process. Note: Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.
TNSCA Player Registration	TNSCA player registration is compulsory for all Tamil Nadu players. TNSCA Player Registration fee is Rs.150/- for the year 2025 – 2026. 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 click https://registration.tamilchess.com/ For fresh TNSCA registration please click https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/ For fresh TNSCA registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address ready before the registration process. Note : Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.
Pudukkottai DCA Player Registration	All players of Pudukkottai should have been registered with Pudukkottai District Chess association for the year 2025-2026 by paying Rs.75.
Rules	FIDE rules in force shall apply.
System of Play	The Tournament shall be conducted on a Nine rounds Swiss System.
Time Control	Rapid-15 minutes each with 10 seconds increment from move number 1 Blitz - 3 minutes each with 2 seconds increment from move number 1.

Default Time	The default time will be full time for both Rapid & Blitz.
Tie-break	Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz, Sonneborn Berger, Direct Encounter, number of wins (forfeit included) and greater number of wins by black tie-break rules will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared.
Chess Clocks	Each Association is requested to provide at least two chess clocks for every four players.
Appeals Committee	An Appeals Committee comprising of five members plus two reserves will be formed at the managers meeting. All the members and reserves shall be from different districts. No member of committee can vote on dispute in which a player from his own district is involved and in such case(s), the reserve member takes his place. The decision of the appeals committee is final and binding on all players concerned.
Tournament Committee	The tournament committee consisting of the General Secretary, TNSCA or his representative, the host Pudukkottai DCA Secretary or his representative and representative from another district to be nominated by the TNSCA shall decide on all emergency matters.
Protest	Protest, if any against the decision of the Chief arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.500/- within 15 minutes of the completion of the game. The decisions of the appeals committee shall be final and binding on all concerned. The protest fee is refundable one if the protest is upheld.
Withdrawals	A player may withdraw from the tournament at any stage after informing the Chief Arbiter in writing.
Rights of Admission	The AICF/TNSCA/organizer Pudukkottai DCA reserve the rights of admission to the venue and lodging place.
Wrist watches of players	AICF has banned the wrist watches while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear wrist watches while playing.

Tournament director: Mr. IA Angappan A, Joint Secretary, PDU DCA

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr Stephen Balasamy, Secretary, TNSCA,

Mr. V. Vijayaragavan, Vice President TNSCA

Mr. Ramachandran S, President, PDCA

Mr. Kannan M, Joint Secretary TNSCA

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Mr. Pragadesh P, Joint Secretary TNSCA

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Mr. Anandh babu V L, FIDE IPCA COUNCILLOR, Genenral Secretary, CFPD

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Joint Secretary

Dr. Gopalakrishnan M
Joint Secretary

Pudukkottai has many tourist attractions and pilgrimage centres like the famous Bhuvaneshwari Temple in the town, Govt.Museum, Kalaingar Park (very close to the venue), Thirumayam fort with its Shiva and Vishnu Temples(17kms)

Welcome to Pudukkottai.