



1st CHENGALPATTU INTERNATIONAL FIDE RATING OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT - 2026

AICF EVENT CODE: 452500/TN/2026 / TNSCA APPROVAL NO: RO-33/CGL/25-26

ORGANISED BY CHENGALPATTU DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION

UNDER THE AEGIS OF
ALL INDIA CHESS FEDERATION
TAMILNADU STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION

DATE : 22nd TO 26th JANUARY, 2026.

**VENUE : DHANALAKSHMI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING,
MANIMANGALAM, TAMBARAM.**

TOTAL CASH PRIZE : 3,00,000

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

ARRIVAL : 22.01.2026

INAUGURATION & TECHNICAL MEETING : 09.00 AM

ROUND	DATE	TIME	ROUND	DATE	TIME
ROUND 1	22.01.2026	10.30 AM	ROUND 3	23.01.2026	09.30 AM
ROUND 2	22.01.2026	03.30 PM	ROUND 4	23.01.2026	03.00 PM

ROUND	DATE	TIME	ROUND	DATE	TIME
ROUND 5	24.01.2026	09.30 AM	ROUND 7	25.01.2026	09.30 AM
ROUND 6	24.01.2026	03.00 PM	ROUND 8	25.01.2026	03.00 PM

ROUND	DATE	TIME
ROUND 9	26.01.2026	09.30 AM
PRIZE DISTRIBUTION	26.01.2026	03.30 PM

ENTRY FEE : Rs. 1500

ENTRY FEE : FREE FOR GMS, WGMs, IMs, WIMs

ENTRY FEE FOR CGDCA PLAYERS : Rs. 1250

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR CHENGALPATTU DISTRICT ENTRY & PRIZES:

1. PLAYER SHOULD HAVE BEEN REGISTERED UNDER CGDCA BEFORE 15-JAN-2026.
2. IN THEIR TNSCA & AICF REGISTRATIONS THEY SHOULD HAVE SELECTED CHENGALPATTU AS THEIR DISTRICT.

ENTRY FEE : CAN BE PAID BY ONLINE THROUGH

WWW.CHESSFEE.COM

WWW.EASYPAYCHESS.COM

CHESENTRY.IN

LAST DATE FOR ENTRY : 18.01.2026

Main Prize					
1st Prize	Rs.30,000/- + 	11th Prize	Rs.5,000/-	21st Prize	Rs.3,000/-
2nd Prize	Rs.20,000/-	12th Prize	Rs.5,000/-	22nd Prize	Rs.3,000/-
3rd Prize	Rs.15,000/-	13th Prize	Rs.5,000/-	23rd Prize	Rs.3,000/-
4th Prize	Rs.10,000/-	14th Prize	Rs.5,000/-	24th Prize	Rs.3,000/-
5th Prize	Rs.7,000/-	15th Prize	Rs.5,000/-	25th Prize	Rs.3,000/-
6th Prize	Rs.7,000/-	16th Prize	Rs.4,000/-	26th Prize	Rs.2,000/-
7th Prize	Rs.7,000/-	17th Prize	Rs.4,000/-	27th Prize	Rs.2,000/-
8th Prize	Rs.6,000/-	18th Prize	Rs.4,000/-	28th Prize	Rs.2,000/-
9th Prize	Rs.6,000/-	19th Prize	Rs.4,000/-	29th Prize	Rs.2,000/-
10th Prize	Rs.6,000/-	20th Prize	Rs.4,000/-	30th Prize	Rs.2,000/-

Category Prize							
RATING 1400 TO 1600		RATING 1601 TO 1800		RATING 1801 TO 2000		Best Unrated	
1st Prize	Rs.7,000/-	1st Prize	Rs.7,000/-	1st Prize	Rs.9,000/-	1st Prize	Rs.6,000/-
2nd Prize	Rs.5,000/-	2nd Prize	Rs.5,000/-	2nd Prize	Rs.7,000/-	2nd Prize	Rs.4,000/-
3rd Prize	Rs.4,000/-	3rd Prize	Rs.4,000/-	3rd Prize	Rs.5,000/-	3rd Prize	Rs.3,000/-
4th Prize	Rs.3,000/-	4th Prize	Rs.4,000/-	4th Prize	Rs.4,000/-	4th Prize	Rs.2,000/-
5th Prize	Rs.2,000/-	5th Prize	Rs.3,000/-	5th Prize	Rs.3,000/-	5th Prize	Rs.2,000/-

Best CGDCA Player		Women - Above 18 Years		Veteran - Above 55 Years	
1st Prize	Rs.4,000/-	1st Prize	Rs.4,000/-	1st Prize	Rs.4,000/-
2nd Prize	Rs.3,000/-	2nd Prize	Rs.3,000/-	2nd Prize	Rs.3,000/-
3rd Prize	Rs.2,000/-	3rd Prize	Rs.2,000/-	3rd Prize	Rs.2,000/-

Category Prize			Boys		Girls	
UNDER 07 UNDER 09			5 Trophies		5 Trophies	
UNDER 11 UNDER 13 UNDER 15			    		    	

Under – 07 Born on or after 01.01.2019 Under – 09 Born on or after 01.01.2017

Under – 11 Born on or after 01.01.2015 Under – 13 Born on or after 01.01.2013

Under – 15 Born on or after 01.01.2011

Tournament Rules

Rule: The latest FIDE Rules in force shall apply and the Swiss system will be followed.

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

Mode of Tournament: Total 9 Rounds shall be played

Default time: 15 minutes. Any player who arrives at the chessboard after the default time shall lose the game.

Tie-break: Latest AICF tie-break rules will be applied. In case of tie Prize money will not be shared.

AICF player Registration: AICF Player registration is compulsory for all players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs.300/- for the year 2025-2026. As per latest AICF regulations all AICF registrations will be accepted only through online. Players/Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of the Tournament. For renewing AICF Registration of existing players please click <http://aicf.in/players/>. For 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 1MB) photograph 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 player's 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.

Chengalpattu Player Registration: Registration fee is Rs.75/- for the year 2025 –2026 (for Chengalpattu district players only)

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

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, an appeals committee will be formed from the participants. The appeals committee's decision will be final and binding on all players concerned.

Wrist Watches and Electronic devices: As per AICF regulations, wrist watches (all type of watches) and other electronic devices are strictly prohibited inside the playing area. AICF regulations the wrist watches are restricted inside the playing hall in all FIDE rated events. Players are instructed not to wear any kind of wrist watches while playing. It will lead to loss of game.

Cash Prizes: Cash prizes will not be shared. One player will get one cash prize whichever is higher. If the two cash prizes under different categories are equal then the prize will be awarded under the higher category (as decided by Chief Arbiter).

Boarding & Lodging: Player responsibility – Canteen facility is available at venue on nominal charges

Chief Arbiter: IA Srivatsan R

Deputy Chief Arbiter: IA Sriman V.S

Tournament Organizing Committee

Shri. V. Rajaraman, President, CGDCA

Shri. K. Krishnamoorthy, Secretary, CGDCA

Smt. K. Suganya, Treasurer, CGDCA

Shri. V.S. Sriman Vice President, CGDCA

Shri. G. Masilamani, Joint Secretary, CGDCA

Dr. M. Balamurugan, ECE HOD, DCE

Special Thanks

Dr. Ramamurthi VP, Chairman, DCE

Mrs. Dhanalakshmi VR, Chairperson, DCE

Mrs. Roopa KS, CEO, DCE

Dr. Pradeepkumar AR, Principal, DCE

For further details and Accommodation contact:

K. Krishnamoorthy – 99400 58265

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G. Masilamani – 88382 29938

Transport Facility Available:

Dhanalakshmi College Bus

Starting Point: Tambaram

Valluvar Gurukulam School

Timing: 08:30 am (Tournament Days)

All the Best For Our Chess Players

Chengalpattu District Chess Association

