

20 26 CHESS FESTIVAL



ALL INDIA CHESS MASTERS
MUMBAI FIDE CLASSICAL TOURNAMENT
SEASON - 3



In Memory Of
Late Shri. GS Rao

PRIZE FUND



3,00,000

28TH MARCH - 2ND APRIL, 2026

AICF EVENT CODE : 462638/MH/2026

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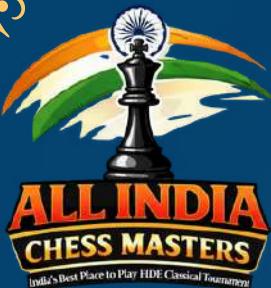
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VENUE : MUMBAI CHESS CENTRE, RUSSIAN HOUSE,
PEDDER ROAD, IT COLONY, MUMBAI-400026



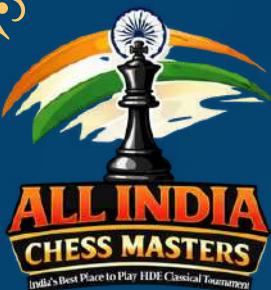
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TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

ROUND	DATE	DAY	TIME	ROUND	DATE	DAY	TIME
1	28/03/26	Saturday	10:00 a.m.	5	30/03/26	Monday	3:30 p.m.
2	28/03/26	Saturday	3:30 p.m.	6	31/03/26	Tuesday	3:30 p.m.
3	29/03/26	Sunday	10:00 a.m.	7	01/04/26	Wednesday	3:30 p.m.
4	29/03/26	Sunday	3:30 p.m.	8	02/04/26	Thursday	10:00 a.m.

ENTRY FEE AMOUNT	<i>Rs. 3000/- Per Player</i>
Registration and Payment Links	REGISTER NOW
Check Your Name on Chess Results	CLICK HERE
Last Date of Payment	10/03/2026
Maximum Entries	200 Entries Only

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TOURNAMENT PRIZES INVITATION & ELIGIBILITY

MAIN PRIZES

1st		₹ 30,000	11th		₹5,100	21st		₹5,100
2nd		₹20,000	12th		₹5,100	22nd		₹5,100
3rd		₹15,000	13th		₹5,100	23rd		₹5,100
4th		₹12,000	14th		₹5,100	24th		₹5,100
5th		₹10,000	15th		₹5,100	25th		₹5,100
6th		₹8,000	16th		₹5,100			
7th		₹7,000	17th		₹5,100			
8th		₹6,000	18th		₹5,100			
9th		₹6,000	19th		₹5,100			
10th		₹6,000	20th		₹5,100			

SPECIAL CATEGORIES

AGE ABOVE 60

1st		₹4,000
2nd		₹3,500
3rd		₹3,000

BEST WOMEN

1st		₹4,000
2nd		₹3,500
3rd		₹3,000

BEST MCC

1st		₹4,000
2nd		₹3,500
3rd		₹3,000

RATING RANGE 1400-1499

1st		₹5,000
2nd		₹4,000
3rd		₹3,000

RATING RANGE 1500-1599

1st		₹5,000
2nd		₹4,000
3rd		₹3,000

RATING RANGE 1600-1699

1st		₹5,000
2nd		₹4,000
3rd		₹3,000

RATING RANGE 1700-1799

1st		₹5,000
2nd		₹4,000
3rd		₹3,000

RATING RANGE 1800-1899

1st		₹5,000
2nd		₹4,000
3rd		₹3,000

RATING RANGE 1900-1999

1st		₹5,000
2nd		₹4,000
3rd		₹3,000

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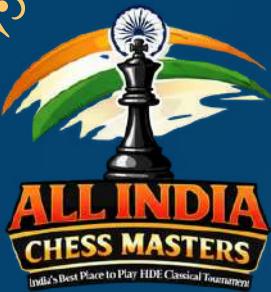


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AGE CATEGORY PRIZES

A total of 42 -medals (3 for boys and 3 for girls shall be awarded in the following categories:

CATEGORY & CUTOFF

UNDER - 06

UNDER - 07

UNDER - 08

UNDER - 09

UNDER - 10

UNDER - 11

UNDER - 12

NOTE :

1. The cut-off date for determining age - eligibility is January 1, 2026
2. The medals shall be awarded only to those in the age groups. For example, an under-7 player is not eligible for the U-8 prize.
3. A player would be eligible for one higher prize. A player who has won a cash prize shall not be eligible for age-category prizes

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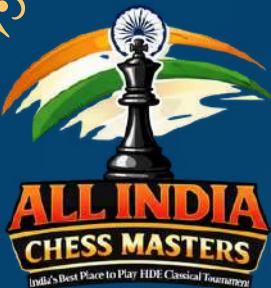


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TOURNAMENT RULES

System of Play & Time Control

The championship shall be played as per FIDE Laws of Chess for a total of 8 rounds Swissleague. Each player shall have 90 minutes for the entire game with an increment of 30 seconds/move starting from the first move.

Default Time

Any player who arrives at the chessboard after 30-minutes from the start of the game shall lose the game. Thus, the default time is 30-minutes.

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

Electronic Devices & Bags

All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall. Players found in possession of the items will be declared lost. In addition, no bags are allowed in the tournament hall.

Draw Agreement

The rules of this tournament specify that players cannot agree for a draw by mutual agreement before 40-moves without the consent of the arbiter.

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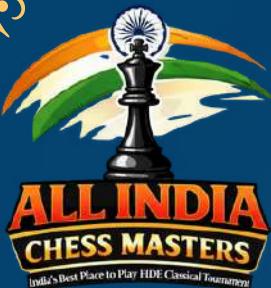


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Appeals & Committee

Before the commencement of the tournament, a five-member appeals committee shall be formed among the coaches, arbitrators, and parents. 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, the reserve member shall take his place in the committee

Interpretations

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 on 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.

Tournaments Hall, Seating Arrangements, Security

Tournaments Halls

The tournament shall be conducted in the two AC halls with a maximum capacity:

Accompanying Person Seating Arrangements

The seating arrangements for the accompanying person have been made in the spacious auditorium theatre of the Russian Centre for Science & Culture. The auditorium is fully air conditioned (centralized)

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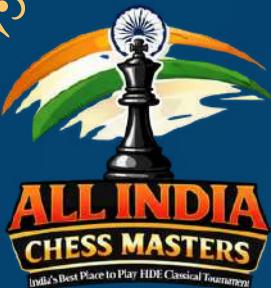


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TOURNAMENT RULES

Only One Accompanying Person With A Player

The auditorium's capacity is 200 people maximum; hence, only one accompanying person will be allowed with a player.

No Entry For Accompanying Persons In The Tournament Hall

There is no entry for the parents/accompanying person in the tournament hall at all times.

The players will directly go the tournament hall and accompanying persons in the auditorium

High Security Zone, No Loitering Or Standing In The Campus

The Russian House is a 'High-Security Zone' with a 24x7 police presence.

The rules do not allow loitering or standing on the campus.

The players will proceed directly to the tournament hall for the game, while the accompanying persons will head for the auditorium.

MCC requests your co-operation and support to follow the rules laid by them.

Accommodation

Players are required to make their own arrangements for their stay.

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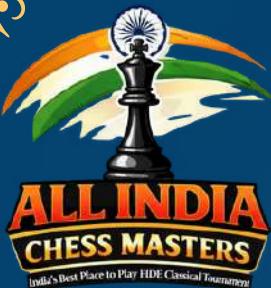


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AICF & MCA REGISTRATION

- **Link to Renew your AICF Registration. (Your Status Should be ACTIVE")**

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

- **Link for New players who have not registered for AICF.**

<https://prs.aicf.in/new-register>

- **Link for MCA Registration (Only for Maharashtra Players)**

https://mcachess.in/Tournament_Registration/MCA_Registrations.php

- **To search your MCA ID**

https://mcachess.in/Tournament_Registration/all_player_list.php

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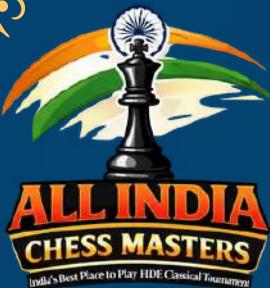


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How To Reach The Venue. Location Map



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By Train On The Western Line

- For those coming by train on the western line, Grant Road is the nearest railway station the venue is approximately 2 km away.
- You can avail of bus service number 155 , which is available opposite platform 1 (extreme gate on the north side towards Borivali).
- Please get down at 'Cumbala Hill Post Office Bus Stop (also known as Pedder Road Bus Stop). The Russian House is just 2-buildings away on the lane from the bus stop.
- You can also avail of the sharing taxi service near to 155 bus stop. The dropping point is also the bus stop

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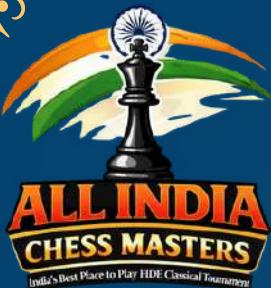


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By Road

For those coming from the Haji Ali side, the Cumballa Hill Post Office Bus Stop is the landmark. This bus stop is located between Jaslok Hospital and Nalanda Bus Stop. For those coming from the Babulnath Temple, the other landmarks to remember are the 'Light of Persia' restaurant and IndusInd Bank. For those coming from Kemp's corner side, you need to take a U-turn at the signal (known as M. R. Morarka Chowk) after crossing the Cumballa Hill Post O/Sterling Apartment Bus Stop.



No Parking, No Entry, Car Drop & PPL

The lane leading to the Russian House is a 'PRIVATE LANE' with 'No-Parking' (for residents too). Also, being a narrow lane with a heavy density of resident cars, the following instructions need to be strictly adhered to:

- 1) There is strictly no entry for cars in the lane.
- 2) Please ensure car drop-off & pick-up at the corner of the lane (avoid blocking the bus stop).
- 3) The player and accompanying person walk up the lane to the venue.
- 4) The public parking lot is available in the walking distance next lane (Murli Deora Marg & Altamount Road) near to Chitrakoot Apartment & Altamount Lodha

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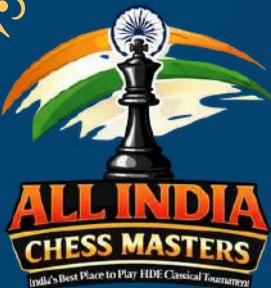


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