



1st Harda Open International FIDE Rapid Rating Chess Tournament 2026

Under The Aegis of All India Chess Federation & MP Chess Ad-hoc Committee

AICF Event Code: 458236/MP(R)/2026

**Total Prize Fund
₹ 1,51,000/-**

Date: 24th January 2026



**Venue: Harda Degree College, In Front of Collector
Residence, Indore Road, Harda M.P**

PRIIZES



₹ 20,000/-



₹ 25,000/-



₹ 15,000/-

4th ₹ 10,000/-

5th ₹ 7,000/-

6th ₹ 5,000/-

7th to 10th - ₹ 3,000/-

11th to 15th - ₹ 2,500/-

16th to 20th - ₹ 2,000/-

Category Prizes

1400-1699

1st - ₹ 2,000
2nd - ₹ 1,500
3rd - ₹ 1,000

1700-1999

1st - ₹ 2,000
2nd - ₹ 1,500
3rd - ₹ 1,000

Unrated

1st - ₹ 2,000
2nd - ₹ 1,500
3rd - ₹ 1,000

Vetran 60+

1st - ₹ 2,000
2nd - ₹ 1,500
3rd - ₹ 1,000

Best M.P

1st - ₹ 2,000
2nd - ₹ 1,500
3rd - ₹ 1,000

Best Female Player

1st - ₹ 2,000
2nd - ₹ 1,500
3rd - ₹ 1,000

Best Harda

1st - ₹ 2,000
2nd - ₹ 1,500
3rd - ₹ 1,000
4th - ₹ 750
5th - ₹ 750
6th - ₹ 500
7th - ₹ 500
8th - ₹ 500

Trophies For Top 3
Under- 7,9,11,13 age groups.

10 extra Prizes for Promising Players

One year Shatranj Samrat Magazine Subscription.

E-Certificate For All Participants

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Player Meeting - 09:00am
Inauguration - 09:15am
Round 1 - 09:30am
Prize Distribution - 07:00pm

ENTRY FEE

Entry Fee - ₹ 750
Entry Fee For Harda Player - ₹ 500

Free entry for GM/IM/WGM/WIM/ and players rated above 2300
50% concessions in the Entry fees will be given to especially abled players.

Last date of Entry- 06: 00 PM 22 January 2026

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Registration by online Circle Chess
Please use the link below or scan the
QR Code for Registration

[link:https://circlechess.com/registration?id=49722](https://circlechess.com/registration?id=49722)



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RULES & REGULATION

System of Play: The Championship will be conducted as per FIDE laws of Chess & FIDE Swiss system in no of rounds 09.

Time Control: 15minutes + 5 seconds increment from move one, .

Default Time: Default time for arriving to the chessboard is 15 minutes.

Electronic Devices: Any Electronic Devices including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall.

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) Greater Number of wins with Black.

Withdrawal: In the event of absence to any round without prior information to the CHIEF ARBITER in writing the Player's name will be removed from the pairing for further rounds.

Protest: Protest, if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with a Protest fee of Rs. 1000/- within 30 minutes of the occurrence of the incident. The protest fee will be refunded, if the appeal is upheld.

Disqualification: No participant will leave the venue before the Prize Distribution function without the permission of the Chief Arbiter. The participants disregarding the rule will be suspended for one year.

Appeals Committee: Before the commencement of the championship, a five- member Appeals Committee shall be formed by the organizers. All the members and reserves shall be from the different units. No member of the committee can vote on dispute in which a player from his own district is involved and in such case the reserves shall take his place in the committee.

Interpretation: On any point not covered under these rules, the decision of the Championship Committee shall be final and binding on all. The Championship Committee has every right to make any addition or amendment to these rules, without prior notice. Such changes will, however be displayed in the tournament hall.

Prize money will be transferred via online mode and in INR (Indian National Rupee) only

There will be tax deductions of foreign players' prize money as per the Govt. guidelines. Indian Income Tax Act and Rules will be applicable.

Note: - Organizer reserves the right to accept or reject any Entry without assigning the reason at any moment.

AICF registration is compulsory for all Indian players. Registration fee is Rs300/- For Year 2025-2026 and which should be paid before the start of the tournament. It is accepted only through Online Payment.

New Players AICF Registration Link <https://prs.aicf.in/new-register>

Renewal of AICF Registration for Old Players link: <https://prs.aicf.in/players>

How to Reach Harda

By Air

Harda is not well connected to other major cities of the country via regular flights. The nearest airport is Raja Bhoj Airport Bhopal which is 175 Kms from Harda and Devi Ahilya Airport Indore which is 175 Kms from Harda.

By Rail

Harda railway station is a main Bhopal – Mumbai railway line. Its code is HD. The station consists of three platforms. Trains are available for many big cities. The nearest Railway Junction is ITARSI which is 76 km from Harda.

By Road

Harda is well connected via Road link. Harda is located on Betul – Indore national highway (NH-59A). it is 162 Kms from Bhopal and 165 Kms from Indore

PATRON

IAS SIDDHARTH JAIN Collector & DM Harda M.P

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

Mr. P C Porte

ORGANISING SECRETARY

Mr. Alok Jain

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Jay Shankar Kanwa, Ram Niwas Jat, Satyam Agrawal, Rajesh Biliya, Rohit Tiwari, Vinod Upadhyा, Manmohan Kushwah, Manish Prajapati, Ganesh Patel, Dinesh Patil, Manmohan Patil, Rani Khan, Rajesh Gour.

MP Chess Ad-hoc Committee

Mr. Gurmeet Singh (Chairman)

Mr. Akshat Khamparia (Convener)

Mr. Diljeet Khanna (Ex Jt. Secretary AICF)

Mr. Anil Fatehchandani (Member)

Mr. Yashpal Arora (Member)

EVENT HELPLINE & SUPPORT CONTACTS

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Event Schedule, Venue Directions, General Queries

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Meal Timings, Special Dietary Requests, Food Passes

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Player Registration, Reporting Time, ID Verification

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Hotel Allotment, Check-in/Check-out, Room Issues

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First Aid, Medical Emergencies