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3RD JK'S ECA ALL INDIA OPEN FIDE RAPID RATING CHESS TOURNAMENT

under the aegis of AICF & MCA / Recognized by PDCC
AICF Event Code: 466901/MH(R)/2026



Sunday, 19th April 2026
AT 09:00 AM

EARLY BIRD: Rs. 1500/- Till 15th March, 2026

Rs. 2000 thereafter.



TOTAL CASH PRIZE
RS. 4,00,000

1ST PRIZE
RS. 1,00,000

55
CASH PRIZES
119
TROPHIES



<https://circlechess.com/registration?id=50003>

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10 MINS PLUS 5 SEC



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VENUE- GULMOHOR BANQUETS, TERRACE LEVEL, ABHIRUCHI MALL,
SINGHAD RD, ABOVE ABHIRUCHI MALL, BHIDEBAUG,
VADGAON BUDRUK, PUNE, 411041

Registration QR



TOTAL CASH PRIZE POOL IS Rs. 4,00,000/-

PRIZE STRUCTURE:

MAIN PRIZES

Rank	Main Prize	Below 2200	Below 1800
1	Rs.1,00,000 + 🏆	Rs.25,000 + 🏆	Rs.25,000 + 🏆
2	Rs.50,000 + 🏆	Rs.10,000 + 🏆	Rs.10,000 + 🏆
3	Rs.25,000 + 🏆	Rs.5,000 + 🏆	Rs.5,000 + 🏆
4	Rs.15,000	Rs.4,000	Rs.4,000
5	Rs.10,000	Rs.2,000	Rs.2,000
6	Rs.7,000	Rs.2,000	Rs.2,000
7	Rs.5,000	Rs.2,000	Rs.2,000
8	Rs.4,000		
9	Rs.3,000		
10	Rs.3,000		
11 -15	Rs.2,000		

CATEGORY

Rank	1400-1550	1551-1700	1701-1850	UNRATED 🏆
1	Rs.5,000 + 🏆	Rs.5,000 + 🏆	Rs.5,000 + 🏆	Rs.5,000 + 🏆
2	Rs.3,000 + 🏆	Rs.3,000 + 🏆	Rs.3,000 + 🏆	Rs.3,000 + 🏆
3	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆
4-10	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆

CONSOLATION

Rank	FEMALE (Above 16)	VETERAN (S55)	MH (MCA REGISTRAR)	SPECIALLY ABLED
1	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆
2	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆
3	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆

AGE CATEGORY BOYS

Rank	U07 Boys	U09 Boys	U11 Boys	U13 Boys	U15 Boys
1	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆
2 to 5	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆
6 to 10	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆

Rank	BEST ACADEMY	BEST SCHOOL
1	🏆	🏆
2	🏆	🏆
3	🏆	🏆

AGE CATEGORY GIRLS

Rank	U07 Girls	U09 Girls	U11 Girls	U13 Girls	U15 Girls
1	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆	Rs.2,000 + 🏆
2 to 5	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆
6 to 10	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆	🏆

YOUNGEST BOY	🏆
YOUNGEST GIRL	🏆

🏆* ALL PARTICIPANTS IN UNDER-07 CATEGORY WILL RECEIVE MEDALS.*

Age Criteria

U-07 Born on/after 01-01-2019 U-09 Born on/after 01-01-2017 U-11 Born on/after 01-01-2015
U-13 Born on/after 01-01-2013 U-15 Born on/after 01-01-2011

ENTRY FEES

Early Bird: Upto 15th March - Rs. 1500

Upto 10th April: Rs. 2000 Late Fees Rs. 500: After 10th April.

Free entry to M, IMs & Players Rated Above 2300

Refund: Entry fee will be refunded for cancellations made on or before 10th April, subject to deduction of administrative charges of Rs. 500.

No refund shall be made for any cancellation after 10th April. Refunds shall be processed after 25th April.

Email for cancellation to be sent on jk.excellencechess@gmail.com | Request in any other form will not be accepted

Why Participate?

FIDE-rated event | Attractive prizes | E-certificates | Professional arbiters



EVENT SCHEDULE

08:30AM Players Meeting	09:00AM Opening Followed by Round Start	05:30PM Prize Distribution
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Those who have not registered with AICF & MCA before, have to complete their registration before the first round pairings.

AICF REGISTRATION

AICF 2026-27 registration fees **Rs.300/- (Compulsory for all Indian Participants)**

AICF new player registration link: <https://prs.aicf.in/new-register>

AICF ID search link: <https://prs.aicf.in/>

MCA REGISTRATION

MCA 2026-27 registration fees **Rs.150/- (Compulsory for Maharashtra Participants)**

MCA new player registration link:
https://mcachess.in/Tournament_Registration/MCA_Registrations.php

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- **System of Play:** The tournament will be conducted as per latest FIDE Laws of Chess and FIDE Swiss System with 9 rounds.
- **Time Control:** 10 Mins plus 5 Seconds increment per move.
Default Time: (walk over time) 10 Minutes
- **Electronic Device:** All electronic devices including wrist watches (all types of watches) and mobile phones will not be allowed in the tournament hall.
- **Prize:** Player qualified for more than one prize will be considered only for higher prize in the respective category.
- **Tie Break:** In case of tie, following criteria will be used in descending order
 - (a) Buchholz cut one
 - (b) Buchholz
 - (c) Sonneborn Berger
 - (d) Direct Encounter
 - (e) Greater no. of victories
 - (f) Greater no. of wins by black
- Players having Classical or Rapid rating and unrated players can participate in the tournament. (Players having only Fide Blitz rating Or LiChess Rating will be treated as UNRATED)
- In case of any dispute, Chief Arbiter's decision will be final and binding on all.
Appeals Committee: An appeals committee will be formed during the technical meeting.
- The organizer will reserve the rights to admit or refuse any entry without assigning any reason. They also reserve the rights of admission to the venue.
- Rating will be finalised as per FIDE rating list published at the time of pairing. Any changes made thereafter by FIDE won't be reflected during the tournament.

“Every chess master was once a beginner.” – Irving Chernev

ABOUT JK'S EXCELLENCE CHESS ACADEMY

Founded in 2005, JK's Excellence Chess Academy was established with a vision to promote chess as a sport that sharpens the mind, enhances strategic thinking, and builds mental agility.

Over the years, the academy has trained students across India and internationally, with learners from Australia, the Netherlands, Canada, USA, Japan, Mauritius, and the Maldives.

We take pride in mentoring players who have achieved international ratings and competitive success. At JK's Excellence Chess Academy, every student is valued as part of our extended family.

We are Committed to excellence, innovation, and holistic development, we continue to nurture talent that aspires to represent the nation at the highest levels.

Our mission is to:

- Spread widespread awareness about chess as a sport
- Create maximum opportunities for player development
- Integrate advanced technology into modern training methods
- Continuously evolve with global chess standards
- Inspire young minds to achieve competitive success

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ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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Organizing Secretary
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Technical Queries
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Entries & other Queries

Sachin Kher (88053 88975)	Shobhraj Utpat (721810 0484)	Suyash Patankar (98503 81277)	FA Kedar Palsule (89993 48216)	Mrs. Saanchi Kher
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SUPPORTED BY

GM Abhijeet Kunte (Major Dhyanchand Awardee)	Mr. Siddharth Mayur (Working President, MCA)	Mr. Chidambar Kotibhaskar (Vice President, MCA)	Mr. Rajendra Konde (Vice President, MCA)
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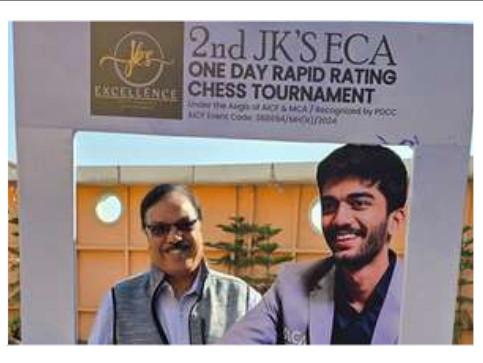
- **YASHODHAN BHIDE**
 - Jayant Gokhale
 - WIM Mrunalini Kunte
 - Ankush Raktade
 - Yashwant Bapat
 - IA Nitin Shenvi
 - Vivek Bhagawat
- Abhijeet Joshi
 - Ketan Khaire
 - Nagnath Halkude
 - Shashikant Maktedar
 - Kapil Lohana
 - Pawan Katakade
 - Padmanan Menon
- Rashid Inamdar
 - Abhijeet Joshi(Thane)
 - IA Deepti Shidore
 - IA Vinita Shrotri
 - IA Atharva Godbole
 - IA Pavan Rathi
 - IA Shardul Tapase
- IA Mitala Shenvi
 - IA Shraddha Vinchvekar

Our Milestones

2023



2024



Opportunity is on the board — will you play it? Contact us for more details or any query!