



# 7<sup>TH</sup> SHAASTRA

## RAPID FIDE RATED CHESS TOURNAMENT 2026

TOTAL CASH PRIZE  
**Rs. 5,00,000**

AICF EVENT CODE:  
467696/TN(R)/2026

TNSCA EVENT CODE:  
RFR-29/CHE/25-26



06.03.2026 TO 07.03.2026



STUDENTS ACTIVITIES  
CENTRE(SAC), IIT MADRAS



## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- **Tournament will be conducted as per latest FIDE rules of rapid chess.**
- **System of play: Swiss System with 9 rounds.**
- **Time control: 15 minutes + 10 seconds increment from move 1 for the entire game.**
- **Tie Breaks: In case of a tie, the latest Tie Break Rules from FIDE will be followed.**
- **Appeals Committee: Protests, if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter must be lodged within 15 minutes of incident, with a protest fee of Rs. 2000 in writing to the Appeals Committee, to be formed at the start of the tournament.**
- **One player is obliged to receive only one prize, either in the Main category or in the sub-category whichever has the higher cash prize.**
- **Mobile phones and watches are strictly prohibited in the tournament hall. Possession of such and other electronic devices without the permission of the arbiter will lead to loss of the game.**
- **Fair play regulations will be followed.**
- **AICF Registration: AICF registration/renewal for the year 2025-26 is mandatory.**
- **TNSCA Registration: TNSCA registration/renewal for the year 2025-26 is mandatory for all Tamil Nadu players.**
- **CDCA (Chennai District) Registration: CDCA registration/renewal for the year 2025-26 is mandatory for all Chennai district players.**
- **Parking will be on first come first serve basis. Gform for vehicle details will be circulated one week prior to the tournament.**



## ENTRY FEE

- Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs.
- Accommodation for titled players shall be considered on request and availability may be subjected to change.
- Rs. 2300/- for all other players.
- Early bird offer of Rs. 2000/- till 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026, 5 PM.
- Discounted entry fee for IIT Madras students, faculty, staff and alumni (Check institute mail or contact organizers for more details).

## REGISTRATION

- Registration and payment through: chessfee.com, easypaychess.com, chessentry.in, signinchess.com, bookmyfee.com
- AICF registration/renewal: <https://prs.aicf.in/players>
- TNSCA registration/renewal: <https://registration.tamilchess.com/>
- Last date of entry: 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026, 5 PM.
- Refund Policy: No refund after the first round pairing is done.

## CONTACT

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## ROUND SCHEDULE

|                  |                                      |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| OPENING CEREMONY | 2:00 PM, 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2026  |
| PLAYER BRIEFING  | 2:30 PM, 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2026  |
| ROUND 1          | 3:00 PM, 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2026  |
| ROUND 2          | 4:30 PM, 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2026  |
| ROUND 3          | 6:00 PM, 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2026  |
| ROUND 4          | 9:00 AM, 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2026  |
| ROUND 5          | 10:30 AM, 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 |
| ROUND 6          | 12:00 PM, 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 |
| ROUND 7          | 2:00 PM, 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2026  |
| ROUND 8          | 3:30 PM, 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2026  |
| ROUND 9          | 5:00 PM, 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2026  |



## MAIN PRIZES

| Place | Prize Money |
|-------|-------------|
| 1     | 60,000      |
| 2     | 50,000      |
| 3     | 40,000      |
| 4     | 30,000      |
| 5     | 20,000      |
| 6     | 15,000      |
| 7     | 12,000      |
| 8     | 10,000      |
| 9     | 8,000       |
| 10    | 6,000       |
| 11    | 5,000       |
| 12    | 5,000       |
| 13    | 5,000       |
| 14    | 5,000       |
| 15    | 5,000       |
| 16    | 5,000       |
| 17    | 5,000       |
| 18    | 5,000       |
| 19    | 5,000       |
| 20    | 5,000       |

**BEST VETERANS ABOVE 55**

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| 1 | 5,000 |
| 2 | 3,000 |

**WOMEN ABOVE 16**

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| 1 | 5,000 |
| 2 | 3,000 |

**BEST UNRATED**

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| 1 | 10,000 |
| 2 | 8,000  |
| 3 | 6,000  |
| 4 | 4,000  |
| 5 | 3,000  |

**BEST IITM**

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| 1 | 8,000 |
| 2 | 6,000 |
| 3 | 5,000 |
| 4 | 4,000 |
| 5 | 3,000 |

**Under 8, 10, 12, 14,  
16 Boys**

**1-6  
Trophies**

**Under 8, 10, 12, 14,  
16 Girls**

**1-4  
Trophies**

**1400-1600**

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| 1 | 10,000 |
| 2 | 8,000  |
| 3 | 6,000  |
| 4 | 5,000  |
| 5 | 4,000  |
| 6 | 3,000  |
| 7 | 3,000  |
| 8 | 3,000  |

**1601-1800**

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| 1 | 10,000 |
| 2 | 8,000  |
| 3 | 6,000  |
| 4 | 5,000  |
| 5 | 4,000  |
| 6 | 3,000  |
| 7 | 3,000  |
| 8 | 3,000  |

**1801-2000**

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| 1 | 10,000 |
| 2 | 8,000  |
| 3 | 6,000  |
| 4 | 5,000  |
| 5 | 4,000  |
| 6 | 3,000  |
| 7 | 3,000  |
| 8 | 3,000  |



## CHIEF ARBITER

IA R Anantharam

## EVENT PATRONS

Prof. Murugaiyan Amirthalingam  
Institute Co-Curricular Advisor

PROF. SATHYANARAYANA N  
GUMMADI  
DEAN OF STUDENTS

## VENUE

Students Activities Centre (SAC),  
Indian Institute of Technology Madras  
(IITM), Opposite to C.L.R.I and beside  
the Adyar Cancer Institute  
Sardar Patel Road, Adyar,  
Chennai - 600 036

## PARKING

Limited parking is available at the venue. Parking will be permitted only in emergency cases with prior email approval from [rapidchess@shastra.org](mailto:rapidchess@shastra.org) . Only vehicles that receive official approval via email will be allowed entry.

## WEBSITE

<https://chess.shastra.org/>