



# **4<sup>th</sup> GUJARAT INTERNATIONAL OPEN GRANDMASTERS CHESS TOURNAMENT-2026**

**: Date :  
1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2026**

**Organized by  
GUJARAT STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION**

**AICF EVENT CODES  
476856/476857/476858/GJ/2026**

**Venue:  
Veer Savarkar Sports Complex (Centrally Air Conditioned),  
Nr. Vardan Tower, Naranpura, Ahmedabad**

**Total Cash Prize Fund:  
Rs.50,00,000/-**

**:Accommodation Partner:**

**Geeta Residency &**



**The Gujarat State Co-op. Bank Ltd., Ahmedabad  
(Scheduled Apex Bank)**

**Category:**

**A**

**Prizes: Rs.25,00,000/-**

**Tournament Date: 1st to 8th June, 2026**

**(For Players 2000 & Above)**

**Tournament Schedule**

Date	Time	Round
31-May-2026	1200 hrs.	Arrival
01-Jun-2026	1315 hrs.	Player Meeting
01-Jun-2026	1330 hrs.	Inauguration
01-Jun-2026	1400 hrs.	Round-1
02-Jun-2026	0930 hrs.	Round-2
02-Jun-2026	1600 hrs.	Round-3
03-Jun-2026	1000 hrs.	Round-4
04-Jun-2026	0930 hrs.	Round-5
04-Jun-2026	1600 hrs.	Round-6
05-Jun-2026	1000 hrs.	Round-7
06-Jun-2026	1000 hrs.	Round-8
07-Jun-2026	1000 hrs.	Round-9
08-Jun-2026	1000 hrs.	Round-10
08-Jun-2026	1800 hrs.	Prize Distribution

**Prizes: Total Cash Prizes: Rs.25,00,000/-**

Rank	Prize (INR)	Rank	Prize (INR)
1 <sup>st</sup>	4,00,000/- + Trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3,00,000/- + Trophy
3 <sup>rd</sup>	2,50,000/- + Trophy	4 <sup>th</sup>	2,00,000/-
5 <sup>th</sup>	1,50,000/-	6 <sup>th</sup>	1,00,000/-
7 <sup>th</sup>	70,000/-	8 <sup>th</sup>	65,000/-
9 <sup>th</sup>	60,000/-	10 <sup>th</sup>	50,000/-
11 <sup>th</sup>	40,000/-	12 <sup>th</sup>	35,000/-
13 <sup>th</sup>	30,000/-	14 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup>	20,000/-
21 <sup>st</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup>	15,000/-	31 <sup>st</sup> to 55 <sup>th</sup>	10,000/-

Category	1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize
2200-2299	12,000/-	10,000/-	8,000/-
2100-2199	12,000/-	10,000/-	8,000/-
2000-2099	12,000/-	10,000/-	8,000/-
Best Gujarat Player	12,000/-	10,000/-	8,000/-
Best Female	12,000/-	10,000/-	8,000/-
Best Foreign Player (Other than GM/IM/WGM/WIM)	12,000/-	10,000/-	8,000/-
Best Veteran (60+)	12,000/-	10,000/-	8,000/-

**Note:**

- Indian Income Tax Act and Rules will be applicable.
- Please note that one player will be given one (higher) prize only.

### **Eligibility**

Players, whose FIDE rating is 2000 & above as on 1-May-2026 can participate in this event.

### **Entry Fee**

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|---|-------------|
| • GM, IM, WGM, WIM, FM & Rated above 2300 | <b>FREE</b> |
| • Rated between 2200-2299                 | Rs.5000/-   |
| • Rated between 2100-2199                 | Rs.7000/-   |
| • Rated between 2000-2099                 | Rs.8000/-   |



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### **Special Entry**

The Organising committee reserves the right to accept the entries below the rating barrier with entry fee of Rs.10,000/-. Players need to provide all his information on [bhavesh.chess@gmail.com](mailto:bhavesh.chess@gmail.com) and he/she needs to get confirmation mail (compulsory) before depositing the entry fee. No request towards waiver of entry fee will be entertained.

**The last date of entry: 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2026. Entries with late fee of Rs.500/- will be entertained up to ON FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.**

### **Tournament Rules:**

#### **System of Play:**

The tournament will be conducted as per FIDE Laws of Chess and FIDE Swiss System with 10 rounds.

#### **Time Control & Default Time:**

90 Minutes plus 30 seconds increment from move 1 for the entire game. The default time (walk over time) will be 15 minutes.

#### **Draw Agreement**

Players cannot agree to a draw without the consent of the arbiter before each player makes at least 30 moves.

#### **Tie Break:**

In case of a tie, the latest FIDE Rules shall come into effect. The cash prizes however will not be shared.

#### **Accommodation:**

All GMs, IMs, WGMs and WIMs will be provided free AC accommodation (similar to three star) on double/triple sharing basis. All other participants will be provided AC accommodation on double/three sharing basis/dormitory by paying Rs.500/- per day per person for entire duration of the event on first come first serve basis. For further details you can contact: **Geeta Residency (Ms. Palka Chaudhary) +91 9313287598.**

**Category:**

**B**

**Prizes: Rs.15,00,000/-**

**Tournament Date: 1st to 4th June, 2026**

**(For players Below 2000)**

**Tournament Schedule**

Date	Time	Round
01-Jun-2026	0900 hrs.	Player Meeting
01-Jun-2026	0930 hrs.	Round-1
01-Jun-2026	1400 hrs.	Round-2
01-Jun-2026	1730 hrs.	Round-3
02-Jun-2026	0930 hrs.	Round-4
02-Jun-2026	1330 hrs.	Round-5
02-Jun-2026	1730 hrs.	Round-6
03-Jun-2026	0930 hrs.	Round-7
03-Jun-2026	1330 hrs.	Round-8
03-Jun-2026	1730 hrs.	Round-9
04-Jun-2026	0930 hrs.	Round-10
04-Jun-2026	1400 hrs.	Prize Distribution

**Prizes: Total Cash Prizes: Rs.15,00,000/-**

Rank	Prize (INR)	Rank	Prize (INR)
1 <sup>st</sup>	1,25,000/- + Trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1,00,000/- + Trophy
3 <sup>rd</sup>	80,000/- + Trophy	4 <sup>th</sup>	70,000/-
5 <sup>th</sup>	60,000/-	6 <sup>th</sup>	55,000/-
7 <sup>th</sup>	50,000/-	8 <sup>th</sup>	40,000/-
9 <sup>th</sup>	30,000/-	10 <sup>th</sup>	20,000/-
11 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup>	15,000/-	21 <sup>st</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup>	10,000/-
31 <sup>st</sup> to 40 <sup>th</sup>	8,000/-		

Rank	Below 1850	Below 1700	Below 1550	Unrated
1	15,000/-	15,000/-	15,000/-	15,000/-
2	12,000/-	12,000/-	12,000/-	12,000/-
3	10,000/-	10,000/-	10,000/-	10,000/-
4	8,000/-	8,000/-	8,000/-	8,000/-
5	8,000/-	8,000/-	8,000/-	8,000/-
6	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-
7	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-
8	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-
9	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-
10	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-

Rank	Female	Veteran 60+	Gujarat	Physically Challenged
1	13,000/-	13,000/-	13,000/-	13,000/-
2	10,000/-	10,000/-	10,000/-	10,000/-
3	9,000/-	9,000/-	9,000/-	9,000/-
4	8,000/-	8,000/-	8,000/-	8,000/-
5	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-	7,000/-

**Note:**

- Indian Income Tax Act and Rules will be applicable.
- Please note that one player will be given one (higher) prize only.

**Eligibility**

Players having the FIDE rating 2000 & below for the last three years are only allowed to participate in this event. Unrated players are also eligible to participate. However, any player who finished **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>** in any rating restricted FIDE rated event for the last one year are not eligible to participate. For Indian players, **AICF registration** for the financial year (from 01/04/2026 to 31/03/2027) is **mandatory** while for the **foreign players** a valid **FIDE ID**.

**Entry Fee**

- Rs.5000/- (Rupees five thousand only)
- 50% off for "Specially Abled" players
- 50% off for players aged 60 and above (born on or before 1.1.1966)



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**Tournament Rules:**

**System of Play:**

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**Time Control & Default Time:**

60 Minutes plus 30 second increment from move 1. The default time (walk over time) will be 15 minutes.

**Tie Break:**

In case of a tie, the latest FIDE Rules shall come into effect. The Cash prizes however will not be shared.

**Accommodation:**

AC accommodation will be provided to all participants on six sharing basis/dormitory by paying Rs.150/- per day per person for entire duration of the event on first come first serve basis. It is mandatory to fill-up the google form (<https://forms.gle/cR6v5bvJQKMPWcUq5>) for all the players. For further details you can contact: Mr. Prashant Raval +91 90332 06772 & Mr. Amit Parikh +91 98980 87374.

**Category:**

**C**

**Prizes: Rs.10,00,000/-**

**Tournament Date: 5th to 8th June, 2026**

**(For Players Below 1700)**

**Tournament Schedule**

Date	Time	Round
5-Jun-2026	1415 hrs.	Player Meeting
5-Jun-2026	1430 hrs.	Round-1
5-Jun-2026	1800 hrs.	Round-2
6-Jun-2026	1000 hrs.	Round-3
6-Jun-2026	1400 hrs.	Round-4
6-Jun-2026	1730 hrs.	Round-5
7-Jun-2026	1000 hrs.	Round-6
7-Jun-2026	1400 hrs.	Round-7
7-Jun-2026	1730 hrs.	Round-8
8-Jun-2026	1000 hrs.	Round-9
8-Jun-2026	1330 hrs.	Round-10
8-Jun-2026	1800 hrs.	Prize Distribution

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1 <sup>st</sup>	1,00,000/- + Trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup>	80,000/- + Trophy
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7 <sup>th</sup>	15,000/-	8 <sup>th</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup>	10,000/-
11 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup>	8,000/-	16 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup>	7,000/-
21 <sup>st</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup>	6,000/-	26 <sup>th</sup> to 35 <sup>th</sup>	5,000/-

Rank	1400-1450	1451-1500	1501-1550	1551-1600	Unrated
1	20,000/-	20,000/-	20,000/-	20,000/-	20,000/-
2	13,000/-	13,000/-	13,000/-	13,000/-	15,000/-
3	8,000/-	8,000/-	8,000/-	8,000/-	9,000/-
4	6,000/-	6,000/-	6,000/-	6,000/-	8,000/-
5	6,000/-	6,000/-	6,000/-	6,000/-	7,000/-
6	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-
7	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-
8	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-
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1	7,500/-	7,500/-	7,500/-	7,500/-
2	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-	5,000/-
3	4,000/-	4,000/-	4,000/-	4,000/-

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**Eligibility**

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## **RULES/REGULATIONS/INFORMATION**

- System of Play - The tournament will be conducted as per FIDE laws of chess and FIDE Swiss System with 10 rounds in all the 3 categories. The latest FIDE rules in force shall apply.
- For Indian Players, AICF registration for the year 2026-2027 is compulsory. To renew <https://prs.aicf.in/players> For new players' registration - <https://prs.aicf.in/new-register/>
- For Gujarat players, GSCA registration for the year 2026-2027 is compulsory. For first time registration - <https://forms.gle/eRfcXqRpQ4Hf8d1a8>  
To renew registration - <https://forms.gle/D19qdtbQNp6g63SAA>
- For foreign players, a valid FIDE ID is mandatory.
- Appeals committee will be formed before the start of the tournament comprising of 5 members. Appeals committee decision will be final and will be binding on all the concerned players.
- Tie-break: In case of tie, latest FIDE rules shall come into effect as per AICF guidelines. However, the cash prizes will not be shared. One player is eligible for one higher prize only.
- Protest, if any, against the decision of the arbiter, chief arbiter, shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.3000/- within 15 minutes after completion of the game to the committee. The protest fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld.
- Withdrawals: After informing the chief arbiter in writing, a player may withdraw at any stage of the event.
- FIDE Fair Play Regulations will be in force, and players must respect the rules. Players are not allowed to carry electronic devices (except car keys), mobile phones, wristwatches (of any type) and other electronic devices to the playing area, during the tournament. Players in possession of such items will be declared lost.
- There will be tax deductions of foreign players' prize money as per the Govt. guidelines. Indian Income Tax Act and Rules will be applicable.
- Prize money will be transferred via online mode and in INR (Indian National Rupee) only.
- No Waiver/no refunds: No request towards waiver of entry fee or waiver of late fee will be entertained.
- Certificate will be awarded to all the participants.

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CATEGORY "A" tournament.

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