



A ROYAL INVITATION TO KALAHANDI

# The 1<sup>st</sup> KCA International FIDE Rating Open Chess Tournament 2026

Event Code: 468829/OD/2026

May 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026 | Total Prize Pool: ₹2,00,000

Organized by Marwadi Yuva Manch Jagruti Sakha with Marwadi Yuva Manch  
Bhawanipatna in association with K.C.A. Kesinga, Kalahandi, Odisha

# Tournament Overview



## Fully Sanctioned Event.

Held under the strict governance of the All India Chess Federation (AICF) and All Odisha Chess Association (AOCA).



## Five Days of Elite Play.

May 1st to May 5th, 2026.



## The Fortress.

The Fortress. AC Auditorium, Vikash Residential School (LVRS), Bhawanipatna, Kalahandi, Odisha.  
Fully air-conditioned and distraction-free.



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# Rules of Engagement



## Swiss Open Format

9 Action-Packed Rounds.  
Governed strictly by FIDE  
Laws of Chess.



## Standard Time Control

90 Minutes + 30 Seconds  
increment per move  
starting from Move 1.



## Universal Eligibility

No age restrictions.  
Open to all Rated and  
Unrated players eager to  
test their mettle.

# The 5-Day Tactical Timeline

**May 1**

12:00 PM -  
Inauguration  
03:00 PM - Round 1

**May 2**

10:00 AM - Round 2  
03:30 PM - Round 3

**May 3**

10:00 AM - Round 4  
03:30 PM - Round 5

**May 4**

10:00 AM - Round 6  
03:30 PM - Round 7

**May 5**

09:00 AM - Round 8  
02:30 PM - Round 9  
66:00 PM - Prize  
Distribution Ceremony

## **Dormitory Accommodation**

Stay and meals are available at a nearby venue for the entire tournament.  
Cost: ₹2,000 per person. Applicable to: Players and Accompanying Persons.

# The ₹2 Lakh Prize Matrix

Total Cash: ₹2,00,000 | 75 Premium Trophies | 50 Medals





## The Tactical Tier

### Eligibility Matrix

Section 1: 1400-1550 Rating

Section 2: 1551-1700 Rating

Section 3: 1701-1850 Rating

Section 4: Unrated Players

### Unified Payout Table

1st: ₹5,000 + Trophy

2nd: ₹3,000 + Trophy

3rd: ₹2,000 + Trophy

4th: ₹1,500 + Medal

5th: ₹1,000 + Medal

6th-10th: Medal



## Champions Across Generations

### Eligibility Matrix

Section 1: Age Groups (U9, U12, U15)

Veteran S60

Best Vikash School Students

Best Kalahandi Player

### Unified Payout Table

1st: ₹3,000 + Trophy

2nd: ₹2,000 + Trophy

3rd: ₹1,500 + Trophy

4th-5th: ₹1,000

6th-10th: Trophy

Over 125 individual physical awards across all categories ensuring true champions are recognized at every level

# Your Move: Securing Your Square



## Step 1

Scan the QR code to register for the tournament

## Step 2

### Complete Google Form

Select category, verify details

## Step 3

### Finalize Payment

Submit entry fee through form details

## Entry & Privilege

**General Entry:**  
₹1,000 Only

**Age group entry:**  
₹800(U15)

**Late entry fee: ₹200**  
(Effective after April 28th)



**The Master's Privilege**  
**100% FREE ENTRY**

For titled players:  
GM, WGM, IM, WIM

## Support Contacts

**Tournament Director:** Bishnu Prasad Agrawal  
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**President MYM Jagruti:** Yuva Rashmi Agrawal  
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**Secretary MYM Bhawanipatna:** Yuva Rinku Agrawal  
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# Organizing Committee

**Bhimsen Patra**  
**(Vice President KDCL)**  
**Hemanta Kumar Panigrahi**  
**(President KDCL)**  
**Ganpat Agrawal**  
**Susil Kumar Panda**  
**Khirod Chandra Mund**  
**Rakhi Agrawal**  
**Suman Agrawal**

**Om Prakash Agrawal**  
**Rakhi Sharma**  
**Bijaya Sandangi**  
**L.N. Maharana**  
**Sanjib Joshi (Adv)**  
**Rohit Jain**  
**Sasmita Panda ( Balangir)**

# Make Your Move: Discover Kalahandi District



## Phurlijharan Waterfall

A breathtaking 30ft waterfall nestled in lush green forest, perfect for a post-match evening retreat.



## Karlapat Wildlife Sanctuary

Experience the rich biodiversity of Odisha's natural landscape, located just an hour's drive from the venue.



## Asurgarh Fort Ruins

Step into local history at this ancient archaeological settlement dating over 2,000 years.



## Maa Manikeswari Mandir

A revered temple dedicated to Goddess Manikeswari, a significant pilgrimage site in Bhawanipatna.



## Gurji Munda Mandir

An ancient and culturally important temple, showcasing unique local architecture and traditions.



## Hello Point

A scenic viewpoint offering panoramic vistas of the Kalahandi landscape, perfect for nature lovers.

