



**54th Tamil Nadu State Junior (under 19)
Open FIDE Rated &
39th Tamil Nadu State Junior (under 19) Girls
FIDE Rated Chess Championship 2026**

AICF Event Code: 474144TN(S)2026 - TNSCA Approval No: SO-04/KAN/26-27

Organized by

KANCHIPURAM DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION

On behalf of

TAMIL NADU STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION

Date : 29.04.2026 to 03.05.2026

JANUS GLOBAL CBSC SCHOOL

Seerunaiperugal Road, Kilambi, Kanchipuram Dist.-631551. Tamilnadu.

**Total Cash Prizes: Rs. 60,000/-
(Rs.30,000/- for Open & Rs.30,000/- for Girls)**

Prizes	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 to 10
Boys	Rs. 7000/-	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 1250/-
Girls	Rs. 7000/-	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 1250/-

Normal (District Selected) Entry Fee: Rs.800/-

Special Entry Fee: Rs.1500/-

Entries can be paid through:

<https://registration.tamilchess.com/online-entry/>

Tournament Schedule

Arrival: 29.04.2026, 08.00 AM			Managers Meeting and Inauguration: 29.04.2026, 9.30 AM		
1 st Round	29.04.2026	11.00 AM	6 th Round	01.05.2026	03.00 PM
2 nd Round	29.04.2026	04.00 PM	7 th Round	02.05.2026	09.30 AM
3 rd Round	30.04.2026	09.30 AM	8 th Round	02.05.2026	03.00 PM
4 th Round	30.04.2026	03.00 PM	9 th Round	03.05.2026	09.30 AM
5 th Round	01.05.2026	09.30 AM	PD	03.05.2026	03.00 PM



****Please note that only the players who take part in this State Championship will be permitted to represent Tamil Nadu as selected/special entries in the forthcoming National U-19 Chess Championship. Hence participation in this State Championship is COMPULSORY****

Note to District Chess Associations: Advise all your U-19 players to take part in this State Championship. All entries, be it regular or special, should be routed through the respective district chess association on or before 21.04.2026. No entry will be entertained after 21.04.2026.

Entries / Entry fee : All entries (normal or special) should be paid only through online portal (<https://registration.tamilchess.com/online-entry/>) along with the copy of date of birth certificate for verification. Payments made through other modes will not be accepted. Player's participation will be accepted only after obtaining the recommendations from their concern district chess association. The entry fee, once paid, shall not be refunded if the withdrawal from the championship is done after the publication of the first-round pairings.

Chief Arbiter: Mr. Vinoth Kumar T, International Arbiter		
Deputy Chief Arbiter: Mr. Balaji V, FIDE Arbiter		
Tournament Coordinators		Venue Coordinators
Mr. Jothiprakasam V, Secretary, KDCA Cell: 9994293081	Mr. Tamilarasan G, Joint Secretary, KDCA Cell: 9244448222	Mrs. Tamilarasi Admin-Janus School Cell: 9962976300



Venue Location

Eligibility: Subject to Age Stipulation

1	Only Indian nationals are eligible to participate
2	Every affiliated District Chess Association / Special Unit of TNSCA is entitled to field four entries in each category. Only Tamil Nadu Players are eligible to take part in this championship.
3	The TNSCA General Secretary can nominate one entry.
4	The top four rankers from TN State Under – 19 Open & Girls Chess Championships 2025 held at Tirupattur.
5	The top two rankers from TN State Under – 17 Open & Girls Chess Championships 2025 held at Karur.
6	The host KAN DCA (Kanchipuram District Chess Association) is entitled to field one additional entries.
7	Any players who pay the prescribed entry fee: Open & Girls - Rs.1500/- may be considered for participation with recommendation of the respective District Chess Association.
8	In the event of odd entry, the host Kanchipuram DCA is entitled add one more entry to make total number as even in each category.
9	Those who have qualified to represent the country in official FIDE events.
10	Any Current National Champion in any category is to be seeded to All State Championships subject to age stipulation.
11	In addition to above the following Districts can field additional entries by virtue of three medal winners (Gold, Silver and Bronze) secured by their players in the last TN State Under – 19 Open & Girls Chess Championships 2025 held at Tirupattur Boys: Gold (3) – Tiruvallur, Silver (2) – Tirupur & Bronze (1) – Tirunelveli Girls: Gold (3) & Silver (2) – Chengalpattu, & Bronze (1) – Chennai
12	All GMs, WGMs, IMs and WIMs are eligible to play as seeded players in the eligible category

Rules and Regulations:

Age Eligibility	<p>Those born on or after 01.01.2007 are eligible to participate. Age proof is required. Certificate should be from the Panchayat/Municipality or corporation obtained soon after birth. Players without the date of birth certificate will not be allowed to participate. As per the rules of AICF, only players whose dates of birth are registered within one year of their birth are permitted to take part in respective age group State/ Nationals. Other country passport holders shall not be allowed to participate in the State Chess Championship.</p>
Boarding &Lodging:	<p>Lodging will be provided to seeded/selected players and one manager per team at <u>school campus</u> as first preference. For special entry players rooms are subject to availability. Only one accompanying person is allowed. (with common rest room). Players are requested to bring their own beddings. Seeded/Selected players are requested to confirm the accommodation while sending entry. Male & female will be provided a separate accommodation irrespective of age. Canteen facilities are available on payment basis at the school premises itself.</p> <p>Players – Rs.250/- per day Parent – Rs.350/- per day Includes – Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner</p>
AICF Player Registration:	<p>AICF player registration is compulsory for all players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs.300/- for the year 2026 – 2027. AICF player registrations will be accepted only through online. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Championship). For renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click http://aicf.in/players/ and click extend membership. For (New) Fresh AICF registration please click http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/. For fresh AICF registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address (unique) not used by any other person/ player for AICF, ready before the registration process.</p> <p>Note: Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.</p>
TNSCA Player Registration	<p>TNSCA player registration is compulsory for all Tamil Nadu players. TNSCA Player Registration fee is Rs.150/- for the year 2026 – 2027. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Tournament). New entrants to the field of chess are informed that TNSCA players registration is mandatory and it should be done well before participating in any tournament. For renewing TNSCA player registration of existing players, please click https://registration.tamilchess.com/ . For fresh TNSCA registration please click https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/. For fresh TNSCA registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address ready before the registration process.</p> <p>Note: Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.</p>

Kanchipuram District Player Registration	Kanchipuram DCA Registration fee is Rs.75/- for the year 2026 – 2027 (for Kanchipuram district players only)
Default Time	Default time is 15 minutes. Players have to be at the boards within 15 minutes from the start of the round.
Rules:	FIDE rules in force shall apply.
System of play:	The Tournament shall be conducted on a nine rounds Swiss System.
Time Control:	90 minutes each plus 30 seconds increment from the move one.
Tie-break	Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz, Sonneborn Berger Direct encounter, and number of wins (forfeit included) & Number of wins with Black pieces tie-break rules will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared.
Chess Clocks:	Each association is requested to provide at least two chess clocks for every four players.
Wrist Watches	As per AICF regulations, wrist watches are restricted while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear wrist watches while playing. It will lead to loss of the game.
Appeals Committee:	An Appeals Committee comprising five members plus two reserves will be formed at the managers meeting. All the members and reserves shall be from different districts. No member of the committee can vote on dispute in which a player from his own district is involved and in such case(s), the reserve member takes his/her place. The decision of the appeals committee is final and binding on all players concerned.
Tournament Committee:	The tournament committee consisting of the General Secretary, TNSCA or his representative, the host Kanchipuram DCA Secretary or his representative and representative from another district to be nominated by the TNSCA shall decide on all emergency matters.
Protest:	Protest, if any against the decision of the Chief arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.1000/- within 15 after completion of the game. The decisions of the appeals committee shall be final and binding on all concerned. The protest fee is a refundable one if the protest is upheld.
Withdrawals:	A player may withdraw from the tournament at any stage after informing the Chief Arbiter in writing.
Arrears:	The players belonging to Districts which are in arrears to TNSCA will not be allowed to take part.
Rights of Admission:	The TNSCA/organizer KAN DCA reserves the rights of admission to the venue and lodging place.
Silence in the Tournament Hall	Strict silence must be observed in the Tournament Hall. Players who have finished their games shall not remain in the tournament hall. Players shall not analyze the game in the tournament hall.

Instruction to the District Chess Associations: While sending the entries, District Chess Associations should certify that the players have been duly selected from the selection/District Chess Championship giving details of venue and date. If such a certificate is not sent, all their entries will be treated as special entries.

THE PREVIOUS WINNERS LIST

PREVIOUS WINNERS

Year	Place	Boys	Girls	Year	place	Boys	Girls
1972	Madras	T.N.Parameswaran(M)		1998	Chennai	S. Kidambi (GM)	M.R.Sangeetha
1973	Madras	M. Ramesh		1999	Nagapattinam	K. Dwarak	T.T. Lakshmpriya
1974	Ooty	S. Manikandaswamy		2000	Madurai	R. Proetham Sharma	Y. Pruthiba(WIM)
1975	Madras	R. Krishnan		2001	Chennai	P. Mageshchandran(GM)	NabeelaFarheen
1976	Nagapattinam	G. Sivasekar		2002	Chennai	R.Sidarth(IM)	NabeelaFarheen
1977	Pollachi	P. Leelaraman		2003	ChennaiKarur	Uttam Sharma	H. Nilavoli
1978	Sivakasi	Shivakumar		2004	Sivakasi	P. Maheswaran (FM)	NabeelaFarheen
1979	Madras	P. Mithrakanth(IM)		2005	Kanchi	P. Karthikeyan (IM)	P. Sivasankari
1980	Pollachi	ArvindAaron		2006	Rajapalayam	R. Premnath	P. Sivasankari
1981	Madras	ArvindAaron		2007	WFM Chennai	Pradeep kumar	Pon N. Krihika
1982	Salem	V.Anand(GM)		2008	Hosur Chennai	T.U. NavinKanna	J. Saranya(WFM)
1983	Chennai	Ebenezer Joseph		2009	Rajapalayam	MuthuAlagappan	J. Mohanapriya
1984	Coimbatore	Ebenezer Joseph		2010	Coimbatore	BevanKumar J	J. Saranya(WFM)
1985	Coimbatore	T.S. Ravi (IM)		2011	Anuppukottai	MuthuAlagappan	SrijaSeshadri(WFM)
1986	Tuticorin	T.S. Ravi (IM)		2012	Nagapattinam	Ja. Gireman	A. Akshya
1987	Coimbatore	T.S. Ravi (IM)		2013	Neyveli	Ja. Gireman	P. Balakannamma
1988	Salem	G.B. Prakash(IM)	K.S. Proetha	2014	Rajapalayam	Ja. Gireman	V. Varshini
1989	Madras	T.S. Ravi (IM)	L. Nalini	2015	Neyveli	Prasanna.s	SrijaSeshadri
1990	Madras	S. Mari Arul	S.Vijayalakshmi(WGM)	2016	Rajapalayam	AL Muthiah	K. Priyanka
1991	Madras	R.B. Ramesh(GM)	S. Sujatha	2017	Nagapattinam	Jayakumar S	K Priyanka
1992	Madurai	R.B. Ramesh(GM)	S. Meenakshi(WGM)	2018	Dindugal	Rathnavel S	L. Jyothsna
1993	Sivakasi	R.B. Ramesh (GM)	B. Devi kesari	2019	Tirupur	Harshavardhan GB	Harshini B
1994	Salem	G. Vinod	PL. Sivakami	2021	Salem	Hari Madhavan N B	Tejasvi M
1995	Vandalur	V. Krishnakumar	S. Mennakshi(WGM)	2022	Tirunelveli	Dinesh Kumar Jaganathan	Poorna Sri M.K
1996	Madurai	Syed Anwar Shazuli	C.V.Rajalakshmi	2023	Tricity	Ayurshih Ravikumar	Kamisha S
1997	Sivakasi	R. Karthik	PL. Sivakami	2024	Krishnagiri	Nigash G	Keerti Shree Reddy
				2025	Tirupattur	Arnav Maheshwari	Keerti Shree Reddy
				2026	Kanchipuram	It might be you !	It might be you !

Advisor Committee:

P.Stephen Balasamy, General Secretary, TNSCA.

S.Gokul, B.Sc.,LL.B., Advocate - KDCA.

Organising Coordinators

V.Jothiprakasam, Secretary, KDCA & S.Keerthiga B.A.,LL.B.,

KANCHIPURAM DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION

Tournament committee

A.Abdulhameed, President

E.Vijayasrithar, Vice Presidents

V.Jothiprakasam, Secretary

S.Hamakumar, Vice Presidents

K.Sasirekha, Treasurer

Joint Secretaries: J.Boopathy,

S.Kapil.

