



UP STATE CHESS FEST 2026-27

Organized by

UP Chess Sports Association

In Association with

Sitapur Shiksha Sansthan Group of Institutions

From 22nd April to 11th May 2026

**Venue: Delhi Public School, Sitapur
Shiksha Sansthan, Resora, Sitapur**



The **UP Chess Sports Association**, in collaboration with **Delhi Public School, Sitapur Shiksha Sansthan, Resora, Sitapur**, is organizing Various **UP State Chess Championship 2026-27** from **22nd April to 11th May 2026**

UP STATE AGE CATEGORY CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026-27

Reporting time for each event will be 9:00 AM on the respective event starting day

Sl No	Championship Category	Event Date	Event Code	Number of Rounds	Last Date for Entry	Last Date for Entry with late fee	Age Limit, Born on or after
1	Under 17 Open	22nd to 25th April 2026	468628/UP(S)/2026	9 Rounds	16th April 2026	20th April 2026	2009-01-01
2	Under 07 Girls	22nd & 23rd April 2026	Unrated	Min 5 Rounds or depends on entries	16th April 2026	20th April 2026	2019-01-01
3	Under 07 Open	24th & 25th April 2026			20th April 2026	22nd April 2026	2019-01-01
4	Under 19 Open	26th to 29th April 2026	468631/UP(S)/2026	9 Rounds	20th April 2026	24th April 2026	2007-01-01
5	Under 09 Open	26th & 27th April 2026	Unrated	Min 5 Rounds or depends on entries	20th April 2026	24th April 2026	2017-01-01
6	Under 9 Girls	28th & 29th April 2026			22nd April 2026	26th April 2026	2017-01-01
7	Under 11 Open	30th April to 3rd May 2026	468817/UP(S)/2026	9 Rounds	24th April 2026	28th April 2026	2015-01-01
8	Under 13 Girls	30th April & 1st May 2026	Unrated	Min 5 Rounds or depends on entries	24th April 2026	28th April 2026	2013-01-01
9	Under 15 Girls	2nd & 3rd May 2026			26th April 2026	30th April 2026	2011-01-01
10	Under 13 Open	4th to 7th May 2026	468818/UP(S)/2026	9 Rounds	28th April 2026	2nd May 2026	2013-01-01
11	Under 17 Girls	4th & 5th May 2026	Unrated	Min 5 Rounds or depends on entries	28th April 2026	2nd May 2026	2009-01-01
12	Under 19 Girls	6th & 7th May 2026			30th April 2026	4th May 2026	2007-01-01
13	Under 15 Open	8th to 11th May 2026	468622/UP(S)/2026	9 Rounds	2nd May 2026	6th May 2026	2011-01-01
14	Under 11 Girls	8th & 9th May 2026	Unrated	Min 5 Rounds or depends on entries	2nd May 2026	6th May 2026	2015-01-01

- [Lodging and Boarding](#)

Lodging:

Free lodging (dormitory accommodation) will be provided to **regular entry participants** and **one official team manager from each district team**.

For additional officials, accompanying persons, and others, lodging will be available at **Rs. 200/- per person per day**.

For private accommodation, participants may contact the following nearby hotels:

1. Landmark Hotel – 7317054444
2. Rudra Imperial Resort – 9580641009, 9580645009
3. Hotel Apple – 7234006565, 9506490000, 9044466834
4. Hotel Rajasthani – 6386292615, 7398893050
5. Hotel Sukhdei - 9839959107
6. Hotel Akash - 63945 60144

Boarding:

Food will be arranged by the venue partner on a **prior booking and advance payment basis. For participants staying on the venue campus:**

Morning breakfast, lunch, evening tea with snacks, and dinner will be provided at a charge of **Rs. 350/- per person per day.**

For others: Lunch and evening tea with snacks will be available for Rs. 175/- per day per person.

Google form Link for Lodging and Boarding - <https://forms.gle/tPYVTFABY5YrCtNe9>

Prizes: -

Cash prizes will be awarded in each category in the following manner: - 1st - 3000/-, 2nd - 2000/-, 3rd - 1200/-, 4th - 650/-, 5th - 650/-.

Entry Fee

- Players must deposit Rs. 1000/- towards entry fee for each segment in which he/she wants to participate. (on or before the last date of entry)
- The **top 2/4 selected players recommended by the District Association** will be considered as **Regular Entries** from the concerned district unit.
- Only **regular entries will get the refund of Rs. 400/-** for the categories in which they are participating and have been officially recommended as Regular Entries by the District Unit concerned.
- Players holding a valid UPCS ID issued for Sitapur are eligible under the Regular Entry category and will get the refund of Rs. 400/-.

After the last date of entry, a late fee of Rs. 200/- per player will be charged. No entries will be accepted after the final entry deadline.



Entry Link: -

<https://upchess.org/tournament.php>

Entries/Entry: -

- All entries, including special entries, must be submitted or recommended through the concerned District Association.
- District Secretaries are requested to recommend the names of participants via email to officeupcsa@gmail.com.

Required Documents for Participants:

Participants must upload the following documents to the UPCSAs website:

1. **Birth Certificate** (only certificates from Panchayat, Municipality, or Corporation will be accepted)

OR

Medical Evaluation Test Certificate issued by AICF.

2. **Recent Photograph.**

Important: Please ensure that all documents are submitted correctly to complete the registration process.

Registration:

- **AICF Registration Fee:** Rs. 300/-
- Online AICF registration can be completed at the official website: www.aicf.in/players
- **UPCSA & District Registration Fee:** Rs. 225/-

This can be completed via the UPCSAs website: <https://upchess.org/register.php>

Please ensure that UPCSAs registration is completed to participate in the event.

Representation:

1. The **first two** selected players will represent Uttar Pradesh in the National Under 07 Open & Girls, Under 09 Open & Girls, Under-11 Open & Girls, Under 13 Open & Girls, Under 17 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2026-27.
2. The **first Four** selected players will represent Uttar Pradesh in the National Under 15 Open & Girls and in National Under 19 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2026-27.

FOR ANY DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT: -

Anand Singh: - 9839001533

Dr. Abhishek Singh: - 7007898507 (For Lodging and Fooding)

Aditya Kumar Dwivedi: - 7348661765 (For Technical Assistance)

Age Proof: -

Each participant must provide a valid certificate to verify their age. Certificates from schools will not be accepted. The certificate should preferably be issued by the Panchayat, Municipality or Municipal Corporation.

Players who do not submit a valid date of birth certificate will not be allowed to participate. Only birth certificates registered within one year of the player's birth will be recognized and accepted.

No district association shall recommend any player who does not meet the above criteria.

Tournament System: -

- i. The tournament will be played in 9 rounds in each rated event and for unrated events minimum 5 rounds or decided in the Players' Meet under the Swiss System, governed by the latest FIDE rules for chess.
- ii. Each session for rated events will be 60 minutes with 30 second increment from move 1 and

for unrated events it will be decided in the Players' Meet.

iii. FIDE Tie-break rules will be applicable.

iv. Any protests must be submitted within 15 minutes from the completion of the game, along with a protest fee of Rs.2000/-. The fee is refundable if the protest is upheld.

v. The decision of the Appeals Committee will be final and binding on all participants.

Eligibility:

- i. **Two players** from every affiliated District/Unit of UPCSА (recommended by the District Secretary on the District letterhead via the provided email address). All outstanding affiliation fees, including for the current year (2026-27), and any other dues must be cleared by the concerned District/Unit prior to the submission of entries. Districts/Units with unpaid dues will not be allowed to participate. Players from districts without an association must pay an entry fee of Rs. 1000/- for the championship. **(Under 07 Open & Girls, Under 09 Open & Girls, Under-11 Open & Girls, Under 13 Open & Girls, Under 17 Open & Girls)**
- ii. **Four players** from every affiliated District/Unit of UPCSА (recommended by the District Secretary on the District letterhead via the provided email address). All outstanding affiliation fees, including for the current year (2026-27), and any other dues must be cleared by the concerned District/Unit prior to the submission of entries. Districts/Units with unpaid dues will not be allowed to participate. Players from districts without an association must pay an entry fee of Rs. 1000/- for the championship. **(Under 15 Open & Girls, Under 19 Open & Girls)**
- iii. If any affiliated unit fails to pay their affiliation fee by 30th April of each financial year, their affiliation with UPCSА will be considered terminated. In cases of valid reasons for delay, the UPCSА Executive Committee may review the situation if the unit concerned applies by 30th May. If no application is submitted by the deadline, the unit will be required to go through the re-registration process on UPCSА's terms, only if the UPCSА Executive Committee grants permission to do so to regain affiliation.
- iv. The top two players from the previous UP State U-7, U-9, U-11, U-13 & U-17 Chess Championships (Open & Girls) are eligible for regular entry, subject to age stipulations.
- v. The top four players from the previous UP State U-15 & U-19 Chess Championships (Open & Girls) are eligible for regular entry, subject to age stipulations.
- vi. Two players who could not participate in their District tournament may be nominated by the Hon. General Secretary of UPCSА, following the recommendation of the District Secretary, as regular entries.

Mr. Kartik Kapoor
PRESIDENT
(UPCSА)

Tanushree Mehrotra
Chairperson
Sitapur Shiksha Sansthan Trust

Mr. A.K RAIZADA
SECRETARY
(UPCSА)

Sitapur: A City of Rich Heritage and Vibrant Culture

About Sitapur

Sitapur District is located in the state of Uttar Pradesh, India. It is part of the Lucknow division and has historical significance dating back to ancient times. The district is known for its rich cultural heritage, religious sites, and agricultural economy, with crops like wheat, rice, and sugarcane being major contributors. Sitapur is also home to several temples, including the famous Naimisharanya, a revered Hindu pilgrimage site. The district is well-connected by road and rail, with Sitapur city serving as its administrative headquarters.

Sitapur is known for its woolen carpet weaving, which has been a traditional craft for generations. The district has a thriving handloom industry, producing high-quality carpets exported to various parts of India and abroad.

Sitapur is believed to have been named after Sita, the wife of Lord Rama, adding to its mythological importance. The district has historical sites and temples that attract devotees and history enthusiasts.

Chakratirtha

Chakratirtha is one of the most popular Hindu pilgrimage sites in Naimisharanya. According to a mythological tale, it is the same place where the wheel (Chakra) of Lord Brahma made an opening in the earth, thereby resulting in the creation of an enormous body of water. [Distance - 33 Km.]

Lalita Devi Temple

Lalita Devi – the presiding deity of Naimisharanya, it is counted amongst the 51 Shakti Peethas, thus making it a highly revered Hindu shrine. The Temple of Lalita Devi is among the main temples here, considered one of the 51 Shaktipeeths of Jaqat Janani. [Distance - 33 Km.]

Hanuman Garhi Temple

Hanuman Garhi Temple, also known as Sri Hanuman Ghari – panch pandav kila, is a significant religious site located in the holy Naimisharanya forest, believed to be where Lord Hanuman resided and protected the town. [Distance - 33 Km.]

Vyas Gaddi

Ved Vyas Ashram, known as Vyas Gaddi, is situated near the Manu- Shatrupa temple. The site of Ved Vyas or Vyas Gaddi is one of the most important religious sites in Naimisharanya. In this Vedvyas Ashram, Maharishi Vedvyas composed the 4 Vedas, 6 Shastras, 18 Puranas, Gita, Mahabharata, and Shri Satyanarayan Vrat Katha. [Distance - 33 Km.]

Dadhichi Kund

Dadhichi Kund is located about 12 kilometres away from Naimisharanya in the Mishrikh region. It is a belief that the water of all the pilgrimages of the world is Mishrit. Dadhichi is best known for his sacrifice in the Puranas, where he gives up his life so that his bones could be used to manufacture the Vajra. [Distance - 22 Km.]

Medhak Mandir

The entire temple structure is erected on the back of a big frog. That is why the temple is popularly known as Medhak Mandir and Manduk Mandir. [Distance - 38 Km.]

Gokarannath Temple

Gola Gokarnath is a Hindu pilgrimage site, famous for its Gokarannath Temple. The description of this pilgrimage is also found in Hindu scriptures, lakhs of devotees come here during Sawan and Mahashivratri to have darshan of Lord Shiva. [Distance - 74 Km.]

Dudhwa National Park

Dudhwa National Park is a protected area in the state of Uttar Pradesh, India, that was established in 1977. The park covers an area of 490 square kilometers and is located in the district of Lakhimpur Kheri, along the Indo-Nepal border. [Distance - 136 Km.]

