



51ST TAMIL NADU STATE SUB-JUNIOR UNDER-15 OPEN & 38TH TAMIL NADU STATE SUB-JUNIOR UNDER-15 GIRLS FIDE RATED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS – 2026

(AICF Event Code: Open 473599/TN(S) Girls 473600/TN(S) & TNSCA APPROVAL No. SO-03/NAM/26-27)

ORGANISED BY

NAMAKKAL DISTRICT CHESS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

ON BEHALF OF

TAMIL NADU STATE CHESS ASSOCIATION

DATE : 13.05.2026 – 17.05.2026

Venue:

SPIRO PRIME PUBLIC SCHOOL, ERNAPURAM (NAMAKKAL TO TIRUCHENGODE ROAD),
CMS COLLEGE CAMPUS, NAMAKKAL DISTRICT – 637003

TOTAL CASH PRIZES

₹ 60,000

(Rs. 30,000 for Open & Rs. 30,000 for Girls)

Prizes	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII - X
Boys	₹.7000	₹.5000	₹.4000	₹.3500	₹.3000	₹.2500	₹.1250
Girls	₹.7000	₹.5000	₹.4000	₹.3500	₹.3000	₹.2500	₹.1250

Category Prize

U-9 Open - 5 Trophies	U-11 Open – 5 trophies	U-13 Open 5 Trophies
U-9 Girls – 5 Trophies	U-11 Girls 5- Trophies	U-13 Girls -Trophies

Special Prize (Namakkal District)

U -7 Open – 5 Trophies	U-9 Open – 5 Trophies	U-11 Open – 5 trophies	U-13 Open – 5 Trophies
U- 7 Girls - 5 Trophies	U-9 Girls – 5 Trophies	U-11 Girls – 5 trophies	U- 13 Girls – 5 Trophies

Normal (District Selected) Entry Fee: ₹.500/-

Special Entry Fee: ₹.1200/-

Entries can be paid through

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

****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-15 Chess Championship. Hence participation in this State Championship is COMPULSORY****Note to District Chess Associations: Advise all your U-15 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 05.05.2026. No entry will be entertained after 05.05.2026.

Entries / Entry fee : All entries including be normal / special entries should come through the concerned district chess association. Entries paid through online portal (<https://registration.tamilchess.com/online-entry/>) only will be accept the above championship and no other payment mode will be accepted. Players submitting their entry should upload their date of birth certificate for verification. Provisional list of players list will be prepared only after obtaining the prior recommendations from concern district chess association.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Arrival: **13.05.2026, 08.00 AM**

Managers Meeting and Inauguration : **13.05.2026, 9.30 AM**

1 st Round	13-05-2026	11.00 AM	2 nd Round	13-05-2026	04.00 PM	3 rd Round	14-05-2026	09.30 AM
4 th Round	14-05-2026	03.00 PM	5 th Round	15-05-2026	09.30 AM	6 th Round	15-05-2026	03.00 PM
7 th Round	16-05-2026	09.30 AM	8 th Round	16-05-2026	03.00 PM	9 th Round	17-05-2026	09.30 AM

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Prize Distribution – 17.05.2026, 03.00 PM
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Chief Arbiter: Mr. Palaniappan P, International Arbiter
Deputy Chief Arbiter: Mr. Sundar R J, FIDE Arbiter

Further Details Contact			
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Mr. Gnanasekaran, Secretary, NDCDA	P.Gokulanathan V.Aathayam	Mr. S.Ajith M.PED Physical Director contact no. 9629191830	



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 state players can participate.
3	The TNSCA General Secretary can nominate one entry.
4	The top four rankers from TN State Under – 15 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2025 held at Dindigul.
5	The champion from TN State Under – 13 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2025 held at Ramanad.
6	The host NAM DCA (Namakkal District Chess Association) is entitled to field one additional entry in each category.
7	Any players who pay the prescribed entry fee: Open & Girls - Rs.1200/- may be considered for participation with recommendation of the respective District Chess Association.
8	In the event of odd entry, the host Namakkal 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 Tamil Nadu State Under – 15 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2025 held at Dindigul Boys: Gold (3) – Chenani, Silver (2) – Tiruvallur & Bronze (1) – Villupuram. Girls: Gold (3) + Silver (2) + 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 01.01.2011 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 college hostel campus 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.</p> <p>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 college premises itself.</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/</p> <p>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/</p> <p>For fresh TNSCA registration please click https://registration.tamilchess.com/new-register/</p> <p>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>
Namakkal District Player Registration	<p>Namakkal DCDA Registration fee is Rs.75/- for the year 2026 – 2027 (for Namakkal district players only)</p>

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.
Default Time	Default time is 15 minutes. Players have to be at the boards within 15 minutes from the start of the round.
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 prohibited 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 Namakkal DCDA 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 minutes of the incident. 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 Namakkal DCDA reserves the rights of admission to the venue and lodging place.

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Certificate	Participation e-certificates to all participants will be issued only by TNSCA after the completion of the championships
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

No	Year	Place	Boys	Girls
1	1975	Madras	M.Ramesh	1985 Dharmapuri N.Saritha
2	1976	Madras	S.RamaSubramaniyan	1987 Salem L.Nailini
3	1977	Madras	S.PaulArockiaraj	1988 Salem Neeraj Jagannathan
4	1978	Cuddalore	Aravind Aaron	1989
5	1979	Pollachi	Ashok Aaron	1990 Sivakasi Safira Sahanaz
6	1980	Madras	S.PaulArockiaraj	1991 Sivakasi S.Sujatha
7	1981	Pollachi	T.S.Ravi	1992 Madras S.Vijayalakshmi
8	1982	Pollachi	Ebenezer Joseph	1993 Madras S.Meenakshi
9	1983	Erode	T.S.Ravi	1994 Sivakasi S.Aarthie Ramasamy
10	1984	Coimbatore	T.S.Ravi	1995 Madurai M.Vinitha
11	1985	Mettur	T.S.Ravi	1996 Madurai M.R.Sangeetha
12	1986	Sivakasi	G.B.Prakash	1997 Mannargudi M.Sigappi

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13	1987	Rajapalayam	S.Mari Arul	1998 Mannargudi C.V.Rajalakshmi
14	1988	Madurai	V.R.Prakash	1999 T.poondi Mahima Rajmohan
15	1989	Madras	T.N.Krishnan	2000 Karur P.Malarselvi
16	1990	Madras	B.Ravi	2001 Thanjavur B.Uma Maheshwari
17	1991	Rajapalayam	G.Vinod	2002 Dharmapuri Mahima Rajmohan
18	1992	Madurai	V.Krishnakumar	2003 Chennai P.SivaSankari
19	1993	Madurai	Y.Syed Anwar Shazuli	2004 Dharmapuri N.Raghavi
20	1994	Sivakasi	V.m.S.Lenin	2005 Kanchipuram P.K.Jayashree
21	1995	Madurai	R.R. Laxman	2006 Chennai PonN.Krithiga
22	1996	Madurai	T.V.Karthikeyan	2007 Salem R.Bharathi
23	1997	Mannargudi	P.Phoobalan	2008 Nilgiris J.Mohana Priya
24	1998	Mannargudi	Ram S. Krishnan	2009 Chennai J.Mohana Priya

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25	1999	T.Poondi	S.Raghuraman	2010 K.Kumari N.Akshaya
26	2000	Karur	S.Poobhesh Anand	2011 Kanchi Michella Catherina
27	2001	Thanjavur	R.Siddharth	2012 Namakkal U.Ashwini
28	2002	Dharmapuri	R.Siddharth	2013 Vellore U.Ashwini
29	2003	Chennai	S.ArulPrasath	2014 Coimbatore A.Harshini
30	2004	Dharmapuri	P.Karthikeyan	2015 Kanchipuram C M N Sunyuktha
31	2005	Kanchipuram	P.Saravana Krishnan	2016 K.Kumari C.Lakshmi
32	2006	Chennai	R.Asath	2017 Tirunelveli
33	2007	Salem	D.S.Shashank	2018 Sivagangai L.Jyothssna
34	2008	Nilgiris	P.Lokesh	2019 Trichy L.Jyothssna
35	2009	Chennai	Ajay Srikanth	2021 Dharmapuri G.Tejaswini
36	2010		K.Kumar Shashank D.S	2022 Aruppukottai Tejaswini G

No	Year	Place	Boys	Girls
37	2011	Kanchi	G.Akash	2023 Dindigul Ananya Raman
38	2012	Namakkal	Ja.Gireman	2024 Pudukkottai May be you
39	2013	Vellore	RohitVaasan	2025 Dindigul Shanmathi Sree S
40	2014	Coimbatore	Sai Vishwesh	2026 Namakkal May be you
41	2015	Kanchipuram	P.Inian	
42	2016	Kanyakumari	G.B.Harshavardhan	
43	2017	Tirunelveli	R. DileepKumar	
44	2018	Sivagangai	V.S.Raahul	
45	2019	Trichy	S.Abinessh	
46	2021	Dharmapuri	V.S.Nandhish	
47	2022	Aruppukottai	Aswath S	
48	2023	Dindigul	Yashwant B	
49	2024	Pudukkottai		
50	2025	Dindigul	Haridev S	
51	2026	Namakkal	May be you	



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