ALL-INDIA OPEN FIDE RATED RAPID CHESS TOURNAMENT

ABHERAJ BALDOTA

GRAND PRIX 29 NOVEMBER 2026 | SUNDAY

Organized by Vishwa Chess Academy (R)

In association with Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports, Koppal,

KSCA Event Code: KSCA/G130/2627/C | AICF Event Code: 506121/KA(R)/2026

₹50,000 CASH PRIZE FUND

VENUE

District Stadium, Koppal - 583231, Karnataka

EARLY BIRD (UNTIL 31 OCT)	₹250
1 - 15 NOV	₹500
16 - 28 NOV (UNTIL 8 PM IST)	₹750

9 ROUNDS | 10 MIN + 5 SEC INCREMENT

65 ELEGANT TROPHIES | **55 MEDALS**

Supported by MSPL LIMITED, HOSPETE - 583203

Mr. Ramaswamy Karambalkar : 8867558702

TECHNICAL TEAM

Chief Arbiter: FA Aakash Madiwalar

Deputy Chief Arbiter: FA Girish Bachikar

Register through CircleChess

PRIZE POOL

MAIN OPEN CATEGORY

RANK	CASH	AWARD
1st	₹10,000	Elegant Trophy + Certificate
2nd	₹6,500	Elegant Trophy + Certificate
3rd	₹5,500	Elegant Trophy + Certificate
4th	₹5,000	Elegant Trophy + Certificate
5th	₹4,000	Elegant Trophy + Certificate
6th	₹3,000	Medal + Certificate
7th	₹2,000	Medal + Certificate
8th	₹1,000	Medal + Certificate
9th	₹900	Medal + Certificate
10th	₹900	Medal + Certificate
11th	₹800	Medal + Certificate
12th	₹800	Medal + Certificate
13th	₹700	Medal + Certificate
14th	₹700	Medal + Certificate
15th	₹700	Medal + Certificate
16th	₹600	Medal + Certificate
17th	₹600	Medal + Certificate
18th	₹600	Medal + Certificate
19th	₹600	Medal + Certificate
20th	₹600	Medal + Certificate
21st - 30th	-	Medal each + Certificate

CATEGORY AWARDS

RATING CATEGORIES

UNDER 1500

1st	₹1,000 + Elegant Trophy + Certificate
2nd	₹500 + Elegant Trophy + Certificate
3rd	Elegant Trophy + Certificate

UNDER 1600

1st	₹1,000 + Elegant Trophy + Certificate
2nd	₹500 + Elegant Trophy + Certificate
3rd	Elegant Trophy + Certificate

UNRATED

1st	₹1,000 + Elegant Trophy + Certificate
2nd	₹500 + Elegant Trophy + Certificate
3rd	Elegant Trophy + Certificate

SPECIAL CATEGORIES

Best Female | Best Veteran | Best Specially Abled | Best Vishwa Chess

Academy Player For each special category: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place - Elegant

Trophy + Certificate.

JUNIOR AGE GROUPS

Separate prize distributions for boys and girls: Under-7, Under-9, Under-11, Under-13, Under-15 and Under-17.

1st - 3rd	Elegant Trophy + Certificate
4th - 5th	Medal + Certificate

RULES & REGULATIONS

01. KSCA registration is mandatory for all participating playersfrom Karnataka.

02. AICF registration is mandatory for all Indian citizens participating in the event.

03. Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs and WIMs.

04. Free entry for senior citizens above 60 years, both men and women.

05. Free lunch will be provided for all players and parents.

06. The entry fee is strictly non-refundable and non-transferable.

07. Rapid time control: 10 minutes + 5 seconds increment from move 1.

08. Default time (walkover time) is 5 minutes for rapid.

09. The tournament will follow FIDE laws and the Swiss system with 9 rounds.

10. Protests against the Chief Arbiter’s decision must be filed in writing with a ₹1,000 fee within 10 minutes of the incident to the Appeals Committee. The fee is refunded if the appeal is upheld.

11. Players withdrawing must inform the organizer or Chief Arbiter in writing.

12. An Appeals Committee of five members shall be formed.

13. Players qualified for more than one prize will receive only one higher prize.

14. Spot entries are not entertained to ensure rounds start on time.

15. Chess sets and clocks will be provided to all players.

16. Players absent during prize distribution will forfeit their prize.

17. Participation certificates will be provided to all players.

18. Bags, mobile phones, wristwatches and other electronic devices are not allowed in the playing arena.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

PROGRAM	TIME
Player reporting	8:30 AM
Players meeting	9:00 AM
Inauguration ceremony	9:30 AM
1st round	10:00 AM
2nd round	10:45 AM
3rd round	11:30 AM
4th round	12:15 PM
Lunch	Lunch break
5th round	2:00 PM
6th round	2:45 PM
7th round	3:30 PM
8th round	4:15 PM
9th round	5:00 PM
Prize distribution, Swamyji's words and felicitation	6:00 PM

REGISTRATION & EVENT INFORMATION

KSCA registration/renewal: https://karnatakachess.com/player-search AICF registration/renewal: https://prs.aicf.in/players

Registration platforms: CircleChess and Chessworld.AI

Tournament details: Chess-results.in

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