



FRANCIS XAVIER
ENGINEERING COLLEGE
AN AUTONOMOUS INSTITUTION
Vannarputta, Tirunelveli - 627 003

AICF Event Code: 464477/TN(R)/2026

TNSCA Approval No: 26/TNV/25-26

2ND MASTERS CUP INTERNATIONAL

RAPID FIDE RATING CHESS TOURNAMENT-2026

ORGANIZED BY :: MASTERS CHESS CLUB, PALAYAMKOTTAI

DATE:

FEB 22ND 2026

ENTRY
FEES:

₹1000



TOTAL
CASH PRIZE

₹2,00,000

VENUE:

FRANCIS XAVIER ENGINEERING COLLEGE
PALAYAMKOTTAI, TIRUNELVELI-627002.



PARTICULARS	DATE	DAY	TIME
ROUND - 1	22-02-2026	Sunday	09:30 hrs.
ROUND - 2	22-02-2026	Sunday	10:30 hrs.
ROUND - 3	22-02-2026	Sunday	11:30 hrs.
ROUND - 4	22-02-2026	Sunday	12:30 hrs.
ROUND - 5	22-02-2026	Sunday	13:30 hrs.
ROUND - 6	22-02-2026	Sunday	14:30 hrs.
ROUND - 7	22-02-2026	Sunday	15:30 hrs.
ROUND - 8	22-02-2026	Sunday	16:30 hrs.
ROUND - 9	22-02-2026	Sunday	17:30 hrs.
PRIZE DISTRIBUTION	22-02-2026	Sunday	17:45 hrs.

FREE ENTRY FOR ALL GMS/IMS



**ENTRY FEE : RS. 1000/- FOR ALL OTHER PLAYERS
CAN PAID THROUGH ONLINE**

www.signinchess.com

www.chessfee.com

www.easypaychess.com



BANK DEPOSIT

Account Name :
MASTERS CHESS CLUB
A/c No: 120033939339
IFSC code: CNRB0001114

After making the payment, please send
the payment proof and player details to
masterschessclub13@gmail.com

LAST DATE OF ENTRY FEE IS ON 19-02-2026

CHILDREN CATEGORY PRIZES:

- Under – 07 (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2019)**
- Under – 09 (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2017)**
- Under – 11 (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2015)**
- Under – 13 (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2013)**
- Under – 15 (5 Prizes for Boys and Girls Each - Born on or after 01/01/2011)**

MAIN PRIZES OPEN

1st ₹25000/- + Trophy
2nd ₹15000/- + Trophy
3rd ₹10000/- + Trophy
4th ₹8000/-
5th ₹7000/-
6th ₹5000/-
7th ₹4000/-
8th ₹3000/-
9th ₹2000/-
10th ₹2000/-

11th ₹2000/-
12th ₹2000/-
13th ₹2000/-
14th ₹2000/-
15th ₹1500/-
16th ₹1500/-
17th ₹1500/-
18th ₹1500/-
19th ₹1500/-
20th ₹1500/-

21st ₹1000/-
22nd ₹1000/-
23rd ₹1000/-
24th ₹1000/-
25th ₹1000/-
26th ₹1000/-
27th ₹1000/-
28th ₹1000/-
29th ₹1000/-
30th ₹1000/-

UNRATED

1st ₹4000/- + Trophy
2nd ₹3000/-
3rd ₹2000/-
4th ₹1500/-
5th ₹1000/-

1501-1600

1st ₹4000/- + Trophy
2nd ₹3000/-
3rd ₹2000/-
4th ₹1500/-
5th ₹1000/-

1601-1700

1st ₹4000/- + Trophy
2nd ₹3000/-
3rd ₹2000/-
4th ₹1500/-
5th ₹1000/-

1801-1900

1st ₹4000/- + Trophy
2nd ₹3000/-
3rd ₹2000/-
4th ₹1500/-
5th ₹1000/-

BEST TIRUNELVELI

1st ₹4000/- + Trophy
2nd ₹3000/-
3rd ₹2000/-
4th ₹1500/-
5th ₹1000/-

BEST WOMAN

1st ₹2500/-
2nd ₹2000/-

BEST VETERAN

1st ₹2000/-
2nd ₹2000/-

YOUNGEST PLAYER

1st ₹1500/-
2nd ₹1500/-

1. SYSTEM OF PLAY

The Latest FIDE Rules in force shall apply and the Swiss system will be followed.

2. MODE OF TOURNAMENT

Total 09 rounds shall be played.

3. TIME CONTROL

10 minutes each + 05 seconds increment per move from move no.1

4. TIE BREAK

Buchholz tie-break system will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared.

5. DEFAULT TIME

Default time is 15 minutes.

6. AICF PLAYER REGISTRATION

AICF player registration is compulsory for Indian players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs. 300/- for the year 2025-2026. As per latest AICF regulation dated 31.07.2017, it is informed that from 01 September, 2017 all AICF registrations will be accepted only through online. Players / Arbiters registration should be done well before the start of event (Tournament). New entrants to the field of chess are informed that AICF players registration is mandatory and it should be done well before participating in any tournament. For renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click <http://aicf.in/> For 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.

Note : Only passport size (less than 1MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.

7. TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT PLAYER REGISTRATION

Ad- Hoc Committee TDCDA player registration fee is Rs.75/- for the year 2025-2026 (for Tirunelveli district players only)

8. PROTESTS

Protests if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with protest fee of Rs.500/- within 15 minutes of the occurrence of the incident to the appeals committee. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

9. TNSCA PLAYER REGISTRATION

TNSCA player registration is compulsory for all Tamil Nadu players. TNSCA Player Registration fee is Rs.150/- for the year 2025-2026. 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.

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10. APPEALS COMMITTEE

Before the commencement of the Tournament, appeals committee will be formed from the senior participants present at the players meeting. The appeals committee decisions will be final and binding on all players concerned.

11. WITHDRAWALS

A player may withdraw at any stage of the event, after informing the chief arbiter in writing

12. RIGHTS OF ADMISSION

The AICF/ TNSCA/TDCA/organizer Masters Chess Club, Palayamkottai reserve the rights of admission to the venue.

13. WRIST WATCHES

AICF has banned the wrist watches while playing in FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear any kind of wrist watches while playing.

14. CHIEF ARBITER - P.Uma Maheswaran IA

15. LAST DATE - Entries close at 06.00 P.M on 19.02.2026

SPECIAL NOTE: WINNER OF ANY PRIZE SHOULD COLLECT IT AT THE VENUE ONLY, DURING THE PRIZE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION, PRIZES WILL NOT BE GIVEN NEXT DAY. NO SUBSTITUTE OR THIRD PERSON WILL BE PERMITTED TO COLLECT THE PRIZE; CONCERN PLAYER MUST RECEIVE THEIR OWN PRIZE.

FOR DETAILS CONTACT:

Murukaananth A, (Tournament Director) | Contact no: 8940284805,
Mail id: masterschessclub13@gmail.com

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

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BEST WISHES

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Joint Secretary, TNSCA

MR.ANANTHARAM.R

Vice President, TNSCA

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