



MASTERS CHESS ACADEMY, KANYAKUMARI
in association with

HOLY CROSS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), NAGERCOIL

under the auspices of AICF, TNSCA & KKDCA
conducts

MASTERS CHESS ACADEMY, KANYAKUMARI **1st INTERNATIONAL FIDE RATED** *Open Chess Tournament - 2026*

AICF Event Code: 490515/TN/2026 | TNSCA Approval No: RO-27/KKI/26-27
KKDCA Approval No: 2/MCA/2026

Total Cash Prize :
₹ 4,00,000/-

Entry Fee :
₹ 2000/-

Entry Fee -
Free For GM & IM

+ AICF
Registration Fee
₹ 300/-

+ TNSCA
Registration Fee
(Only for Tamil Nadu State Players)
₹ 150/-

+ KKDCA
Registration Fee
(Only for Kanyakumari District Players)
₹ 75/-

**VENUE : HOLY CROSS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS),
ROCH NAGAR, KURUSADY, NAGERCOIL**

Date
SEPTEMBER
4 to 7
2026

Prize Money Breakup :



OPEN CATEGORY

RANK	PRIZE MONEY	RANK	PRIZE MONEY
1	30000	8	7000
2	25000	9	6000
3	20000	10	6000
4	15000	11 - 15th	5000
5	10000	16 - 20th	4000
6	9000	21 - 25th	3500
7	8000	26 - 30th	3000



RATING CATEGORY

1701 - 1800	1601 - 1700	1501 - 1600	1400 - 1500	Best Unrated
5000	5000	5000	5000	5000
3500	3500	3500	3500	3500
3000	3000	3000	3000	3000
2500	2500	2500	2500	2500
2500	2500	2500	2500	2500



OTHER CATEGORIES

Sr. Citizen (60 & Above)	Differently Abled	Women(18 & above)	Kanyakumari Under-17 Boys	Kanyakumari Under-17 Girls
3000	3000	3000	3000	3000
2500	2500	2500	2500	2500
2500	2500	2500	2500	2500



AGE CATEGORIES

	U-15 Boys	U-15 Girls	U-13 Boys	U-13 Girls	U-11 Boys	U-11 Girls	U-9 Boys	U-9 Girls
1	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000
2	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500
3	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500	2500

> CATEGORY PRIZES FOR KANYAKUMARI DISTRICT PLAYERS :

FIVE SPECIAL PRIZES (TROPHY) FOR UNDER-7, 9, 11 & 13 BOYS & GIRLS SEPARATELY

> SPECIAL PRIZES FOR CORPORATE EMPLOYEES : 2 TROPHIES FOR MEN & 2 TROPHIES FOR WOMEN

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

INAUGURATION
04.09.2026 | 10.00 AM

PLAYERS MEETING
04.09.2026 | 10.30 AM

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION
07.09.2026 | 6.00 PM

ROUND	DATE	TIME
1 st ROUND	04.09.2026	11.00 AM
2 nd ROUND	04.09.2026	4.00 PM
3 rd ROUND	05.09.2026	9.30 AM
4 th ROUND	05.09.2026	2.30 PM
5 th ROUND	06.09.2026	9.30 AM
6 th ROUND	06.09.2026	2.30 PM
7 th ROUND	07.09.2026	8.30 AM
8 th ROUND	07.09.2026	1.00 PM

Entry Fee can be paid online through

- www.easypaychess.com
- chessmii.com
- signinchess.com
- chessfee.com

Last Date :
1-9-2026 | 6.00pm

Rules & Regulations

System of Play	The Latest FIDE Rules in force shall apply and the Swiss system will be followed.
Mode of Tournament	Total 8 rounds shall be played.
Time Control	90 minutes each + 30 seconds increment per move from move no.1
Default time	Default time will be 15 minutes from the start of the game. Players who arrive at their boards after the default time shall lose their game.
Tie break	As per AICF recommendations, Tie-break will be applied. In case of tie, prizes will not be shared.
AICF Player Registration	AICF player registration is compulsory for Indian players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs. 300/- for the year 2026-2027. 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 player's 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/players/ . 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.
TNSCA Player Registration for Tamilnadu players only	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. Note : Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.
KKDCA Player Registration	KKDCA player registration is compulsory for Kanyakumari District Players. The Registration fee is Rs.75/- for the year 2026-2027 which must be paid online through https://easypaychess.com/membership.asp .
Protests	Protests if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with protest fee of Rs.1000/- within 15 minutes of the occurrence of the incident to the appeals committee. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.
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.
Withdrawals	A player may withdraw at any stage of the event, after informing the chief arbiter in writing
Last date	Entries close at 6.00.P.M on 1-9-2026
Rights of admission	The AICF/ TNSCA/KKDCA/organizer reserve the rights of admission to the venue.
Accommodation:	Unfurnished Free Dormitory type of Accommodations will be provided. Players are requested to bring their own bedding.
Food	Quality food will be provided at nominal cost.
Certificate	Participation certificates will be awarded to all participants.
Chief Arbiter	Dr. Winston G (FIDE ID:5096898), International Arbiter
Wrist watches	As per AICF regulations the wrist watches are restricted inside the playing hall in all FIDE Rated events. Players are instructed not to wear any kind of wrist watches while Playing



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List of Hotels in Nagercoil

Hotel Name

Phone Number

Hotel Sahana Castle
Hotel Udipi International
Pioneer Grand Palace
Hotel Vijayetha
Hotel Lance International

Star

04652-274350
04652-272036
09488819043
04652-232206
07092288822

Hotel Vashanth Krishna
Ramraj Residency
VLR Residency
Blue Haven Lodge

Luxury

09442501504
09488958811
07373004652
04652-227877

Harris Residency
Hotel Ganga

Budget

04652-402297
04652-232599

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