



32ND NATIONAL
UNDER-9 OPEN & GIRLS
CHESS
CHAMPIONSHIP
2018
RANCHI, JHARKHAND

Organized by
**RANCHI DISTRICT CHESS
ASSOCIATION**

Under the aegis of
**ALL JHARKHAND
CHESS ASSOCIATION (Regd.)**

On behalf of
ALL INDIA CHESS FEDERATION
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Venue
**Shree Digambar Jain Bhawan, Harmu Road
Opposite of Gaushala, Ranchi - 834001**

Date : 15.09.2018 to 23.09.2018

AICF Event Code
191614 / 191615 / JHAR / 2018

1. Tournament Schedule

Arrival	Saturday	15 Sep. 18	09.00 hrs
Managers Meetings	Saturday	15 Sep. 18	1100 hrs
Inauguration	Saturday	15 Sep. 18	1300 hrs
Round 1	Saturday	15 Sep. 18	1400 hrs
Round 2	Sunday	16 Sep. 18	0930 hrs
Round 3	Sunday	16 Sep. 18	1530 hrs
Round 4	Monday	17 Sep. 18	1530 hrs
Round 5	Tuesday	18 Sep.	0930 hrs
Round 6	Tuesday	18 Sep. 18	1530 hrs
Round 7	Wednesday	19 Sep. 18	1530 hrs
Round 8	Thursday	20 Sep. 18	1530 hrs
Round 9	Friday	21 Sep. 18	1530 hrs
Round 10	Saturday	22 Sep. 18	1530 hrs
Round 11	Sunday	23 Sep. 18	0930 hrs
Prize Distribution Ceremony	Sunday	23 Sep. 18	1500 hrs
Departure	Sunday	23 Sep. 18	18:00 hrs

2. Age Limit

Players should be born on or after 1.1.2009

Age Proof: Each participant must produce a valid certificate to prove his/her age.

Certificates from School are not valid. Certificates should preferably be from the Panchayat, Municipality or Corporation obtained soon after birth. Players without date of birth certificates will not be allowed to participate.

**** The date of birth certificates registered within one year of the birth of the child alone will be recognized and allowed to participate. No state association shall recommend any player who doesn't come under the above criterion.**

If any doubt arises about the claimed age of a player, the Tournament Committee has the right to refer the player during the championship for a due evaluation of age by competent medical experts. A player if declared over-age by such experts shall not continue in the championship and the matter shall be reported to AICF. Protest about the age of players may be made to the Chief Arbiter in writing along with a fee of Rs.5000/- per player. This will not be refunded.

No Protest about over age of a player will be entertained after 2nd round of the championship.

Only the Coach or Manager deputed by participating State Chess Association can lodge such protests. The Tournament Committee has the right to decide

the day, time and place for such medical evaluation of age. Players refusing to take the test as decided by the Tournament Committee shall be deemed to have failed the test and shall be disqualified from the Championship.

3. Eligibility

Subject to age limit following players can participate.

1. Two players in each category from every affiliated State Association of AICF. If any association fails to send its quota, the vacancies so caused will not be filled.
2. Top four players from 2017 National Under-9 (Boys and Girls) Chess Championship are eligible to participate as seeded players in the respective categories subject to age stipulation.
3. The Top two rankers of 2017 National Under-7 (Boys and Girls) Chess Championship are eligible to participate as seeded players in respective categories.
4. 2017 World Champion in any category subject to age stipulation.
5. 2017 World number 2 & 3 under 8 & 10 categories, subject to age stipulation.
6. 2017 Asian Under-10 top three rankers subject to age stipulation.
7. 2017 Asian Under-8 champion.
8. The AICF secretary has a discretionary seat in each category in this championship.
9. Any other player who remits the prescribed special entry fee Rs.5,000/-, **but the entry should come through the respective Affiliated State Association.**
10. In each category, the host association is entitled to fill one additional player.
11. Current National Champion in any higher category subject to age stipulation.
12. Two players in each category approved by AICF will be permitted from areas where no state association exists.
13. The winner and runner-up of 2017 National Under-9 Girls are eligible to play in open section.
14. The winner of 2017 National Under-7 Girls is eligible to play in open section.
15. The host chess association is entitled to one additional entry if the number of the participants at the start of the championship is an odd number.
16. In addition to the above, the following states can

fill additional seats, as their players had won Gold, Silver and Bronze medals in the previous (2017) National Under-9 Chess Championship: Open: Maharashtra (Gold) 3; Kerala (Silver) 2; Telangana (Bronze) 1; Girls : Kerala (Gold) 3; Karnataka (Silver) 2; West Bengal (Bronze) 1. And these entries from the State Associations shall be given only from the Rank list of their respective State Championships with proof and not to anybody else.

17. Only Indian Nationals are eligible to participate in the championships.

4. Entry Fee

Ordinary Entry Rs. 1000/- Special Entry Rs. 5,000/-.

There is a 50% concession in the entry fee for participants from North Eastern States and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

All entries including Special entries should come through the concerned State Association. However, the AICF will have the right to accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason. The entry form should be sent together with the attested copy of original date of birth certificate (Birth Certificates from Panchayat / Municipality/Corporation only).

Entry fee will be accepted strictly online through: <http://aicf.in/national-tournamentregistration>. For clarification and guidance regarding submission of entries, please contact: aicfnationaleentries@gmail.com

Last date of submission of entries without late fee is 6th September, 2018.

Late entries will be accepted with a late fee of Rs.250/- per participant till 12th September, 2018. No entry will be entertained after 12th September, 2018.

Enquiries should be sent to:-

Mr. Neeraj Kumar Mishra, Secretary, All Jharkhand Chess Association BIRLA CAMPUS, Ranchi- Purulia Road, Village- ARA, P. O.- Mahilong, Ranchi- 835103 MOB: 94711 90041/98300 11519 E-mail: jharkhandchess@gmail.com

Late Fee: Entries received after 06.09.2018 will be subject to a late fee of Rs. 250/- per player. However, no entry will be entertained after 5 p.m. on 12.09.2018.

5. Prizes

The cash prizes will be awarded to 20 players in each category amounting to Rs.2,00,000/- as below

Rank	Open	Girls
1	26,000	26,000
2	20,000	20,000
3	13,400	13,400
4	8,000	8,000
5	5,400	5,400
6	4,000	4,000
7-12	2,000 each	2,000 each
13 to 20	1,400 each	1,400 each

6. Dress Code

As per AICF regulations on Dress code for players participating in all the National championships, all State Associations should send their players including special/Donor entry players with proper uniform (As regards special/donor entry players, the respective state chess associations may collect the cost of the uniform from the players). Players should at least wear uniform T Shirts / formal shirts (same colour and brand with the name of the State printed prominently at the back and the state chess emblem in the front left side). The name / logo of the sponsors can be permitted. Girls / Women also have to be given appropriate uniform dress. The above rule will also be applicable to Special units. Players without proper uniform will not be permitted to take part in the championship. This will be strictly enforced.

7. System of Play

The Championship will be played under FIDE's Laws of Chess and the Swiss system. Totally eleven rounds shall be played. Players from the same state should not be paired against each other in the last round of the championship. However, they may be paired if there is no compatible opponent with the same point group or score group with a maximum difference of 1 point. It is applicable only for the top 50% score of the penultimate round.

8. Session

The rate of play shall be 90 minutes with an increment of 30 seconds per move from move number one.

9. Default Time

The default time for each round will be 15 minutes as per regulations of All India Chess Federation.



10. Chess Clocks

Each participating State Chess Association must provide at least one clock in working order for every two players entered into the Championship.

11. Tie Break

Following is the order of tie-break:

- 1) Direct encounter
- 2) Buchholz Cut 1
- 3) Buchholz
- 4) Sonneborn Berger
- 5) The greater number of wins (forfeit included)

In case of tie, cash prizes will not be shared.

12. Tournament Committee

The organisers will form a tournament committee for the smooth conduct of the National Championship.

13. Protest

Protest, if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.1000/- within 1 hour of the occurrence of the incident. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

14. Appeals Committee

Before the commencement of the tournament, a five member appeals committee shall be formed by the AICF/organizers. All the members and reserves shall be from different states. No member of the Committee can vote on a dispute in which a player from his own State is involved and in such case(s) the reserve member(s) shall take his place in the committee.

15. Withdrawal

If any player withdraws from the last two rounds in any National Championship on medical grounds, he/she should undergo treatment by a Doctor recommended and supervised by the tournament committee.

16. Disqualification

No participant will leave the venue before the Prize Distribution function without the permission of the Chief Arbiter. The participants disregarding this rule will be suspended for one year.

17. Interpretation

For interpretation of the rule(s) and deciding any point not covered by the above rules of the tournament, the decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final and binding on all. The Tournament Committee has every right to make any addition or amendment to these rules,

without prior notice. However, such changes should be approved by the AICF. Such changes will, however, be displayed in the tournament hall.

18. Registration of Players

All participants in the National Championship should be registered with AICF for the year 2018-2019. Online AICF Registration is available in the website www.aicf.in. Those who have already obtained registration cards from AICF Website for 2018-2019 should send photo copy of the same. Those who have paid the AICF Registration fee but are yet to receive the AICF Registration card should send a photo copy of the acknowledgment for having paid the fee to organizers of earlier tournaments or to their association. Before the championship all the players must be registered with AICF for the year 2018-2019.

19. Arrears

All arrears of affiliation fee/tournament fee including those of current year must be cleared by the Affiliated Association at the time of submitting the entries; otherwise the entries are liable to be rejected.

20. Lodging

Free dormitory accommodation will be provided to seeded/ selected players (normal entries) and one accompanying official (Manager or coach) nominated by the concerned State Chess Association for each State. Request for official accommodation must reach before 06 August, 2018 otherwise players/officials will have to make their own arrangements. Special Entries and other accompanying persons those who want to avail AC (attached Double/Triple bed) accommodation have to Pay Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) per person for the entire period. This should be paid in advance, while sending their entries, before 31.08.2018 (**Through NEFT/RTGS in the SB Account No. 10105346072 of All Jharkhand Chess Association, State Bank of India, (07236) - Golmuri (Jamshedpur) Branch IFS Code: SBIN0007236**).

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