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29th National Under-17 Open & Girls Chess Championships-2018

03rd September to 11th September, 2018

AICF Event code: 191608/191609/HAR/2018



ORGANISED BY:

THE HARYANA CHESS ASSOCIATION (Regd.)

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In association with

District Chess Association, Sonipat, Haryana

Under the Aegis of

**On behalf of
All India Chess Federation**

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Venue**

Gateway Education, Sector 11, Sonipat-131001
GATEWAY

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<https://goo.gl/maps/EKs1F6ivgG62>

1. Tournament Schedule

Arrival	Monday	3 rd September-2018	6.00 Hrs.
Managers' Meeting	Monday	3 rd September-2018	10:00 Hrs.
Inauguration	Monday	3 rd September-2018	11:00 Hrs.
Round1	Monday	3 rd September-2018	15:30 Hrs.
Round2	Tuesday	4 th September-2018	15:30 Hrs.
Round3	Wednesday	5 th September-2018	15:30 Hrs.
Round4	Thursday	6 th September-2018	15:30 Hrs.
Round5	Friday	7 th September-2018	15:30 Hrs.
Round6	Saturday	8 th September-2018	9:30 Hrs.
Round7	Saturday	8 th September-2018	15:00 Hrs.
Round8	Sunday	9 th September-2018	9:30 Hrs.
Round9	Sunday	9 th September-2018	15:00 Hrs.
Round10	Monday	10 th September-2018	15:30 Hrs.
Round11	Tuesday	11 th September-2018	9:30 Hrs.
Prize Distribution Ceremony	Tuesday	11 th September-2018	15:00 Hrs.

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4. Age Limit: Players should be born on or after 1.1.2001

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

Certificates from School are not valid. Certificates shall 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 age evaluation 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. **AICF/organizers will have the right to refer any player to the medical evaluation of age at any time during the tournament.** 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, the 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 -17 (Open & Girls) Chess Championships are eligible to participate as seeded players in their respective categories subject to age stipulation.
3. The top two players from 2017 National U-15 Open and Girls Championships are eligible to participate as seeded players in their respective categories.
4. The Champions from 2017 National under 13 (Open & Girls) chess championships are eligible to participate as seeded players in their respective category.
5. 2017 World Champion in any category subject to age stipulation.
6. 2017 World No.2 & 3 in under 16 and under 18 categories subject to age stipulation.
7. 2017 Asian U-18 top three rankers subject to age stipulation.
8. 2017 Asian Under-16 Champion.
9. The winner and runner up of 2017 National U-17 Girls Championship are eligible to play in open section subject to age stipulation.
10. The winner of 2017 National Under-15 Girls Championship is eligible to play in open section.
11. 2017 National Champion in any higher category subject to age stipulation.
12. Any other player who remits the prescribed Special Entry Fee of Rs.5,000/-. Such entries should come through the respective Affiliated State Association.
13. Host The Haryana State Chess Association is entitled to fill one additional player in each category.
14. The AICF Secretary has a discretionary seat in each category in this Championship.
15. Two players in each category approved by AICF will be permitted from where no State Association exists.
16. If the number of participants at the start of the championship is an odd number in a category, the host association can add one entry to make it even.

17. In addition to the above, the following State can field addition seats, as their players had won Gold , Silver and Bronze medals in the previous year National Under - 17 Chess Championship : - Open Telangana 5 entries (Gold & Silver) and West Bengal 1 entry (Bronze) ; Girls Tamilnadu 3 entries (Gold), West Bengal 2 (Silver) and Chandigarh 1 entry (Bronze) 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.

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

19. All GMs / IMs and all WIMs /WGMs are eligible to participate in their respective category as seeded players subject to age stipulation.

4. 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 ebrand 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 to be also 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.

5. ENTRY FEE: NORMAL : Rs. 1000/- Special: Rs. 5000/-. Entry & Entry fee will be accepted strictly online through:

<http://aicf.in/national-tournament-registration/>

for clarification and guidance regarding submission of entries, please contact:
aicfnationalentries@gmail.com

There will be a 50% concession in entry fee for participants from NorthEastern States, Andaman & Nicobar Island. The entries will be accepted by only online, details as given above. Please include a Xerox Copy of Birth Certificate with your entry. **Late Fee:** Entries received after 23.08.2018 will be subject to a late fee of Rs. 250/-per player. However no entry will be entertained after 28th August, 2018 5:00P.M

6. Prizes The cash prizes will be awarded to 20 players in each category amounting to Rs.2,50,000 /-as below

Prizes	Boys	Girls
1	25,000	25,000
2	18,000	18,000
3	15,000	15,000
4	12,000	12,000
5	10,000	10,000
6	7,000	7,000
7	6,000	6,000
8	5,000	5,000
9	4,000	4,000
10	3,000	3,000
11 to 20	2,000 each	2,000 each

- 7. System of Play:** The Championship will be played under FIDE's Laws of Chess and the Swiss system. Total eleven rounds shall be played. Players from the same state shall not be paired against each other in the last round of a National championship, except National Premier and Women Premier. However, they may be paired if there is no compatible opponent within 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. Default Time:** Default time for arriving to the chess board is 15 minutes.
- 9. Session:** The rate of play shall be 90 minutes with an increment of 30 seconds per move from move number one
- 10. Chess Clocks:** Each participating State Chess Association must provide at least one clock in working order for every two players entered in to the Championship.
- 11. Tie Break:** Following is the order of tie-break:
 - 1) Direct encounter
 - 2) Buchholz Cut1
 - 3) Buchholz
 - 4) Sonneborn Berger
 - 5) The greater number of wins (Forfeits included) In case of tie, cash prizes will not be shared.
- 12. Tournament Committee:** The organizers 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 20 Minutes 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 / affiliated units. 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 / her place in the committee.
- 15. Withdrawal:** If any player withdraws from the last two rounds in any National Championship on the medical ground, he/she should undergo treatment by a Doctor recommended and supervised by the tournament committee.
- 16. Disqualification:** No participant shall 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 the 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 shall be registered with AICF for the year 2018-2019. Online AICF registration can be done at the website www.aicf.in. Those who have already obtained registration cards from AICF Website for 2018-19 should send photo copy of the same. Those who have paid the AICF Registration fee but are yet to receive the confirmation of AICF Registration should send a photo copy acknowledgement for having paid the fee. 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 type accommodation will be provided to seeded / selected players (normal entries) and one accompanying official (Manager) nominated by the concerned State Chess Association. Request for official accommodation must reach before 31st August 2018, otherwise players/officials will have to make their own arrangements.

Special entries and other accompanying persons should make their own arrangement for their stay.

Non AC Accommodation is available in campus on sharing basis

Free for selected players.

Nominal charges for donor players and parents. (Call Ajay Goel Secretary Distt

Chess Association Sonipat at 9992888101)

Climate: In September climate is expected not to be too hot. Non AC accommodation can be suitable for most.

21. Boarding: A lump sum of Rs.1000/- (Rupees One thousand only) will be paid by the AICF through the organizers towards the boarding expenses only to the affiliated State Chess Associations' players who play this championship under normal entry (qualified and seeded players)

PUBLIC TRANSPORT, ACCOMMODATION &FOOD FACILITIES IN SONIPAT

Sonipat is well connected by Public transport such as Air, Bus &Train. Sonipat is located near New Delhi, about 40 km west of the (NH 44).

By Air: The closest airport is Indira Gandhi International Airport in New Delhi, located about 50 kilometers from the campus. Most airlines operate flights to New Delhi from all major cities in India

By Bus: The nearest major bus terminals are at Sonipat Bus Stand (about 3 kms). There are regular and frequent bus services from New Delhi Mahrana Pratap Bus Terminal.

By Train: The closest Railway Station is Sonipat Junction, located about 1kilometerfrom the campus. Many trains are available from all major cities in India. From Railway station, taxi or Auto can be hired for Sonipat.

Food facilities, Accommodation inside the campus and Restaurants near by

A food court, is functioning in the campus for the benefit of students &staff. There are many other smaller cafes and refreshment outlets nearby the campus. Spacious, airy &hygienic mess with Dining Hall is available inside the campus for students. Quality vegetarian food prepared in a hygienic environment is provided in the mess and food court. All bakery items such as cakes, breads, cream, buns, puffs and fresh fruit juice are available in a bakery inside the campus.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS:

Mr. Naresh Sharma, Org. Secretary & Gen. Secretary

The Haryana Chess Association: 9810205181gurgaonopen@gmail.com

In Case of Emergency: Mr. Ajay Goel Phone: 9992888101

Travelling Assistance: Mr. Umesh Gautam : Ph: 9896793007

For Accommodation: Ajay Goel 9992888101; Mr. Devendra Parashar :9991021311

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Email: gurgaonopen@gmail.com

To:
The Divisional/ Commercial /Area Superintendent,
.....Railway.....

Dear Sir,

Sub: Rail Concession

This is to certify that the following players and officials are bona-fide participants of the 29th National Under-17 Open & Girls Chess Championships-2018 to be organized by us on behalf of All India Chess Federation at **Hindu College of Engineering, Indl. Area, Near Kath Mandi, Sonapat, Haryana** from **03rd to 11th September, 2018**. This is a recognized event of the All India Chess Federation.

Sr. No.	Name of the Player	Date of Birth
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We therefore, request the Rail Concession order may please be issued to them to travel from _____ to Haryana and back. The game of Chess is recognized for Rail Concession by the Railway Board by their letter no TC/11I2035/76, th dated 5 April 1971.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Naresh Sharma, Org. Secretary & Gen. Secretary
The Haryana Chess Association