



युवा कार्यक्रम और खेल मंत्रालय  
MINISTRY OF  
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

## 12<sup>th</sup> Chennai Open International Grandmaster Chess Tournament 2020 for Sakthi Group Dr. N. Mahalingam Trophy

FIDE/AICF Event code: 229338/TN/2019  
& TNSCA Approval No: INT-02/TN/2019-20

**Organised by: Tamil Nadu State Chess Association**  
**Under the guidance of All India Chess Federation**  
**18<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

**Venue: NOVOTEL & IBIS OMR**  
**478/2, Rajiv Gandhi Salai,**  
**Sholinganallur (Near Sholinganallur Signal),**  
**Chennai – 600119**  
**Ph: +91 044-66444777**

The hotel (venue) is about 30 minutes drive from Chennai airport

**Total Cash Prize Fund: Rs. 15,00,000/-**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Rs. 3,00,000/-	8 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 40,000/-
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rs. 2,00,000/-	9 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 30,000/-
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rs. 1,25,000/-	10 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 25,000/-
4 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 1,00,000/-	11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 20,000/- each
5 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 80,000/-	16 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 15,000/- each
6 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 60,000/-	21 <sup>st</sup> - 40 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 10,000/- each
7 <sup>th</sup>	Rs 45,000/-		

### Category Prizes

1801 to 2000 : 1) Rs.9000/- 2) Rs.8000/- 3) Rs.7000/-  
1601 to 1800 : 1) Rs.9000/- 2) Rs.8000/- 3) Rs.7000/-  
1401 to 1600 : 1) Rs.9000/- 2) Rs.8000/- 3) Rs.7000/-  
1201 to 1400 : 1) Rs.9000/- 2) Rs.8000/- 3) Rs.7000/-  
1200 & Below : 1) Rs.9000/- 2) Rs.8000/- 3) Rs.7000/-  
& Unrated

**However a player is eligible for only one prize**

**Indian Income Tax Act and Rules in force will be applicable for TDS  
purpose**

## Tournament Schedule

<b>Arrival</b>	0800 AM	January 18, 2020
<b>Technical Meeting</b>	0100 PM.	January 18, 2020
<b>Inaugural Ceremony</b>	0200 PM.	January 18. 2020

18.01.2020	Saturday	03.00 PM	Round 1
19.01.2020	Sunday	10.00 AM	Round 2
19.01.2020	Sunday	03.30 PM	Round 3
20.01.2020	Monday	10.00 AM	Round 4
21.01.2020	Tuesday	10.00 AM	Round 5
21.01.2020	Tuesday	03.30 PM.	Round 6
22.01.2020	Wednesday	10.00 AM	Round 7
23.01.2020	Thursday	10.00 AM	Round 8
24.01.2020	Friday	10.00 AM	Round 9
25.01.2020	Saturday	10.00 AM	Round 10
25.01.2020	Saturday	05.00 PM.	Prize Distribution Ceremony

**Departure** 07.00 PM January 25, 2020

### Entry Fee

GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs and Rated 2400 and above - No entry Fee

<b>FIDE Rating as on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020</b>	<b>With Lodging</b>	<b>Without Lodging</b>
Rated 2300 to 2399	Rs.6,500/-	Rs.4,000/-
Rated 2200 to 2299	Rs.7,500/-	Rs.5,000/-
Rated 1900 to 2199	Rs.8,500/-	Rs.6,000/-
Rated 1500 to 1899	Rs.9,000/-	Rs.6,500/-
Rated 1200 to 1499	Rs.9,500/-	Rs.7,000/-
Rated 1000 to 1199 & Unrated	Rs.10,000/-	Rs.7,500/-

**No request towards waiver of entry fee will be entertained.**

**The last date of entry will be **Monday, January 13, 2020****

Entries may be sent by DD favoring Tamil Nadu State Chess Association payable at Chennai. Address for sending the entries to: Tamil Nadu State chess Association, Room No.75, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Periamet, Chennai 600003. Phone: 044-25384477, E-mail: [tnchesstmt@gmail.com](mailto:tnchesstmt@gmail.com)  
Website: [www.tamilchess.com](http://www.tamilchess.com)

Entry fee can also be transferred online to our bank account.

A/c holder Name	Tamil Nadu State Chess Association
Bank	Indian Bank
Branch	Park Town, Chennai
A/C type	OD
A/C no	440756872
IFSC Code	IDIB000P024

Entries can also be paid online through:

1. [www.easypaychess.com](http://www.easypaychess.com)
2. [www.signinchess.com](http://www.signinchess.com)
3. [www.paychessentry.com](http://www.paychessentry.com)
4. [www.chessfee.com](http://www.chessfee.com)
5. [nurtr.com](http://nurtr.com)

**After paying the entry through Online please send a scanned copy of the entry form by mail to [tnchesstmt@gmail.com](mailto:tnchesstmt@gmail.com) with proof of all payments.**

### **Tournament Rules:**

#### **System of Play:**

The tournament will be conducted as per FIDE Laws of Chess and FIDE Swiss System with 10 rounds.

#### **Time Control:**

90 Minutes each with 30 seconds increment from move no.1.

#### **Default Time:**

15 Minutes. Any player who arrives at the chess board after the default time shall lose the game.

#### **Tie Break:**

In case of a tie following tie breaks will be applied. Direct encounter, Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz, Sonneborn- Berger and number of wins (including forfeit games)

The Cash prizes will not be shared.

#### **Condition for draw by agreement:**

Players should not agree for a draw in a game without completing 30 moves each

#### **Ban on Electronic devices and Wrist watch:**

Players should not possess any electronic device like Mobile Phone, laptop, blue tooth etc. during the game

The All India Chess Federation has banned using wrist watch during the game in all the FIDE events. Therefore players are strictly instructed not to wear or keep wrist watch with them during the game.

#### **Boarding & Lodging :**

All GMs will be provided free boarding and hotel accommodation on double sharing basis.

All IMs/WGMs/WIMs will be provided free boarding and hotel accommodation on double/triple sharing basis.

All participants who also pay for Lodging along with the entry fee will be provided hotel accommodation on triple sharing basis/dormitory accommodation for entire duration of the event. The

accompanying persons if they require accommodation should make a request and also pay for their accommodation along with the entry.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### **Entry Registration:**

All the entries are to be forwarded along with entry form and entry fee by DD favoring Tamil Nadu State Chess Association, payable at Chennai. Address for sending the entries is the Tamil Nadu State Chess Association, Hall No : 75, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Chennai-600 003.

### **Entry Form:**

It is mandatory to forward the entry form in the given format for accepting the entries along with prescribed entry fee. Organizers have the right to accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason.

### **AICF Registration:**

All the participants must be registered with AICF as a player. AICF player registration fee is Rs.250/- for the year 2019-2020. Players who are yet to renew their AICF Player registration can use the below link <http://aicf.in/players/> . For fresh AICF player registration please click <http://aicf.in/online-player-registration>. and such 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. If a player is already registered with AICF he/she should produce proof for the same at the time of registering his/her entry.

### **TNSCA Registration:**

TNSCA Player's Registration for the year 2019-2020 is mandatory for the all participants from Tamil Nadu. Participants should send Rs.150/- towards TNSCA player registration fee for the year 2019-2020 with duly filled TNSCA player's registration form, date of birth certificate copy and passport size photo along with the entry form. If a player is already registered with TNSCA he/she should produce proof at the time of registering his/her entry.

### **Protest:**

Protest, if any against the decision of the Chief Arbiter, shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs.1000/- within one hour of the completion of the game. The amount shall be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

### **Appeals Committee:**

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

### **Rights of Admission:**

**The AICF/TNSCA reserve the right to admit/refuse any entry without assigning any reason thereof.**

**The AICF/TNSCA reserve the rights of admission to the venue.**

Organising Secretary

**Mr. B. Murugavel,**

**Vice President, TNSCA  
Commission,**

Tournament Director

**Mr. P. Stephen Balasamy**

**General Secretary, TNSCA**

Technical Director

**Mr. R. Anantharam,**

**Chairman, Arbiters'  
TNSCA & AICF**

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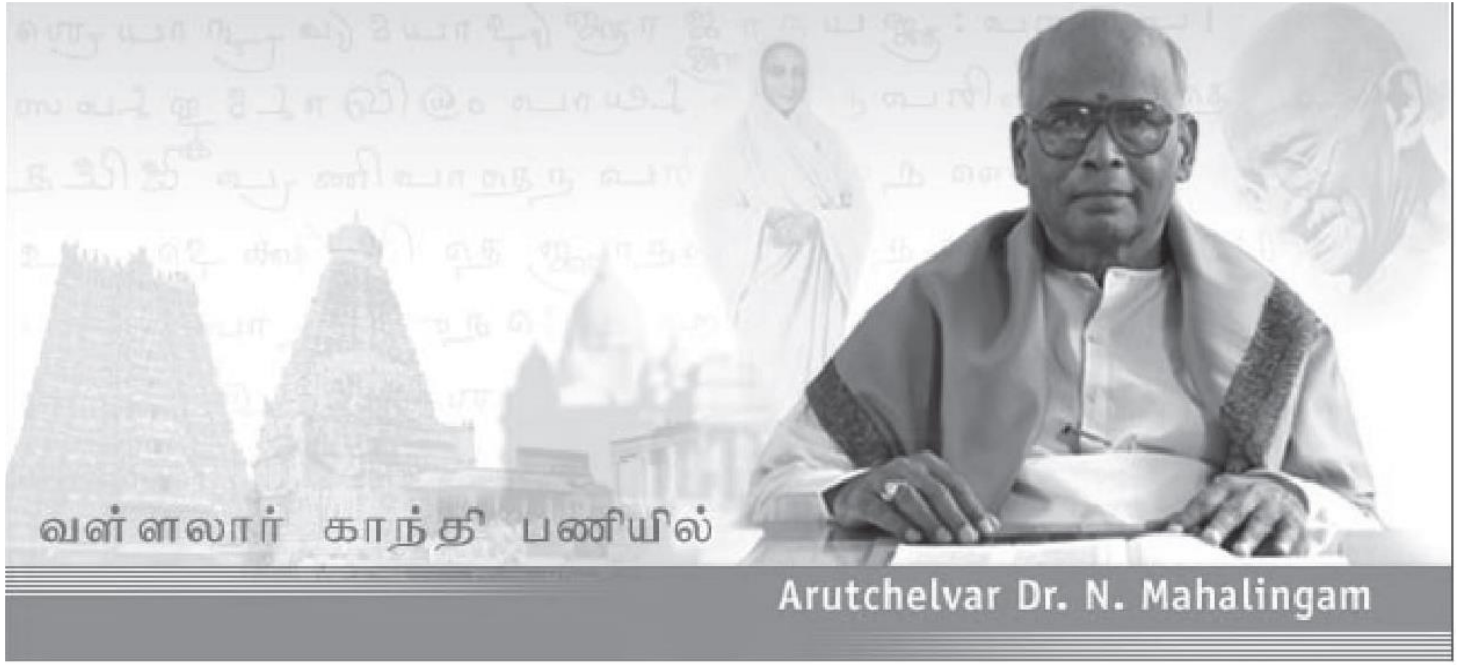
**Mr. B Sakthi Prabhakar, International Arbitrer , Mob : +91 94442 55196**

**Mr. V.Dhanasekaran, - Accommodation in charge**

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### **Hotels near the tournament venue:**

FabHotel Holiday Stay Sholinganallur, Chennai,	070424 24242
Hibiscus Guest House,Sholinganallur.	044-24501531 09840044019
Aravindar Residency, Sholinganallur.	09152191657
<u>Orange Inn,</u> Perungudi.	09152242486
Apple Bees Residency Sholinganallur	044-24501067 044-24501068



**Dr.N. Mahalingam, founder, Sakthi group of companies was a chess philanthropist beyond comparison. His compassion for chess players in distress was phenomenal. He expressed his appreciation of the achievements of chess players with meaningful gifts that inspired them to higher efforts. As a former president of Tamil Nadu State Chess Association and All India Chess Federation, Dr.N. Mahalingam Championed the growth and the development of the game.**

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**Entry Form (for Indian Players only)**

<b>Name</b>	
<b>Father's Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>DOB</b>	
<b>FIDE ID</b>	
<b>FIDE Rating*</b>	
<b>Telephone no.</b>	
<b>Mobile no.</b>	
<b>Email id</b> <b>AICF Registration No.</b> <b>(Compulsory for Indian players)</b>	
<b>TNSCA Registration No.</b> <b>(Compulsory for Tamil Nadu players)</b>	
<b>Accommodation requirement for the player/accompanying person</b>	
<b>Payment details(Mode of payment / if paid online furnish transaction id)</b>	

\* FIDE Rating as on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 will be taken.

Place:

Date:

Signature