

43rd NATIONAL TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP - 2024 (Event Code:366442/HP/2024) & 21st NATIONAL TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP FOR WOMEN - 2024 (Event Code:366443/HP/2024)

Date: 29th March to 04th April, 2024

Organised by Himachal Pradesh State Chess Association

Under the aegis of All India Chess Federation

Supported by Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India

Venue:

SAI Indoor Stadium Dharamshala, Distt Kangra Himachal Pradesh 176215

Total Prize Fund: ₹10,00,000/-



Last date for entries: to be received on or before 24th March 2024, (late entries will be received till 26th March 2024 with a late fee of Rs.1,000/-)

Total Prize Money: ₹ 5,00,000/- for Open and ₹ 5,00,000/- for Women

1. Tournament Schedule:

29.03.2024	Friday	Arrival	0700 hrs.
29.03.2024	Friday	Technical meeting	1100 hrs.
29.03.2024	Friday	Inauguration	1415 hrs.
29.03.2024	Friday	Round – 1	1500 hrs.
30.03.2024	Saturday	Round – 2	1000 hrs.
30.03.2024	Saturday	Round – 3	1600 hrs.
31.03.2024	Sunday	Round – 4	1000 hrs.
01.04.2024	Monday	Round – 5	1000 hrs.
01.04.2024	Monday	Round – 6	1600 hrs.
02.04.2024	Tuesday	Round – 7	1000 hrs.
03.04.2024	Wednesday	Round – 8	1000 hrs.
04.04.2024	Thursday	Round – 9	1000 hrs.
04.04.2024	Thursday	Closing Ceremony	1500 hrs.

2. Total Prize Fund: ₹10,00,000/-

The cash prizes will be awarded amounting to ₹ 5,00,000/-for men and women each, as given below:

Rank	Men	Women
1	₹1,25,000/-	₹1,25,000/-
2	₹1,00,000/-	₹1,00,000/-
3	₹ 75,000/-	₹ 75,000/-
4	₹ 60,000/-	₹ 60,000/-
5	₹ 50,000/-	₹ 50,000/-
6	₹ 30,000/-	₹ 30,000/-
7	₹ 20,000/-	₹ 20,000/-
8	₹ 20,000/-	₹ 20,000/-
9	₹ 10,000/-	₹ 10,000/-
10	₹10,000/-	₹10,000/-
Total	₹ 5,00,000/-	₹ 5,00,000/-

Medals (Gold, Silver and bronze) will be awarded to the top three board prize winners in all five boards.

3. 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. The address of accommodation for seeded/selected players (normal entries) is _________. Request for official accommodation must arrive before **26**th **March 2024**, Otherwise, players/officials will have to make their own arrangements.

All affiliated institution teams are required to make their own arrangements for stay. However, suitable accommodation may be arranged to such teams on a payment basis, if informed well in advance.

4. **ELIGIBILITY**:

- (a) Each affiliated state association can send a maximum of three teams only (one regular entry + 2 special entries) by suffixing the letters "A", "B" and "C" with their state name. Institution members of AICF shall be entitled to send two teams for each championship by suffixing the letters "A" (regular entry) & "B" (special entry).
- (b) The host **Himachal Pradesh State Chess Association** is entitled to fill one additional team in each championship.
- (C) In case of an odd number of entries, the host has the right to add one more entry to make it even in both categories.
- (d) Only Indian nationals are eligible to participate in the championships.
- (e) No teams will be allowed to play in Club/Academy/district names.

5. COMPOSITION OF THE TEAM:

Each team (men & women) shall consist of four players and one reserve player. The seeding of the teams will be done based on the average rating of the best 4 players. While sending entries, the names of all the players with their FIDE ID and their respective FIDE ratings, if any, should be given to enable the arbiters to arrive at the teams' average rating for seeding purposes. These names and ratings should be reconfirmed in person at the Technical Meeting. The Fixed Board Order should be decided by the respective team Captain/Manager before/at the Technical meeting.

6. DRESS CODE:

As per AICF regulations on Dress code for players participating in all the national championships, all state associations/institution members should send their players with proper uniforms. Players should at least wear uniform T-shirts/formal shirts (name of the state/institution printed prominently at the back and the state chess/institution emblem on the front left side). Players without proper uniforms will not be permitted to take part in the championship. This will be strictly enforced.

7. SYSTEM OF PLAY:

The Tournament shall be played by the Team Swiss system under the FIDE Laws of Chess. The number of rounds shall be nine for men and shall be decided based on the entries for women (accordingly, the schedule may be changed for women).

Teams from the same state/affiliated unit shall not be paired against each other in the last round of a national 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 match point. It is applicable only for the top 50% score of the penultimate round.

8. TIME CONTROL:

A time control of 90 minutes each plus 30 seconds increment per move from move number one will be followed.

9. STANDINGS & TIE BREAK:

- (a) Match Points (b) Direct Encounter based on Match points (c) Game Points
- (d) Sonneborn Berger (e) Berlin

10. DEFAULT TIME:

The default time is 15 minutes.

11. APPEALS COMMITTEE:

Before the commencement of the Championship a five-member committee of Appeal with two reserves shall be formed from amongst the senior participants and officials present at the Technical meeting. All the five members and reserves will be from different states. No member of the committee shall vote on a dispute in which a player from his own unit is involved and in such cases, the reserve members(s) shall take his/their places in the committee.

12. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE:

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

13. PROTESTS:

Protests, if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing to the Chief Arbiter at least within 30 minutes of the of the incident with a protest fee of Rs.3,000/-which shall be refunded if the appeal is upheld. The decision of the appeals committee shall be FINAL and BINDING on all the participants.

14. ARREARS:

All arrears of affiliation fees, tournament fee including that of the current year, must be cleared by the affiliated association/unit at the time of submitting the entries. Otherwise, the entries are liable to be rejected.

15. 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.

16. 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.

17. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS WITH AICF IS COMPULSORY:

All participants should get their names registered with AICF for the year 2023 - 24 before the event through the online registration system of the All India Chess Federation website: www.aicf.in/players.

18. ENTRIES & ENTRY FEES:

Regular entry: Rs.3,750/- (Rupees Three thousand seven hundred and fifty Only)
Special entry: Rs.6,250/- (Rupees Six thousand two hundred and fifty Only)

There will be a 50% concession for participants of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands and North Eastern States.

All entries including special entries should come through the concerned state chess association/institutional members of AICF. However, AICF will have the right to accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason.

Entry fees would be accepted online through Entry fee will be accepted strictly online through: https://prs.aicf.in/entry

For clarification and guidance regarding the submission of entries, please contact: aicfnationalentries@qmail.com

Last date for entries: to be received on or before 05:00 P.M. 24th March 2024, (late entries will be received till 05:00 P.M. 26th March 2024 with a late fee of Rs.1,000/-)

For registration query: (E-mail: nationalteamchess2024@gmail.com)

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General Information to Players:

- All players including normal entry/special entry will be received by the Organizing Committee from the Airport on 29th March 2024 and they will be dropped at the accommodation provided. All the players including normal entry/special entry will be dropped by the Organizing committee at the Airport on 04th April 2024. For both pickup and drop, the players have to inform the accommodation and transport committee via email before 25 March 2024.
- Pick up and drop as mentioned above will be done only in groups in periodic intervals only to and from the venue.
- ID Cards are mandatory for the players and parents/managers to remain inside the campus.
- The confirmed list of participants as received from AICF will be displayed on www.chess-results.com. All confirmed players are requested to send their recent passport-size photograph along with their Name, AICF ID, FIDE ID, and State via Email to nationalteamchess2024@gmail.com
- For incorporating the photos in ID Cards before 5 P.M., 26 March 2024.
- Players failing to send their photographs before 5 P.M., 26 March 2024 will have to bring a recent passport-size photograph to be pasted in the ID card and get attested as soon as they reach the venue.
- Players without photo ID cards will not be allowed inside the playing hall.
- Lodging will be provided to seeded/selected players and one manager per team. Seeded/selected players along with the managers are requested to confirm the accommodation before 09.00 P.M., 26th March 2024. Male & female will be provided a separate accommodation irrespective of age. All players and accompanying persons must send a copy of their Aadhar card.
- No request towards accommodation of a boy with a female parent and a girl with a male parent will be entertained.
- Soon after receiving the details of the player from AICF, the player's name will be added to www.chess-results.com
- The organizing committee will add all the players (Men and women) to respective separate WhatsApp groups and following which accommodation & other details will be communicated to the player concerned.