





GRANDMASTERS OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT 2025

AICF EVENT CODE: 395652/KA/2025, 395653/KA/2025, 395654/KA/2025 KSCA EVENT CODE: KSCA/G078/G079/G080/2425



Total Cash Prize Fund

₹55,00,000/-





















Venue: Koramangala Indoor Stadium*

*The tournament venue might be shifted to Kanteerava Indoor Stadium, subject to completion of renovation. For accommodation concerns, please connect with the accommodation team.



FOR PLAYERS ABOVE 1900 ONLY

ARRIVAL 09th April 2025 at 1200 Hrs.



TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

10.04.2025	10.30 Hrs	Players Meeting
10.04.2025	11.00 Hrs	Inauguration
10.04.2025	15.00 Hrs	Round 1
11.04.2025	09.30 Hrs	Round 2
11.04.2025	15.00 Hrs	Round 3
12.04.2025	15.00 Hrs	Round 4
13.04.2025	09.30 Hrs	Round 5
13.04.2025	15.00 Hrs	Round 6

Rest Day / Blitz Tournament

15.04.2025	15.00 Hrs	Round 7
16.04.2025	15.00 Hrs	Round 8
17.04.2025	15.00 Hrs	Round 9
18.04.2025	09.30 Hrs	Round 10
18.04.2025	15.00 Hrs	PD Function

Total Cash Prize Fund

₹25,00,000/-



MAIN PRIZES



₹4,50,000 + Trophy



₹3,50,000 + Trophy



₹2,50,000 + Trophy

Place	Prize
4	₹2,00,000
5	₹1,50,000
6	₹1,00,000
7	₹75,000
8	₹70,000
9	₹60,000
10	₹50,000
11	₹40,000
12	₹35,000
13	₹30,000
14 To 20	₹20,000
21 To 30	₹15,000
31 To 40	₹10,000
41 To 50	₹10,000

3 Best 2299 Below Players : ₹12000,₹10000 & ₹8000
3 Best 2199 Below Players : ₹12000,₹10000 & ₹8000
3 Best 1999 Below Players : ₹12000,₹10000 & ₹8000
3 Best Karnataka Players : ₹12000,₹10000 & ₹8000
3 Best Female Players : ₹12000,₹10000 & ₹8000

Indian Income Tax Act and Rules will be applicable

Please note that one player will be given one (higher) prize only.

ELIGIBILITY

Players with rating above 1900 as on 01.04.2025 are eligible to participate.

ENTRY FEE

Free For GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs

RATING CRITERIA	EARLY BIRD (Till 28th FEB 2025)	ENTRY FEE (After 28th FEB 2025)
Rated 2400 and above	₹5,000	₹6,000
Rated between 2300-2399	₹7,000	₹8,000
Rated between 2000-2299	₹8,000	₹9,000
Rated between 1900-1999	₹9,000	₹10,000

50% off for North-east Players50% off for Specially abled Players50% off for Players aged 60 and above

Conditions apply for early bird offers!!

Early bird offers not applicable for players availing 50% Discount.

The last date of entry: 05th April 2025
Entries with late fee of ₹500 upto 09th April 2025

REGISTRATION

Please use the link below or scan the QR Code for Registration

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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 + 30 seconds increment from move 1 for entire game.

Tie Break

In case of a tie, the latest FIDE Rules shall come in to effect.

The Cash prizes however will not be shared.

Accommodation

All **GMs/IMs/WGMs/WIMs** will be provided free hotel accommodation on double sharing basis in an official star hotel from 09/04/2025 to 18/04/2025

Lodging can be booked for participants of this event on single/double/triple sharing basis.

For details and tariff kindly contact the accommodation in-charge.

FOR PLAYERS 2000 & BELOW

CATEGORY

ARRIVAL
09th April 2025 at 1200 Hrs

ROUNDS

10th April 2025 to 13th April 2025



TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

10.04.2025	10.30 Hrs	Players Meeting
10.04.2025	11.00 Hrs	Inauguration
10.04.2025	13.30 Hrs	Round 1
10.04.2025	17.30 Hrs	Round 2
11.04.2025	09.30 Hrs	Round 3
11.04.2025	13.30 Hrs	Round 4
11.04.2025	17.30 Hrs	Round 5
12.04.2025	09.30 Hrs	Round 6
12.04.2025	13.30 Hrs	Round 7
12.04.2025	17.30 Hrs	Round 8
13.04.2025	09.30 Hrs	Round 9
13.04.2025	13.30 Hrs	Round 10
13.04.2025	19.30 Hrs	Prize Distribution

Total Cash Prize Fund

₹15,00,000/-





MAIN PRIZES



₹1,25,000 + Trophy



₹1,00,000 + Trophy



₹80,000 + Trophy

Place	Prize
4	₹70,000
5	₹60,000
6	₹55,000
7	₹50,000
8	₹40,000
9	₹30,000
10	₹20,000
11 To 20	₹15,000
21 To 30	₹10,000
31 To 40	₹8,000

Best Unrated : 1st ₹15,000/- | 2nd ₹12,000/- | 3rd ₹10,000/- | 4th & 5th ₹8000/- Each

6th-10th ₹ 7000/- Each

Best Below Elo 1850 : 1st ₹15,000/- | 2nd ₹12,000/- | 3rd ₹10,000/- | 4th & 5th ₹8000/- Each

6th-10th ₹ 7000/- Each

Best Below Elo 1700 : 1st ₹15,000/- | 2nd ₹12,000/- | 3rd ₹10,000/- | 4th & 5th ₹8000/- Each

6th-10th ₹ 7000/- Each

Best Below Elo 1550 : 1st ₹15,000/- | 2nd ₹12,000/- | 3rd ₹10,000/- | 4th & 5th ₹8000/- Each

6th-10th ₹ 7000/- Each

Best Female : 1st ₹13,000/- | 2nd ₹10,000/- | 3rd ₹9,000/- | 4th ₹8000/- | 5th ₹7000/-

Best Veteran (+60) : 1st ₹13,000/- | 2nd ₹10,000/- | 3rd ₹9,000/- | 4th ₹8000/- | 5th ₹7000/-

Best Karnataka Players : 1st ₹13,000/- | 2nd ₹10,000/- | 3rd ₹9,000/- | 4th ₹8000/- | 5th ₹7000/-

Best Bengaluru Players: 1st ₹13,000/- | 2nd ₹10,000/- | 3rd ₹9,000/- | 4th ₹8000/- | 5th ₹7000/-

Indian Income Tax Act and Rules will be applicable

Please note that one player will be given one (higher) prize only.

ELIGIBILITY

Players having the FIDE rating of 2000 & below from 01.04.2022 to 01.04.2025 are only allowed to participate in this event.

Any player who finished 1st or 2nd in the rating restricted FIDE rated event in the last one year (08.04.2024 to 07.04.2025) are not eligible to participate.

Any UNRATED Player or INDIAN Player without a FIDE ID also can take part in CATEGORY – B and CATEGORY – C Tournament in the 2nd Namma Bengaluru International Grandmasters Open Chess Tournament 2025.

AICF and KSCA registration mandatory for the year 2025-26

ENTRY FEE

CRITERIA	1st EARLY BIRD (Till 15th FEB 2025)	2nd EARLY BIRD (Till 28th FEB 2025)	ENTRY FEE (After 28th FEB 2025)
Karnataka Players No Free Dormitory Accommodation For Bangalore Players	₹4,000	₹5,000	₹5,500
All Other Players	₹5,000	₹6,000	₹6,500

Note: - Those Players who are registered with Bengaluru in KSCA on or before 31.03.2025 will be considered as Bengaluru Players

Free dormitory accommodation will be available for 100 PLAYERS ON FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.

50% off for North-east Players50% off for Specially abled Players50% off for Players aged 60 and above

Conditions apply for early bird offers!!

Early bird offers not applicable for players availing 50% Discount.

During both the early bird offer periods, the first 250 entries (Catergories B & C combined) only will be considered for the offer. The offers will close even if the date is due.

The last date of entry: 05th April 2025
Entries with late fee of ₹500 upto 09th April 2025

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TOURNAMENT RULES

System of Play

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Time Control

60 Minutes + 30 seconds increment from move 1 for entire game.

Tie Break

In case of a tie, the latest FIDE Rules shall come in to effect.

The Cash prizes however will not be shared.

Accommodation

Lodging can be booked for participants of this event on single/double/triple sharing basis.

For details and tariff kindly contact the accommodation in-charge.

FOR PLAYERS 1800 & BELOW

CATEGORY

ARRIVAL

14th April 2025 at 1200 Hrs

ROUNDS

15th April 2025 to 18th April 2025



TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

09.00 Hrs	Players Meeting
09.30 Hrs	Round 1
13.30 Hrs	Round 2
17.30 Hrs	Round 3
09.30 Hrs	Round 4
13.30 Hrs	Round 5
17.30 Hrs	Round 6
09.30 Hrs	Round 7
13.30 Hrs	Round 8
17.30 Hrs	Round 9
09.30 Hrs	Round 10
15.00 Hrs	Prize Distribution
	09.30 Hrs 13.30 Hrs 17.30 Hrs 09.30 Hrs 13.30 Hrs 17.30 Hrs 17.30 Hrs 17.30 Hrs 17.30 Hrs 17.30 Hrs



₹15,00,000/-





MAIN PRIZES



₹1,00,000 + Trophy



₹80,000 + Trophy



₹70,000 + Trophy

Place	Prize
4	₹60,000
5	₹55,000
6	₹40,000
7	₹35,000
8	₹30,000
9	₹25,000
10	₹20,000
11 To 20	₹17,500
21 To 30	₹15,000
31 To 40	₹12,000

Best Unrated : 1st ₹20,000/- | 2nd ₹15,000/- | 3rd ₹12,000/- | 4th ₹10,000/-

5th & 6th ₹ 8,000/- Each | 7th-10th ₹ 7000/- Each

Best Below Elo 1600 : 1st ₹20,000/- | 2nd ₹15,000/- | 3rd ₹12,000/- | 4th ₹10,000/-

5th & 6th ₹ 8,000/- Each | 7th-10th ₹ 7000/- Each

Best Below Elo 1500 : 1st ₹20,000/- | 2nd ₹15,000/- | 3rd ₹12,000/- | 4th ₹10,000/-

5th & 6th ₹ 8,000/- Each | 7th-10th ₹ 7000/- Each

Best Female : 1st ₹20,000/- | 2nd ₹15,000/- | 3rd ₹10,000/- | 4th ₹8000/- | 5th ₹7000/-

Best Veteran (+60) : 1st ₹20,000/- | 2nd ₹15,000/- | 3rd ₹10,000/- | 4th ₹8000/- | 5th ₹7000/-

Best Karnataka Players: 1st ₹20,000/- | 2nd ₹15,000/- | 3rd ₹10,000/- | 4th ₹7000/- | 5th ₹6000/-

Best Bengaluru Players: 1st ₹20,000/- | 2nd ₹15,000/- | 3rd ₹10,000/- | 4th ₹7000/- | 5th ₹7000/-

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Please note that one player will be given one (higher) prize only.

ELIGIBILITY

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Karnataka Players	₹4,000	₹5,000	₹5,500
All Other Players	₹5,000	₹6,000	₹6,500

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WEATHER

The minimum / maximum temperature will be around 35-38 Degree Celsius during day and 25-30 degree Celsius in the night.

FOR ASSISTANCE PLEASE CONTACT:



FOREIGN GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMS AND FOREIGN PLAYERS

Mr. Gopakumar M S

(International Arbiter)

indianchessevents@gmail.com CC to bengalurugrandmaster@gmail.com

The above contact information is valid only for foreign players and title holders wishing to take part in the CATEGORY "A" tournament.

Other players may kindly use the contact information mentioned below.

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(Vice President, AICF)



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REGISTRATION FEE DETAILS SUMMARY

Free for GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs50% off for North-east Players50% off for Specially abled Players50% off for Players aged 60 and above

CATERGORIES	ENTRY FEE FOR CAT B & C				
DATES - DESCRIPTIONS					
	FOR BLR/KAR	FOR OTHERS			
1st EARLY BIRD (Till 15th FEB 2025)	₹4,000/-	₹5,000/-			
2nd EARLY BIRD (Till 28th FEB 2025)	₹5,000/-	₹6,000/-			
01st MARCH 2025 to 05th APRIL 2025	₹5,500/-	₹6,500/-			
WITH LATE FEE (Till 13th APRIL 2025)	₹6,000/-	₹7,000/-			
North Eastern Players		₹3,250/-			
Senior Citizen Players	₹2,750/-	₹3,250/-			
Specially Abled Players	₹2,750/-	₹3,250/-			
*Late fee of ₹500/- applicable to all after respective deadlines					

CATERGORIES	ENTRY FEE FOR CAT-A				
DATES - DESCRIPTIONS					
	2400 & Above	2300 To 2399	2000 To 2299	1900 To 1999	
1st EARLY BIRD (Till 15th FEB 2025)	₹5,000/-	₹7,000/-	₹8,000/-	₹9,000/-	
2nd EARLY BIRD (Till 28th FEB 2025)	₹5,000/-	₹7,000/-	₹8,000/-	₹9,000/-	
01st MARCH 2025 to 05th APRIL 2025	₹6,000/-	₹8,000/-	₹9,000/-	₹10,000/-	
WITH LATE FEE (Till 09th APRIL 2025)	₹6,500/-	₹8,500/-	₹9,500/-	₹10,500/-	

RULES/REGULATIONS/INFORMATION

- System of Play The tournament will be conducted as per FIDE laws of chess and FIDE Swiss System with 10 rounds in all the 3 categories. The latest FIDE rules in force shall apply.
- For Indian Players, AICF registration for the year 2025-2026 is compulsory.
 To renew https://prs.aicf.in/players
 To register https://prs.aicf.in/new-register/
- For Karnataka players, KSCA registration for the year 2025–2026 is compulsory.
 To register https://karnatakachess.com/player-registration/
- For foreign players, a valid FIDE ID is mandatory.
- Appeals committee will be formed before the start of the tournament comprising of 5 members. Appeals committee decision will be final and will be binding on all the concerned players.
- Tie-break: Incase of tie, latest FIDE rules shall come into effect as per AICF guidelines.
 However the cash prizes will not be shared. One player is eligible for one higher prize only.
- Protest, if any, against the decision of the arbiter, chief arbiter, shall be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs. 1000/- within 15 minutes after completion of the game to the committee. The protest fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld.
- Withdrawals: After informing the chief arbiter in writing, a player may withdraw at any stage of the event.
- FIDE Fair Play Regulations will be in force, and players must respect the rules. Players are not allowed to carry mobile phones, wristwatches (of any type) and other electronic devices to the playing area, during the tournament.
- There will be tax deductions of foreign players' prize money as per the Govt. guidelines. Indian Income Tax Act and Rules will be applicable.
- Prize money will be transferred via online mode and in INR (Indian National Rupee) only.
- No Waiver/no refunds : No request towards waiver of entry fee or waiver of late fee will be entertained.
- Participation in this tournament will be accepted as the player's consent to take photos, videos in this event for publishing and promotions.
- Certificate will be awarded to all the participants.

ENTRY REGISTRATION

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BANK DETAILS FOR ENTRY FEE TRANSFER

Account Name

BANGALORE INTERNATIONAL GRANDMASTERS T C

Account Number: 50200103891226

Account Branch: CHANDRA LAYOUT

IFSC Code: HDFC0001757

Gpay number: 9448460072



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