

1st Andaman International Open FIDE Rated Chess Tournament-2025

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Organised by
Andaman Nicobar Chess Association (ANCA)

Under the aegis of
All India Chess Federation (AICF)

Date : 23th August to 28th August 2025

Venue: Jalsa, Dolly Gunj, Port Blair, Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Prize Fund : ₹ 7,00,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs)



Tournament Schedule:

Particulars	Date	Day	Time
Players reporting time	23.08.2025	Saturday	08.30 A.M.
Technical Meeting	23.08.2025	Saturday	09.00 A.M.
Inauguration	23.08.2025	Saturday	09.30 A.M.
Round 1	23.08.2025	Saturday	10.00 A.M.
Round 2	23.08.2025	Saturday	03.30 P.M.
Round 3	24.08.2025	Sunday	09.00 A.M.
Round 4	24.08.2025	Sunday	03.00 P.M.
Round 5	25.08.2025	Monday	09.00 A.M.
Round 6	25.08.2025	Monday	03.00 P.M.
Local Sightseeing	26.08.2025	Tuesday	OFF
Round 7	27.08.2025	Wednesday	09.00 A.M.
Round 8	27.08.2025	Wednesday	03.00 P.M.
Round 9	28.08.2025	Thursday	09.00 A.M
Prize Distribution Ceremony	28.08.2025	Thursday	03.00 P.M.

























01. **Prizes :**
Main Prizes

1st Position	Rs.1,00000/- cash prize	+ Trophy
2nd Position	Rs.70,000/- cash prize	+ Trophy
3rd Position	Rs.50,000/- cash prize	+ Trophy
4th Position	Rs.40,000/- cash prize	+ Trophy
5th Position	Rs.35,000/- cash prize	+ Trophy
6th Position	Rs.30,000/- cash prize	
7th Position	Rs.25,000/- cash prize	
8th Position	Rs.20,000/- cash prize	
9th Position	Rs.15,000/- cash prize	
10th Position	Rs.10,000/- cash prize	
11th to 15th Position	Rs. 8000/- cash prize	
16th to 20th Position	Rs. 7000/- cash prize	
21st to 25th Position	Rs. 6000/- cash prize	

Rating Category:			
1400-1499	1st Rs.12000	2nd Rs. 11000	3rd Rs.9500
1500-1599	1st Rs.12000	2nd Rs. 11000	3rd Rs.9500
1600-1699	1st Rs.12000	2nd Rs. 11000	3rd Rs.9500
1700-1800	1st Rs.12000	2nd Rs. 11000	3rd Rs.9500

Special Prizes

Best Youngest Boy	₹ 3000 + 	Best Youngest Girl	₹ 3000 + 
Best Unrated	₹ 3000 + 	Best Female	₹ 3000 + 
Best Andaman Player	₹ 3000 + 	Best Veteran	₹ 3000 + 

Age Category Prizes					
Boys			Girls		
Under 7	1 st Prize	₹ 3,500 	Under 7	1 st Prize	₹ 3,500 
	2 nd Prize	₹ 3,000 		2 nd Prize	₹ 3,000 
	3 rd Prize			3 rd Prize	
Under 09	1 st Prize	₹ 3,500 	Under 09	1 st Prize	₹ 3,500 
	2 nd Prize	₹ 3,000 		2 nd Prize	₹ 3,000 
	3 rd Prize			3 rd Prize	
Under 11	1 st Prize	₹ 3,500 	Under 11	1 st Prize	₹ 3,500 
	2 nd Prize	₹ 3,000 		2 nd Prize	₹ 3,000 
	3 rd Prize			3 rd Prize	
Under 13	1 st Prize	₹ 3,500 	Under 13	1 st Prize	₹ 3,500 
	2 nd Prize	₹ 3,000 		2 nd Prize	₹ 3,000 
	3 rd Prize			3 rd Prize	

02. Eligibility for Participation:

AICF Registration for the year 2025-26 is mandatory.

Note: The players who have not registered with AICF for 2025-26 may register online at <https://prs.aicf.in/players> before sending their entries.

03. Entry Fee:

The entry fee is ₹ 2900/- per player under the Early Bird offer (valid till 10th July 2025).

Entries received after 10th July 2025 will be charged ₹3400/- per player (inclusive of ₹500/- late fee).

All GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs and Rated above 2000 will get free entry.

No Entry will be entertained after 10th August 2025, 5.00 pm.

Please Note: Seats are limited which will be filled on 'first-come, first-served' basis.

04. **Tournament type & System of Play:** The Tournament will be played under FIDE's Laws of Chess and the Swiss system. Total Nine rounds shall be played.
05. **Time Control:** Shall be 90 minutes each with 30 seconds increment from move number one.
06. **Default Time:** Default time for arriving to the chessboard is 30 minutes.
07. **Protest:** Protest if any against the decision of Chief Arbiter shall be made in written with protest fee of Rs.3000/- within 30 minutes of the occurrence of the incidence. The amount shall be refunded if the appeal is upheld.
08. **Appeals Committee:** A Five member's appeals committee shall be formed during the managers / Technical meeting. The Appeal Committee's decision will be final and binding on all the players concerned.
09. **Tie Break:** In case of a tie, the latest FIDE Rules shall come in to effect and the cash prizes will not be shared.
10. **Electronic Devices:** All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall.
11. **NOTE:** Right of admission to the tournament is reserved with the organizer. The organizer may refuse the entry to any player without assigning any reason.
12. **Accommodation:** Paid Double sharing AC accommodation on discounted rate @ Rs.1800/- per player for 7 nights (i.e. 22.08.2025 to 28.08.2025 up to 11.00 A.M) shall be provided to the first 25 mainland rated players on advance payment.
For Accommodation, please contact Mr. K Deena Bandhu @ 94742 48882
Rest of the mainland players will be assisted in getting accommodation on reasonable rates near by the venue. For all accommodation related queries one may contact Mr. K Deena Bandhu @ 9474248882
13. **How to reach Port Blair:** Daily flights are being operated between Port Blair and Chennai, Kolkata, Bangalore, Bhubaneswar, Vizag, New Delhi, Mumbai etc.
14. **Registration for the Tournament:**
For registration, player must fill in the google form as given.
No entries will be accepted without this google form.

Google form link for Registration:
<https://forms.gle/k7f8iopTZuZZbsnT9>

Account details for submission of entry fee:

Account Name:	ANDAMAN - NICOBAR CHESS ASSOCIATION
Bank Name:	Canara Bank
Account No:	1185101018125
IFSC Code:	CNRB0001185
Branch Code:	1185
Branch Name	Port Blair, Andaman



After payment of entry fee, a screenshot of the payment with visible transaction ID must be sent to WhatsApp No.: **9434293379** along with the following details:-

- 1: Player Name:
- 2: FIDE ID:
- 3: Name of the State:
- 4: Date of Birth:

Please note: After registering the event, the players are requested to join the WhatsApp Group by using the given Link.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EVFqsyZF9BS6dnqZqRNolq>

For any assistance please contact:

1. B Neelaiah, Organising Secretary, ANCA @ 9434293379 /9679593366
2. N T Suba Laxmi, Treasurer, ANCA @ 94742 59628
3. S Netazi, Vice President, ANCA @ 9434292502 (Transportation)
4. A Janki Rao, Treasurer, SADCA @ 9474201444(Liaisoning)
5. K Deena Bandhu, @ 94742 48882 (Accommodation)

Email: anchessassociation@gmail.com

NOTE: Players planning to travel by flight from **Kolkata or Chennai** and coming in a **group of minimum 7 members** are requested to contact **Mr. Swapan Karmakar** at **+91-8001334464** between **10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon**. Group bookings will be made under **non-refundable discounted fares** and must be **confirmed at least 12 days prior to the travel date**.

Weather

The weather of Andaman & Nicobar Islands during the period will be a maximum of 29 °C, and a minimum of 24 °C. On an average, there will be 11 rainy days in Andaman and Nicobar Islands during August.

Few places to visit:

Radahnagar Beach: Tucked in Havelock Island, Radhanagar Beach is regarded as the best beach in India. It is a pristine stretch of sand backed by turquoise water and lush forest. Radhanagar Beach is commonly called Beach No. 7 and it looks straight out of the postcard. Times Magazine has awarded it the title of the '7th best beach in the world'. Radhanagar Beach is one of the many highlights, not only in Havelock but also in the Andaman Islands.



Ross Island: Named after Captain Daniel Ross, the Ross Island is now renamed as the "Netaji Shubash Chandra Bose Dweep" by prime minister Narendra Modi in 2018. It is a very small destination that comes under the south Andaman district, Port Blair and is barely 3Kms from the Water Sports Complex.

This Island was first occupied in 1782 by British and used it

as an Administrative Headquarters for 85 years. During this time, a lot of important government offices were made by the British on this penal settlement, which were later abandoned after an earthquake in 1941.

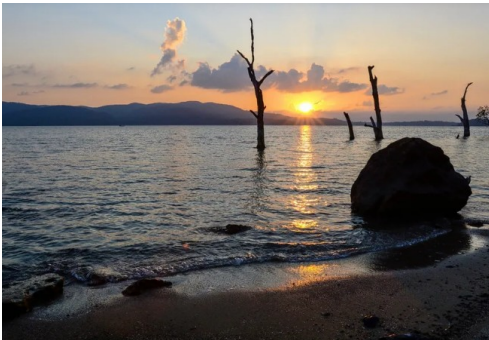
The ruins of these old buildings made by Indian prisoners are still present at Ross, textured by thick roots of peepal and serie trees that takes us back to an era, long gone yet still remembered.



Cellular Jail: Cellular jail which is also known as Kalapani jail or Andaman jail is one of the most important National monuments from the days of Indian freedom struggle. Cellular jail is located about 2km from Port Blair city centre. The cellular jail was built by the British in 1906 into the gigantic structure we see today. The tales of horror committed by the British raj still echo in the corridors of the remains of this gigantic structure. It was referred to as the Kalapani jail among the freedom fighters in mainland India during the independence movement.



Corbyn's Cove Beach: Corbyn's Cove beach is the only developed sea beach in the Port Blair city area. This is a happening place in Port Blair city. The beach can be reached by road from Port Blair city (7 km). The beach is always open although water sports activities are allowed till sunset only. Corbyn's cove beach has a long coastline and many Japanese bunkers on its side. There are many water sports activities to be done in Corbyn's cove including Jet Ski and speed boat rides. The best thing to do here is Parasailing and SeaKart. When you fly in the air, you get to see the most beautiful view of the ocean under you.



Chidiya Tapu: As the name suggests, Chidiya Tapu is the perfect haven for unseen migratory birds and common native birds found in the Andaman Islands and it is one of the popular places to visit in Port Blair. Recognized as the most enchanting beach in Andaman and tourists arrive here on a large scale as the beach extends the best ever sights for them including the eye catching sunrise and sunset views.

North Bay Island: Famous for the underwater corals, North Bay Island located 5 km away from Water sports complex Port Blair is yet another favourite places to visit in Port Blair. Multiple clubs providing exhilarating scuba diving, snorkelling and sea walking at the island give it a special space in the hearts of adventure lovers. And because of this factor, North Bay Island is crowded all the time.



Jolly Buoy Island: Renowned for its beautiful corals and its scintillating beaches, this place can be accessed from Wandoor Beach and is one of the famous places to visit in Port Blair. Often called a no man's land. Nestled away in a small corner of Andaman and Nicobar is the Jolly Buoy Island, an uninhabited and ecologically preserved island known for its clear waters and beautiful coral reefs that make it one of the most sought-after sports in the Andaman for scuba diving and snorkelling, and truly being able to experience the beauty of nature that has been unaffected by man-made dirt and pollution.



Venue

