



The 24th North East **FIDE Rating** Chess Championship 2026

♟ Event Code: 503517/NL/2026 ♟

Total Prize Fund:
₹6,00,000/-
(Rupees Six Lakhs only)

Organized by
Nagaland Chess Association
Under the aegis of
All India Chess Federation



Date:
15th to 19th
December 2026



Venue:
The Covenant Hall,
Christian Higher Secondary School,
Dimapur.

PRIZE STRUCTURE

Total Prize Fund: Rs. 6,00,000/-

(Rupees Six Lakhs)

Position	 Open	 Rating 1400-1600	 Rating 1601-1800	 Unrated	 Veteran 60+	 Female 16+	 U7 Boys & Girls	 U9 Boys & Girls	 U11 Boys & Girls	 U13 Boys & Girls	 U15 Boys & Girls	 Best Nagaland
1 	 ₹1,00,000	 ₹7000	 ₹7000	 ₹7000	 ₹7000	 ₹7000	 ₹4000	 ₹4000	 ₹4000	 ₹4000	 ₹4000	 ₹7000
2 	 ₹60,000	 ₹5000	 ₹5000	 ₹5000	 ₹5000	 ₹5000	 ₹3000	 ₹3000	 ₹3000	 ₹3000	 ₹3000	 ₹5000
3 	 ₹40,000	 ₹3000	 ₹3000	 ₹3000	 ₹3000	 ₹3000	 ₹2000	 ₹2000	 ₹2000	 ₹2000	 ₹2000	 ₹3000
4	 ₹20,000	₹2000	₹2000	₹2000	₹2000	₹2000	₹1500	₹1500	₹1500	₹1500	₹1500	₹2000
5	 ₹15,000	₹1000	₹1000	₹1000	₹1000	₹1000	₹1000	₹1000	₹1000	₹1000	₹1000	₹1000
6	₹10,000											
7	₹10,000											
8	₹10,000											
9	₹10,000											
10	₹10,000											

Open Category:

Positions 11th & 12th : ₹8000

from position 13th to 15th : ₹7000

from position 16th to 20th : ₹6000

from position 21th to 25th : ₹5000



Top Winners

✓ Trophy + Certificate + Cash Prize



All Prize Winners

✓ Certificate + Cash Prize

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

14th December 2026: Arrival from 12:00 Noon onwards

15th December 2026:

Technical Meeting : 8:30 AM

Round 1 : 9:00 AM

Round 2 : 2:00 PM

16th December 2026

Round 3 : 9:00 AM

Round 4 : 2:00 PM

17th December 2026

Round 5 : 9:00 AM

Round 6 : 2:00 PM

18th December 2026

Round 7 : 9:00 AM

Round 8 : 2:00 PM

19th December 2026

Round 9 : 9:00 AM

Prize Distribution Ceremony : 3:00 PM

Departure 5:00 PM

Tournament Rules

1. Eligibility

(I) A total of 15 (Fifteen) players from each state Association of North Eastern States can participate in the tournament. The host state Nagaland can fill unlimited player entries. If any association fails to send its full quota, the vacancies will not be filled.

(II) All the entries, normal & special must, come through the concerned State Association.

2. Dress Code

As per AICF regulations on dress code for players participating in North East championships, all State Associations should send their players including special entry players with proper state uniforms. Players without proper uniforms will not be permitted to take part in the championship. This will be strictly enforced.

3. Entry Fee

Ordinary entry: ₹ 1000 (Rupees One thousand only)

Special Entry: ₹ 1500 (Rupees One thousand five hundred only)

4. Late Fee

1. Please note that the entry fees structure is valid till 10th December 2026. Thereafter a late fee of Rs.250/- per player will be levied. No entry will be entertained after 13th December 2026 (till 5:00 PM).

5. System of play

The Championship will be played under FIDE's Laws of Chess and the Swiss system. A total of 9 rounds shall be played.

To avoid walk over cross pairing may be done in 1st round.

6. Default Time

The default time for arriving at the chess board is 30 minutes.

7. Time Control

The rate of play shall be 90 minutes each plus increment of 30 seconds per move from move number one.

8. Chess Clocks

Each participating State Chess Association must provide at least one clock in working order for every two players entered into the Championship.

9. Tie Breaks

(a) Buchholz Cut1, (b) Buchholz, (c) Sonneborn Berger, (d) Direct encounter, (e) The greater number of wins (forfeit included), (f) The greater number of wins with black.

10. Protests

Protest, if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of ₹ 1000 within 15 minutes of the occurrence of the incident. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

11. 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. No member of the Committee can vote on a dispute in which a player from his state is involved and, in such case(s), the reserve member(s) shall take his place in the committee.



12. Registration of Players with AICF:

All participants are mandatory to be registered with AICF for the year 2026-27. Online AICF registration can be done at the website www.aicf.in/players



13. Electronic Devices:

All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall. Players in possession of these items during the game in the tournament hall will be declared lost.



14. Prize Rule:

Players qualified for more than one prize will be considered only for higher prize.



18. Accommodation:

Free dormitory accommodation will be provided to all the selected players and one manager for each state. States availing the facility must inform the organizers before 5th of December 2026. Special entry players and accompanying persons will have to make their own arrangements for their stay.



Entry fees should be remitted online to the following:



Account Name:

Nagaland Chess Association



Account No.: 38071290604



IFSC Code: SBIN0000214



Payment of Entry Fee Screenshot should be sent to **Shri. Jetilo Apon** Jt. Secy. NCA at mobile number **70056 06064** for confirmation.



For Assistance contact:

-  Honorary Secretary, NCA: **Shri. Vekukho Soho** - 88370 98422
-  Vice President NCA: **Shri. Kiyasellie Mere** - 70055 14088 - Transportation
-  Joint Secretary: **Shri. Mengise Haikam** - 70054 58265 - Accommodation (At Hotels)
-  Accommodation (At DBIDL & IDA): **Shri. Veshosa Keyho** - 98625 76919
-  Volunteers Incharge: **Shri. Bovito Yephtho** - 70051 57622
-  Chief Arbiter: **Shri. Anupam Bhattacharjee** - 70051 64814 - Technical Assistance



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Some Hotels within 1 Km away from the venue:



1. Hotel Daina - 84150 04893, 87874 25186
2. Hotel Kingfisher - 93666 78861
3. Hotel Raj Mahal - 90892 20784
4. Apple Inn - 03862 358336
5. Hotel Prince - 92337 24776
6. Hotel Kamakhya - 89742 00101



Above 1 Km away:

1. Prime Inn - 96128 57575
2. Pent House Home Stay - 70054 99648
3. Budget House Home Stay - 7005615099
4. Beth Berachah Home Stay - 94368 93668

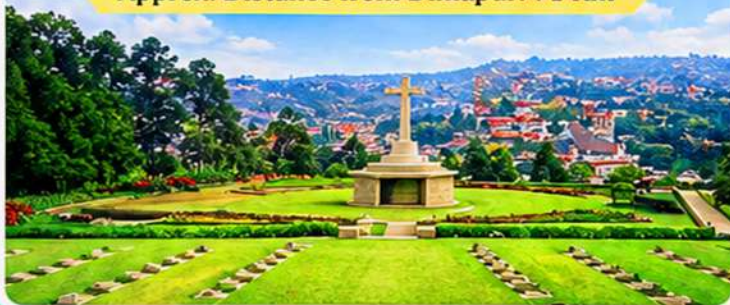


Places to visit:



Kohima War Cemetery

Approx. Distance from Dimapur: 71 Km



Dzukou Valley

Approx. Distance from Dimapur: 100 Km



Kisama Heritage Village

Approx. Distance from Dimapur: 75 Km

