

1st

BANGALORE INTERNATIONAL GRANDMASTERS OPEN CHESS

TOURNAMENT 2024

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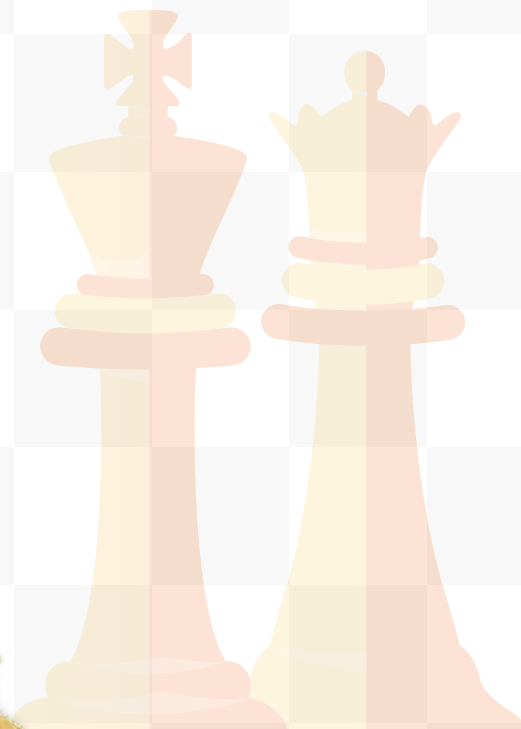
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18th to 26th January 2024



Sri Kanteerava Indoor Stadium, Bangalore

WELCOME TO THE BIGGEST CHESS SPECTACLE IN BANGALORE

Dear Chess Enthusiasts,

We are honoured to invite you to the 1st Bangalore International Grand Masters Open Chess Tournament 2024, organized by BUDCA under the aegis of the Karnataka State Chess Association, All India Chess Federation, and International Chess Federation, FIDE proudly presents the 1st Bangalore International Grand Masters Open Chess Tournament. Supported by Ministry of Youth Empowerment & Sports, Sports Authority of India, Karnataka Olympic Association. It will be held at the renowned Kanteevera Indoor Stadium in Bangalore from 18th to 26th January 2024. This tournament promises to be a chess extravaganza like never before.



UNLEASH THE GRANDMASTERS!

Prepare yourselves for an unparalleled chess experience around 50 Grandmasters from across the globe converge at Sri Kanteerava Indoor Stadium, Witness breathtaking chess strategies and tactics as these titans of the game battle it out for glory.

AN INTERNATIONAL CHESS EXTRAVAGANZA

This international tournament is set to make history, as it will bring together the finest chess minds from across the globe. Around 2500 players expected to participate, around 50 Grand masters, this tournament promises to be a spectacular showcase of skill and strategy. It is a testament to the growing popularity and influence of chess on an international scale.



RISING CHESS REVOLUTION IN INDIA

Indian chess has transcended its traditional boundaries, becoming a global sensation. It all began with the rise of Viswanathan Anand, the harbinger of a chess revolution. As the great Magnus Carlsen aptly put it, We're just at the start of a revolution that began with Anand becoming a Grandmaster.

The recent FIDE Chess World Cup showcased the might of Indian chess. D Gukesh, aged 17, has already surpassed Anand as India's No. 1 player. R Praggnanandhaa, now 18, stormed into the World Cup finals, defeating the World No. 2 and No. 3 players. Alongside, talents like Arjun Erigaisi and Nihal Sarin, both 19, are set to make history. Last year's Chess Olympiad in Chennai sparked immense interest, prompting the mushrooming of clubs and schools dedicated to chess. Despite this, chess struggles to attract sponsors. It's high time corporate houses recognize the sport's potential and support it.



A GLORIOUS CHESS LEGACY

Our tournament has a storied history, with past champions who have graced us with their remarkable skills. Join the ranks of chess legends and create your own chapter in this illustrious chess journey.

Karnataka Grand Master



WIM Isha Sharma



ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT

Kanteerava Indoor Stadium



THE GRANDEST CHESS SHOWDOWN IN BANGALORE

This tournament is a chess extravaganza like never before with grandmasters from around 18-20 countries, 50+ elite grandmasters, this event is set to redefine chess competition. The tournament features A, B & C categories to cater to all skill levels.

KEY DETAILS



Prize Money

₹ 50 Lakhs



Categories

A, B & C Categories



International Players
GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs,
etc

A

Category

50+ grandmasters, 300+
participant & Above
1900 elo rating

B

Category

1500+ players
below 2000 elo rating

C

Category

1250+ players
below 1600 elo rating

PRIZES FIT FOR CHESS ROYALTY

**TOTAL PRIZE MONEY
(A, B & C CATEGORY)
₹ 50, 00, 000/-**



Get ready to witness intense battles of strategy and wit as players compete for this generous reward. It's not just a game it's a chance to claim a life-changing opportunity !

WORLD CHESS ICONS



Prepare to witness chess greatness! Grandmasters from around the world, including Mikhail Krasankov from Poland, Mikhail Mikheshashvili from Georgia, and our very own Lalit Babu, are gracing the event. Their strategic brilliance is set to captivate audiences.

BANGALORE: A CHESS HAVEN

Bangalore, India's Silicon Valley, isn't just the hub of technology it's also a chess haven. With a rich chess heritage and a passionate community, Bangalore is the perfect backdrop for this grand chess spectacle.



HERE'S WHY:

- 1 Chess Hub:** Bangalore has emerged as a chess hub, nurturing some of India's finest talents. It's home to renowned chess academies, clubs, and a passionate chess community
- 2 Infrastructure:** The Kantevara Indoor Stadium offers world-class infrastructure, ensuring a comfortable and competitive environment for players and spectators.
- 3 International Connectivity:** Bangalore's well-connected airport makes it accessible to players and fans from around the world.
- 4 Cultural Diversity:** Known as the "Silicon Valley of India," Bangalore celebrates diversity and is an ideal host for an international event.
- 5 Support:** With the backing of FIDE, All India Chess Federation, Karnataka State Chess Association and, Government of Karnataka & Karnataka Olympic Association, tournament enjoys robust support.
- 6 Passion for Chess:** Bangaloreans' love for chess is evident in the city's numerous chess tournaments and events, making it the perfect setting for this grand tournament.

Join Us In The Garden City For An Unforgettable Chess Spectacle!

ABOUT BUDCA: PROMOTING CHESS IN BANGALORE



The Bangalore Urban District Chess Association (BUDCA) is driven by 7 passionate women with a mission to promote chess in Bangalore. This dedicated group combines players, parents, and organizers, united by their love for chess. BUDCA strives to elevate chess to new heights.

POWERED BY PASSION, SUPPORTED BY DEDICATION



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FIDE'S COMMITMENT TO CHESS



International Chess Federation



All India Chess Federation



Karnataka State Chess Association

FIDE, the International Chess Federation, stands firmly behind this chess revolution. Their commitment to chess development worldwide has been instrumental in propelling the game to new heights.

ABOUT AICF & KSCA

The All India Chess Federation (AICF) is India's chess governing body, promoting and regulating the game nationwide. The Karnataka State Chess Association (KSCA) does the same at the state level in Karnataka, nurturing local talent and contributing to chess's popularity in the region. Both organizations are vital to the growth of chess in



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PRESIDENT, KSCA



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SECRETARY, KSCA

TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS

-  **Inclusivity:** Players of all age groups welcome
-  **Women's Chess Tournament:** Empowering women in chess
-  **USP of Bangalore:** A city that lives and breathes chess
-  **Chess Events for Everyone:** Exhibition matches, simultaneous, blind-fold, panel discussions, etc
-  **Grand Opening and Closing Ceremonies:** Cultural extravaganza, spectacular celebrations
-  **Celebrities' Presence:** Eminent personalities joining the event



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BANGALORE INTERNATIONAL GRANDMASTERS OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT 2024

AICF EVENT CODE: 341239/341240/341241/KAR/2023

KSCA EVENT CODE: KSCA/R009/R010/R011/2324

TOTAL CASH PRIZE FUND

₹ 50,00,000/-

18TH-26TH JANUARY 2024



VENUE: SRI KANTEERAVA INDOOR STADIUM KASTURBA ROAD,
NUNEGUNDLAPALLI, BANGALORE, KARNATAKA INDIA 560001



CATEGORY:

Arrival:

17th January 2024

at 12:00 hrs



FOR PLAYERS
1900 & ABOVE

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

18-01-2024	10:30 HRS	PLAYERS MEETING
18-01-2024	11:00 HRS	INAUGURATION
18-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 1
19-01-2024	09:30 HRS	ROUND 2
19-01-2024	15:00 HRS	ROUND 3
20-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 4
21-01-2024	09:30 HRS	ROUND 5
21-01-2024	15:00 HRS	ROUND 6
22-01-2024	BLITZ TOURNAMENT	
23-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 7
24-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 8
25-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 9
26-01-2024	09:30 HRS	ROUND 10
26-01-2024	15:00 HRS	PD FUNCTION



TOTAL CASH PRIZES:

₹ 25,00,000/-



MAIN PRIZES



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 : ₹ 12,000, ₹ 10,000 & ₹ 8,000

3 Best 2199 Below Players : ₹ 12,000, ₹ 10,000 & ₹ 8,000

3 Best 1999 Below Players : ₹ 12,000, ₹ 10,000 & ₹ 8,000

3 Best Karnataka Players : ₹ 12,000, ₹ 10,000 & ₹ 8,000

3 Best Female Players : ₹ 12,000, ₹ 10,000 & ₹ 8,000

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 1-1-2024 are eligible to participate.

ENTRY FEE

For GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs :	Free
Rated 2400 and above	₹ 5,000/-
Rated between 2300-2399	₹ 7,000/-
Rated between 2000-2299	₹ 8,000/-
Rated between 1900-1999	₹ 10,000/-

For Registration



Early bird offer: 10% discount if registered on or before 20-10-2023

No spot entries will be accepted. No request towards waiver/refund of entry fee or waiver of late fee will be entertained

**The last date of entry: 5th Jan 2024
Entries with late fee of ₹ 500 up to 15th Jan 2024**

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 plus 30 second 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

CONDITIONS:

For conditions **GMs & IMs** Kindly contact Mr. M.S Gopakumar - 9868624216

ACCOMMODATION:

Category	Double sharing	Triple sharing	No of nights
A	Free for GM/WGM/ IM/WIMs ₹ 6000/- for other players	₹ 4000/- for player	10
	₹ 8000/- for accompanying person	₹ 5000/- for each accompanying person	

CATEGORY:

B



FOR PLAYERS
2000 & BELOW

Arrival:

17th January 2024 at 1200 hrs

Rounds:

18th January 2024 to 21st January 2024

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

18-01-2024	10:30 HRS	PLAYERS MEETING
18-01-2024	11:00 HRS	INAUGURATION
18-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 1
18-01-2024	17:30 HRS	ROUND 2
19-01-2024	09:30 HRS	ROUND 3
19-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 4
19-01-2024	17:30 HRS	ROUND 5
20-01-2024	09:30 HRS	ROUND 6
20-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 7
20-01-2024	17:30 HRS	ROUND 8
21-01-2024	09:30 HRS	ROUND 9
21-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 10
21-01-2024	19:30 HRS	PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY
22-01-2024	BLITZ TOURNAMENT	



TOTAL CASH PRIZES:

₹ 12,50,000/-



MAIN PRIZES



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
41 TO 50	₹ 5,000

Best Unrated	: 1st ₹ 12,000/-	2nd ₹ 10000/-	3rd ₹ 8000/-
Best Below Elo 1700	: 1st ₹ 12000/-	2nd ₹ 10000/-	3rd ₹ 8000/-
Best Below Elo 1500	: 1st ₹ 12000/-	2nd ₹ 10000/-	3rd ₹ 8000/-
Best Below Elo 1200	: 1st ₹ 12000/-	2nd ₹ 10000/-	3rd ₹ 8000/-
Best Female	: 1st ₹ 12000/-	2nd ₹ 10000/-	3rd ₹ 8000/-
Best Veteran (+60)	: 1st ₹ 12000/-	2nd ₹ 10000/-	3rd ₹ 8000/-
Best Karnataka Players	: 1st ₹ 12000/-	2nd ₹ 10000/-	3rd ₹ 8000/-
Best Bangalore Players	: 1st ₹ 12000/-	2nd ₹ 10000/-	3rd ₹ 8000/-

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 as on 1-1-2024 are only allowed to participate in this event.

Any player who finished 1st or 2nd in the rating restricted FIDE rated event for the last one year (18-1-2023 to 17-1-2024) are not eligible to participate.

ENTRY FEE

Karnataka Players: ₹ 4,000/-

All other Players: ₹ 5,000/-

Only one of the following discounts can be availed

- Early bird offer of **10%** off if registered on or before **20-10-2023**
- ₹ 1000/- off if registered for both categories B and C on or before **5-12-2023**

For Registration



The last date of entry: 5th Jan 2024
Entries with late fee of ₹ 500 up-to 15th Jan 2024

No spot entries will be accepted. No request towards waiver/refund of entry fee or waiver of late fee will be entertained.

Players opting to play Category B and Category 'C' will get ₹ 1000 discount in entry fee.(Early bird offer not applicable). This discount is available only up to 5th December 2023.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

SYSTEM OF PLAY:

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TIE BREAK:

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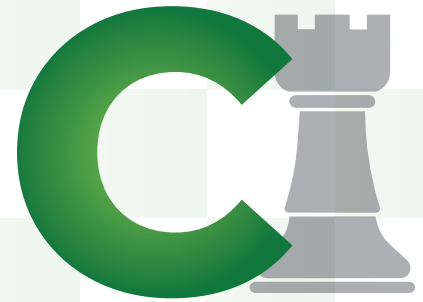
TIME CONTROL:

60 Minutes plus 30 second increment from move 1

ACCOMMODATION:

Category	Double sharing	Triple sharing	No of nights
B only	₹ 3500/- for player	₹ 2500/- for player	5
	₹ 5000/- for accompanying person	₹ 3000/- for each accompanying person	
B+C	₹.6000/- for player	₹ 4000/- for player	10
	₹ 8000/- for accompanying person	₹ 5000/- for each accompanying person	

CATEGORY:



**FOR PLAYERS
1600 & BELOW**

Arrival:

22nd January 2024 at 12:00 hrs

Rounds:

23rd January 2024 to 26th January 2024

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

22-10-2024	BLITZ TOURNAMENT	
23-01-2024	09:00 HRS	PLAYERS MEETING
23-01-2024	09:30 HRS	ROUND 1
23-01-2024	13:30 HRS	ROUND 2
23-01-2024	17:30 HRS	ROUND 3
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26-01-2024	15:00 HRS	PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY



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₹ 12,50,000/-



MAIN PRIZES



Place	Prize
4	₹ 75,000
5	₹ 70,000
6	₹ 60,000
7	₹ 50,000
8	₹ 40,000
9	₹ 30,000
10	₹ 25,000
11 TO 20	₹ 15,000
21 TO 30	₹ 10,000
31 TO 40	₹ 8,000
41 TO 50	₹ 5,000

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Best Below Elo 1200	: 1st ₹ 12,000/-	2nd ₹ 10,000/-	3rd ₹ 8,000/-
Best Female	: 1st ₹ 12,000/-	2nd ₹ 10,000/-	3rd ₹ 8,000/-
Best Veteran (+60)	: 1st ₹ 12,000/-	2nd ₹ 10,000/-	3rd ₹ 8,000/-
Best Karnataka Players	: 1st ₹ 12,000/-	2nd ₹ 10,000/-	3rd ₹ 8,000/-
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60 Minutes plus 30 second increment from move 1

ACCOMMODATION:

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C only	₹ 3500/- for player	₹ 2500/- for player	5
	₹ 5000/- for accompanying person	₹ 3000/- for each accompanying person	
B+C	₹.6000/- for player	₹ 4000/- for player	10
	₹ 8000/- for accompanying person	₹ 5000/- for each accompanying person	

WEATHER

- The Weather in bangalore during January is moderate.
- The minimum / maximum temperature will be around 25-30 Degree Celsius during day and 15-20 degree Celsius in the night.

FOR ASSISTANCE PLEASE CONTACT :

Chairman Advisory Board

Shri D P Anantha
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Foreign Players

Mr. M S Gopakumar
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The above mail is valid only to foreign players and title holders wishing to take part in the CATEGORY "A" tournament only.



Indian Players

Registration/General queries

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Mrs. Jayanthi Hanumantha - 7829600466
Mrs. Shubharani Hebbar - 9448292516



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Mrs. Sowmya M U

Organizing Secretary

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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 2023-2024 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 2023-2024 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 : In case 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 ₹ 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.
-  Prize money will be transferred online mode and in INR (Indian National Rupee) only
-  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.
-  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



CATEGORY: A



CATEGORY: B-C

Bank Details For Entry Fee Transfer

Account Name: BENGALURU URBAN DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION

Account Number: 50200066091711

Account Branch: CHANDRA LAYOUT

IFSC Code: HDFC0001757

Gpay number : 8317426652



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