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RAPID RATING FIESTA 2026

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AICF Event Code: 510558/MH(R)/2026

ALL INDIA OPEN FIDE RAPID RATING CHESS TOURNAMENT

Organised by Chess@School, Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar

SUNDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2026

VENUE: RJ INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar, Maharashtra

₹1,00,000	65	100	100	100
Guaranteed Cash Prize Fund	Cash Prize Positions	Trophies	Medals	Age-Group Prizes for Boys and Girls

TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- 9 Swiss-system rounds
- 10 minutes + 5 seconds increment per move
- First Round: 10:00 AM
- Top 20 boards LIVE through idChess
- Live commentary and selected game analysis
- Free career counselling and health check-up camp
- Family activities and musical evening
- Grand prize distribution and lucky draw

Tournament Director: Lekh Mithawala

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REGISTRATION STARTS AT JUST ₹500!

Chess@School Registration: 8600997080

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छत्रपती संभाजीनगर

PRIZE STRUCTURE

₹1,00,000 GUARANTEED CASH PRIZE FUND

65 Cash Prizes | 100 Trophies | 100 Medals

A. OPEN CATEGORY – ALL PLAYERS

Position	Prize
1st	₹10,000 + Trophy
2nd	₹7,500 + Trophy
3rd	₹5,000 + Trophy
4th	₹3,500 + Medal
5th	₹3,000 + Medal
6th – 10th	₹1,700 + Medal each
11th – 15th	₹1,000 + Medal each
16th – 20th	₹700 + Medal each

Total Open Cash Prizes: 20

B. FIDE RAPID RATING CATEGORIES

Rating Bands:
1700–1799 | 1600–1699
1500–1599 | 1400–1499

Position	Prize
1st	₹2,000 + Trophy
2nd	₹1,500 + Trophy
3rd	₹1,000 + Trophy
4th	₹800 + Medal
5th	₹700 + Medal

Total Rating Category Cash Prizes: 20 Positions

Eligibility determined using the November 2026 FIDE Rapid Rating List.

C. SPECIAL PRIZE CATEGORIES

- Best Unrated
- Best Woman
- Best Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar
- Best Marathwada
- Best Senior Citizen (55+)

Position	Prize
1st	₹2,000 + Trophy
2nd	₹1,500 + Trophy
3rd	₹1,000 + Trophy
4th	₹800 + Medal
5th	₹700 + Medal

Total Special Category Prizes: 25

- **Best Unrated:** Players without a FIDE Rapid Rating in the November 2026 list.
- **Best Marathwada:** Players from Jalna, Beed, Dharashiv, Latur, Nanded, Parbhani and Hingoli.
- **Senior Citizen:** 55 years or older as of 1 January 2026.

D. AGE-GROUP PRIZES – BOYS / OPEN

Age Group	Positions 1–5	Positions 6–10
Under-7	Trophy each	Medal each
Under-9	Trophy each	Medal each
Under-11	Trophy each	Medal each
Under-13	Trophy each	Medal each
Under-15	Trophy each	Medal each

50 Prizes: 25 Trophies + 25 Medals

E. AGE-GROUP PRIZES – GIRLS

Age Group	Positions 1–5	Positions 6–10
Under-7 Girls	Trophy each	Medal each
Under-9 Girls	Trophy each	Medal each
Under-11 Girls	Trophy each	Medal each
Under-13 Girls	Trophy each	Medal each
Under-15 Girls	Trophy each	Medal each

50 Prizes: 25 Trophies + 25 Medals

100 Age-Group Prizes in Total!

Age eligibility determined as of 1 January 2026.

F. ADDITIONAL SPECIAL TROPHIES

Best Academy / School	Trophy
Youngest Boy	Trophy
Youngest Girl	Trophy

- **Best Academy / School:** Minimum 20 registered players. Combined scores of the top five players determine the winner. Each player may represent one institution. Ties are resolved by the higher final ranking of the institution's best player.

IMPORTANT PRIZE CONDITIONS

- One prize per player across all categories.
- A cash prize accompanied by a trophy or medal constitutes one combined award.
- The highest-value cash award takes priority for players qualifying for multiple categories.
- Other awards pass to the next eligible players.
- Prize winners must attend the distribution ceremony personally.
- No proxy collection or later distribution of unclaimed prizes.
- Age-group awards are trophies and medals, not cash.

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REGISTRATION & TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEES

Registration Period	Entry Fee
Up to 15 November 2026	₹500
16–25 November 2026	₹600
26–28 November 2026	₹700
On the spot — 29 November 2026	₹800

On-spot registration closes at 9:00 AM.

Advance registration is recommended.
Cash and UPI payment options available.

COMPULSORY AICF & MCA REGISTRATION

Registration	Fee	Applicable To
AICF	₹300	Indian participants
MCA	₹150	Maharashtra participants, additional to AICF

Membership Season: 2026–27

- AICF registration is compulsory for Indian participants.
- MCA registration is additionally compulsory for Maharashtra participants.
- Membership charges are separate from tournament entry fees.

SCAN TO REGISTER

Registration Assistance:

Chess@School: 8600997080

AICF & MCA Registration — Hanif Qureshi: 8626082520

SCAN TO REGISTER

OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2026

Activity	Time
On-spot Registration Closes	9:00 AM
Players' Meeting	9:30 AM
Round 1	10:00 AM
Round 2	10:45 AM
Round 3	11:30 AM
Round 4	12:15 PM
Round 5	1:00 PM
Official Lunch Break	2:00–2:30 PM
Round 6	2:30 PM
Round 7	3:15 PM
Round 8	4:00 PM
Round 9	4:45 PM
Musical Evening	5:30 PM onwards
Grand Prize Distribution	Begins 7:00 PM
Lucky Draw	After Prize Distribution

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- All India Open FIDE Rapid Rating Chess Tournament.
- Nine Swiss-system rounds.
- Time control: 10 minutes + 5 seconds increment per move.
- Pairings and results available on Chess-Results and venue noticeboards.
- Pre-registered players may proceed directly to their allotted boards.

REGISTRATION CONDITIONS

- Tournament entry fees are non-refundable.
- Registrations are non-transferable.
- Player-detail corrections require Chief Arbiter approval.
- Any necessary schedule changes will be announced officially.

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TOURNAMENT EXPERIENCE

More Than Just a Chess Tournament!

TOP 20 BOARDS LIVE ON idCHESS

- Top 20 tournament boards broadcast LIVE through idChess.
- Live commentary and selected game analysis.
- Dedicated live-viewing screen in the spectator waiting area.
- Players and families can follow featured games.



FREE CAREER COUNSELLING — 3S INSTITUTE

- Free career counselling for players, parents and visitors.
- Guidance on education, career pathways and future opportunities.



FREE HEALTH CHECK-UP CAMP

Healthcare Partner: JJ Plus Hospitals

- Complimentary health check-up camp for tournament attendees.
- Medical support and first-aid facilities available.



SPECIAL GAMES & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

- Interactive games and activities for parents and accompanying family members.
- Fun and engaging experiences outside the playing hall.
- A welcoming atmosphere for the entire family.



MUSICAL EVENING

5:30 PM ONWARDS

Enjoy an evening of music and celebration as we prepare to honour our tournament champions.



GRAND PRIZE DISTIRIBUTION

BEGINS AT 7:00 PM



- ₹1,00,000 Guaranteed Cash Prize Fund
- 100 Trophies and 100 Medals
- Recognition of outstanding tournament performances

EXCITING LUCKY DRAW

- One complimentary lucky draw entry for every registered player.
- Additional tickets available for accompanying persons and visitors.
- Lucky draw after the prize distribution.
- Winners must be present to claim prizes.





PERSONALISED CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

Every participating player receives a personalised Certificate of Merit after the prize distribution.

TOURNAMENT MEMORIES

Official photographs, reels and tournament highlights shared through Chess@School channels.



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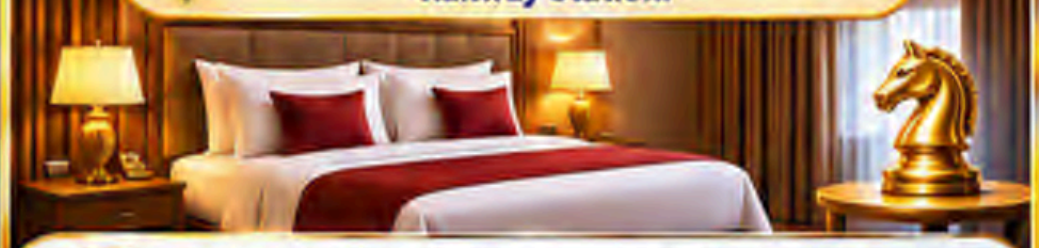


- 10% discount on eligible Humsafar Travels bus bookings through the organisers.
- Travel booking assistance for players and accompanying persons.
- Free pick-up and drop-off to and from the tournament venue for eligible organiser-arranged bookings.
- Advance coordination required.
- Bookings subject to seat and route availability.

OFFICIAL HOTEL PARTNER
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SPECIAL DISCOUNTED ACCOMMODATION!

Opposite Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar Railway Station.



- Special discounted accommodation rates.
- Convenient location near the railway station.
- Approximately 2.5 km / about 10 minutes from the tournament venue.
- Triple-sharing accommodation arrangements.
- Free pick-up and drop-off between the hotel and venue for eligible coordinated bookings.
- Advance booking recommended, subject to availability.

CONVENIENT CITY ACCESS



- Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar is well connected by road and rail.
- RJ International School is conveniently accessible from major city arrival points.
- Players travelling with their families may coordinate their arrangements in advance.

DEDICATED TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION CONTACT

RUSHIKESH DESHMUKH | **9404256286**

For bus bookings, hotel arrangements, discounts and eligible pick-up/drop-off coordination.

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VENUE FACILITIES, FOOD & ARRANGEMENTS

Your Comfort Is Our Priority!

A FREE RESTING FACILITIES FROM 5:00 AM



- Venue opens at 5:00 AM.
- Free designated resting space for players and accompanying families.
- Waiting areas, washrooms and fresh-up facilities.

B PARKING & DRINKING WATER



- Free vehicle parking.
- Drinking-water facilities available.
- Additional packaged water available for purchase.

C FOOD & REFRESHMENTS



- Tea, breakfast, snacks and lunch available on a paid basis.
- Players can buy any food items using coupons.
- Food and refreshments counters at the venue.
- Cash and UPI payment facilities at coupon counter.

D SPECIAL COMPLETE MEAL

₹150 PER MEAL



- Vegetarian and Jain meal options.
- Meal service: 1:00 PM–3:00 PM.
- Official lunch break: 2:00 PM–2:30 PM.
- Advance meal booking recommended.
- Meals can be booked with the registration form.

E HEALTH, SAFETY & EMERGENCY SUPPORT



- First-aid and medical assistance.
- Free health check-up camp.
- Fire-safety and emergency arrangements.

F PLAYING HALL & WAITING AREAS



- Playing hall access restricted to players and authorised officials.
- Dedicated waiting space for parents, coaches and visitors.
- Live-viewing arrangements for featured idChess games.
- Family engagement activities in separate areas.

G ACCESSIBILITY & ASSISTANCE

Participants requiring special assistance may contact the tournament Information Desk.

H FOOD & REFRESHMENTS HELPLINE

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OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

1. FIDE LAWS & TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- The tournament will be conducted according to the applicable FIDE Laws of Chess and Rapid Chess Regulations.
- FIDE Rapid Chess Appendix A.5 shall apply throughout the tournament, subject to confirmation by the Chief Arbiter.
- Nine Swiss-system rounds.
- **Time Control:** 10 minutes + 5 seconds increment per move.
- The same playing regulations apply to all boards, including the 20 boards broadcast LIVE through idChess.
- Players must follow the instructions of the Chief Arbiter and tournament officials.

Important — FIDE Appendix A.5

- Players are not required to record their moves.
- An illegal move must be addressed before the opponent makes their next move, according to Appendix A.5.2.
- After each player has completed 10 moves, claims regarding incorrect board setup or orientation are restricted under Appendix A.5.1.
- An arbiter who observes a flag fall shall announce it.
- All other provisions of Appendix A.5 shall apply as prescribed by FIDE.

2. OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT ARBITRATION

The Chief Arbiter and arbiter team will supervise the tournament under applicable FIDE regulations. Decisions of the Chief Arbiter are subject to the tournament's published appeals procedure.

5. PROTESTS & APPEALS

Protest Window: 10 Minutes **Appeal Fee: ₹2,000**

- The appeal fee is refundable if the appeal is successful.
- An Appeals Committee consisting of five members and two reserves will be appointed at the 9:30 AM Players' Meeting.
- Appeals will be considered under applicable tournament regulations.

6. ELECTRONIC DEVICES & FAIR PLAY

- Mobile phones, smartwatches and wristwatches are prohibited inside the playing hall.
- Device deposit arrangements will be available outside the playing hall.
- Players must comply with all fair-play instructions and arbiter directions.

7. PLAYING HALL ACCESS & CONDUCT

- Only participating players and authorised officials may enter the playing hall.
- Parents, coaches and visitors must use designated waiting areas.
- Spectators may follow selected games through the idChess live-viewing facility.
- Silence, discipline and sportsmanship are expected from all participants.

3. OFFICIAL TIE-BREAK SYSTEM

Priority	Tie-Break
1	Buchholz Cut-1
2	Buchholz
3	Sonneborn–Berger
4	Direct Encounter
5	Greater Number of Wins, including forfeits
6	Greater Number of Games Won with Black

Tie-break calculations, including the treatment of unplayed rounds, shall follow applicable FIDE regulations.

4. PAIRINGS, RESULTS & CORRECTIONS

- Pairings and results will be displayed on Chess-Results and venue noticeboards.
- Players must promptly verify their results and pairings.
- Errors must be reported to the Chief Arbiter or Pairing Arbiter before subsequent round pairings are finalised.
- Final standings will be published on Chess-Results.

8. ABSENCE, DEFAULTS & RE-ENTRY

- Two consecutive absences without notifying an arbiter may lead to removal from subsequent pairings.
- Re-entry requires Chief Arbiter approval.
- Default time will be specified in the final tournament regulations.
- Players must promptly inform the arbiter of any difficulty affecting their participation.

9. PRIZE ELIGIBILITY & ALLOCATION

- One prize per player across all categories.
- Cash plus trophy or medal constitutes one combined prize.
- Highest-value cash prize takes priority in case of multiple qualifications.
- Other eligible awards pass to the next eligible player.
- Final prize lists are prepared using official results and tie-breaks.

10. PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

- Grand Prize Distribution begins at 7:00 PM.
- All prize winners must be personally present.
- Proxy collection is not permitted.
- Unclaimed prizes will not be redistributed or issued after the ceremony.
- Cash prizes may be paid in cash or electronically, as determined by the organisers.

11. PERSONALISED CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

- Every participating player receives a personalised Certificate of Merit.
- Certificates will be distributed after the Prize Distribution Ceremony.
- Parents or guardians may collect certificates on behalf of their children.

12. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The organisers and Chief Arbiter may announce necessary schedule or procedural changes in exceptional circumstances. Official venue announcements must be followed.





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HON. SHRI ATULJI SAVE

Cabinet Minister, Government of Maharashtra
President, Aurangabad District Chess Association

We sincerely thank Hon. Shri Atulji Save for his continued guidance, encouragement and blessings in promoting chess and nurturing young talent.

IMPORTANT PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

- Venue opens at 5:00 AM, with free resting space.
- Tea and breakfast available on a paid basis.
- On-spot registration closes at 9:00 AM.
- Players' Meeting: 9:30 AM.
- First Round: 10:00 AM.
- Prize Distribution: 7:00 PM.
- Personalised Certificates of Merit distributed after Prize Distribution.
- Final results available on Chess-Results, venue noticeboards and official Chess@School channels.

OFFICIAL MEDIA COVERAGE

Official tournament photographs, reels and highlights will be shared through Chess@School channels.

OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION DESK

Department	Contact Person	Mobile Number
Registration	Chess@School	8600997080
General Enquiries	Bhakti Shete	8421112252
General Enquiries	Trushna Pawar	8421122262
AICF & MCA Registration	Hanif Qureshi	8626082520
Travel & Accommodation	Rushikesh Deshmukh	9404256286
Venue & Facilities	Om Nagare	8830634979
Food & Refreshments	Dhammapal Gawai	8624865585

Official Email: chessatschoolpro@gmail.com

A MESSAGE FROM THE ORGANISERS

EVERY GREAT CHESS JOURNEY BEGINS WITH A MOVE!

- At Chess@School, we believe chess builds confidence, discipline, independent thinking and sportsmanship.
- Through the 3S Institute Rapid Rating Fiesta 2026 – by Chess@School, we welcome players of different ages and playing strengths to experience competitive chess, develop their skills and enjoy the spirit of the game.
- We sincerely thank the chess associations, our esteemed tournament partners, the Chief Arbiter and arbiter team, tournament officials, coaches, schools, players, parents, volunteers and all supporters for contributing to this celebration of chess.
- We look forward to welcoming you and your family!

With Best Wishes,

CHESS@SCHOOL TEAM

SEE YOU ON 29 NOVEMBER!!!

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