



**Travancore  
Chess  
Club**

# Robert Fischer Memorial 2016

## All India Open Chess Tournament

FIDE Rated | AICF Event Code: 133094/KER/2016

2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016  
Technopark Club  
Trivandrum, Kerala

Travancore Chess Club  
[www.travancorechessclub.org](http://www.travancorechessclub.org)

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## 1. Tournament Schedule

Saturday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2016	ARRIVAL: 09:00 AM	INAUGURATION: 10:00 AM
Saturday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2016	ROUND 1: 11:00 AM	ROUND 2: 04:00 PM
Sunday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2016	ROUND 3: 09:30 AM	ROUND 4: 03:00 PM
Monday, 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2016	ROUND 5: 09:30 AM	ROUND 6: 03:00 PM
Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2016	ROUND 7: 09:30 AM	ROUND 8: 03:00 PM
Wednesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2016	ROUND 9: 08:30 AM	Prize Distribution : 02:00 PM

## 2. Eligibility

The tournament is open to all Indian players with valid All India Chess Federation (AICF) registration. Players who are debarred by AICF or their respective State Chess Associations are not allowed to participate.

Persons of Indian Origin (PIO) and Overseas Citizens of India (OCI) may also participate in the tournament provided they comply with the AICF regulations on PIO/OCI. Please refer the AICF website for guidelines on this. Please also note that all cash prizes will be distributed in Indian Rupees only.

## 3. Registration & Entry Fee

**All players must register online through the portal [www.paychessentry.com](http://www.paychessentry.com) on or before 26<sup>th</sup> June 2016.**

GM, WGM, IM, WIM	Rs. 500/- (*)
Players with ELO Rating 2300 and above	Rs. 1000/-
Players with ELO Rating below 2300	Rs. 1500/- (**)

(\*) Please contact the Organizing Committee on availability of accommodation near the venue.

(\*\*) Rs. 1300/- if registration is confirmed before 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016

**Total number of entries is limited to 220 plus a few sponsored entries to ensure comfortable playing conditions.**

## 4. System of Play & Time Control

The tournament will be conducted as per the Laws of Chess stipulated by FIDE and the FIDE Swiss System with **9 rounds** and a time control of **90 minutes plus 30 seconds increment from move 1** per player.

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## 5. Default Time = 15 minutes

At the time determined for the start of the game White's clock will be started. Any player who arrives at the Chess board after **15 minutes** from the start of the session shall lose the game unless the arbiter decides otherwise.

## 6. Tie-Break

Latest FIDE recommended tie-break rules will be followed to determine the final rankings. The tie-break methods applied will be in the order 1) Direct Encounter 2) Number of wins 3) Buchholz Cut 1 4) Buchholz and 5) Sonneborn-Berger.

## 7. AICF & CAK Registration

There will be provision at the venue for renewing AICF and Chess Association - Kerala (CAK) Players Registration. CAK Registration is mandatory for players from Kerala. Players are requested to download the registration form from AICF and CAK websites and bring the completed form to the tournament venue along with the prescribed player's registration fees.

## 8. Team of Arbiters

Mr. Ephrame M, International Arbiter (IA 5007186) is designated as the Chief Arbiter of the tournament. He will be assisted by a team of FIDE Arbiters.

## 9. Appeals Committee

A seven member committee of Appeals (inclusive of 2 reserves) will be formed from amongst the players, officials and coaches present on the inaugural day. The decision of the Appeals Committee will be binding on all the participants.

## 10. Arbitration of Protests

Objections, if any, to the decision of the Chief Arbiter, need to be made in writing with a protest fee of Rs. 500/- within **15 minutes** of the occurrence of the incident. This amount will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

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## 11. The Venue: Technopark Club, Trivandrum

The playing Halls are located on the first floor of Technopark Club. The first 20 boards will be set in the smaller A/C hall while the rest of the boards will be set in the adjoining spacious hall. The halls are adequately ventilated with good air circulation.

Technopark Club is a prominent location on the outskirts of Trivandrum City and is well connected to different parts of the city and suburbs via the public transport system. A/C and non-A/C buses ply at regular intervals from various parts of the city to Technopark. For short trips to nearby locations you can hire auto rickshaws from the prepaid counter near Technopark main gate.

Technopark Campus is located 14 KM from Trivandrum Central Railway Station (TVC). Many of the passenger and long distance trains have stops at Kochuveli (KCVL) and Kazhakkootam (KZK) Railway Stations.

Trivandrum is connected by overnight bus trips to Chennai, Trichy, Madurai, Pondicherry, Mangalore, Mysore, Bangalore, etc.

Trivandrum International Airport (TRV) is less than 11 KM from Technopark Campus. Some of the connection flights to Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, etc. are through the international terminal. Inland flights operate through the adjoining domestic terminal.

Technopark Campus is home to over 300 IT Companies with a total workforce of over 40,000. During the morning rush hour from 8:30 to 10 AM traffic is usually dense and you are advised to start early to reach the playing hall on time. Most companies in Technopark follow a 5 day work week with off days on Saturdays and Sundays. Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July, the concluding day of the tournament is on the day of *Eid al-fitr*, a public holiday in Kerala.

## 12. Accommodation

Players are requested to make their own arrangements for boarding & lodging. Please refer the tournament website [www.travancorechessclub.org](http://www.travancorechessclub.org) for contact information of nearby lodges.

A limited number of rooms at nominal rates are reserved near the venue for GM/WGM/IM/WIMs. Please refer the website [www.travancorechessclub.org](http://www.travancorechessclub.org) and make your reservations in advance.

## 13. Restaurants near the venue

KTDC Aabar, managed by Kerala Tourism Development Corporation (KTDC) functions at the venue. Besides this, the adjoining *Technomall* hosts a multi cuisine restaurant, *SUBWAY Sandwich* and *Domino's Piz̧za* Outlets. Just off the *Technopark* main gate, across the National Highway, a number of restaurants serve multi-cuisine vegetarian and non-vegetarian dishes.

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## 14. Trivandrum weather in July

The South-West Monsoon rainy season is prominent in Trivandrum during June and July with moderate to heavy showers and temperatures in the range of 23 to 32°C. Please carry an umbrella with you and wear appropriate footwear for the rainy season.

## 15. Places to visit in Trivandrum

Please refer Kerala Tourism Development Corporation (KTDC) website for more information.  
[www.keralatourism.org/districts/thiruvananthapuram/](http://www.keralatourism.org/districts/thiruvananthapuram/)

## 16. Tournament Website

The website [www.travancorechessclub.org](http://www.travancorechessclub.org) will be the official website of the tournament. Please refer this site for more up-to-date information about the tournament.

## 17. Organizing Committee

The tournament is organized by **Travancore Chess Club**, Trivandrum under the aegis of FIDE, AICF, CAK and Chess Association – Trivandrum (CAT).

### BOARD OF ADVISORS

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## 18. Prize Structure

Total Cash Prize Fund: Rs. 300,000/-

Total Number of Prizes: 74

### 18.1 MAIN PRIZES

1 <sup>st</sup>	Rs. 60,000/- + Trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rs. 40,000/-
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rs. 20,000/-	4 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 18,000/-
5 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 12,000/-	6 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 10,000/-
7 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 9,000/-	8 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 8,000/-
9 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 7,000/-	10 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 6,000/-
11 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 5,000/- each	16 <sup>th</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup>	Rs. 4,000/- each

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### 18.2 RATING CATEGORY PRIZES (Players in the Main Prizes list are not eligible for this)

ELO 2001 to 2300	1 <sup>st</sup> : Rs. 3500/-	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Rs. 3000/-	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Rs. 2500/-
ELO 1801 to 2000	1 <sup>st</sup> : Rs. 3500/-	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Rs. 3000/-	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Rs. 2500/-
ELO 1601 to 1800	1 <sup>st</sup> : Rs. 3500/-	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Rs. 3000/-	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Rs. 2500/-
ELO 1401 to 1600	1 <sup>st</sup> : Rs. 3500/-	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Rs. 3000/-	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Rs. 2500/-
ELO 1001 to 1400	1 <sup>st</sup> : Rs. 3500/-	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Rs. 3000/-	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Rs. 2500/-

45,000/-

### 18.3 SPECIAL PRIZES (a player may be eligible for one or more of these special prizes!!)

Best Unrated Player	Gift 1 + Certificate
Best Woman (18+)	Gift 2 + Certificate
Best Veteran (60+)	Gift 3 + Certificate
Best Player from Trivandrum, the host city	Gift 4 + Certificate

Gift 1: Bobby Fischer: His Approach to Chess by Elie Agur & Jimmy Adams, ISBN 978-1857440010

Gift 2: How I Beat Fischer's Record by Judit Polgar, ISBN 978-1907982194

Gift 3: My 60 Memorable Games by Bobby Fischer, ISBN 978-1906388300

Gift 4: Fischer World Champion! ... by Max Euwe & Jan Timman, ISBN 978-9056912635

### 18.4 AGE CATEGORY PRIZES (based on tournament standing within respective age categories)

U-7, U-9, U11, U-13, U-15 Boys 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trophy + Certificate
U-7, U-9, U11, U-13, U-15 Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trophy + Certificate

### 18.5 PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATES

Participation certificates will be issued to only those players who request for it in the prescribed form before Round 4. A nominal fee of Rs. 25/- will be charged for this. The certificates will be distributed at the end of Round 9. Those who wish to receive the certificates by post are required to pay an additional Rs. 75/- towards postage and handling charges.