



## KCA'S INTERNATIONAL CHESS FESTIVAL

Kottayam Chess Academy Presents

*God's Own Country's*

# 1<sup>ST</sup> GRANDMASTER INTERNATIONAL OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT 2025

**AICF EVENT CODE : 413511/KL/2025**

Organized by

**Kottayam Chess Academy**

Under the aegis of

**Chess Association Kottayam**

**Chess Association Kerala**

**All India Chess Federation &**

**Fédération Internationale des Échecs ( FIDE)**

**Total  
Cash Prize  
₹30,00,000/-**

### **CATEGORY A 30<sup>th</sup> April to 7<sup>th</sup> May**

All players with a standard rating as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 are eligible to participate.

The Courtyard  
Banquet Hall  
Kanjikuzhy, Kottayam

### **CATEGORY B**

**1<sup>st</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
(Below 1650)**

**Aithousa Convention Centre,  
SH Mount, Kottayam, Kerala**

**CATEGORY - A**

**TOTAL CASH PRIZE ₹20,00,000**

**Date:**  
**30<sup>th</sup> April to 7<sup>th</sup> May**

**Venue:**  
**The Courtyard Banquet Hall  
Kanjikuzhy, Kottayam**

The last date of entry	20 April 2025
Entries with late fee of ₹500	25 April 2025

### **Mode of Payment**

For online Registration  
visit: [www.chessmii.com](http://www.chessmii.com)

### **Technical Support**

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### **ELIGIBILITY**

All players with a standard rating as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 are eligible to participate.

(However, accelerated pairing may be implemented)

[Bookmyfee.com](http://Bookmyfee.com)



### **Arrival**

29-04-2025, 2 PM

### **Inauguration & Players Meet**

30-04-2025, 2.00 PM

Round 1 <b>30-04-2025</b> 3.00 PM	Round 2 <b>01-05-2025</b> 9.30 AM	Round 3 <b>01-05-2025</b> 3.00 PM	Round 4 <b>02-05-2025</b> 10.00 AM	Round 5 <b>03-05-2025</b> 9.30 AM
Round 6 <b>03-05-2025</b> 3.00 PM	Round 7 <b>04-05-2025</b> 10.00 AM	Round 8 <b>05-05-2025</b> 10.00 AM	Round 9 <b>06-05-2025</b> 10.00 AM	Round 10 <b>07-05-2025</b> 9.00 AM

**Prize Distribution Ceremony : 07-05-2025- 3.00 PM**



# MAIN PRIZES

<b>FIRST PRIZE</b> <b>₹3,00,000</b>		12 <sup>th</sup>	₹20,000	24 <sup>th</sup>	₹12,000
2 <sup>nd</sup>	₹2,00,000	13 <sup>th</sup>	₹20,000	25 <sup>th</sup>	₹12,000
3 <sup>rd</sup>	₹1,50,000	14 <sup>th</sup>	₹20,000	26 <sup>th</sup>	₹10,000
4 <sup>th</sup>	₹1,00,000	15 <sup>th</sup>	₹20,000	27 <sup>th</sup>	₹10,000
5 <sup>th</sup>	₹80,000	16 <sup>th</sup>	₹15,000	28 <sup>th</sup>	₹10,000
6 <sup>th</sup>	₹70,000	17 <sup>th</sup>	₹15,000	29 <sup>th</sup>	₹10,000
7 <sup>th</sup>	₹60,000	18 <sup>th</sup>	₹15,000	30 <sup>th</sup>	₹10,000
8 <sup>th</sup>	₹50,000	19 <sup>th</sup>	₹15,000	31 <sup>st</sup>	₹10,000
9 <sup>th</sup>	₹30,000	20 <sup>th</sup>	₹15,000	32 <sup>nd</sup>	₹10,000
10 <sup>th</sup>	₹25,000	21 <sup>st</sup>	₹12,000	33 <sup>rd</sup>	₹10,000
11 <sup>th</sup>	₹20,000	22 <sup>nd</sup>	₹12,000	34 <sup>th</sup>	₹10,000
		23 <sup>rd</sup>	₹12,000	35 <sup>th</sup>	₹10,000

<b>Best Below 2300</b>		<b>Best Below 2200</b>		<b>Best Below 2100</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	₹70,000	1 <sup>st</sup>	₹70,000	1 <sup>st</sup>	₹50,000
2 <sup>nd</sup>	₹50,000	2 <sup>nd</sup>	₹50,000	2 <sup>nd</sup>	₹30,000
3 <sup>rd</sup>	₹30,000	3 <sup>rd</sup>	₹30,000	3 <sup>rd</sup>	₹20,000

<b>Best Below 1999</b>	<b>Best Female</b>	<b>Best Kerala</b>	<b>Best Kottayam</b>
₹50,000	₹20,000	₹20,000	₹10,000
₹30,000	₹15,000	₹15,000	
₹20,000	₹10,000	₹10,000	

## Prize Money Notes:

- The prizes shall not be shared and a player would be eligible for one higher prize only.
- Tax will be deducted as per the Indian Income Tax Act.
- All payments to Indian players would be made by bank transfer.
- Prize winners from foreign countries would be required to submit a copy of their passport & visa.
- All GM's & Foreign players will be eligible for main category prizes only.

## 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.

## Draw Agreement

Players can't agree for a draw before 30<sup>th</sup> move of black.

## Fair Play Regulations

All electronic items including wrist watches (all type of watches) are not allowed in the tournament hall. FIDE and AICF Fair Play Regulations will be in enforce during the event and all players are to respect and abide by the same.

## Accommodation

All GMs will be provided free hotel\* accommodation on double sharing basis.

All IMs/WGMs/WIMs will be provided free hotel accommodation on double sharing basis.

All foreign players above the rating of 2000 will be provided free hotel accommodation on double sharing basis.

All other players required to make their own arrangements for accommodation.

## Accommodation Partner: My Chess Trip

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Entry Registration

All the Indian entries will be accepted only through online mode in the following link except foreign players and players holding the title of GM/IM/WGM/WIM.

Contact for Foreign Players & Title Holders:  
Foreign players and title holders, please contact:  
Mr. Gopakumar (International Arbiter)  
Email: indianchessevents@gmail.com  
CC: kottayamchess@yahoo.com

Contact for Indian Title Holders  
(GM/IM/WGM/WIM)  
Mr. Sureshkumar T J (Mob: 90032 45877)  
E-mail: kottayamchess@yahoo.com

### Eligibility & Aicf Registration

All the Indian players must be registered with AICF for the year 2025-26.

AICF ID search & renewal link: <https://prs.aicf.in/>  
AICF ID new registration link: <https://prs.aicf.in/new-register>  
CAK(Chess Association Kerala) registration fee Rs. 100/- for 2025 is compulsory for all Kerala players.

[www.chessmii.com](http://www.chessmii.com)  
Organiser's have the right to accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason.

### Registration of Foreign Players & Players under FIDE Flag

Other than Indian players, all other players required to have valid FIDE ID under their respective country or licensed FIDE ID under FIDE Flag before the registration of the tournament.

English, Malayalam: 80895 25647, 94471 00071  
Hindi : 97443 90050, 94952 57277

### Organising Secretary

Girija Lal Rajesh

Event Coordinator: Athira Suresh

Tournament Director

Rajesh Nattakom | A

(kottayamchess1@gmail.com)

ENTRY FEE	RATING CRITERIA	EARLY BIRD (Till 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2025)	ENTRY FEE (11 <sup>th</sup> March 2025)
	Rated 2400 and above	₹4,999/-	₹5,999/-
	Rated between 2300 - 2399	₹6,999/-	₹7,999/-
	Rated between 2000 - 2299	₹7,999/-	₹8,999/-
	Rated below 2000	₹8,999/-	₹9,999/-

No request towards waiver of entry fee will be entertained.

The last date of entry	20 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Entries with late fee of `500	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2025

Please note that this entry fee structure is valid only until 20 April 2025. Thereafter till 25 April 2025 the participants will have to pay Rs. 500/- extra. No request towards waiver of entry fee or waiver of late fee will be entertained