



**H. S. David Memorial Trophy**

**63<sup>rd</sup> Kerala State**

**Open Fide Rated Chess Championship 2026**

Event Code: 463630/KL/2026

**Jointly Organized by**

**Rooks & Roots and Chanakya Chess Academy &  
Kozhikode Chess Association (KCA)**

**On Behalf of  
Chess Association Kerala (CAK)**

**Total Prize Money  
Rs.1,40,000**

**3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**Venue: Rooks & Roots Chess Academy,  
Vellimadukunnu, Iringadanpally, Kovoov Rd, Kozhikode, Kerala**



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# ORGANISING COMMITTEE

## PATRONS

- **Rajesh R** (Chairman, Arbiter commission, All India Chess Federation)
- **Kunhimoideen A M** (President, Chess Association Kerala)
- **Viswanathan V N** (General Secretary, Chess Association Kerala)
- **Vinod Kumar K V** (Secretary, Kozhikode Chess Association) - Mob: 9947181042
- **Shaji K** (Chairman, Event Commission, Chess Association Kerala)
- **Praveen Kumar K K** (National player)

## COMMITTEE

- **Chairman: Manoj M C**
- **Vice Chairman: Valsarajan P Ramanujan**
- **Convener: Dinesh Babu Manakkal** - Mob: 9497085077
- **Joint convener: Santhosh David**
- **Treasurer: Rajesh K**

## SUB-COMMITTEE

### • Inauguration & Valedictory Committee

- Santhosh David
- Madhusoodanan K R
- Jagadeesh A K

### • Media and publicity

- Recharads
- Joushith
- Padmanand
- Ujwal M S

### • Reception committee

- Benzen Abraham
- Meghena Mahesh
- Priya Arunkumar
- Linas

### • Accommodation

- Nelson Clement
- Ansarulhaque R V

### • Food, Light & Sounds, Hall & Stage Committee

- Rajesh k
- Manoranjan K
- Santhosh Kumar K V
- Mohanan kk
- Vasu
- Ayyappan
- Radhakrishnan

## VENUE



VELLIMADUKUNNU, IRINGADANPALLY,  
KOVOOR RD, KOZHICODE, KERALA

## ONLINE REGISTRATION



Normal entry: Rs.1400  
Special entry: Rs.2000  
till 25-04-2026

- Last Date entry with late fee of Rs.200 till 30-04-2026



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1 <sup>st</sup>	Rs.25,000 + 	Sri. Santhosh David
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rs.15,000 + 	Jagadeesh A K in loving memory of his father, A P Karunan
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rs.9000 + 	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.7000	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.5000	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.4500	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.3750	
8 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.3500	
9 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.3000	Kasparov Chess Academy, Malaparamba, Kozhokode
10 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.3000	K K Lohithakshan Memorial
11 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.3000	Kadakkatt Philip Clement Memorial
12 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.3000	
13 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2750	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2750	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2750	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2500	
17 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2500	Chanakya Chess Academy
18 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2500	Sri. Manoranjan Kelat
19 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2500	BRIO Chess Academy
20 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2500	SUPER GENIUS CHESS & ABACUS H:O KAKKATTIL
21 <sup>st</sup>	Rs.2500	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Rs.2500	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Rs.2500	
24 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2500	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Rs.2500	
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Below 1800	Rs.2500	
Below 1700	Rs.2500	
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BEST WOMAN	Rs.2500	KRM Chess Academy
BEST VETERAN - 1 <sup>st</sup>	Rs.2500	Sri. Shaji K ( Karayil Chandran Memorial )
BEST VETERAN - 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rs.2000	KRM Chess Academy
BEST CALICUT	Rs.2500	Calicut Chess Academy
BEST CALICUT UNRATED	Rs.2500	Calicut Chess Academy
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# SCHEDULE

DATE	ROUND	TIME	DATE	ROUND	TIME
3-05-2026	1	10.00 AM	5-05-2026	5	9.00 AM
3-05-2026	2	3.00 PM	5-05-2026	6	2.00 PM
4-05-2026	3	9.00 AM	6-05-2026	7	8.30 AM
4-05-2026	4	2.00 PM	6-05-2026	8	12.30 PM



Inauguration & players meeting: 9.00 AM



First Round: 10.00 AM



PD Function @ 5.00 PM



No spot entry allowed



Time Control:  
90 Mins + 30 Seconds



No. of Rounds: 8



Classical Rating considered

## CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

1. Four PLAYERS from every affiliated District Association of Chess Association Kerala.
2. All former senior state champions can participate as Normal Entry
3. Any other player who remits the prescribed special entry fee of Rs. 2000/- can participate in the championship.
4. All entries including special entries should come through the concerned affiliated District Association and all the participants should be a registered player of the concerned affiliated district association. No direct entries will be entertained in any circumstances.
5. System of Play: The Championship will be played as per latest FIDE's Laws of Chess and the Swiss system.
6. Default Time: Default time for arriving to the chessboard is 15 minutes.
7. Tie Break: (1) Buchholz Cut 1 (2) Buchholz (3) Sonne born Berger (4) Direct Encounter (5) The greater number of wins (forfeit included)
8. Protest: If any against the decision of the chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with a Protest fee of Rs. 1000/- within 15 minutes of the occurrence of the incident. The Protest fee will not be refunded if the appeal is rejected.
9. Tournament Committee: The organizer will form a tournament Committee for the smooth conduct of the championship.
10. Interpretation: For interpretation of the rule(s) and deciding any point not covered by the above rules of the tournament, the decision of the tournament committee shall be final and binding on all. The tournament committee has every right to make any addition of amendment to these rules, without prior notice. However such changes or inclusion will be subject to CAK clearance. Such changes will, however, displayed in the tournament hall.
11. A player may withdraw at any stage of the event only after informing the Chief Arbiter in writing.
12. Electronic Devices During the play, Players are forbidden to wear any kind of wristwatch or carrying any electronic devices
13. Eligibility for National Championship 2026 is only limited to concerned State Championship participants.
14. All participants should be a registered player of Chess Association Kerala (CAK) for the year 2026. CAK player registration fee is Rs.100/- for the year 2026.
15. All the participants should be a registered player of All India Chess Federation 2026-2027.

**CHIEF ARBITER - FA SHAJI P M | MOB: 9495257277**

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