



ODISHA STATE (UNDER – 17) OPEN & GIRLS FIDE RATED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS – 2026

(AICF Event Code: **492372/492374/OD(S)/2026**)

Organised by **Sundargarh District Chess Association**

Under the aegis of **ALL ODISHA CHESS ASSOCIATION**

Supported by **Department of Sports & Youth Services (DSYS)**, Govt. of Odisha

Date: **20th to 23rd August 2026**

Total Cash Prizes: ₹30,000/-

(₹15,000/- for OPEN & ₹15,000/- for GIRLS)

+44 Attractive Trophies

Entry Fee: ₹ 700/-

Venue: **Birsa Munda Athletics Stadium,**

Birsa Munda Chowk, Rourkela, Odisha 769001

****Please note that only the players who take part in this State Championship will be permitted to represent ODISHA as selected/special entries in the forthcoming National U-17 Chess Championship which will be held at Kangra Fort, Barnai, J & K from 28th Sep to 06th October 2026. Hence participation in this State Championship is COMPULSORY****

Rounds / Time Control	90 minutes with 30 second increment from move no.1 (90'+30")
Entry Fee	₹700/- (Rupees Seven hundred only)
AICF Registration	https://prs.aicf.in/
Registration link	https://forms.gle/LuoxZFyRocPTZLdn9
Last date of Entry	05:00 P.M. on 18th August 2026
Late Fee	₹100/- will be charged till 05:00 P.M. on 19th Aug 2026

Age Eligibility: Players should be born on or after **01.01.2009**.

AOCA Players Registration: All participants must register with the All Odisha Chess Association (**AOCA**). The registration fee of **₹200/-** (Rupees two hundred only) will be collected on arrival.



AICF Players Registration: AICF player registration is compulsory for all players. AICF Player Registration fee is Rs.300/- for the year 2026 – 2027. AICF player registrations will be accepted only through online. For renewing AICF registration of existing players, please click <http://aicf.in/players/> and click extend membership. For (New) Fresh AICF registration please click <http://aicf.in/online-player-registration/> For fresh AICF registration, players are requested to keep their scanned passport size photograph and birth certificate and a valid email address(unique) not used by any other person/ player for AICF, ready before the registration process.

Note: Only passport size (less than 1 MB) photographs in jpeg format should be uploaded.

Main Prizes

Rank	OPEN		GIRLS	
Champion	₹3,500		₹3,500	
Runner-up	₹2,500		₹2,500	
Third	₹1,500		₹1,500	
Fourth	₹1,200		₹1,200	
Fifth	₹1,200		₹1,200	
Sixth	₹1,100		₹1,100	
Seventh	₹1,000		₹1,000	
Eighth	₹1,000		₹1,000	
Ninth	₹1,000		₹1,000	
Tenth	₹1,000		₹1,000	

Category Prizes

Open	1	2	3
U07			
U09			
U11			
U13			

Girls	1	2	3
F07			
F09			
F11			
F13			

SCHEDULE

Date/Day	Time	Details
20.08.2026 Thursday	09:00	Reporting
	09:30	Technical Meeting
	10:00	Inauguration
	11:00	Round 1
	15:30	Round 2
21.08.2026 Friday	09:30	Round 3
	14:30	Round 4
22.08.2026 Saturday	09:30	Round 5
	14:30	Round 6
23.08.2026 Sunday	08:30	Round 7
	13:30	Round 8
	17:30	Prize Distribution

Registration: Parents/guardians are requested to register their children through the Google Form. The entry/AOCA registration fee for Odisha State Under-17 participants only will be **collected at the venue on 20th August 2026 from 09:00 to 10:00 A.M.** **No spot entries will be accepted.**

RULES & REGULATIONS

- The championship will be played under FIDE's Laws of Chess and the Swiss system. Total **08** rounds of games shall be played. The rate of play will be **90** minutes with an increment of **30** seconds per move from move number 1.

The following **tie-break** will be applied.

- (a) Buchholz Cut 1 (b) Buchholz (c) Sonneborn-Berger (d) Direct Encounter
- (e) The greater number of wins (forfeit included) (g) Greater no. of wins in Black

- Date of Birth Certificate & Birth Registration:** It is compulsory to bring a copy of date of Birth for all participants. However, whose date of birth is not registered within one year will be allowed to participate in the state championships, but his/her name will not be recommended for National Championship.
- Electronic Devices:** It is forbidden to bring **Mobile phone** and all **electronic devices** including **wrist watches** (any types of wrist watches) inside the tournament hall. If the same is found during the game in person, the players are liable to lose the game.
- Players shall not agree for a **draw** without the consent of the arbiter, before each player makes **30 moves**.
- Protest:** Protest if any, against the decision of the Chief Arbiter shall be made in writing with a protest fee of **₹1,000/-** within **30 minutes** of the occurrence of the incident. The protest fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.
- Appeals Committee:** Before the commencement of the tournament, five member appeals committees shall be formed by the AOCA/organizers. All the members and reserves shall be from different districts. No member of the Committee can vote on a dispute in which a player from his own district is involved and, in such case(s), the reserve members shall take his place in the committee.
- Interpretation:** For interpretation of the rule(s) and deciding any point not covered by the above rules of the tournament, the decision of the Organiser Committee shall be final and binding on all.
- The Tournament Committee has every right to make any **addition or amendment** to these rules, without notice. However, such changes/ or inclusion will be subject to AOCA/AICF clearance. Such changes will, however, be displayed in the tournament hall.
- State Qualifiers:** The top two (**2**) players from each category will be selected to represent Odisha State in the forthcoming National (U-17) OPEN & GIRLS Chess Championships will be held from **28th Sep to 06th October 2026** at Kangra Fort, Barnai, Jammu & Kashmir.
- A player can withdraw at any stage of the event after informing Chief arbiter in writing. Participants who complete the championship will get the **E-Certificate** through **odishachess.com**.
- The AOCA/Organiser will have the right to accept/reject any entry without assigning any reason.
- Accommodation:** Free Dormitory accommodation will be provided to out stationed participants (Separate for Boys & Girls only subject to prior information (through Registration) before **05:00 PM on 18th August 2026**.

Since 2016...

Odisha State (Under 17)

At	Year	Girls	Open
M.S. Law College, Cuttack	2016	- WFM Rutumbara Bidhar, Khordha - Gtashree Biswal, Cuttack	- Ansuman Samal, Cuttack - Swapnil Priyadarshi, Khordha
Srusti Academy of Management & Technology, BBSR	2017	- Anisha Mishra, Puri - Priyanka Rout, Sundargarh	- Nilsu Pattnayak, Cuttack - Sarthak Debata, Sundargarh
Koshal Chess Academy, Sambalpur	2018	- Priyanka Rout, Sundargarh - Sandeepa Priyadarshini Sahoo, Cuttack	- Swapnil Priyadarshi, Khordha - Sarthak Debata, Sundargarh
Balasore Law College, Balasore	2019	- WFM Saina Salonika, Khordha - Ankita Sahoo, Cuttack	- Debi Prasad Nayak, Khordha - Anubrata Priyadarshan Sahu, Mayurbhanj
	2020-2021	Corona Period	Corona Period
Srusti Academy of Management & Technology, BBSR	2022	- Arushi Srichandan, Khordha - Suhana Jena, Khordha	- Manish Kumar (2006), Khordha - Satyam Sarbajit Mishra
Sarvodaya Complex, Koraput	2023	- Preetisha Mitra, Puri - Seema Purty, Khordha	- Ayushman Mohanty, Puri - Himansu Sekhar Pradhan, Puri
Riddhi Siddhi Mandap, IS Chess Centre, Cuttack	2024	- Pratyasha Jena, Cuttack - Yashita Rout, Khordha	- Koustuv Dash, Khordha - Stitaprangya Sahoo, Khordha
MCL Kalyan Mandap, Brajarajnagar, Jharsuguda	2025	- Shradha Smaranika Nanda, Cuttack - Yashita Rout, Khordha	- Manish Mishra, Khordha - Stitaprangya Sahoo, Khordha
Birsa Munda International Hockey Stadium, Rourkela	2026	? ??	? ??

Registration

FA Prakash Kumar Sahoo, 90906-76166
 IA Suresh Chandra Sahoo, 93370-33001, 97761-18644
 Mr. Narendra Patel, Treasurer, SDCA, 97763-81547

Accommodation

Mr. Pravat Kumar Das, 88478-42956
 Mr. Chandra Sekhar Panda, 77357-59506

Organising Committee

Mr. Pratap Kumar Swain, Chairman, (Ex CGM RSP)
 Mr. G.C. Mohapatra, 94370-45464
 Mr. Susant Kumar Behera, 93489-07129
 Mr. Suresh Kumar Patel, Secretary, SDCA, 99371-84059

If required...

Mr. Bhabesh Mohanty, 99378-86372, Jt. Secretary, AOCA
 Mr. Sarat Kumar Das, 94381-41131, President, Sundargarh Dist. Chess Assn.

