

ANDHRA PRADESH STATE SENIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026

PROSPECTUS
EVENT CODE:
AP/SO/38/2026 (OPEN)

Organised by
NRGKNYCA
ON BEHALF OF
NANDYAL DISTRICT CHESS ASSOCIATION
& ANDHRA CHESS ASSOCIATION

VENUE: NANDYAL

(Full Venue Details will be updated later)

Eligibility

No Age Limit. Those who have participated in their district meet only they are eligible and registered with Andhra Chess Association at www.apchess.org are eligible to participate. SAAP KREEDA APP Registration is mandatory for all players. (To get SAAP ID please see at the end)

Age proof: Each participant must produce a valid certificate to prove his/her age. Certificates from school are not accepted. Certificates should preferably be from the Panchayat, Municipality or corporation obtained soon after birth. The date of birth certificates registered within one year of the birth of the child alone will be recognized and allowed to participate. Players are requested to edit their apchess.org profile by attaching proper/valid date of birth certificate. Please note that if the player name is turned green indicates that the date of birth of player is already verified. Player name displayed in black in apchess.org must attach dob certificate. Player name turned red is not eligible to participate as the date of birth certificate is not valid.

Entry Fee

Normal Entry: ₹500

Special Entry: ₹1,000 (Subject to recommendation by the affiliated District Chess Association)

Schedule

From : 18th July 2026 (Reporting time 8.30 AM)

To : 19th July 2026 (Departure time 7 PM)

Round timings will be decided by the Chief Arbiter and announced before the start of the first round.

Accommodation & Food

Free dormitory un-furnished (shared) accommodation will be provided to all **Normal Entry** players only . Players who opt dormitory un-furnished facility should bring their own bedding like pillow, blanket etc. **Special Entry** players and accompanying persons must make their own arrangements. Players should arrange their own food.

Registration Process

All entries must be submitted through www.apchess.org.

In case of technical difficulty, please WhatsApp: 9010451585 , 9573661799

ACA Player Registration

ACA registration for the year 2026 is **mandatory** for all participants.

Chess Equipment

Each participating District Association must send **one chess clock per two players**. Players should bring their own chess sets.

Rules & Regulations

System of Play: Latest FIDE Rules will apply.

Number of Rounds: 7 rounds (Day 1 – 4 rounds; Day 2 – 3 rounds)

Time Control: 30 minutes + 10 seconds increment per move

Default Time: 15 minutes

Tie-breaks: As per latest FIDE tie-break rules. Will be announced in technical meeting.

Appeals Committee

An Appeals Committee will be formed during the Players' Meeting. Any protest must be

submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter within 15 minutes of the incident along with a protest fee of ₹2,000. The fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld.

Electronic Devices

Strictly prohibited to carry **mobile phones, smart watches, or any electronic devices** inside the tournament hall.

Selection Criteria

Top 4 **players** in Open category will be selected to represent **Andhra Pradesh** in the **National Senior Chess Championship**. If any selected player declines participation in the Nationals, the next eligible player in final standings will be considered..Final decision rests with the **ACA Selection Committee** in case of last-minute withdrawals.

Cash Incentive

The top 4 selected players will receive a cash incentive, which includes **National Entry Fee, Travel Allowance (TA), Daily Allowance (DA), and Dress Code Allowance**. Incentive will be transferred to the **PhonePe number provided in the AP Chess registration form**.

Prize Fund

Top 1 to 4	:	Rs. 5000 /- + Trophy (Each)
5 - 6	:	Rs. 1500 /- + Trophy (Each)
7 - 10	:	Rs. 1000 /- + Trophy (Each)

SPECIAL PRIZES U-7,9,11,13,15 (G+B)			PHC, Veteran, Women (1 to 3)	
1 st	2 ND & 3 RD	NDL Players 1 to 3	1 st	2 ND & 3 RD
Rs. 500/- + Trophy	Trophy	Trophy	Rs. 500/- + Trophy	Trophy

Certificates: **Certificates to all participants and merit Certificates to selected players will be provided by Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh.**

Note: To get participation/merit certificate the player must have Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh KREEDA APP Player ID. For SAAP ID Player must fill below google form.

Acceptance of Entries

First 100 special entries will be accepted automatically.
The ACA reserves the right to accept **additional special entries** beyond 100.

All **Normal Entries** will be accepted up to the last date.

Refund Policy

In case of cancellation entry fee will be refunded within 3 working days. However after 1st round pairings, entry fee will not be refunded. Players should officially communicate in case of cancellation through chessandhra@gmail.com

Photography & Video:

ACA/Organiser reserves the rights for video/photo/entry into tournament hall.

Other Important Instructions

Players can **edit details and upload documents** in their tournament entry until confirmed. Please regularly **check remarks/comments** on the website against your name for any issues. All rules and decisions of ACA in force will be applicable, even if not explicitly mentioned in this prospectus.

District Association Responsibility

It is the responsibility of District Associations to **verify the confirmed list of entries** on apchess.org and **report any discrepancies or objections** to chessandhra@gmail.com.

Special Entries to Nationals

The Selection Committee may recommend a normal entry for a player if a selected player is unable to participate. Priority will be given to the next player in final standings of the State Selection Championship. In emergency cases, another player may be recommended only after informing ACA. **No player should be recommended to Nationals without participating in the respective State Championship.**

National Enrollment by Selected Players

Selected players must register for Nationals on the **AICF portal** and **pay their own national entry fee**, which is provided to him by way of cash incentive. Any selected player who fails to participate in Nationals **must return the cash incentive** to ACA, which will then be given to the next eligible player.

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Last Date for Registration: 5:00 PM, 15-07-2026

After that, Late Fee of ₹200 will apply until 5:00 PM, 17-07-2026.

ABOUT SAAP KREEDA APP

The **SAAP Kreeda App** is a pioneering digital platform launched by the Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh to modernize sports management. It allows athletes to register, access, and download verified digital sports certificates, preventing fraud and streamlining participation in tournaments via [DigiLocker](#) integration.

Key Features and Benefits of the Kreeda App:

- **DigiLocker Integration:** Athletes can securely store and instantly generate verified sports certificates, ensuring they are valid for, for example, the 3% [horizontal reservation for meritorious sportspersons in AP government jobs](#).
- **Preventing Malpractice:** The app eliminates fake certificates and brings transparency to the issuance of sports quota credentials.
- **Comprehensive Database:** Provides a unified platform to manage data for athletes, coaches, and tournaments across Andhra Pradesh.
- **Modern Management:** Designed to streamline athlete registration, performance tracking, and equipment distribution.

The application serves as an essential tool for all sportspersons in Andhra Pradesh to secure their achievements digitally.

To download the SAAP Kreeda App, a digital platform for Andhra Pradesh sportspersons to manage certificates and records, search for "[Kreeda App](#)" on the [Google Play Store](#). It is integrated with DigiLocker for secure certification.

Steps to Download & Register:

- **Download:** Open the Google Play Store on your Android device and search for "Kreeda App" or "Krida Sports and Events".
- **Installation:** Tap "Install" on the app developed by the Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh.
- **Integration:** Link the app with your DigiLocker account to access, verify, and store your sports certificates securely.
- **Usage:** The app is designed for athletes to track performance, apply for tournaments, and register for employment under the sports quota.

The app, launched by the Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh (SAAP), focuses on digitalizing athlete records and preventing the use of fake certificates.

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