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## "International Purple Fest, Goa - 2024"

International Chess Championship for Blind and Visually Impaired – 2024

**FIDE Rated event** 

Jointly organized by

Department of persons with disabilities, Government of Goa Under the aegis of

International Braille Chess Association

and

All India Chess Federation for the Blind

(08th January to 13th January, 2024, Panaji, Goa, India)

Date: December 6, 2023

#### **Circular Invitation**

"International Purple Fest, Goa - 2024", Under the aegis of International Braille Chess Association (IBCA) www.ibca-info.org the Department of persons with disabilities, Government of Goa and the All India Chess Federation for the Blind (AICFB) www.aicfb.in are glad to inform you that the International Chess Championship for the Blind & Visually Impaired - 2024 will take place in 'Panaji, Goa, India from 08<sup>th</sup> January to 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.

This championship is part of the 'International Purple Fest, Goa - 2024'. The Purple Fest is the first of its kind in the state of Goa. It is an inclusive event that aims to showcase how we can come together to create a welcoming and inclusive world for everyone. The festival includes engaging panel discussions, artistic live performances, grand exhibitions, immersive experience zones, and more.

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IBCA, AICFB and State Government of Goa, Department of persons with disabilities cordially invite all the Countries to take part in the International Chess championship for Blind and Visually impaired – 2024'. Department of persons with disabilities, Government of Goa as part of "International Purple Fest, Goa - 2024" has taken responsibility of hosting the event in their state capital city Panaji, Goa. Organizers will be providing free stay with full board to 3 Visually challenged players and one guide from each country for entire tournament duration. Any country would like to send more than 4 participants (3 players and 1 guide) are request to take prior confirmation from the organizers and pay necessary charges for the stay and full board. Please note, this is an individual Chess Championship and not a team event.

Goa is one of the most popular tourist place in India. Goa is also known for its passion for sports and their hospitality, the perfect destination for international sports event and we hope you will enjoy every bit of it..

#### Brief information of venue and facilities:

Venue : Address of the stay-hotel and venue will be informed in due course

Arrival: January 07, 2024 and Departure January 14, 2024

We invite all the countries to take part in this prestigious event and make it a memorable one. We assure you best possible hospitality from our side to make your stay comfortable and joyful.

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#### **Tournament Information:**

- The tournament will be inaugurated on January 08, 2024.
- and Prize distribution ceremony on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.
- Tournament will be conducted as per Swiss League system with Fisher mode (Incremental clock mode). Following FIDE and IBCA chess rules. All the rules of the tournament will be discussed during players meeting on first day 08<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.
- Players should play their games only on the braille chess board.
- Writing games are compulsory, players should bring their own writing equipment i.e. braille slate, record player etc.
- Top 10 games will be shown live on internet.
- All the communications related to championship to be sent to both email ids accindia2024@gmail.com cc to office@aicfb.in
- Any participating country that needs a special invitation to obtain visa to get into India, please communicate / write to us well in advance.

### **Timelines**:

- Confirmation of participation 20th December, 2023
- Confirmation of travel details 25th December, 2023

The invitation to this tournament includes full board for the said championship period (07 to 14 January, 2024). Any participant arrives before the 07th January, 2024 or departure after 14th January, 2024 have to bear their own cost of the participant. The organizers will not provide any facility of stay other than duration of championship.

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We request all the participating countries to send the information about the names of participants & guides & others (if any) along with copy of the recent passport, on or before last date in the attached entry form.

For more details, please get in touch with tournament secretariat, E-mail IDs:

- accindia2024@gmail.com cc to : office@aicfb.in ,
- secretary@ibca-info.org

Please mark the copy to all above mention email ids for prompt response.

For a better organization, we request all the participating countries to confirm their entry before 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 and the travel plan should reach before 25<sup>th</sup> December 2023, this will help the organizers to arrange the lodging well in advance. If there is a delay in confirmation, we will not be in a position to assure confirmed availability of rooms. So please confirm your entry before due date and help us to serve you better.

With warm greetings,

Jorgen Magnusson, President, IBCA



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**Entry Form** 

List of Players		Arrival date and time /flight number	Departing date and time/flight number
Full name with gender (and passport number only if invitation letter is needed for entry visa)	FIDE ID number		
Total No. of players:			

PostalAddress: Côtevière F- 43110 Aurec sur Loire

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Email: president@ibca-info.org presidentoffice@ibca-info.org



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List of co	oaches, accompanying persons, etc.		Arrival date and time /flight number	Departing date and time/flight number
Position	Full name and gender (as per passport)	FIDE ID number		
Coaches				
Accomp. persons				
	Total No. of added persons:			

Please make your delegation's room list Twin Sharing (total number of rooms)
Room No. 1 (names):
Room No. 2 (names):

PS: Use other paper or expand the document for more space if your delegation is larger.

Date:

Name & signature of responding official: