



# Chhattisgarh Chief Minister's Trophy International Grandmasters Chess Tournament-2022

## Why In News?

- According to the information given by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on September 16, 2022, Chhattisgarh chief minister's trophy international grandmasters chess tournament-2022 will be organized by Chhattisgarh State Chess Association under the joint aegis of Chhattisgarh's Sports and Youth Welfare Department, All India Chess Federation and Chhattisgarh Olympic Association from September 19 to 28 in the capital Raipur.

## Key Points

- More than 500 chess legends from 15 countries of the world will participate in this tournament to be held in the capital Raipur under the guidance of more than 100 experienced masters.
- Players from different countries will participate in this international tournament, including Russia, Ukraine, Georgia, USA, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Poland, Vietnam, Colombia, Iran, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Players from 15 countries, including Zimbabwe and Nepal, have been registered.
- This tournament will also provide an opportunity to the rated players of the country, the state to improve their ratings, get GM and IM norms and titles. With this event of international importance, the name of not only Chhattisgarh state but the whole of India will be reflected on the world chess map.
- In the International Grandmasters Chess Tournament, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Winner Trophy will be given, besides cash amount.
- The tournament will be held in the form of two categories Masters and Challengers, in which Rs 23 lakh and trophy in Masters category and Rs 12 lakh in Challengers category and trophy will be given to the winning players.
- The 50 games associated with this tournament will be broadcast live globally so that more and more people can watch this tournament.
- Officials associated with the chess tournament said that such events are very rare in the country, in this tournament high-rated players from different countries will perform the game on one platform.
- Due to the absence of such events, players find it difficult to get international degrees and have to go to European countries. Players have to face many problems financially and mentally during this period. The event is being organized to encourage sportspersons and give a platform to budding talent.
- Six Grandmasters, 17 International Masters, two Women Grandmasters, eight Women's International Masters, five FIDE Masters and 200 Elo-rated players are expected to participate in the International Grandmasters Chess tournament.
- The masters category event of this tournament will be held at Hotel Grand Imperia and challengers category event will be held at Shagun Farm on VIP Road. The tournament will feature experienced judges from different states.

