

Gukesh Won 2024 FIDE World Chess Championship

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Recently, **D. Gukesh** became the <u>youngest ever chess world champion</u> at the age of 18, defeating **China's Ding Liren (2023 World Chess Champion)** in the **2024 FIDE World Chess Championship** held in **Singapore**.

D. Gukesh:

- Gukesh, the youngest-ever World Champion, is also the third youngest
 - Grandmaster in history and the youngest player to achieve a 2750 FIDE rating.
 Remarkably, he is four years younger than Russian Garry Kasparov was when he claimed the title from Anatoly Karpov in 1985.
- Gukesh is the second Indian Grandmaster to win the FIDE World Chess Championship, following Viswanathan Anand, who held the title from 2000-2002 and 2007-2013 before Magnus Carlsen claimed it in 2013.
- FIDE World Chess Championship:
 - The FIDE governs all international chess competitions and was recognized as a Global Sporting Organization by the International Olympic Committee in 1999.
 - Founded in 1924 in Paris and headquartered in Lausanne, FIDE is now one of the largest National Chess Federations, encompassing 201 countries as affiliate members.

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