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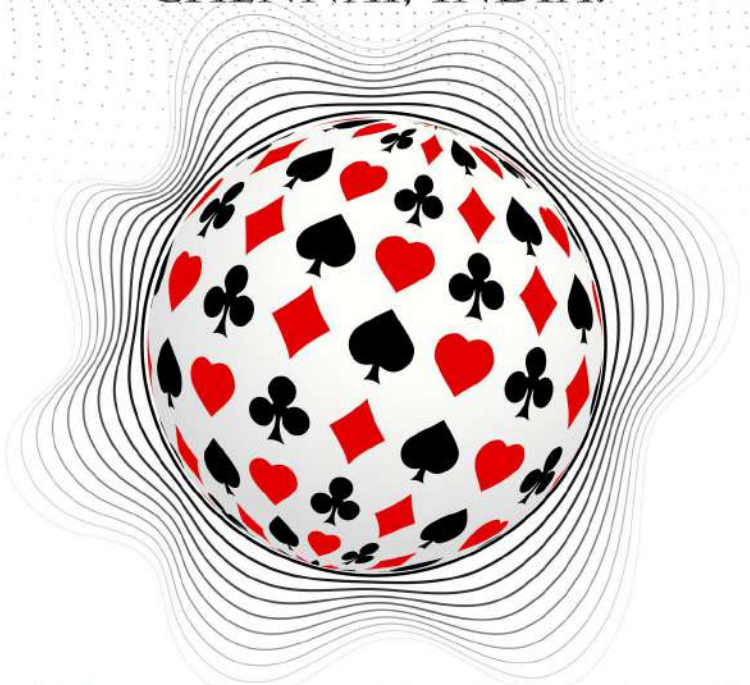
BRIDGE

INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Under the Aegis of the Bridge Federation of India)

September 15 To 20, 2025

CHENNAI, INDIA.



Gold Teams | Silver Teams | Open Pairs | Swiss Teams | IMP Pairs

Swiss Pairs | Mixed Pairs | Ladies Pairs

Prize Money

INR 10 Million

Venue

Express Avenue Mall,
Central Atrium,
No:2, Club House Road,
Chennai - 600 002, Tamilnadu, India.

UNDER THE AEGIS OF

BRIDGE FEDERATION OF INDIA — BFI

IN ASSOCIATION WITH

TAMIL NADU BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

VENUE PARTNERS

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EA Bridge, is an initiative of RNB-DG Foundation, with a mission to promote bridge aggressively at national and internationl levels. Bridge offers enormous benefits to its players. It develops analytical skills, logical thinking, communication skills, team work, and above all it makes one competitive. EA Bridge aims to change the mindset of people, to accept `the sport of the mind', by conducting regular tournaments and to create awareness amongst children, youth, women and more seniors to take up this sport.

Ms Kavita Singhania, Managing Director of Express Infrastructure, is the visionary behind EA Bridge, and she is keen to support, encourage and create opportunities for players by promoting the sport in a large scale. EA Bridge spends approximately INR 1 Million, (USD 11,000) every month to promote bridge by conducting monthly two tournaments at E Hotel, Chennai, and also by sponsoring monthly online tournaments for the youth and women, organised by Bridge Federation of India.

EA Bridge successfully conducted the National Bridge Tournament in February, 2025 and it was the for the first time in Indian bridge history that a bridge tournament was organised inside a mall (Express Avenue Mall, Chennai). The event attracted top players from the Indian bridge circuit.

EA Bridge is organising it's maiden International Bridge Championships from September 15 to 20, 2025. With a prize money of INR 1 Crore (USD 115,000), the tournament is spread accross the following events:

♦ Gold Teams ♦ Silver Teams ♦ Open Pairs ♦ Swiss Teams ♦ IMP Pairs
♦ Swiss Pairs ♦ Mixed Pairs ♦ Ladies Pairs

The tournament will be held at the Central Atrium of Express Avenue Mall, and at E Hotel, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India.

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EVENT SCHEDULE

(For detailed schedule, visit www.eabridge.in)

Timings: 10:00 a.m. To 7:30 p.m.

2025	Main Team Event	Pair Event	Swiss Team Event	Side Event
Sep 15	Gold Teams Silver Teams Swiss League			
Sep 16	Gold Teams Silver Teams Swiss League			
Sep 17	Gold Teams Silver Teams Pre-QF	Open Pairs Elim 1		IMP Pairs
Sep 18	Gold Teams Silver Teams QF	Open Pairs Elim 2		Swiss Pairs
Sep 19	Gold Teams Silver Teams SF	Open Pairs Finals	Swiss Teams Elim 1	Ladies Pairs
Sep 20	Gold Teams Silver Teams Finals		Swiss Teams Final	Swiss Match Point Pairs & Mixed Pairs

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PRIZE MONEY BREAKUP*

RANK	GOLD TEAM		SILVER TEAM		OPEN PAIR		SWISS TEAMS	
	INR	USD	INR	USD	INR	USD	INR	USD
1.	21,60,000	24000	5,00,000	5500	4,50,000	5000	3,60,000	4000
2.	10,80,000	12000	3,00,000	3500	3,60,000	4000	2,70,000	3000
3.	7,20,000	8000	2,00,000	2200	2,70,000	3000	1,80,000	2000
4.	4,50,000	5000	1,50,000	1600	1,80,000	2000	90,000	1000
5.	1,80,000	2000	50,000	550	90,000	1000	45,000	500
6.	1,80,000	2000	50,000	550	63,000	700	45,000	500
7.	1,80,000	2000	50,000	550	45,000	500	45,000	500
8.	1,80,000	2000	50,000	550	27,000	300	45,000	500
9.	90,000	1000	25,000	275	18,000	200	-	-
10.	90,000	1000	25,000	275	18,000	200	-	-
11.	90,000	1000	25,000	275	-	-	-	-
12.	90,000	1000	25,000	275	-	-	-	-
13.	90,000	1000	25,000	275	-	-	-	-
14.	90,000	1000	25,000	275	-	-	-	-
15.	90,000	1000	25,000	275	-	-	-	-
16.	90,000	1000	25,000	275	-	-	-	-

ALL SIDE EVENTS

TOTAL PRIZE AMOUNT: INR 3,60,000

USD 4000

*All Prize Money Will Be Paid Without Tax Deductions.

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ENTRY FEE*
(Amount in INR)

Gold Team	8000 for team of 4, 2000 per person thereafter. Round of 16 Qualifiers - 5000 one time.
Silver Team	6000 for team of 4, 1500 per person thereafter. Round of 16 Qualifiers - 3000 one time,
Open Pairs	4000 for First Elimination, 4000 for Second Elimination
Swiss Team	1000 per head per day
IMP Pairs	1000 per pair
Swiss Pairs	1000 per pair
Mixed Pairs	1000 per pair
Ladies Pairs	1000 per pair
Swiss Team Elimination	1000 per pair

*Note:

- For international players, the final prize money will be converted as per the prevailing foreign exchange rates of the day. Taxes will NOT BE deducted.
- Prize money will be paid in full without tax deductions for all players.
- TDS certificate will be issued via email to prize winners subsequently.
- PAN card and email details to be submitted during time of registration.

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About The Tournament Venues

The International Bridge Tournament venues, Express Avenue Mall and E Hotel are located in the heart of Chennai city. The mall houses many global and national luxury brands. It has one of the largest food court, and many standalone fine-dining restaurants. Other attractive facilities include movie theaters, gaming zones, salon and spa. The mall also has the city's most sought after and popular pickleball sports arena.

The venues are strategically located close to city airport, railway and metro stations, and with excellent connectivity to consulates, healthcare facilites and major tourist spots in and around the city.

THE TIMES OF INDIA
February, 2025

National Bridge Championships held in city mall for the first time in India

Bridge game cards and boards

(L-R) N R Kribakar Moorthy, World Bridge Federation committee member, A Sridhar, president, TNBA, Prasad Keni, president, BFI, Narayan Iyer, EA Bridge event organiser and bridge coach, and Sunil Verghese, VP, TNBA

A National Bridge Championships was organised and sponsored by EA Bridge from February 9-16 at a mall in Chennai under the aegis of the Bridge Federation of India (BFI), in association with the Tamil Nadu Bridge Association (TNBA). "A national ranking event, this is an initiative to promote bridge at the national and global level," state its organisers.

According to the organisers, the driving force behind EA Bridge is Kavita Singhania, the managing director of Express Infrastructure Pvt Ltd, and Express Avenue. "It was the first time in Indian bridge history that a tournament was organised inside a mall. This was also an opportunity to spread awareness and promote the sport of the mind amongst the young. We are now planning to organise the International Bridge Championships in September 2025," they inform.

"Bridge is a mind sport, and just like every sport, it offers enormous benefits to its players, helping them improve their analytical skills, logical thinking, communication skills, teamwork, and makes one competitive," they state and add that the sport has been accorded due recognition by the Indian Olympic Association and the Ministry of Sports.

The organisers add, "At the event, Prasad Keni, president of BFI, highlighted the importance of promoting bridge amongst children and the youth and pointed towards the accomplishments of Vidhya Patel and Kalpana Gurjar, winners of the 2025 EA Bridge National Women Championship, as examples. The government of India recognises bridge as a sport and is providing job opportunities for achievers."

The tournament in progress at the mall

- **Results of EA Bridge National Women Championship: Feb 9 and 10**
  Winners: Vidhya Patel and Kalpana Gurjar
- **Results of Smt. Vijya Jajoo Memorial National Mixed Pairs Championship: February 11 and 12**
  Winners: Sandeep N Karmakar and Marianne Karmarkar
- **Results of Tolani All India Open National Masters Bridge Championship: February 13 to 16**
  Winners of Team Event: Team Sarla Fibers
- **Winners of Pairs Event:** Arvind Vaidya and Shubham Acharya
- **Winners of Non Masters Event:** Team Ernis Kohinoor
- A total prize money of ₹5 lakh, which was distributed to the top winners.

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Organising Secretary and Convenor: Mr Debasish Ray
Advisor: Mr S Sundaresan
Advisor:: Mr Rajiv Mehrishi
Advisor: Mr Amar Sinha
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Member: Mr A Sridhar
Member: Mr DV Ravi
Member: Mr Nirmal Rajagopalan
Member: Ms Sumathi Mohan
Member: Ms Geetha Somasekharan
Member: Ms Kalpana Iyer
Member: Ms Preethy Paul

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Mr Prasad Keni
Secretary and Convenor: Mr Debasish Ray
Member: Mr Anand KS Samant
Member: Mr Sundarram
Member: Mr Vinay Desai

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Mr Prasad Keni
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Member: Mr Sundarram
Member: Mr R Rajagopalan
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ROOMS:
Single: INR 6000 + taxes
Double : INR 7000 + taxes
Triple : INR 8000 + taxes

APARTMENTS:
Single : INR 5000 + taxes
Double : INR 6000 + taxes
Triple : INR 7000 + taxes

* Breakfast Included.

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For Reservations With Hotels Near To Venue

3 Star to 5 Star Hotels and Budget Friendly Hotels
(Located Within 3 Kilometers Radius)

5 Star Hotels
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- Hotel Ramada by Wyndham
- Welcome Hotel by ITC
- Accord Metropolitan

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- Hotel Raj Park
- Hotel Savera
- Hotel Radisson Blue
- Hotel Ambassador Pallava

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- La Wood Hotel
- Hotel Vestin Park
- Hotel Victoria
- Lyods Guest House
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- Hotel Marina Inn
- Hotel Pandian

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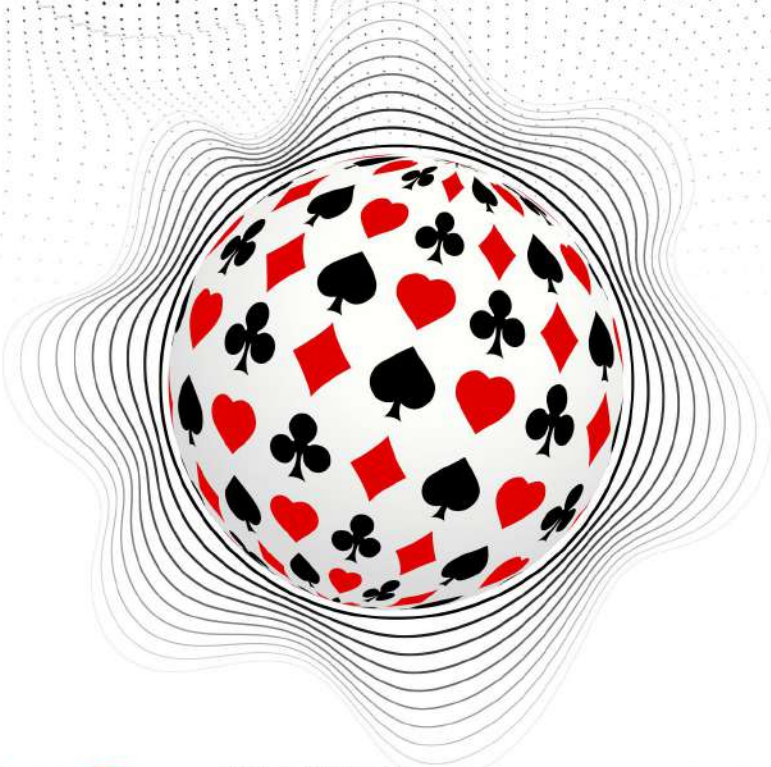

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