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Greetings from All India Chess Federation

The All India Chess Federation on behalf of the FIDE and the Tamilnadu State Chess Association is pleased to invite member Federations of FIDE to the World Junior & Junior Girls Chess Championship - 2011 to be held at Chennai, India from 01st to 16th Aug, 2011

The tournament prospectus and the Invitation from the organizers, the Tamilnadu State Chess Association, is attached for your ready reference.

The Chennai city in which the above Championship is to be organized is considered the Mecca of Indian Chess. The World Champion and World No. 1 Vishwanathan Anand is from Chennai. The First International Master of India Mr.Manuel Aaron, the first Women Grandmaster from India Ms.S.Vijayalakshmi and the first International Chess Arbiter of India Mr.V.Kameswaran are all from Chennai. Chennai has also produced 4 World age group Champions namely former World Under-18 girls champion WGM Aarthie ramaswamy, former World Under-12 Champion N.Srinath, former World Under -16 Champion GM B.Adhiban and current World Under -16 Champion S.P.Sethuraman apart from producing many Asian Gold Medalists.

Chennai has been in the forefront in organizing many International events in Chess. The World candidates match between GM Anand (India) and GM Alexie Dreev (Russia) was held at Chennai in 1991. The Asian zonal Championship(1995) and the Asian Women Chess Championship (2001) were held at Chennai. Apart from this several Grandmaster and International master tournaments were organized here.

India has a rich tradition of organizing many other competitions like the Candidates matches at Sanghi Nagar, Hyderabad, four World Junior Championships at Kozhikode in 1993 & 1998, at Goa in 2002 and at Kochi in 2004. The Asian age group championships, Asian Team Chess Championship and Commonwealth Chess Championship are organized regularly in India

Chennai is one of the metropolitan cities with a Historical background and has International Airport connected with the rest of the World. We hope that you will enjoy your game and stay here.

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