

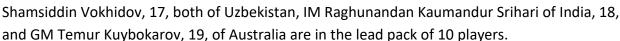
## 21st Dubai Open Chess Tournament 2019

Sheikh Rashed bin Hamdan AL Maktoum Cup 31<sup>st</sup> March - 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019 USD 50,000 Prize Fund

## **Teenage Chess Masters Set Pace After Round 3**

Teens from India, Ukraine and Uzbekistan set the pace with 3 points each after three rounds of the 21<sup>st</sup> Dubai Open Chess Championship at the Dubai Chess Club in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

Teenagers GM Nodirbek
Abdusattorov, 15 (right), and IM





Sharing the lead at 3 points each are IM Yeoh Li Tian of Malaysia (left), 20, former East Asian Zone champion, GM Miguel Santos Ruiz of spain, 20, GM Alan Pichot of Argentina, 21, GM Aleksandar Indjic of Serbia, 24, GM Maxim Matlakov of Russia, 28, and GM Yuriy Kuzubov of Ukraine, 29.

Abdusattorov used the English Opening to outplay WIM Desmukh Divya of India in 46 moves with a double Rook sacrifice to clear the way for double

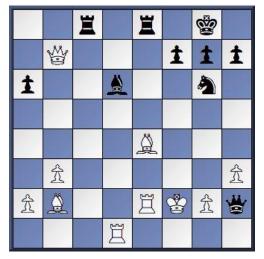
Queen promotion. Vokhidov crushed the Sicilian defense of GM Mustafa Yilmaz of Turkey, gaining a Bishop on the 47<sup>th</sup> move to force resignation seven moves later.

Raghunandan upset GM Sanal Vahap of Turkey in 49 moves of a Guioco Piano game, exchanging his Queen for two Rooks. Kuybokarov smashed the Queen's Indian defense of untitled Bharath Subramaniyam of India in 37 moves

Fifteen players follow with 2.5 points each including eight Indians, namely GMs S.P. Sethuraman, Chanda Sandipan, Harsha Bharathakoti, M.R. Venkatesh, Vishnu Prasanna, Debashis Das and Deepan Chakkravarthy and IM Sadhwani Raunak. Also with 2.5 points are GMs Bellahcene Bilel of Algeria, Sandro Mareco of Argentina, Emre Can of Turkey, Eduardo Iturrizaga Bonelli of Venezuela and Le Quang Liem of Vietnam, WGM Tokhirjonova Gulrukhbegim of Uzbekistan and FM Assaubayeva Bibisara of Kazakhstan.

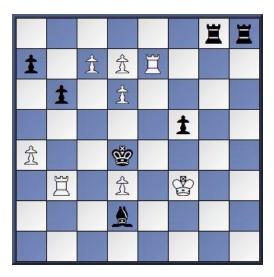
A record 156-man field with over half from India boasts 31 Grandmasters, 24 International Masters, 18 FIDE Masters, 2 WGM, 8 WIMs and 3 WFM.

At stake is the Sheikh Rashid bin Hamdan Al Maktoum Cup and \$50,000 in cash prizes. Games in the 9-round Swiss System are scheduled 5:30pm daily except Friday with two rounds at 10am and 6pm on Saturday. Top games are broadcast live on chess sites. Visit <a href="mailto:chess-rsults.com">chess-rsults.com</a> for round by round results and to download games.



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In the round 3 game Parthasarathy vs Quizon, Black continued 33... Bc5+ 34. Bd4 Bxd4+ 35 Rxd4 Qf4+ 36. Ke1 Rc1+ 37. Rd1 Qg3+ 38. Kd2 Qc3#



In the round 3 game Abdusattorov- Divya, White continued with a double Rook sacrifice to clear the way for double Queen promotion.

41. Rb4+! Bxb4 42. Rh7! Rxh7 43. d8=Q Rg6 44. c8=Q Rh3+ 45. Kf4 Bxd6+ 46. Qxd6 1:0 (after 46... Rxd6 then 47. Qc4#)