

21st Dubai Open Chess Tournament 2019

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

Teen Prodigy Barges Into 5-Way Tie for Lead

Fifteen-year=-old GM Nodirbek Abdusattorov (right) barged into a share of the lead with four others at 6.5 points each after the penultimate 8th round of the 21st Dubai Open Chess Championship at the Dubai Chess Club in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

Abdusattorov outplayed the Colle System of former world junior champion GM Ahmed Adly of Egypt. The Uzbek pinned the Rook on the 35th move and exchanged two pieces for the Egyptian's Queen to force resignation on the 46th move.

Kuzubov of Ukraine.



Tied at 6.5 points each in the race for the top prize of \$13,000 are GMs Maxim Matlakov of Russia and Eduardo Iturrizaga Bonelli of Venezuela, Aleksandar Indjic of Serbia and Yuriy



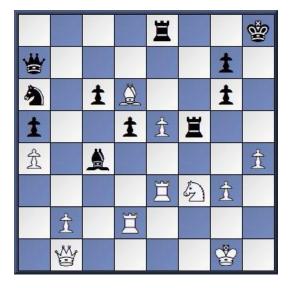
Matlakov and Iturrizaga (left) drew by repetition of position in 24 moves of a Queen's Gambit. Kuzubov used the Caro Kann Defense to hold Indjic to a draw in 32 moves of a Knight and Pawn endgame.

Four Indians are in the second group of ten players with 6 points each fighting for a share of the \$50,000 in cash prizes, namely GMs Debashis Das and Aravindh Chithambaram and IMs Vignesh N R and P. Iniyan. Also with 6

points are top seed Le Quang Liem of Vietnam, Emre Can and Sanal Vahap of Turkey, Alan Pichot of Argentina, Mikheil Mchedlishvili of Georgia and Amin Tabatabaei of Iran.

Rk.	SNo		Name	FED	Rtg	Pts.
1	2	GM	Matlakov Maxim	RUS	2692	6.5
2	15	GM	Abdusattorov Nodirbek	UZB	2578	6.5
3	3	GM	Kuzubov Yuriy	UKR	2653	6.5
4	5	GM	Iturrizaga Bonelli Eduardo	VEN	2633	6.5
5	14	GM	Indjic Aleksandar	SRB	2592	6.5
6	1	GM	Le Quang Liem	VIE	2711	6
7	27	GM	Sanal Vahap	TUR	2513	6
8	10	GM	Tabatabaei M.Amin	IRI	2612	6
9	13	GM	Can Emre	TUR	2599	6
10	11	GM	Mchedlishvili Mikheil	GEO	2610	6
11	28	IM	Iniyan P	IND	2512	6
12	19	GM	Debashis Das	IND	2538	6
13	36	IM	Vignesh N R	IND	2457	6
14	12	GM	Aravindh Chithambaram Vr.	IND	2602	6
	16	GM	Pichot Alan	ARG	2566	6

At stake is the Sheikh Rashid bin Hamdan Al Maktoum Cup. Top games are broadcast live on chess sites. Visit chess-rsults.com for round by round results and to download games.



Position In the game Adly-Abdusattorov after Black's 35... Qa7! And wins 36.Kf2 does not work because of 36 ... Rxf3!