PROSPECTUS

NATIONAL RANKING TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

Conducted jointly by

GUJARAT STATE TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

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Under the Auspices of

Adhoc Committee for Table Tennis in India

VENUE

Vastral Sports Complex,

Galaxy Road, Vastral, Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

DATE

03 - 10 December, 2026

EVENTS

Men's Singles	Women's Singles
Youth Boys Singles - U-19	Youth Girls Singles U-19
Youth Boys Singles - U-17	Youth Girls Singles U 17
Youth Boys Singles - U-15	Youth Girls Singles U 15
Youth Boys Singles – U 13	Youth Girls Singles U 13
Youth Boys Singles – U 11	Youth Girls Singles U 11

Closing Dates of Entries

Institutions : At Noon, 24 November, 2026

State Associations : At Noon, 25 November, 2026

DRAW FOR FIRST STAGE OF BOYS & GIRLS (U-11 & U-13) at 11:00 Hrs. on 2nd December, 2026 at Venue
First Stage Draw for the rest of the events from 3rd December onwards at Venue

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RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Only registered players of the TTFI for the year 2026 can participate in the Championships.
2. All the matches will be played according to the rules and regulations for the Regional Championship as adopted by TTFI:
3. The Youth Boys & Girls (U-19) events are open only to those players who are born on or after 1.1.2008.
4. The Youth Boys & Girls (U-17 Junior) events are open only to those players who are born on or after 1.1.2010.
5. The Youth Boys & Girls (U-15 Sub-Junior) events are open only to those players who are born on or after 1.1.2012.
6. The Youth Boys & Girls (U-13 Cadet) events are open only to those players who are born on or after 1.1.2014.
7. The Youth Boys & Girls (U-11) events are open only to those players who are born on or after 1.1.2016.
8. For evidence of age, players should bring their Original Date of Birth Certificate issued by the Municipal Corporation/School so that it can be verified, if and when required.
9. All players will have to make their arrangements for Boarding/Lodging.
10. The decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final in all matters concerned with the Championships.
11. The Tentative Schedule will be as follows:

Day 1	**Dec 03**	**U 11/13 Boys and Girls Qualifications, U 11 Main draw**
Day 2	**Dec 04**	**U 11 B/G up to QF, U 13 Main Draw, U 15 B/G Qualifications**
Day 3	**Dec 05**	**U 11/13 B/G up to Final, U 15 B/G Main Draw, U 17 B/G Qualifications**
Day 4	**Dec 06**	**U 15 B/G Main Draw R/16, U 17/19 Qualifications**
Day 5	**Dec 07**	**U 15 B/G up to Final, U 17 up to R/32, MS/WS, U 19 Qualifications**
Day 6	**Dec 08**	**U 17 B/G up to Final, U 19 Main Draw R/32, MS/WS Main Draw R/256/128**
Day 7	**Dec 09**	**U 19 Main Draw up to QF, MS/WS up to R/16**
Day 8	**Dec 10**	**U 19. MS/WS up to Final**

(Please note that this is only a tentative schedule and the CM has the final authority to change it based on the final entries in consultation with Ad Hoc Committee for TTFI/OC)

12. Entries close at Noon on 24th November for Institutions and at Noon on 25th November for the State Associations. However, the Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Committee for TTFI has the discretion to accept any entry under special circumstances after the deadline closes.
13. DRAW FOR FIRST STAGE OF Boys & Girls Singles (U-11 & U-13) at 11:00 Hrs. on 02 December at Venue followed by each other.
14. FIRST STAGE DRAW FOR THE REMAINING EVENTS will be held at Venue on 03 December.

15. **Normal and Extra Entries:**

Men/Women	–	5 Entries with normal entry fee and additional with extra entry fees;
For Institutions	–	2 Entries with normal entry fee and additional with extra entry fees;
Other events	–	4 Entries with normal entry fee and additional with extra entry fees;

Institutions PSPB/Railways are eligible to give 5 entries with normal entry fee, and additional entries will be with extra entry fees.

Players in Men/Women who are ranked within the top 8 in India, according to the latest ranking, need to pay only the Normal entry fees.

TTFI can accept wildcard entries (Maximum 32) in each event, and they will be treated as additional entries with the applicable event fees.

16. ITTF approved Stag Roma Tables and Stiga Perform Premium Balls will be used in the Championships.

17. All official communication and the draw shall be displayed at the venue on or before 2nd December, and that shall be the only official communication in all respects. This championship will be regarded as a ranking tournament, and points shall be awarded, as specified in the TTFI guidelines.

18. Online Entries: Entries must be submitted online via the event page on the website- www.ttfi.org Each State Association/Institution has already been provided with a Username and Password, which may be used to log in to the Online Entry System. No entries will be accepted by mail or any other method of communication. No entries will be accepted after the deadline.

19. For any clarification regarding online entries, States / Institutions may contact at domesticevent@ttfi.org.

20. All players should register with the TTFI. We will not accept entries from unregistered players. Players already registered with the TTFI should pay a registration fee of Rs. 500/- for 2026. This may be paid with the entry fees for the first tournament they play in the calendar year. All Youth category (U 19/ U 17/ U 15/ U 13/ U 11) players should submit their Date of Birth Certificates and Aadhar copy and keep the originals for verification, if and when required.

21. Transfers of players from one state to another are allowed only before the start of the season. Once registered with a particular state, players will not be eligible for any transfer during the season

22. The entry fee will be as follows.

First five entries in Men, Women	**:**	**Rs. 1000/- each**
First four entries in U-19, U-17	**:**	**Rs. 900/- each**
First four entries in U-15, U-13	**:**	**Rs. 800/- each**
First four entries in U-11	**:**	**Rs. 700/- each**

23. State Associations may submit additional entries per Clause 15 above.

The entry fee for additional entries will be as follows:

Seniors/U19/U17	**:**	**Rs. 3700/- each**
U 15/U13	**:**	**Rs 2700/- each**
U 11	**:**	**Rs 1700/- each**

24. Payment of Entry Fees: The entry fee must be paid online. The system will generate an invoice, and the State Associations/Institutions are required to make the payment. Entries will not be reflected in the system unless the entry fees are paid. Therefore, all state associations must remit the entry fees before the deadline. Otherwise, their entries will not be registered for the Championships. NO entry fee will be accepted by the TTFI office or into any account other than the online payment system. Entry fees will not be accepted at the venue. The entry fees must be paid on or before 9 November through the online system; otherwise, entries will not be accepted.

Mandatory Payment of Entry Fee

All players, State Associations, coaches, managers, and other representatives are requested to ensure that the prescribed entry fee is paid through the designated online payment system on or before the notified deadline. An entry will be considered complete and valid only after the successful receipt of the prescribed fee within the stipulated time.

Please note that entries for which the entry fee has not been received by the deadline will not appear in the online entry system and cannot be accepted for the tournament. As the draw and tournament logistics are finalized immediately after the closing date, it may not be possible to accommodate late payments, payments at the venue, or requests for manual inclusion after the deadline.

Accordingly, participants are advised to verify that both their entry and payment have been successfully completed within the prescribed time.

TTFI appreciates the cooperation of all players and State Associations in adhering to the entry timelines, which help ensure the smooth and fair conduct of the tournament. However, TTFI reserves the right to make exceptions in extreme cases.

25. SPOT CANCELLATION/CHANGE IN NOMINATIONS

Cancellation of participation is allowed until noon on 27th November. After this deadline, the penalty policy will take effect, and no changes will be accepted to players' entries; affected players will have 20 points deducted from the ranking. If cancellation cannot be processed through the online system for any reason, please inform the Competition Manager before the deadline. However, entry fees for all entries must be paid to the organizers via the online system by the dates of closure of entries for Institutions (24th November) and States (25th November).

26. Prize money in the National Ranking (Zonal) Championships 2026:

Position	Men & Women Singles	Youth Boys & Girls Singles (U 19)	Youth Boys & Girls Singles (U 17 Juniors)	Youth Boys & Girls Singles (U 15 Sub Juniors)	Youth Boys & Girls Singles (U 13 Cadets)	Youth Boys & Girls Singles (U 11 Hopes)
Winner	88,600/-	35,500/-	27,600/-	22,400/-	16,600/-	9,200/-
Runner	44,300/-	17,800/-	13,800/-	11,200/-	8,300/-	4,600/-
LSF each	22,200×2	8,900×2	6,900×2	5,600×2	4,200×2	2,300×2
LQF each	10,800×4	4,500X4	3,500×4	2,800×4	2,100×4	1,200×4
Total	**2,20,500×2**	**89,100×2**	**69,200×2**	**56,000×2**	**41,700×2**	**23,200×2**

TOTAL PRIZE MONEY: Rs. 9,99,400/-

27. INFORMATION FOR PLAYERS :

By entering the event, players agree to abide by all TTFI rules and regulations of the Organizing Committee. All participating associations and individual players agree to be under the auspices of the Ad Hoc Committee of TTFI and its agents in all matters concerning television coverage, video, internet, webcasting, motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage. Participants release all rights, including those held by their agents or sponsors, in all matters relating to television and webcasting coverage, video and motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind. A participant's refusal may result in suspension or dismissal from the competition.

28. THE PLAYING SYSTEM & SEEDING RULES FOR NATIONAL RANKING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026:

Seeding Rules:

MEN & WOMEN: Players ranked in the top 50 of the ITTF Singles World Ranking list as of the date of the first draw will be seeded first, and the remaining seeding will be based on the latest National Ranking as of that date. (This is in accordance with the decision of the AGM dated 19th July 2024)

Other Events: The latest National Ranking will be followed.

Nominated players from the same Association/Institution will be separated only in the first stage of Group events, not in the subsequent knockout rounds.

The entry ranked 1 shall be placed at the top of the first half of the draw, and the entry ranked 2 at the bottom of the second half, but all other seeded entries shall be drawn among specified places in the draw, as follows:

- The entries ranked 3 and 4 shall be drawn between the bottom of the first half of the draw and the top of the second half
- The entries ranked 5-8 shall be drawn among the bottom places of the odd-numbered quarters of the draw and the top places of the even-numbered quarters;
- The entries ranked 9-16 shall be drawn among the bottom places of the odd-numbered eighths of the draw and the top places of the even-numbered eighths;
- The entries ranked 17-32 shall be drawn among the bottom places of the odd-numbered sixteenths of the draw and the top places of the even-numbered sixteenths.
- The rest of the entries will be drawn at random among the vacant positions in the Draw.

Direct to the Main Draw:

Men's Singles/Women's Singles	:	Top 16 Ranked Players
All other events (except YS Under-11)	:	Top 8 Ranked players

The remaining players will be divided into groups of 3 or 4. In all the events, only one player qualifies from each group to the Main Draw. The Referee will conduct the draw under the supervision of the Competition Manager/Technical Committee. The tournament shall be conducted in a fair, transparent and non-discriminatory manner providing eligible athletes with an appropriate opportunity to participate.

All matches will be played best of 5 games of 11 points each except the Semi-Finals and Finals of the Men's and Women's Singles and finals of U 19 Boys and Girls Singles, which will be played best of 7 games.

29. PLAYERS' CLOTHING

By entering the Championships, all players undertake to abide by the ITTF's player clothing rules already in force (ITTF regulation 3.2.2 of the ITTF Statutes).

Opposing players shall wear T-shirts of sufficiently different colors to be easily distinguished by spectators. When the opposing players have a similar T-shirt and there is no consensus among them about who would change, the umpire will make the decision shall by lot.

30. PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Athletes are expected to attend the following promotional activities:

- Opening Ceremony
- Media interviews
- Award Ceremonies (in full tracksuit and sports shoes)

Failure to participate in promotional activities may result in loss of prize money and medals or both.

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