

INTER STATE NATIONAL BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023
BRIDGE FEDERATION OF INDIA
At Bhogeswari Phukanani Indoor Stadium, Guwahati, Assam
22nd – 26th November 2023

SCHEDULE & FORMAT

DATES: 22nd Nov (Wednesday) to 26th Nov 2023 (Sunday) - to be conducted by Bridge Federation of India.

Organizer: Assam Bridge Association (ABA)

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- Team of Four – BFI Teams Trophy
- IMP Pairs – Late Shri. Subhas Agarwala IMP Pairs Trophy

ALL ABOVE EVENTS WILL BE COMPLETED BY 2 PM ON 26TH November

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:

Eligibility Rules for the Team Event:

- The BFI Technical Committee has recommended the following allocation of “Team Quota” for each recognized State Association/Affiliated bodies, whose dues are paid up to date:
- **3 Teams: West Bengal, Maharashtra**
- **2 Teams: Delhi, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Telangana**
- **1 Team: All remaining states not covered in point (1) and (2)**
- **Affiliated Bodies: 1 Team**

Eligibility Rules for Late Shri. Subhas Agarwala IMP Pairs

- The Agarwala IMP Pairs is a Selected Pairs event with each Member Association whose dues are paid up to date, having the right to nominate such number of Pairs as approved for the Association by the BFI. The Quota for the current year will be as below:
 - A state/affiliated body eligible for 1 team will have a quota to nominate 3 pairs to represent the state/affiliated body at the IMP Pairs event and so on in multiple of the no. of teams allowed.
 - No extra pair except the allocated quota of the state will be allowed to play in the Pairs event.
 - Seeded Pairs of Team event, will get entry at appropriate stage of the IMP Pairs event as per SCoC and only if the entry to the IMP Pairs event is received before start of the IMP Pairs event.
- To participate in the Inter State Championship, a person has to be domicile of the state. Either he should be holding MP number of that state or if he / she is a govt. employee and has been posted to another state but wants to retain his domicile state's MP no, that is also allowed. A player not having Indian Passport can't participate in the Inter State championship.
- **IMPORTANT** – Performance in the Team of Four event & Late Shri. Subhas Agarwala IMP Pairs event will be eligible for Ranking Points.
- Each participant should follow the conditions for entry to the events of the championships as given in SCoC.
- For participation in the event, it is mandatory on the part of the member Association of BFI nominating the pair or team, that all their dues to BFI are cleared by 31st August 2023. Else the team of the member association will not be allowed to participate in the Championship.
- All participating players should be registered under BFI Master Point Scheme
- A Team can have a minimum of four and maximum of 6 players in the team event.

- All participating players should go through and abide by the tournament SCoC, which will be circulated on the tournament web site www.bridgewebs.com/interstate.
- The tournament schedule & SCoC will be given on the tournament web site at www.bridgewebs.com/interstate & the web site link will be circulated on the various Bridge related WhatsApp groups.
- **Registration and payment of entries details with SCOC for all events will be published from 15th September 2023 on the tournament website.**

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| <p>Entry Fee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team Entry – Rs. 6000 per 4 members+ 1500 each for additional player • IMP Pairs Entry – Rs. 2000 per Pair • IMP STRATA – II Entry – Rs. 500 per Pair <p>Last Date for Event Entries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team of Four – 15th October, 2023 • IMP Pairs – 15th October, 2023 • IMP Pairs STRATA – II – On the spot | <p>Tournament Directors Ranju Bhattacharya (CTD), VK Sharma (Joint CTD), Sanjay Chakraborty, Gora Roy Choudhury</p> <p>Scoring In-Charge: Srinivasan Iyengar</p> <p>Reviewers R Venkatesh/Vinay Desai</p> |
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| PRIZES | | | | | | | | | | |
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| POSITION | I | II | III | IV | V | VI | VII | VIII | IX-XIII | XIII-XVI |
| TEAMS | ₹ 60,000 | ₹ 40,000 | ₹ 30,000 | ₹ 24,000 | ₹ 10,000 | ₹ 10,000 | ₹ 10,000 | ₹ 10,000 | | |
| PAIRS | ₹ 12,000 | ₹ 10,000 | ₹ 8,000 | ₹ 7,000 | ₹ 6,000 | ₹ 5,000 | ₹ 4,000 | ₹ 3,000 | ₹ 2,000 | ₹ 1,000 |

TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

TEAM EVENT:

The teams will be divided into 3 groups each, with the TOP 8 teams seeded based on the average Master points as on 15th October, 2023. The other teams will be randomly divided into groups with the condition that member states having more than one teams will not be in the same group as far as possible.

The teams will be divided into 3 groups of 9 or 10 teams each and will play an all-play-all Round-Robin within each group to be played over 2 days (Minimum 5 rounds of 10/12 boards on day-1 & remaining rounds of 10/12 boards on day-2)

QUALIFICATION AFTER ROUND ROBIN:

In case of 3 groups, the 2 highest ranked teams from each group & the 2 best teams (with higher VP Scores) in 3rd position from each group will qualify to Quarter Finals.

In case of tie-break between 2 teams within the group, the ranking will be determined as follows:

- Higher rank will be given to the team, which has beaten the other tied team in direct match played in round-robin.
- If the direct match was tied, then the Sum of the winning margins for all matches of both the teams will be calculated. The team with higher margin will be ranked higher.
- If that is also same, then toss will decide the higher rank.

QUARTER-FINALS:

Quarter-Finals will be played in 3 Sessions of 12 boards each. The draw for the QF will be as under:

For 3 groups i.e. Group A, Group B & Group C – The toppers of each group will become seeds 1, 2 & 3 based on their Round Robin Scores. Seed 1 will have the right to choose any team out of the remaining 5 teams, which do not belong to his group (the chosen team will be seed 8). Then 2 will choose (the chosen team will be seed 7) with the

same logic and then 3 can choose (the chosen team will be seed 6). Out of the 2 remaining teams, the team with higher score in Round-Robin will be seeded 4 and the other team will be seeded 5.

The team selected by A1 and B1 will become B4 and A4 respectively and teams who will play with A2 & B2 will become B3 and A3.

SEMI FINALS:

Semi-Finals will be played in 3 Sessions of 12 boards each. The draw for SF will be as under: Winner of A1 Vs. B4 match (or 1 Vs. 8) Vs. Winner of B2 Vs. A3 match (or 4 Vs. 5) Winner of B1 Vs. A4 match (or 2 Vs. 7) Vs. Winner of A2 Vs. B3 match (or 3 Vs. 6)

If there are two teams of the same state in Semi-Finals, both these teams will face each other.

In case of Semi Finals, where there are three teams of the same state, the team with the Highest VP in the Round Robin among the three teams will have the option to select the other team of the same state.

PLAY-OFF:

The losers of the SF matches will play 3 sessions of 12 board matches to determine the 3rd / 4th rank team.

FINALS:

Finals will be played in 4 Sessions of 12 boards each.

IMP PAIRS EVENT:

The Late Shri. Subhas Agarwala IMP Pairs would be played over two and half days as per the schedule. There will be One elimination round and a final. Elimination round will be played over 3 Sessions of 24/26 Boards each after which the TOP 24/26 pairs will qualify for an all-play-all final.

IMP PAIRS STRATA – II EVENT:

For non-qualifiers of IMP Pairs can play the IMP Pairs Strata – II event after paying the requisite fees. The event will be played in 2 events or 1 event based on entries. Suitable prizes will be given depending on no. of entries.

SCHEDULE

