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**Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2026**

## **Circular No. 2**

# **5th Asia Cup Bridge Championships 2026, Goa, INDIA**

Bridge Federation of India is pleased to inform that 45 teams from over 15 countries have confirmed their participation for the **5th Asia Cup Bridge Championships 2026** from **21-27<sup>th</sup> June, 2026** at **Taj Cidade de Goa Horizon, Goa, India**.

## **Visa Clearance & Important Documents**

The **Bridge Federation of India (BFI)** is pleased to inform that all necessary clearances for the 5th Asia Cup Bridge Championships 2026 have been obtained for participants and officials from the following Ministries of the Government of India:

- Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- Ministry of External Affairs
- Ministry of Home Affairs

Participants can conveniently obtain a visa under the **Sports Category** through the official **e-Visa portal of the Government of India**.

Please note:

- The required clearance documents issued by the above Ministries are sufficient for visa processing
- These documents have been uploaded on the official event website and are also attached for your convenience
- **BFI recommends applying ONLY under the Sports Visa category** for attending this event
- BFI does **not recommend any other visa category**

### **Reference Details for VISA applications:**

BFI Hon. Gen. Secretary

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**All captains are requested to ensure that player photographs, convention cards, payment of entry fees, and accommodation bookings are completed within the below mentioned deadlines.**

The SCOC for the event is published at: <https://bonusasiacup2026.com/downloads>

## Important Deadlines

- **30th April 2026:** Registration deadline
- **15th May 2026:** Entry fee payment deadline (can be extended)
- **31st May 2026:** Accommodation reservations at Taj Cidade de Goa Horizon, Goa, India.
- **7th June 2026:** Convention card submission deadline

## Dates & Venue:

- **Dates:** 21st June – 27th June 2026
- **Venue:** Taj Cidade de Goa Horizon

## Schedule:

As per the Supplementary Conditions of Contest, the following schedule will be adopted:

Play will generally start daily at **09:30 hrs** and conclude at **19:10 hrs**

### Day 1 (21 June)

- Registration
- Captains' Meeting
- Delegates' Meeting
- Opening Ceremony

#### Timings:

- Delegates' Meeting: 17:30 hrs
- Opening Ceremony: 19:00 hrs
- Welcome Dinner: 20:00 hrs

### Day 2 - Day 5 (22 - 25 June)

- Complete round robin of 14-board matches each

### Day 6 (26 June)

Semi-finals - Top 4 teams to play 48 boards (3 segments of 16 boards each with carry over)

- 1 vs 4
- 2 vs 3

### Day 7 (27 June)

- Final (48 boards in 3 segments with carry over)
- Play-offs & Closing Ceremony

## Side Events

- Friendship Pairs (150\$ per pair with attractive cash prizes)

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## Championship Events: (subject to maximum 16 teams per category)

- Men's Team
- Women's Team
- Mixed Team
- Senior Team (Players must be **65 years or older in 2026** (born in or before 1961))

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## List of Registered Teams (as on 15th April 2026)

- **Men Teams -16 teams**

Australia, Bangladesh, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong China, India, Japan, Korea, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Thailand, United Arab Emirates

- **Senior Teams - 9 teams**

Australia, Bangladesh, Chinese Taipei, India, Japan, Malaysia, Thailand

- **Mixed Teams - 12 teams**

Australia, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong China, Japan, India, Singapore, Thailand, United Arab Emirates

- **Women Teams - 8 teams**

Australia, China, Hong Kong China, Japan, India, Indonesia, Philippines

## Registration for all categories:

The registration deadline for all teams is **30th April 2026**

## Accommodation – Venue Hotel

Special rates are currently offered to all participants and officials at **Taj Cidade de Goa Horizon for various categories of rooms:**

👉 <https://www.tajhotels.com/en-in/bookings/landing-page?hotelId=3de2afaa-ddfe-49f8-b5ac-d94673e43dd5&offerRateCode=ASIA210626&from=21/06/2026&&to=28/06/2026>

### Important Notes:

- Participants are advised to complete bookings by **15th May 2026** to ensure availability.
- Participants wishing to **arrive earlier** must send an official request to: **bfiSecretary2020@gmail.com**
- BFI will assist in securing rooms at championship rates, subject to availability.

### Food Arrangements (at VENUE)

- Lunch Buffet: INR 2500 (inclusive of taxes)
  - Dinner Buffet: INR 3000 (inclusive of taxes)
- Available for all participants on self payment basis.

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## Entry Fees

BFI would recommend all teams to kindly send their entry fees online at the below link for making necessary arrangements:

👉 <https://bonusasiacup2026.com/payment-page>

- Men's Team: USD 1,200
- Women's Team: USD 1,200
- Mixed Team: USD 1,200
- Senior Team: USD 600

Participants are advised to complete payment by **15th May 2026**

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## Convention Cards

- Must be submitted via official login <https://bonusasiacup2026.com/member/login>
- Format: PDF with supplementary notes in proper format to avoid rejections.

### Deadlines:

- Submission: 7th June 2026
- Changes: 20th June 2026 (***Please mention in the Conv Card highlighting in Yellow colour the changes as well on Title of the document with the date of change***)

### Important Notes:

- Non-submission by deadline will result in mandatory use of **World Standard Card** for at least first two days (along with applicable penalties).
- On arrival at venue changes thereafter require approval of the **Chief Tournament Director**

View all submitted cards: 👉 <https://bonusasiacup2026.com/event/view-convention-cards>

## Airport Transfers –

### From Dabolim Airport

- Ciaz: ₹1900 + taxes (09:00–19:00), night surcharge ₹750
- Innova: ₹2200 + taxes, night surcharge ₹750
- 18/24 Seater Coach: ₹12,000 + 5% taxes, night surcharge ₹1250

### From MOPA Airport

- Ciaz: ₹3360 + taxes, night surcharge ₹750
- Innova: ₹3780 + taxes, night surcharge ₹750
- 18/24 Seater Coach: ₹12,500 + 5% taxes, night surcharge ₹1250

### For taxi and transfer bookings, contact:

✉ [reservations.tcdghorizon@tajhotels.com](mailto:reservations.tcdghorizon@tajhotels.com)

Please feel free to contact us for any information regarding 5<sup>th</sup> Asia Cup:

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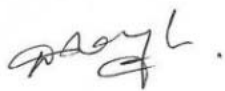
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With regards,



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