

# **Harshit wins MJ's Trophy's 5<sup>th</sup> edition! – his 1<sup>st</sup> championship of the series!!**

International Master norm holder Harshit Raja outclassed all the higher ranked players to comfortably win the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of MJ's Trophy Every Sunday Rapid Chess Championship, which was conducted today at Mangalwadi commercial complex.

Harshit won all his 7 games and was the most deserving winner – Harshit became the 1<sup>st</sup> Champion of this series to win all his games!

Runner up position was won by top seeded Shantanu Bhambure. He scored 6 points, his only loss was with Harshit.

Marathe Jewellers are the sponsors for this 3<sup>rd</sup> series of 52 Every Sunday Rapid Chess Championships which began on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015.

## **Top five prizes are as follows:**

1. Harshit Rajai – 7 points
2. Shantanu Bhambure – 6 points
3. Vedant Pimpalkhare – 5.5 points / 20 Buch
4. Pruthu Deshpande – 5.5 points / 19 Buch
5. Nikhil Dixit – 5 points

## **Special Age group category prizes:**

### **Under 8 Age group:**

Gold Medal – Anuj Dandekar

Silver Medal – Kshiti Kulkarni

### **Under 10 Age group:**

Gold Medal – Aditya Prabhu

Silver Medal – Chaitanya Joglekar

Bronze Medal – Prathamesh Kashid

**Under 12 Age group:**

Gold Medal – Kashish Jain

Silver Medal – Aryan Shah

Bronze Medal – Ojas Karnavat

**Under 14 Age group**

Gold Medal – Siddhi Sheth

Silver Medal – Keval Nirgun

Bronze Medal – Meenakshi Bhoite

**Under 16 Age group:**

Gold Medal – Kulwantsing Nimbalkar

Silver Medal – Ishwari Ganbote

Bronze Medal – Saniya Sapale

**Best Woman category – Priyanka Bhatt**

**Best Veteran category – Laxman Khude**

**Few important results of last round:**

1. Harshit Raja (7) won against Nikhil Dixit (5)
2. Shantanu Bhambure (6) won against Kashish Jain (5)
3. Pruthu Deshpande (5.5) won against K. Srinath (4.5)
4. Vedant Pimpalkhare (5.5) won against Sandeep Gohad (4)
5. Laxman Khude (5) won against Ravindra Nargundkar (4)
6. Swapnil Pandhare (5) won against Snehal Mahajan (4)
7. Saurabh Bhangre (4) lost to Aryan Shah (5)
8. Keval Nirgun (4) lost to Siddhant Tamhankar (5)
9. Sachin Bilpe (4.5) won against Kulwantsinh Nimbalkar (4)
10. Ojas Karnavat (4.5) won against Ajay Pardeshi (3.5)

**Description of photos:**



Last round game – Harshit against Nikhil



Group photo of all prize winners with Chief Guest International Arbiter Rajendra Shidore



Harshit with Championship trophy!

**Prize distribution was done at the hands of Rajendra Shidore – International Arbiter**

International player and National Sub Junior Champion Aakanksha Hagawane did the compering for the entire function.

**The 6th MJ's Trophy Every Sunday Championship will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> February – after a gap of next Sunday at the Mangalwadi Commercial Complex at 9am sharp.**