

IM Shivananda wins GOLD in NATIONAL TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP -2017

Captain of the Karnataka team Shivananda B.S. won the Individual Gold by getting the “ Best player of the tournament” Prize in the recently concluded 37th national team chess championship -2017 held at Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

In the team events, defending champion Railways won the gold again in the open section while Air India women won the gold in the women’s section.

At the conclusion of the seven rounds in this prestigious nine –rounds event, Karnataka was on par with the leaders Railways .The two teams met each other in the crucial eight round. Railways won the match and thus also won the tournament with a round to spare.

Due to his superior performances in most of the matches, Shivananda won the “Player of the Tournament “ prize and with it the Individual Gold Medal ahead of the seven Grandmasters and eighteen International Masters. He remained undefeated, winning six games and drawing one. After twenty Years, a Karnataka player has won the Individual Gold medal in the National Team Championship.

International Masters Shivananda B.S., Ravi Gopal Hedge ,upcoming talents Sameer Ghotane , Shabdik Verma and Sridatta M V were part of the Karnataka team .



