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## **Defending champions of the inaugural season, Triveni Continental Kings Unveils a Stellar Line-up of Players for Global Chess League Season 2**

*Chess Grandmaster & Italy's National Coach Loek Van Wely to remain Coach of Triveni Continental Kings*

*Two-Time World Championship Challenger Ian Nepomniachtchi announced as Icon player of the team*

**Noida, August 12, 2024:** Triveni Continental Kings, owned by Triveni Sports Private Limited, the champions of the inaugural season of Global Chess League (GCL), today announced its star-studded list of players for the second season, scheduled to be held from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> October at Friends House in London.

The impressive line-up features some of the world's top chess talents, including two-time World Championship challenger, Grandmaster **Ian Nepomniachtchi**, who will spearhead the team as an icon. Also returning is chess prodigy **Wei Yi**, a superstar in the game. The lineup is further strengthened by prominent women players, such as Russian-Swiss Grandmaster **Alexandra Kosteniuk** and **Valentina Gunina**, a three-time Russian Women's Chess Champion. The team also boasts Azerbaijani Grandmaster and former child prodigy **Teimour Radjabov**, as well as **Javokhir Sindarov**, a Grandmaster from Uzbekistan and one of the youngest in history. Together, they will compete to retain the championship title.

The players of Triveni Continental Kings will participate under the able mentorship and coaching of the renowned chess player, Loek Van Wely. Currently, Loek is the National Coach of Italy.

**Dhruv Sawhney, Chairman & Managing Director, Triveni Engineering & Industries Ltd. & Triveni Turbine Ltd.,** said, *"Winning the inaugural Global Chess League was an exhilarating achievement for Triveni Continental Kings and marks an exciting new chapter for us. As we return for Season 2, we are eager to showcase our team's brilliance once again. Our focus extends beyond competition; we are committed to harnessing chess's strategic thinking to inspire young minds. With its intellectual depth and global appeal, chess aligns seamlessly with our corporate philosophy. We believe it transcends age and geography, making it a universally accepted game with immense growth potential. We are dedicated to building a thriving chess community that nurtures talent and passion, fostering a love for the game in future generations."*

**Akash Premsen, the CEO of Triveni Sports Private Limited** said, *"Last year despite great challenges, we came up from behind and ended up as the favourites in what may be recalled as one of the finest sprints to finish in league chess. We have lots of fans globally who are counting on us to do something amazing in Season 2. We have assembled an extraordinary team that blends experience, youthful energy, and unparalleled skill. Each player brings a distinct style and approach to the game, and with Coach Loek Van Wely, I feel we are set to bring our best to the board."*

The league will feature a minimum of three marquee showdowns every day between the Icon players as they lead their teams into the chess arena. The first-of-its-kind franchise-based league features a total of six teams consisting of six players - one Icon player, two Superstar male players, two Superstar female players, and one prodigy in each team. In the tournament, each team will play a total of 10 matches in a double round-robin format, with the winner of each match being decided in a best-of-six board scoring system.

#### **About Triveni Sports Pvt. Ltd.**

Triveni Sports Private Ltd. is a sports venture established jointly by Triveni Engineering & Industries Limited (TEIL), a diversified industrial conglomerate having core competencies in the areas of sugar and engineering, and Triveni Turbine Limited (TTL) a focused, growing and market-leading corporation having core competency in industrial heat & power solutions and decentralized steam-based renewable turbines up to 100 MW size.

Aligned with the legacy and strategic development of the nation through years of innovation driven by its parent companies, Triveni Sports aim to boost the reach of chess, encourage talent, and give the sport the rightful push it deserves.

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#### **About Triveni Turbine Limited**

Triveni Turbine Limited (TTL) is a focused, growing and market-leading corporation having core competency in the area of industrial heat & power solutions and decentralized steam-based renewable turbines up to 100 MW size. The Company is amongst the leading manufacturers of industrial steam turbines both in India and globally. The Company delivers robust, reliable and efficient end-to-end solutions. The Company's ability to provide high-tech precision engineered-to-order solutions has made it one of the most trusted names within the sector.

Triveni Turbines manufactures steam turbines at its world-class manufacturing facilities in Bengaluru, India and assists its customers with their aftermarket requirement through its global servicing offices. With installations of 6000+ steam turbines across over 20 industries, Triveni Turbines is present in over 80 countries around the world. It was demerged from its parent Company, Triveni Engineering and Industries Limited (TEIL) in 2010. TEIL held 21.85% equity capital of TTL since the demerger until 2022. On September 21, 2022 TEIL fully divested its stake in TTL.

Triveni Turbine Limited offers steam turbine solutions for Industrial Captive and Renewable Power. The Company provides renewable power solutions specifically for Biomass, Independent Power Producers, Process Co-generation, Waste-to-Energy, Waste Heat Recovery and District Heating. Its steam turbines are used in diverse industries, ranging from Sugar, Distilleries, Steel, Cement, Textiles, Chemicals, Oil & Gas, Pulp & Paper, Petrochemicals, Fertilisers, Solvent Extraction, Metals, Palm Oil to Food Processing and more. Apart from manufacturing, the Company also provides a wide range of aftermarket services to its own fleet of turbines as well as turbines and other rotating equipment such as compressors, rotors, etc. of other makes supported by its team of highly experienced and qualified service engineers.

Triveni Turbines' market leadership has been built on a foundation of strong and continuously evolving research, development and engineering capabilities. The customer centric approach to R&D, along with a keen focus on delivered product and life-cycle cost has allowed Triveni Turbines to set benchmarks for efficiency, robustness and up-time of the turbine. A strong internal team, strengthened by collaborative associations with globally leading design and research institutions, has placed Triveni at the forefront of a technically challenging field dominated by large multi-nationals.

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