

PRESS RELEASE

The Stewards, Royal Calcutta Turf Club are pleased to announce the commencement of the **Calcutta Cold Weather Season 2025-2026 from Thursday, 23rd October, 2025.**

The Meeting will comprise of 30 **race days** and will conclude on 1st April, 2026. There are **183 races** including **64 Cup** races, scheduled to be run during these 5 months.

The Club presently has **271 horses** in station which includes **37 two-year-olds**. A further number of horses are expected to arrive in station during the Season with 'B' licensed Trainers.

13 Trainers and **15** Jockeys have been issued 'A' licenses and at the moment there are **34** 'B' licenses Jockeys and **2** apprentices who will be seen in action.

The important races scheduled to be run during the season are as under:-

The Mayfowl Cup	-	14 th November, 2025
The Calcutta 1000 Guineas (Grade III)	-	29 th November, 2025.
The Calcutta 2000 Guineas (Grade II)	-	6 th December, 2025.
The Calcutta Gold Cup	-	13 th December, 2025.
The Calcutta Oaks	-	20 th December, 2025.
The RCTC Gold Vase	-	1 st January, 2026.
The Indian Produce Stakes	-	1 st January, 2026.
The Calcutta Derby Stakes (Grade I)	-	11 th January, 2026.
The Alokanda Stakes	-	11 th January, 2026.
The Calcutta Champions' Sprint Trophy (Grade III)	-	17 th January, 2026.

The Indian Champion Cup (Grade I)	-	23 rd January, 2026
The Indian Champagne Stakes (Grade III)	-	30 th January, 2026.
The Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Cup (Grade III)	-	7 th February, 2026.
The Calcutta Million (Grade III)	-	14 th February, 2026.
The Calcutta St. Leger	-	25 th February, 2026.
The Indian Gold Vase	-	11 th March, 2026
The Grand Annual Mile	-	11 th March, 2026.

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The advertised stake money for the Season is Rs. 11.9 Cr. A further sum of Rs. 17.75 lakhs is the value of Cups and Trophies.

The Stewards are pleased to announce that for stakes earned by horses under the charge of 'A' licensed Trainers, bonus stakes of 25% will be given for all Non-sweepstakes Handicap and Juvenile races. Trainers and Jockeys will also be eligible for their respective shares in the above bonus.

We are also pleased to announce that the winner's prize for ordinary juvenile races will be Rs. 8,15,000/- which should attract owners to bring in their juveniles to 'A' licensed Trainers.

We would like to record our thanks to the Members of the Media for their continued coverage of thoroughbred racing in the City Of Joy. We do hope our efforts will result in a happy, competitive and successful racing season and we are confident that the Turf Club will continue to be a destination for all those seeking entertainment at the Race Course.