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The **Grandmaster D. Gukesh** has recently overtook Chess legend **Viswanathan Anand** as the **highest-rated** Indian player in **International Chess Federation (FIDE)** rankings.

- It is the second time that **Viswanathan Anand** has slid to the **second** spot behind **P Harikrishna** in **2016**, but he couldn't hold on to his lead eventually.

Top 100 Players August 2023

#	Name	Fed	Rating	+-	B-Year
1	Carlsen, Magnus	 NOR	2835		1990
2	Nakamura, Hikaru	 USA	2787		1987
3	Caruana, Fabiano	 USA	2782		1992
4	Ding, Liren	 CHN	2780		1992
5	Nepomniachtchi, Ian	 RUS	2779		1990
6	Firouzja, Alireza	 FRA	2777		2003
7	Giri, Anish	 NED	2769		1994
8	So, Wesley	 USA	2769		1993
9	Anand, Viswanathan	 IND	2754		1969
10	Rapport, Richard	 ROU	2752		1996
11	Gukesh D	 IND	2751		2006

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About the International Chess Federation (FIDE):

- The International Chess Federation (FIDE) governs all the **international chess competition**.
- Each month, **FIDE** publishes the lists such as-
 - Top 100 Players
 - Top 100 Women
 - Top 100 Juniors
 - Top 100 Girls
- It also publishes rankings of **countries** according to the **average rating** of their top 10 players and **top 10 female players**.
- It uses the **Elo rating system** for ranking purpose.
 - The **Elo rating system** is a method for calculating the **relative skill levels** of players in **zero-sum games** such as **chess**.

Achievements of D. Gukesh:

- D. Gukesh has been the **youngest chess player** to cross the **2,750-mark** in **Elo ratings**.
- In **Chess Olympiad in 2022**, he won **eight matches** on the trot and helped India to get the **bronze medal**.

Other key facts:

- **Viswanathan Anand** has first made it to the World's top-10 chess player in **1991**.
 - He has remained India's top-ranked player in all published lists since January 1987.
- In **1988**, Viswanathan Anand has become India's **first grandmaster**.
- There are 7 Indians in top 50 of International Chess Federation (FIDE) ranking.
 - Some of the includes- **R Praggnanandhaa**, Arjun Erigaisi, Vidit Gujrathi and Nihal Sarin.