

# Swaranjali Music School क्ययांजली कांगीत ज्ञाला

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# Syllabus for practical Vocal and Theory Exams Akhil Bharatiya Gandharva Mahavidyalaya Mandal, Mumbai

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# Class 2: Praveshika Pratham (2<sup>nd</sup> exam) Syllabus

Students are expected to be familiar with notes and beats and use them while performing during recitals. Practice should be done with Taanpuraa and Tablaa.

### Theory:

1. Definitions of following terms:

Sangeet (Music), Dhwani (Sound), Naad (Sounds useful for music), Swar (Notes or Sounds used in music), Shuddha Swar (Pure or basic notes), Vikrut Swar (Komal – Tivra or Soft-Sharp notes), Varjit Swar (Ommitted notes), Saptak (Octave), Mel (Thaat or a group of seven notes used for building a raga and classification of Raagas), Alankaar (Palataa – Sequential combination of notes), Raaga (a combination of notes that are entertaining), Jaati (Type – Odav, Shadav, Sampurna), Vaadi (Most important note in a Raaga), Saunvaadi (Second most important note in a raga), Pakad (Main part – particular short combination of notes that brings out the character of a raga), Aalaap (slow expansion of a raga), Taan (Fast expansion of Raaga), Swaramaalikaa (SaReGaMa song), Lakshangeet (Song describing characteristics of a raga), Sthaayee and Antaraa (First and second part of a bandish), Laya (Tempo – Vilambit or slow, Madhya or medium, Drut or fast), Maatraa (Basic unit for measuring taal), Taal (Measurement of music), Vibhaag (Section), Sam, Khaalee, Dugun (Double tempo), Thekaa (Form of taal), Aavartan (Cyclic repetition of taal).

- 2. Description of Raagas in this class (Thaat, notes, time, vaadi, saunvaadi, aaroha avaroha, Pakad).
- 3. Taal: Keharwa, Dadraa, Teentaal, Ektaal, Jhaptaal, Chaartaal: Know full information about these taal and use hands to show beats of taal.
- 4. Basic knowledge of Swaralipi (Notation for writing music compositions)

### Practical:

#### a. Knowledge of notes:

Basic and Vikrut (Komal & Tivra or Soft & Sharp) notes, sing separate and in group, recognize notes. Learn following Alankaars:

	arn following five Alankaars: Sing them in npo.  Also sing them in one of the ragas o	`	var) in Vimabit (slow) and Madhya (Medium)
	ome of them are in different taals - Daadr	,	
1	1. SaRe, ReGa, GaMa,	। SaNi, NiDha, DhaPa	
2	2. In Taal Daadraa: SaReSa, ReGaR	e, GaMaGaS	 aNiSa, NiDhaNi, DhaPaDha
3	3. In Taal Roopak: SaReGaSaReGa	Ma, ReGaMaReGaMaPa	SaNiDhaSaNiDhaPa, NiDhaPaNiDhaPaMa
4	4 In Taal Teentaal · SaGaReSa ReM	laGaRe GaPaMaGa	 SaDhaNiSa, NiPaDhaNi, DhaMaPaDha
	5. SaMa. RePa. GaDha Sal		332 32 32

# b. Knowledge of Raagas:

## Durgaa, Kaafee, Khamaaj, Bheempalaasee, Baageshree, Bhoopaalee, Desh, Kalyaan

- 1. From these Ragas, sing Aaroha, Avaroha, Pakad (main part) and a introductory aalaap
- 2. Sing a song (Bandish) in medium tempo in each raag.
- 3. Prepare any six Raagas to sing Bandish, aalaap, taan together for five minutes.
- 4. Learn to sing seven more compositions from ragas above: One light song in Jhaptaal or Roopak or Ektaal, two SaReGaMa songs, two Lakshangeet, one Dhrupad (with Dugun or double tempo), one Bhajan (devotional song).
- 5. Recognize Raag from cluster of notes.
- 6. Learn to sing Vande Maataram and Jana Gana Mana (National Anthems of India).

# Exam Format - Class 2: Praveshika Pratham: Total points: 75

This is an oral exam.

10 minutes for each student. Each student's exam is separate from others. From each row, questions will be asked about different raag, so whole curriculum is covered. Use of Harmonium only for support (Sa, Pa / Ma). While singing full Raag of choice, Harmonium accompaniment is allowed.

### **Exam: Oral**

Item	Points
Sing a Bandish, Aalaap and Taan for a raga of examiner's choice	8
Sing a Bandish and three aalaaps or five taan for another raga of examiner's choice	7
One Alankaar in Basic notes and one alankaar in a raga.	6
Dhrupad in single and double tempo.	5
Bandish in a taal other than teentaal	5
Any three songs from following: Lakshangeet, Bhajan, SaReGaMa Geet, Vande Maataram, Jana Gana Mana	12
Recognize ragas : Three	6
Recognize notes: Two clusters Example: SaReGa, PaDhaNi, GaMaPa, MaPaNi	6
Tell information about two taals and say Thekaa (or bol) while showing with hand and finger movements	5
Information of one raga	5
Information about one composition type or Swarlipi type (Notation)	4
Three definitions	6
Total Points	75

# अखिल भारतीय गांधर्व महाविद्यालय मंडल मुंबई परीक्षा पाठयकम तथा नियमावलि

रजिस्ट्रेशन कमांक ः १४४४ / १९४६ - ४७ एफ १५०, स्थापना ः १९३१

# प्रवेशिका प्रथम वर्ष गायन - वादन (स्वरवाद्य)

पूर्णाक: 75, न्यूनतम 26 किया: 60 शास्त्र मौरिवक: 15

### शास्त्र :

- 9) निम्नलिखित शब्दों की संक्षिप्त परिभाषाएँ : संगीत, ध्विन, नाद, स्वर, शुध्द स्वर, विकृत स्वर (कोमल, तीव्र) वर्जित स्वर, सप्तक, मेल, अलंकार (पलटा), राग, जाति(ओड़व, षाड़व, संपूर्ण) वादी, संवादी, पकड़, आलाप, तान, स्वरमालिका (सरगम गीत) लक्षणगीत, स्थायी, अंतरा, लय (विलंबित, मध्य, द्रुत) मात्रा, ताल, विभाग, सम, खाली, दुगुन, ठेका, वर्जित स्वर, आवर्तन इन सभी पारिभाषिक शब्दों का वर्णन पाठ्यक्रम के राग तथा तालों के उदाहरण द्वारा स्पष्ट किया
- पाठ्यक्रम के रागों का शास्त्रीय ज्ञान : रागों के मेल (थाट ), स्वर,
   आरोह, अवरोह, पकड़, मुख्य स्वरसमुदाय, समय, जाति, वादी,
   संवादी, वर्जित स्वर आदि का विवरण।
- स्वरलिपि के चिन्हों का प्रारंभिक ज्ञान।

### क्रियात्मक :

- अ) स्वरज्ञान: सात शुध्द स्वरों को गाना/बजाना, पहचानना। कोमल, तीव्र (विकृत) स्वरों को गाना/बजाना तथा राग के स्वरों की सहायता से उनको पहचानना। निम्नलिखित शुध्द स्वरों के पांच सरल अलंकार विलंबित तथा मध्य लय में गाना/बजाना तथा हर अलंकार का प्रयोग पाठ्यकम के किसी एक राग में करना।
  - १) सारे, रेग, गम, ..... सानी, नीध, धप
- २) सारेसा, रेगरे, गमग,.....सोनीसा, नीधनी, धपध (दादरा ताल में)

- ३) सारेगसारेगम, रेगमरेगमप .....सांनीधसांनीधप, नीधपनीधपम (रूपक ताल में)
- ४) सागरेसा, रेमगरे, गपमग ..... सांधनीसां, नीपधनी, धमपध (तीन ताल में )
- ५) साम, रेप, गध, ..... स्रीप, नीम, धग।

#### आ) रागज्ञान :

यमन, काफी, खमाज, भीमपलासी, बागेश्री, भूपाली, देस, दुर्गा

- इन सभी रागों के आरोह अवरोह, पकड़ तथा प्रारंभिक आलाप / स्वर विस्तार।
- २) हर राग में मध्य लय का एक गीत अथवा गत।
- इनमें से किन्हीं छह रागों में बंदिश / गत, आलाप / स्वरिवस्तार, तान सिहत अथवा गत तोड़ोंसिहत पाँच मिनट तक गाने अथवा बजाने की तैयारी।
- ४) झपताल अथवा रूपक अथवा एकताल में एक गीत, दो सरगम गीत तथा दो लक्षण गीत, एक ध्रुपद (दुगुनसहित) एक भजन इस प्रकार सात अतिरिक्त गीत पाठ्यक्रम के रागों में किये जाएँ। वादन के विद्यार्थियों के लिए त्रिताल के अतिरिक्त अन्य तालों में दो रचनाएँ, तथा एक धुन वाद्यानुकूल अलंकार विशिष्ट बोलों सहित किये जाएँ।
- ५) मुख्य रागदर्शक स्वरों द्वारा राग पहचानना ।
- ६) ''वंदे मातरम्'' और '' जनगणमन'' यह राष्ट्रगीत गाना बजाना आवश्यक है।
- इ) ताल ज्ञान : एकताल, चारताल, झपताल की जानकारी तथा हाथ से ताल देकर बोलने का अभ्यास।

### अंकपत्रिका :

सूचना : इस परीक्षा के लिए हर एक विद्यार्थी को 15 मिनट का समय होगा। हर एक विद्यार्थी की परीक्षा अलग-अलग लेना आवश्यक है। हामोनियम का उपयोग केवल आधार स्वर (षड्ज-पंचम/मध्यम) के लिये होगा। संगत करने की अनुमित केवल प्रथम राग गाते समय होगी। पूछे गए राग में आलाप तान के साथ बंदिश : 8 अंक तथा अन्य एक राग में तीन आलाप या 5 तान के साथ बंदिश : 7 अंक। कुल : 15 अंक। एक अलंकार शुद्ध स्वरों में तथा एक किसी राग में : 6 अंक। धुपद या वाद्यानुकूल अलंकार ठाह तथा दुगुन में : 5 अंक। तीन ताल को छोड़कर अन्य में बंदिश : 5 अंक। लक्षण गीत, भजन, सरगम गीत, धुन, वन्दे मातरम् तथा जनगणमन इन में कोई तीन प्रकार : 12 अंक।

राग पहचानना (तीन राग): 6 अंक । स्वर पहचानना सारेग, पधनि, गमप, मपनि, इस प्रकार दो स्वर समूह : 6 अंक ।

दो तालों की जानकारी तथा हाथ से ताल देकर ठेका बोलना : 5 अंक।

# शास्त्र (मौखिक) :-

एक राग की जानकारी : 5 अंक।

किसी एक गीत/गत प्रकार या स्वर लिपि पद्धित की जानकारी : 4 अंक तथा अन्य तीन छोटी परिभाषाएँ : 6 अंक ।

कुल : 15 अंक। सर्व योग : 75 अंक।



# प्रारंभिक अलंकार Prarambhik Alankaar 1 सारेगम प धनीसा सानी ध प म गरेसा Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa Sa Ni Dha Pa Ma Ga Re Sa 2 सारेग, रेगम, गमप, मपध, पधनी, धनीसा, Sa Re Ga, Re Ga Ma, Ga Ma Pa, Ma Pa Dha, Pa Dha Ni, Dha Ni Sa, सानी धुनी धपुधपमुप सगुमगरे जारे सा Sa Ni Dha, Ni Dha Pa, Dha Pa Ma, Pa Ma Ga, Ma Ga Re, Ga Re Sa 3 सारेग स, रेग सप, ग सप ध, सप धनी, प धनी सा, Sa Re Ga Ma, Re Ga Ma Pa, Ga Ma Pa Dha, Ma Pa Dha Ni, Pa Dha Ni Sa, सानी धप, नी धपम, धपम ग, पम गरे, म गरे सा Sa Ni Dha Pa, Ni Dha Pa Ma, Dha Pa Ma Ga, Pa Ma Ga Re, Ma Ga Re Sa 4 सारे सारेग, रेगरेगम, गमगमप, मपमपध, पधपधनी, धनी धनी सा Sa Re Sa Re Ga, Re Ga Re Ga Ma, Ga Ma Ga Ma Pa, Ma Pa Ma Pa Dha, Pa Dha Pa Dha Ni, Dha Ni Dha Ni Sa सानी सानी ध, नीधनी धप, धप धप म, पमप मग, मगमगरे, गरेगरेसा Sa Ni Sa Ni Dha, Ni Dha Ni Dha Pa, Dha Pa Dha Pa Dha Pa Ma, Pa Ma Ga, Ma Ga Ma Ga Re, Ga Re Sa 5 सारा, रेस, राप, सध, पनी, धसा, साध, नीप, धस, परा, सरे, रासा Sa Ga, Re Ma, Ga Pa, MaDha, Pa Ni, Dha Sa, Sa Dha, Ni Pa, Dha Ma, Pa Ga, MaRe, Ga Sa 6 सासारे सा, सारेगरे सा, सारेगमगरे सा, सारेगम पमगरे सा, Sa Sa Re Sa, Sa Re Ga Re Sa, Sa Re Ga MaGa Re Sa, Sa Re Ga Ma Pa MaGa Re Sa, सारेगमप धपमगरेसा, सारेगमप धनी धपमगरेसा, Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Dha Pa Ma Ga Re Sa, Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Dha Ni Dha Pa Ma Ga Re Sa, Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa Ni Dha Pa Ma Ga Re Sa j

सारेगमप धनीसानी ध प मगरेसा,

7 सानी सा, सानी धनी सा, सानी धपधनी सा, सानी धपमपधनी सा, Sa Ni Sa, Sa Ni Dha Ni Sa, Sa Ni Dha Pa Dha Ni Sa, Sa Ni Dha Pa Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa,

सानी ध प म गम प ध नी सा, सानी ध प म ग रे गम प ध नी सा, Sa Ni Dha Pa Ma Ga Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa, Sa Ni Dha Pa Ma Ga Re Ga Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa,

सानी ध प म गरेसारे गम प धनीसा Sa Ni Dha Pa Ma Ga Re Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa

# प्रवेशिका प्रथम अलंकार Praveshika Pratham Alankaar

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1 सारे, रेग, गम, मप, पध, धनी, नीसा,
                                          सानी, नीध, धप, पम, मग, गरे, रेसा
 Sa Re, Re Ga, Ga Ma, Ma Pa, Pa Dha, Dha Ni, Ni Sa, Sa Ni, Ni Dha, Dha Pa, Pa Ma, Ma Ga, Ga Re, Re Sa
     Taal Daadraa
2 सारे सा, रेगरे, गमग, मपम, पधप, धनी ध, नी सानी,
 Sa Re Sa, Re Ga Re, Ga Ma Ga, Ma Pa Ma, Pa Dha Pa, Dha Ni Dha, Ni Sa Ni,
 सानीसा, नीधनी, धपध, पमप, मगम, गरेग, रेसारे, सानीसा
 Sa Ni Sa, Ni Dha Ni, Dha Pa Dha, Pa Ma Pa, Ma Ga Ma, Ga Re Ga, Re Sa Re, Sa Ni Sa
         Taal Roopak
3 सारेग सारेग म, रेग मरेग मप, गमप गमप ध, मप धमप धनी,
 Sa Re Ga Sa Re Ga Ma, Re Ga Ma Re Ga Ma Pa, Ga Ma Pa Ga Ma Pa Dha, Ma Pa Dha Ma Pa Dha Ni,
 पधनी पधनी सा
                      सानी ध सानी ध प, नी ध प नी ध प म, ध प म ध प म ग,
 Pa Dha Ni Pa Dha Ni Sa y
                     Sa Ni Dha Sa Ni Dha Pa, Ni Dha Pa Ni Dha Pa Ma, Dha Pa MaDha Pa MaGa,
 प स ग प स ग रे, स ग रे स ग रे सा
 Pa Ma Ga Pa Ma Ga Re, Ma Ga Re Sa
        Taal Teentaal
4सा गरेसा, रेम गरे, गप मग, मधपम, पनीधप, धसानीध,
 Sa Ga Re Sa, Re Ma Ga Re, Ga Pa Ma Ga, Ma Dha Pa Ma, Pa Ni Dha Pa, Dha Sa Ni Dha,
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### Raag: Durga

Thaat: Bilaaval

Vaadi: Dhaivat (Dha) Samvaadi: Rishabh (Re) Ga and Ni are omitted, All other notes are pure Type: Odav Odav, Time: Second hour of night

Aaroha	Sa	Re	Ma	Pa	I Sa Dha	 5a
Avaroha	I Sa	Dha	<sup>Pa</sup> Ma	™a Re	Re Dha	Sa
Main part (Pakad)	Ma	Pa	Dha	™a Re	Pe Dha	Sa

### Raag: Khamaaj

Thaat: Khamaaj

Both Nishads are used, Re is omitted in Aaroha, All other notes are pure, Type: Shaadav Sampurna, Vaadi: Gandhaar (Ga) Samvaadi: Nishaad (Ni) Time: Evening or night,

Aaroha	Sa	Ga Ma		Ni	I Sa			
Avaroha	I Sa	Νį	Dha	Pa	Ma	Ga	Re	Sa
Main part	Ga Ma	Pa Dha	Nį Dha	Pa	Dha	Ga	Ma	Ga

# Raag Baageshree

Thaat: Kaafee

Ga , Ni soft, Pancham (Pa) ommitted in Aaroha,

Type: Shaaday Sampurna

Vaadee: Madhyam (Ma), Samvaadee: Shadja (Sa)

Time: Night

Aaroha Avaroha	Ì		•			•		Ģ	Re	Ma ,	Gą	Re	Sa
Main part (Pakad)	Dha	Ņį	Sa	Ma ,	Ģ	Re	Ma	Ģ	Re	Sa			

# Raag: Des

Thaat: Khamaaj, This raag uses both Nishads (Shuddha Nishad is used in aaroha and komal nishad is used in Avaroha), Omit Ga, Dha in Aaroha, Type: Odav Sampurna , Vaadi: **Pa** Samvaadi: **Re** 

Time: Second Prahar of the night,

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Aaroha	Sa	Re	Ma	Pa	Ni	 5a				
Avaroha	<b> </b> 5₃	Νį	Dha	Pa	Dha	Ma	Ga	Re j	<sup>Ga</sup> Ni	Sa
Main Part	Νį	Dha	Pa	Dha	Ma	Ga	Re,	Ga Ni	Sa	

## Raag: Kaafee

Thaat : Kaafee

Ga and Ni are soft All other notes are pure

Type: Sampurna Sampurna

Vaadi: Pancham (Pa) Samvaadi: Shadja (Sa)

Time: Midnight

Aaroha	Sa	Re	Ģ	Ma	Pa	Dha	Νį	 
Avaroha	<b> </b> 5₃	Νį	Dha	Pa	Ma	Gę	Re	Sa
Main part (Pakad)	Pa Ma	Ge Re ,	Re Gą	Ma Pa ,	Ma	Gą	Re	Sa

### Raag: Bheempalaasi

Thaat: Kaafee, Ga and Ni are soft, All other notes are pure, Re and Dha are omitted in Aaroha, Type: Odav Sampurna, Vaadi: Madhyam (Ma) Samvaadi: Shadja (Sa),

Time: Evening

### Raag: Bhoopaalee

Thaat: Kalyaan

Ma and Ni are omitted, All other notes are pure

Type: Odav Odav,

Vaadi: Gandhar (Ga) Saunvaadi: Dhaivat (Dha)

Time: First prahar of night

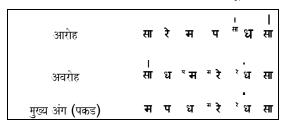
Raga: Kalyaan (Yaman) Thaat: Kalyaan, Madhyam Teevra (Sharp), Rest of the notes are 'Shuddha' or pure, Type: Sampurna, Vaadi: Gandhaar Samvaadi: Nishaad

Time: 1st 'Prahar\*' of night

Aaroha	Ni	Re	Ga	Mav	Dha	Ni	I Sa		
Avaroha	I Sa	Ni	Dha	Pa	Ma√	Ga	Re	Sa	
Main Part (Pakad)	Ni	Re	Ga	Ma√	Ga	Re j	Ni	Re	Sa

# राग : दुर्गा थाटः विलावल

गंधार निषाद वर्ज्य, सारे स्वर शुध्द, जातीः ओडव ओडव वादीः धैवत, संवादीः ऋषभ, समयः रात्री दूसरा प्रहर



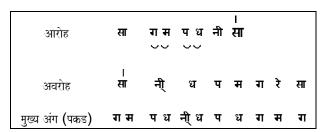
# राग ३ काफी थाट ३ काफी

गंधार निषाद कोमल, बाकी स्वर शुध्द, जाती ः संपूर्ण संपूर्ण वादीः पंचम, संवादीः षड्ज, समय ः मध्यरात्री

आरोह	सा	रे	ग्	म	ч	ध	नी्	 सा
अवरोह	 सा	नी्	ध	ч	म	ग्	रे	सा
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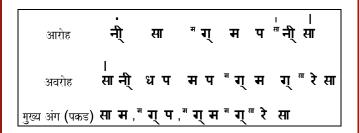
### राग ३ खमाज थाट ३ खमाज

दो निषाद लगते हैं, आरोहमे ऋषभ वर्ज्य, बाकी स्वर शुध्द जातीः षाडव संपूर्ण, वादीः गंधार, संवादीः निषाद समयः संध्या या रात्री



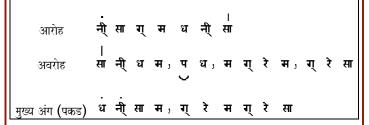
# राग ३ भीमपलासी थाटः काफी

गंधार और निषाद कोमल, बाकी स्वर शुध्द, आरोहमे रिषभ धैवत वर्ज्य जातीः ओडव संपूर्ण, वादीः मध्यम, संवादीः षड्ज, समयः सायंकाल



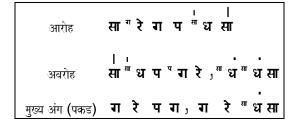
# राग बागेश्री थाटः काफी

गंधार और निषाद कोमल ( **ग्** , नी् ), आरोहमे पंचम वर्ज्य , जाती ः षाडव संपूर्ण ,वादीः मध्यम **म** संवादीः षडज **सा** , समय ः रात्री



# राग ३ भूपाली थाटः कल्याण

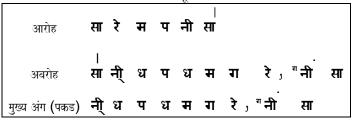
मध्यम और निषाद वर्ज्य, बाकी स्वर शुध्द, जातीः ओडव ओडव, वादीः गंधार संवादीः धैवत, समयः रात्री का पहला प्रहर



# राग ३ देस थाट ३ खमाज

आरोहमे गंधार धैवत वर्ज्य , इस रागमे दो निषाद लगते हैं , जातीः ओडव संपूर्ण , वादीः पंचम संवादीः ऋषभ ,

समयः रात्रौ दूसरा प्रहर



# राग १ कल्याण (यमन) थाटः कल्याण मध्यम तीव्र वाकी स्वर शुद्ध, वादीः गांधार संवादीः निषाद, जातीः संपूर्ण, समयः रात्रीका पहला प्रहर

आरोह नी रे ग म ध नी सा अवरोह सा नी ध प म ग रे सा मुख्य अंग (पकड) नी रे ग म ग रे , नी रे सा

# নাল जानकाञ्ची Information about Taal (Beats)

# १. तीनताल त्रिताल

मात्रा ८, ताली १३७ पर, काल ५ वी मात्रा, सम १ ली मात्रा, खंड ४ हरएक २ मात्राका

# 1. Teentaal (Tritaal)

Beats 8, Clap on 1,3,7; Kaal 5<sup>th</sup> Beat, Sam 1<sup>st</sup> Beat, 4 Sections, 2 beats each

धा	धिं	धिं	धा	धा	धिं	धिं	धा
Dhaa	Dhin	Dhin	Dhaa	Dhaa	Dhin	Dhin	Dhaa
o 1 Clap	0	o Index finger	0	o 3 Clap	0	o Pinky	O

धा	तिं	तिं	ता	ता	धिं	धिं	धा
Dhaa	Tin	Tin	Taa	Taa	Dhin	Dhin	Dhaa
o +	0	o	o	o 7	o	О	o
Ring Finger		Middle Finger		Clap		Index Finger	

### २. दादरा

मात्रा ६, काल ४थी मात्रा, सम १ ली मात्रा, खंड २ हरएक ३ मात्राका

# 2. Daadaraa

Beats 6, Kaal 4<sup>th</sup> Beat, Sam 1<sup>st</sup> Beat, 2 Sections, 3 beats each

धा	धी	ना	धा	ती	ना
Dhaa	Dhee	Naa	Dhaa	Tee	Naa
		_	_		
1	_	_	+	_	_
1 Clan	Pinky	Ring Finger	+ Palm up	Pinky	Ring Finger

# ३ कहरवा केरवा

मात्रा ४, ताली १२४ पर, काल ३ री मात्रा, सम १ ली मात्रा, खंड ४ हरएक १ मात्राका

धा	गि	न	ति	न	क	धीं
Dhaa	Gi	Na	Ti	Na	Ka	Dhee
o 1 Clap	O	o 2 Clap	O	o + Palm up	O	4 Clap

# 3. Kaharawaa (Kerwaa)

Beats 4, Clap on 1,2,4; Kaal 3<sup>rd</sup> Beat, Sam 1<sup>st</sup> Beat, 4 Sections, 1 beat each

### ४. झपताल

मात्रा १ $\mathbf{0}$ , ताली १३८ पर, काल ६ठी मात्रा, सम १ ली मात्रा, खंड ४ - २,३,२,३

# 4. Jhaptaal

Beats 10, Clap on 1, 3, 8; Kaal 6<sup>th</sup> Beat, Sam 1<sup>st</sup> Beat, 4 Sections – 2, 3, 2, 3



# ५ - द्रुत एकताल

मात्रा ६, ताली १३५६ पर, काल ४ थी मात्रा, सम १ ली मात्रा, खंड५ - २,१,१,१,१

# 5. Drut (Fast) Ektaal

Beats 6, Clap on 1, 3, 5, 6; Kaal 4<sup>th</sup> Beat, Sam 1<sup>st</sup> Beat, 4 Sections – 2, 1, 1, 1, 1

### ६. रूपक

मात्रा ७, ताली ४६ पर, काल १ ली मात्रा, सम नही है, खंड ३ - ३, २, २

# 6. Roopak

Beats 7, Clap on 4, 6; Kaal 1<sup>st</sup> Beat, There is no Sam, 3 Sections – 3, 2, 2

# ८ चौताल चारताल

मात्रा १२, ताली १५९ ११ पर, काल ३ री और ७ वी मात्रा, सम १ ली मात्रा, खंड ६ - २, २, २, २, २

### 8. Chautaal or Chaartaal

Beats 12, Clap on 1, 5, 9, 11; Kaal  $3^{rd}$  and  $7^{th}$  Beat, Sam  $1^{st}$  beat, 6 Sections – 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2



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#### **Lesson-1** Terminology and Definitions

- 1. **Sangeet**: The ancient Sanskrit text "Sangeet Ratnakar" defines sangeet (music) as encompassing the arts of singing, playing (an instrument) and dance. In olden times, singing, playing an instrument and dance were given importance in music in that order.
- 2. **Dhvani**: Dhvani refers to sound. Music is an art that we listen to with our ears. Therefore, sound is of foremost important in sangeet/music. Dhvani can be of two types—one that is useful for music and the other that is not useful for music.
- 3. **Naad**: Out of all the sounds (dhvanis), the sound that is useful for the purposes of music is called naad (ie, musical sound). Naad can be of two types. Sounds that are made from friction or accent are called 'aahat naad' (ie, sounds we can hear). The other is called 'anaahat naad' and can be heard only by sages and rishis (philosophical concept).
- 4. **Swara**: Certain sounds used in music (naads) are called swaras (notes). These (swaras or notes) are sounds of specific frequencies. In Indian classical music, there are 7 basic notes—Sa (Shadaja), Re (Rishabh), Ga (Gandhar), Ma (Madhyam), Pa (Pancham), Dha (Dhaivat) and Ni (Nishaad). These 7 swaras are called "shuddha swaras" (ie, pure swaras). When Re, Ga, Dha and Ni are used below the pure note (ie at lower frequency), they are called "komal" swaras (ie, flat notes). However, Ma can be used at a slightly higher note, and then it is called "teevra madhyam" (Ma sharp). Thus, 7 pure notes, 4 flat notes (Re, Ga, Dha and Ni komal) and one sharp note (Ma teevra) make up 12 swaras or notes in music.
- 5. Raaga: Raaga is considered to be a special feature/characteristic of Indian classical music. The word "raaga" originates from the root "ranja" meaning entertainment/pleasing. Sanskrit texts define raaga as "raaga ranjayate iti" meaning that which entertains (is pleasing) is raaga. A combination of notes (swaras) that is entertaining/pleasing is called a raaga. A raaga should have a minimum of 5 notes.
- 6. **Varjya swara**: Swaras or notes that are not used in a particular raga are called varjya swaras (excluded notes). For example, in Raaga Bhoopalee, Ma and Ni are not used, so for this raga they are varjya swaras.
- 7. **Thaat**: The group of seven basic notes that can be used to build a raaga is called thaat. There are 10 thaats in Indian (Hindustani) classical music—bilaaval, kalyan, khamaj, kaafi, bhairav, marwa, poorvi, asaavari, todi and bhairavi. Every raga originates from a particular thaat (or, every raga belongs to a thaat). For eg, Bheempalasi raga originates from Kaafi thaat.
- 8. **Jaati**: (type or class of raga) Based on the number of swaras (notes) used in the raaga, it is said to be of a particular jaati. Any raga should have a maximum of seven and a minimum of five

notes (some exceptions have four). Therefore, there are 3 main jaatis—"audav", "shaadav" and "sampoorna". A raga that uses five notes is called "audav", one that uses six is called "shaadav" and one that uses seven notes is called "sampoorna". Some raagas use different number of notes in the aaroha and avaroha. In these cases, we get subclasses of raagas (upjaati translated as subclass).

- 9. **Vaadi**: The main note of the raga is called the vaadi. This note comes forth prominently when the raga is sung or played. The Sanskrit definition is "vadati iti vaadi" meaning "one that speaks is vaadi". The vaadi is the note one can dwell on in the raaga. For example, the vaadi (principal note) for Bhoopaalee is Ga.
- 10. **Samvaadi**: This is the second most important note in the raga (after vaadi, but more prominent than other notes used in the raga). For eg, in Yaman the samvaadi is Ni.
- 11. Anuvaadi: All notes used in a raaga other than the vaadi and samvaadi are called anuvaadi.
- 12. **Vivaadi**: A note that is not used in a raga, but if used skillfully enhances the beauty of the raga, is called vivaadi.
- 13. Saptak: (octave) The seven pure notes and five altered notes (vikrut swara translated as altered note) together form a saptak. Re, Ga, Dha, Ni and Ma are called "chal" swaras, ie, they can go above or below the pure note. There are three saptaks (octaves)—mandra, madhya and taar. Mandra saptak—this is the lower octave (comes before the madhya saptak or middle octave). This octave is from the lower Sa to the normal Sa. (written with a dot on the note). Madhya saptak—the octave we most commonly use to sing and play an instrument is the madhya saptak or middle octave. This includes notes from the main Sa to Ni. The swaras in this octave are not written with any symbol.

**Taar saptak**—This is the higher octave starting from the Sa above the normal Sa. The notes are written with a line above them. The Madhya saptak is twice as high as the mandra saptak and the taar saptak is twice as high as the Madhya saptak.

14. **Alankaar**: The sequential combination of notes used in aaroha and avaroha is called alankaar. For example: (1) aaroha—SaReGa, ReGaMa, GaMaPa...

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avaroha—SaNiDha, NiDhaPa, DhaPaMa...
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(2) aaroha— SaGaReSa, ReMaGaRe, ...

avaroha—SaNiDhasa, NiDhaPaNi, ...

It is a must to practice alankaars to learn where the notes are situated/placed.

15. **Aaroha-Avaroha**: Singing or playing an instrument upwards from a particular note is called aaroha (ascending scale of a raga), and singing or playing downwards from the higher note to the lower note is called avaroha (descending scale).

Eg: (1) aaroha—Sa Ga Ma Pa Ni Sa

avaroha—Sa Ni Pa Ma Ga Sa (2) aaroha—Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa Avaroha—Sa Ni Dha Pa Ma Ga Re Sa

16. **Pakad**: A particular short combination/sequence of notes that brings out the character of the raaga, or is characteristic of the raaga, is called pakad (like a catchphrase). Raagas can be identified by listening to their pakad.

For example—pakad for Bheempalas is MaPa Ga\ Ma Ga\ Re Sa

- 17. **Aalap**: The slow expansion (or elaboration in slow tempo) of the raga using its notes and following the rules for the particular raga is called aalap.
- 18. **Taan**: Taan refers to the singing or playing the notes of the raaga in fast tempo. The word "taan" is derived from the root "Tann" meaning?
- 19. **Sthaayi and Antara**: The songs sung for various raagas are called bandishes. Usually a bandish has two parts—the first is called sthaayi and the second is called antara.
- 20. **Toda**: Taans played on sitar, sarod and similar instruments are called todas.

#### **Lesson 2: Definitions and Terminology (Taals)**

- 1. **Taal**: Taal is a measurement used in music. Taals are defined as—
  - (1) The rhythmic time measure used (with action) in singing, playing (an instrument) and dance is called taal. (Sangeet Makarand)
  - (2) The measurement used in singing and dance is called taal.(Bharatmuni)
  - (3) ?? le, the combination of different submeasures—maatra (beat), vibhaag (group of maatras), sam, taali and khaali fixed at different places is called taal.
- 2. Theka: This is the form of taal for tabla or pakhawaj, ie, the combination of words/mnemonics used when the tabla or pakhawaj is played for a given taal (while maintaining the maatra, vibhaag, taali and khaali for that taal).
  Although the taal and theka are similar in idea/concept and are related, there are some
  - Although the taal and theka are similar in idea/concept and are related, there are some differences between them.
- 3. **Khand**: This is a defined grouping of maatras (beats) used in a taal. Each taal uses a distinct khand that can be used to identify/distinguish the taal.

- 4. **Sam**: The first beat of a taal is called the sam. Taal Rupak is the only taal that has a khaali in its first beat.
- 5. **Taali**: When we keep the taal, the beat on which we clap is called taali. A taal has two types of khands—(1) "bhari ke khand" (2) "khaali ke khand" (khands with khaali). Of these, to show the bhari ke khand, the clap we give on the first beat of that khand is called taali. For example, teentaal has taalis on beats 1,5,13; therefore, when we keep teentaal, we clap on beats 1,5 and 13.
- **6. Khaali (kaal)**: Usually, the first beat after half the number of total beats in a taal (or first beat after half-cycle) is called khaali. However, this rule does not apply to all taals. "Khaali" is a Hindi word meaning "empty". Therefore, the first beat of the vibhaag that is not played (empty) is called khaali (or 'kaal' in Marathi). When we keep the taal with the hand, khaali is shown by waving the hand away from the other (ie wave away from other hand rather than clap). For example, teentaal has khaali on the 9<sup>th</sup> beat, so we show khaali on this beat by waving the hand away.
  - There is an important rule for taali and khaali—in any taal, there can be two consecutive khands of taali, but two consecutive khands with khaalis are not allowed.
- 7. **Aavartan**: The cyclic rhythm/repetition of the taal is called aavartan. Ie, if we read or play any taal repetitively from sam to sam, it is called aavartan.
- 8. Laya: Laya (tempo) is very important in music. Some definitions of laya are as follows—
  - (1) the tempo is called laya.
  - (2) The time interval between two beats is called laya.

    There are 3 major types of laya—(i) vilambit laya, (ii) madhya laya and (iii) dhrut laya
    - (i) Vilambit (slow) laya: this is very slow tempo. The time between two beats is long, therefore this is called vilambit laya
    - (ii) Madhya laya: medium tempo is called madhya laya. This is faster than the vilambit laya but slightly slower than the dhrut laya.
    - (iii) Dhrut laya: fast tempo is called dhrut laya. The time between two beats in dhrut laya is minimal. "Chhote khayal" and "rajakhani" are presented in this tempo.Usually, these types of layas (tempo) are relative terms. So if we consider one beat per second as Madhya laya, then two beats per second would be dhrut laya and one beat per 2 seconds would be vilambit laya.
- 9. **Maatra**: (Beat) The basic unit in which taal is measured is called maatra. Just as music is measured using taals, taals are measured using maatras (beats).
- 10. **Dugun**: (double) Singing or playing two notes per beat is called dugun. Ie, when we say the mnemonics or play the taal from sam to sam twice in one cycle of the taal, it is dugun.

- 11. **Tigun**: (triple) Singing or playing three notes per beat is called tigun. Ie, when we say the mnemonics or play the taal from sam to sam thrice in one cycle of the taal, it is tigun.
- 12. **Chaugun**: (Quadruple) Singing or playing four notes per beat is called tigun. Ie, when we say the mnemonics or play the taal from sam to sam four times in one cycle of the taal, it is chaugun.

# Lesson 3: Introduction to music notation (comparison of Pt. Paluskar's and Pt. Bhatkhande's notations for taals and swaras)

	Pt. Paluskar		Pt. Bhatkhande
Two beats	∽ Sa ∽		no symbol Sa Sa
One beat	- <u>Sa Re</u>		no symbol Sa Sa
Half beat	○ Sa Re		two notes in one beat SaRe
Quarter beat	∽Sa Re Ga Ma		four notes in one beat SaReGaMa
One-eighth beat	≅ Şag Reg a Maga Maga Re	7	include all notes in the sign
One-sixteenth beat	Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Ma Ga Re  Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Ma Ga Re	-	
One-third beat	~~ Sa Re Ga		
One-sixth beat			
One-twelfth beat			
Shuddha swara	No symbol		no symbol
Komal swara	Re Ga Dha Ni		Re Ga Dha Ni
Teevra swara	Ma, Maa		l Ma
Notes in middle octave	no symbol		no symbol
Notes in lower octave	Ni Dha Pa		Ni Dha Pa
Notes in higher octave	Sa Re Ga		Sa Re Ga
Extension of note	Sa <><>		Sa
Extension of word	Ram		Ra>>m
Vertical line at the end taal in a bandish	of one cycle of the		Vertical lines at the end of sthayi and antara in a bandish

Raag: 1<sup>st</sup> beat is indicated by "1"

Khaali: indicated by "+"

Taali: Beats on which taali occurs are indicated by the beat numbers eg, 1,5,13

Khand: Khands are not indicated, however, at the end of a cycle, a vertical line is used

In Madhya laya, teentaal and ektaal are
8 and 6 beats respectively

Eg Teental

DhaDhinDhinDha DhaDhinDhinDha

1 3 Dha

DhaTinTinTa TaDhinDhinDa

2

1st beat is indicated by "x"

Khaali indicated by "o"

Taali is denoted by the its number, eg 2, 3, 4

Khands are separated by vertical lines

Teentaal and ektaal are 16 and 12 beats respectively

Teentaal-- DhaDhinDhinDha | X

DhaDhinDhinDha | DhaTinTinTa | TaDhinDhinDa 2 ( 3

Ektaal:

DhinDhin DhaTraKa TuNa KaTak DhaTraKa DheeNa

1 3 + 5 6

(Elaboration of Paluskar notation on this topic is given separately)

### **Lesson 4: Introduction to Raagas**

#### 1. Raaga Durga

Introduction:

Swaras (notes): all shuddha (pure) notes

Vaadi: Dhaivat

Varjya: Gandhar, Nishad

Thaat: Bilaaval

Samvaadi: Rishabh

Jaati: Audav-audav

Time: 2<sup>nd</sup> prahar of the night

Pakad: Ma Pa Dha SMa Re Pa, Dha Ma Re Dha Dha Sa

Aaroha: Sa Re Ma Pa <sup>Sa</sup>Dha Sa

Avaroha: Sa Dha PaMa Re, Ma Re Dha Dha Sa

### Characteristics of the raaga:

(1) The later notes (Pa Dha Ni Sa) are more prominent in this raaga

(2) The combination RePa can be used in this raaga

For eg, Sa Re Pa, Ma Pa Dha S Pa Ma Re Pa...and so on

- (3) Aaroha has a clear rendition of Pa, but in the avaroha Pa is used as a "kana swara" (shadow note) in Dha <sup>Pa</sup>Ma Re
- (4) Some music scholars consider Ma as vaadi and Sa as samvaadi in this raaga
- (5) This is considered to be a newer raaga
- (6) The raaga is of a happy nature/mood
- (7) Durga raaga from Khamaj thaat is also in use
- (8) Some bandishes in raaga Durga are written describing Goddess Durga

### Elaboration for the raaga:

- (1) Sa Dha Dha Sa, Dha Sa Re Ma Re , Ma Re Dha Dha Sa
- (2) Dha Sa Ma Re Ma Re, Re Ma Pa Dha S Ma Re, Dha Sa Re Ma, Sa Re Ma, Dha Pa Ma Re, Dha Dha Sa
- (3) Sa <sup>Ma</sup>Re Ma <sup>Pa</sup>Ma, Ma Pa Dha <sup>Pa</sup>Ma Re, Ma Pa Sa Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <sup>Pa</sup>Ma Re, Dha Sa Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <sup>Pa</sup>Ma Re, Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Re Re Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma Re, Dha <u>Pa</u> Ma <u>Re</u>, Dha <u>Pa</u>
- (4) Sa Re Ma Pa Dha Sa Ma Re Pa , Ma Pa Sa Dha Sa Sa Re Sa Dha Pa Ma Re, Ma Re Dha Sa
- (5) Ma Pa Dha Pa Ma Pa Sa Dha Sa Dha Sa Re, Sa Re Ma Re, Ma Re Dha Sa Ma Pa Dha Sa Sa Dha PaMa Re, Ma Re Dha Sa

#### 2. Raaga Kaafi

Introduction:

Swaras: Ga, Ni komalThaat: KaafiVaadi: PanchamSamvaadi: ShadajVarjya swaras: noneJaati: Sampoorna

Time: 2<sup>nd</sup> prahar of the night Pakad: Re Ga Ma Pa, Dha Pa Ma Pa Ga Re

Aaroha: Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa Avaroha: Sa Ni Dha Pa Ma Ga Re Sa

#### Characteristics of the raaga:

(1) The expansion of this raaga is generally similar. For eg, Sa Re Ga Ma Pa, Pa Ma Ga Re, Re Ga Ma Pa, Ma Pa Dha Ni Dha Pa

- (2) Although the raaga is sampoorna, in aalaps the swara combination Sa Re Ma Pa and Ma Pa Dha Sa
- (3) Bada khayals are not sung in this raaga, hence it is considered a "shudra" (poor) raaga.
- (4) Semi-classical forms like thumri, tappa, hori are sung in this raaga
- (5) When two gandhars and two nishaads are used in this raaga, it is called Mishra Kaafi.
- (6) Some music scholars consider the vaadi to be Pa and samvaadi to be Re.

#### Raaga elaboration:

- (1) Sa Ni Dha Sa, Dha Ni Sa Re Ga Re, Re Ga Ma Ga Re, Ga Sa
- (2) Sa Re Ga Re Ma Pa, Ma Pa Ma Pa Dha Pa, Ma Ga Re Re Ga Ma Pa Dha> Pa, Ma Pa Ga Re, Ma Ga Re Sa
- (3) Sa Re Ga Re Ma Pa, Ma Pa Dha Ni Dha Pa, Ma Pa Dha Pa Ma Ga Re, Re Ga Ma Ga Re Sa
- (4) Sa Re Ma Pa Dha Ni Dha Pa, Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa Ni Dha Sa Sa Ni Dha Pa, Ma Pa Ma Pa, Ma Pa Dha Pa Ga Re, Re Ga Ma Pa Ma Ga Re, Ga Sa
- (5) Sa Re Ma Pa Dha Ni Dha Pa, Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa, Dha Ni Sa Re Ga Re, Ga Re, Sa, Sa Ni Dha Pa, Ma Pa Dha Ni Sa Ni Dha Pa, Dha Dha Pa Ga Re Re Ga Re Sa