

Hindusthan Art & Music Society

Subject –Mohiniyattam Dance			
Year – Primary	Full Marks -100	Oral- 25	Practical-75

Theory (Oral)

- 1. Adavu-Taganam part II.
- 2. Illustration of Roopak taala in hand through Laghu and Drut.
- 3. Padabheda and Drishtibheda (according to Balarama Bharatam Shastra).
- 4. Presentation of 1 Rabindra Nritya (Pooja or Prem) based on Kaharva taala.
- 5. 24 Samyukta Hasta Mudras along with Shlokam.

Practical

- 1. Definition of the following: Adavu, Nataraj, Mohini
- 2. Name of own Dance Guru.
- 3. Reason behind liking Mohiniyattam Dance.
- 4. Mention the Classical Dances of India and their places(region) of origin.
- 5. Introduction to Rabindra Nritya.
- 6. Study of the oldest Shastra of Indian Classical dance. Mention the writer of the particular Shastra.
- 7. Study of the Shastra of Mohiniyattam Dance. Mention the writer of the particular Shastra.
- 8. Knowledge of Kerala's Mohiniyattam Dance Institute, its year of establishment and the founder of the institute.



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Year – First Year	Full Marks -150	Oral- 50	Practical-100

<u>Theory</u>

- 1. Adavu: Jaganam, Dhaganam, Mutaipu(Tirunam)
- 2. Cholkeu: Saurashtram raaga and 1 Shlokam.
- 3. Demonstrating Misradapu taalam in Ekgun, Dwigun and Chaugun By hand (Laghu and Drut)
- 4. Knowledge of Griva bheda, Shirobheda and Chari according to Balarama Bharatam Shastra.
- 5. Application of Pataka Mudra along with Shlokam.
- 6. Presentation of 1 Modern or Creative dance in Jhaptaal.

<u>Practical</u>

- 1. Definition of the following: Nritta, Nritya, Natya, Anga, Pratyanga and Upanga.
- 2. Definition of Abhinaya and its kinds.
- 3. Practice of writing notation of Adi taalam, Roopak taalam and Milchapu taalam.
- 4. Description of Cholku
- 5. Biography: Maharaja Swati Tirunal.



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Year –Second Year Full Marks -150 Oral- 50 Practical-100				

<u>Theory</u>

- 1. Knowledge of 1 Mukhchalam and Swarayoti (Todi raaga).
- 2. Illustrating Dhruvam and Mattiyam taalam in hand in Ekgun, Dwigun and Chaugun layas.(Laghu and Drut)
- 3. Application of Mudrakshiyam and Katakam Mudras along with Shlokam.
- 4. Demonstrating Panchajati through dance.

<u>Practical</u>

- 1. Gradual development of Mohiniyattam dance form.
- 2. Definition of the following: Taalam, Jaati, Division, Drut, Laghu, Matra, Rhythm.
- 3. Knowledge of origination of Mohiniyattam Mudras from specific Shastra.
- 4. Detailed knowledge of Balarama Bharatam Shastra of Mohiniyattam Dance.
- 5. Practice of writing Dhruvam and Mattiyam notation.
- 6. Knowledge of Mukhchalamajh and Swaramati
- 7. Biography: Bhallakhol Narayan Menon



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Year – Third Year Full Marks - 150 Oral - 50 Practical - 100				

<u>Theory</u>

- 1. Knowledge of 1 Ganesh Vandana.
- 2. Knowledge of Padam of any raaga written by Swati Tirunal.
- 3. Bhanam: Adi taalam in Shankara Bharanam raaga.
- 4. Illustrating Jhamp and Triput taalam in hand in Ekgun, Dwigun and Chaugun layas.(Laghu and Drut)
- 5. Kerala Taalam: Illustrating Chambara and Chamba taalam in hand (Laghu and Drut).
- 6. Application of Mushthi and Kartarimukham Mudras.

Practical

- 1. Brief history of Kerala.
- 2. Knowledge of other classical dances of Kerala except Mohiniyattam namely Kathakali, Kudiyattam, Ottantullal.
- 3. Definition of the following: Sangeet, Nada, Swara, Sruti, Sthan.
- 4. Knowledge of 2 stories of the Puranas where Lord Vishnu disguised himself as Mohini to save the Prithvi(earth) from destruction.
- 5. Ability to write notation of Jhampa and Triput taalam.
- 6. Definition of Padam and Bhanam.
- 7. Biography: Irayimman Thampi and Chinnampu Amma.



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Year –Fourth Year	Full Marks -150	Oral- 50	Practical-100

<u>Theory</u>

- 1. Knowledge of Tillana of any raaga.
- 2. Padam: Irayimman Thampi composed.
- 3. Application of Shuktundam and Kapithhakam Mudras.
- 4. Kerala taalam: Demonstration of Lakshmitaal, Marmataal, Carnatacitaal attyo and Ekam taala in hand (Laghu and Drut).

<u>Practical</u>

- 1. Significance and importance of Abhinaya in Mohiniyattam.
- 2. Role of Mridangam, Madyalam and Edakkar in Mohiniyattam dance.
- 3. Description of Tillana.
- 4. Definition of Panchajati and practice of its writing in notation.
- 5. History of Kerala's Kalamandalam and its work in the field of arts.
- 6. Biography: Kalamandalam Kalyanikutty Amma and Chinnampu Amma.
 - Courses prescribed for the previous years included.



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Year –Fifth Year	Full Marks -400	Oral- 100+100	Practical-200

Theory (First Paper and Second Paper)

- 1. Knowledge of Ashtapadi and Navras.
- 2. Application of Hanshapaksha and Shikharam Mudras.
- 3. Kerala Taalam: Illustrating Kumbha taalam and Kundanachi taalam in hand (Laghu and Drut)
- 4. Presentation of 1 Rabindra Nritya in Mohiniyattam style of dance.

<u>Practical</u>

- 1. Knowledge of Nayak and Nayika Bhed.
- 2. Definition of the following: Rasa, Bhav, Tandav, Lasya.
- 3. Description of Ashtapadi and Navras.
- 4. Characteristics of a dancer.
- 5. Historical knowledge of Indian Dhrupadi Dance Tradition.
- 6. History of development of Bharatnatyam and Kuchipudi Dance.
- 7. Significance of the impact of Mohiniyattam dance on Rabindra sangeet based dance.



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Subject –Mohiniyattam Dance			
Year –Sixth Year	Full Marks -500	Oral- 100+100	Practical-300

Theory (First Paper and Second Paper)

- 1. Knowledge of a Devi Stuti.
- 2. Knowledge of Dasavatar.
- 3. Knowledge of a Padam of Roopak taalam.
- 4. Knowledge of a Keertan.
- 5. Application of the following Mudras along with Shlokam: Hangshapaksham, Anjali, Ardhachandran, Mukuran.
- 6. Knowledge of any Folk dance of Kerala.

Practical

- 1. Description of Dasavatara.
- 2. Comparative study of Carnatic and Hindusthani Taalam and Raagam.
- 3. Definition of Devdasis and knowledge of the Devdasi Pratha of Kerala.
- 4. Idea and basic knowledge of the following Folk dances of Kerala: Teiyam, Kaikuttikali, Mudiyetu, Kolkali.
- 5. Role of Konkorele and Bharati Shivaji behind the popularity of Mohiniyattam dance.



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Year –Seventh Year Full Marks -500 Oral- 100+100 Practical-300				

Theory (First Paper and Second Paper)

- 1. Knowledge of Ashtanayika.
- 2. Knowledge of Jiva (Moksh)
- 3. Knowledge of 1 Kaikuttikali (Folk dance of Kerala)
- 4. Enacting any Pauranik and historical story through Mohiniyattam dance form.
- 5. Illustrating 2 yati each of Edakkar and Madyamal through dance.

Practical

- 1. Knowledge of 4 types of Abhinaya and their application in Mohiniyattam dance form.
- 2. Impact of the use of Kerala's own sangeet (Sopan Sangeet) on Mohiniyattam dance.
- 3. Knowledge of Kerala's own Taalam and its effect and application in Mohiniyattam dance.
- 4. Knowledge of different temples of Kerala, their impact and role in the development of Mohiniyattam dance.
- 5. Definition of Ashtapadi. Spread of Ashtapadi in Kerala. Importance of Ashtapadi in recent times in the temples of Kerala.
- 6. Contribution of Sri Kavalam Narayan Menon in the field of music of Mohiniyattam dance.