

M.A. Music - Hindustani Music
Vocal/Instrumental (Sitar/Sarod/Guitar/Violin/Santoor)

Discipline Specific Core Course (DSC)

SEMESTER IV

DSC – 10 Ragas, Talas and their applications

Course Title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
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Ragas, Talas and their applications	4	0	0	4	B. A (Hons) Hindustani Music Or B. A (Prog.) with Hindustani Music. Must have learnt for a minimum of 6 years at an established music institute or from a reputed artist/guru	The student must have studied Practical papers prescribed under Graduate programmes (B.A. Hons/B.A. Prog.) in Hindustani Music

Course Objectives:

- To enhance the difficulty level of the ragas, and teach the student complex ragas
- To be able to make a comparison of one raga with similar ragas of all the seven semesters
- To assess the ability of the student to perform different high level techniques with various talas
- Ability to understand the prescribed talas and efficiency in performing with other talas.

Learning Outcomes:

- The student will have the knowledge of all the ragas that he has learnt in the previous semesters
- The student will be able to perform complex ragas with self-confidence.
- He/she will be able to differentiate between similar sounding ragas of all the semesters.
- The student will have thorough knowledge of all the talas that he has learnt in the last five semesters.

Syllabus:

VOCAL MUSIC –

Unit I: Study of the prescribed ragas (60 hours)

- Jog Kauns, Soor Malhar, Komal Rishabh Asawari
- Bilasakhani Todi, Gurjari Todi, Lalit,
- Madhuwanti, Nand, Gunkali
- Kalawati, Chandrakauns , Shankara

Unit II: Stage Performance of a raga (25 hours)

- Performance of a Vilambit Khayal with gayaki and elaborations in any one raga chosen from the prescribed ragas
- Presentation of a Drut Khayal with gayaki and elaborations in the same raga
- Performance of one semi classical composition
- Presentation of a devotional or folk song

Unit III: Presentation of ragas and ability to compare similar ragas (25 hours)

- Presentation of a Vilambit Khayal with gayaki and elaborations in all the prescribed ragas.
- Presentation of a Drut Khayal with gayaki and elaborations in all the prescribed ragas.
- Comparative analysis of similar prescribed ragas
- Comparative analysis of ragas from this semester with the ragas prescribed in the previous semesters

Unit IV: Demonstration of talas and Tanpura tuning (10 hours)

- Knowledge and demonstration of the following talas on the hands - Teentala, Jhaptala & Adachautala
- Demonstration of Dugun, Tigun and Chaugun layakaris on the hands in the prescribed talas
- Ability to tune the Tanpura
- Ability to play the Tanpura while performing

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC –

Unit I: Study of the prescribed ragas (60 hours)

- Jog Kauns, Soor Malhar, Komal Rishabh Asawari
- Bilasakhani Todi, Gurjari Todi, Lalit,
- Madhuwanti, Nand, Gunkali
- Kalawati, Chandrakauns , Shankara

Unit II: Stage Performance of a raga (25 hours)

- Performance of Maseetkhani Gat with elaborations in any one raga chosen from the prescribed ragas
- Presentation of a Razakhani Gat with elaborations in the same raga
- Performance of a dhun
- Presentation of a devotional or light music composition

Unit III: Presentation of ragas and ability to compare similar ragas (25 hours)

- Presentation of Maseetkhani and Razakhani Gats with elaborations in all the prescribed ragas.
- Presentation of a gat with elaboration in any 3 of the following talas - Dhamar, Ektal, Jhaptal & Adachautal
- Comparative analysis of similar prescribed ragas
- Comparative analysis of ragas from this semester with the ragas prescribed in the previous semesters

Unit IV: Demonstration of talas and instrument tuning (10 hours)

- Knowledge and demonstration of the following talas on the hands - Teentala, Jhaptala & Adachautala
- Demonstration of Dugun, Tigun and Chaugun layakaris on the hands in the prescribed talas
- Ability to tune the instrument before start of a raga
- Ability to tune the instrument before start of the next raga/dhun/light music composition
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Suggested readings:

- Bhatkhande, V.N. (2000) Kramik Pustak Malika, Part I, Hathras, U.P., Sangeet Karyalya
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- Mishra, Lalmani (1979) Tantrinada, Kanpur, U.P. Sahitya Ratnalaya
- Aggarwal, V.K. and Nagpal, Alka (2004) Sitar and its Compositions, Part I-II, Delhi, Sanjay Prakashan
- Mahajan, Anupam (2003) Compositions in Instrumental Music (Traditional and New Creation), Delhi, Sanjay Prakashan.