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1. Kathak Exponents & Gharanas

- **3 gharanas ke founders: Lucknow** — Ishwari Prasad (exponents: Wajid Ali Shah, Lachhu Maharaj, Shambhu Maharaj, Pandit Birju Maharaj — 'Kalka-Bindadin' Gharana descendant); **Jaipur** — Bhanu Ji Maharaj (exponents: Sunder Prasad, Puru Dadheech, Mangala Bhatt, Kundan Lal Gangani, Chunnilal Prasad, Prerana Shrimali, Rajendra Gangani, Vidyagauri Adkar); **Banaras** — **Janaki Prasad** (exponents: Sitara Devi, Kamalini Asthana, Nalini Asthana, Pandit Janki Prasad ka disciple). **Raigarh Gharana** — Raja Chakradhar Singh (exponents: Kartik Ram, Kalyan Das Mahant, Firtu Maharaj, Barman Lal). [Q167, Q177, Q187, Q219, Q228, Q239, Q301, Q351, Q376, Q380, Q390, Q392, Q419]
- **Sitara Devi** — 'Nritya Samragini' (Rabindranath Tagore ne title diya), Lucknow Gharana ke 3 masters (Achchan Maharaj, Lachhu Maharaj, Shambhu Maharaj) se seekha. 'Queen of Kathak' bhi kehlati hain. [Q179, Q250]
- **Pandit Birju Maharaj** — Ishwari Prasad ke descendant, Lucknow Kalka-Bindadin Gharana, father — Achchan Maharaj, uncles — Shambhu Maharaj aur Lachhu Maharaj. 'Kahe Chhed Mohe' (Devdas) aur 'Mohe Rang Do Laal' (Bajirao Mastani) choreograph kiya, Padma Vibhushan (1986). 2012 mein National Film Award (Best Choreography, Unnai Kaanaathu). **Shovana Narayan** — unki student, Indian Audit and Accounts Service officer bhi thi; **Saswati Sen** bhi unki senior disciple thi. [Q180, Q252, Q267, Q297, Q380]
- **Kumudini Lakhia** — KADAMB Centre for Dance (Ahmedabad, 1964) ki founder. **Rohini Bhate** — Nritya Bharati Kathak Dance Academy (Pune, 1947) founder, books 'Majhi Nritya Sadhana' aur 'Abhinaya Darpana'. [Q219, Q317]
- **Prerana Deshpande** — National Devdasi Award 2016 (Kathak). **Vidha Lal** — Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar 2017 (Kathak), Guinness record — 103 spins/minute. **Rani Karnaa Nayak** — Padma Shri 2014, Samskritiki Shreyaskar Kolkata academy founder. [Q241, Q301, Q311]

- **19th century Kathak**: golden age **Wajid Ali Shah** (last Nawab of Oudh) ke patronage mein, Lucknow Gharana patronise ki. **Maharaj Kalka Prashad** — 19th century exponent, Banaras mein rehte the, Thumri singing bhi promote ki. [Q376, Q419]
- Doosre exponents: **Roshan Kumari, Maya Rao. Gopi Krishna** — 15 saal ki age mein 'Nataraj' title mila (All Bengal Music Conference). **Aditi Mangaldas** — leading Kathak choreographer, National SNA Award 2013. **Nahid Siddiqui** (Pakistan-born) — Maharaj Kathak aur Birju Maharaj dono ki disciple. [Q163, Q276, Q290, Q380]
- **Birju Maharaj** Kathak Kendra (National Institute of Kathak Dance, 1964, Delhi) ke director the, apna dance school 'Kalashram' bhi khola. **Rohini Bhate, Pandit Munnalal Shukla, Kumudini Lakhia, Uma Sharma** — sab Kathak exponents. **Rajashree Shirke** — SNA 2013 (Kathak); **Shambhu Maharaj** pehla Kathak dancer tha jisne SNA 1955 mein jeeta. **Shovana Narayan** — 2013 mein 'Guru Deba Prasad' award mila. **Prerana Shrimali** — Jaipur Gharana senior dancer. [Q166, Q190, Q299, Q304, Q308]

2. Bharatanatyam Exponents & Founders

- **T. Balasaraswati** — 20th century ki foremost Bharatanatyam exponent, Madras Music Academy ne **1973** mein 'Sangita Kalanidhi' title di. Awards: SNA (1955), Padma Vibhushan (1977, posthumous). [Q146, Q229]
- **Rukmini Devi Arundale** — Kalakshetra Foundation (Chennai, 1936) ki founder, **India ki pehli female classical dancer jo Rajya Sabha member nominate hui**. 1968 Prani Mitra Award, 1958 Queen Victoria Silver Medal (RSPCA, London). Awards: Padma Bhushan (1956), SNA (1957), Kalidas Samman (1984). [Q151, Q188, Q312, Q342]
- **4 Nattuvanars** — **Tanjore Bandhu** (Ponaiyah, Vadivelu, Sivanandam, Chinnaiya) ne modern Bharatanatyam ko shape diya ('Nattuvanar' = dance teacher). [Q191]
- **Yamini Krishnamurthy** — Bharatanatyam + Kuchipudi dono, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam ki 'Asthana Nartaki', Delhi mein Yamini School of Dance (1990) khola. Awards: Padma Shri (1968), Padma Bhushan (2001), Padma Vibhushan (2016). [Q215, Q235, Q279]
- **Alarmel Valli** — Pandanallur style popularise ki, Padma Bhushan 2004, Salzburg Festival 2015 mein perform kiya, France se 'Chevalier of Arts and Letters' (2004). Padma Shri (1991) — second youngest recipient (after Vyjayanthimala). **Meenakshi Pillai** — Pandanallur school ki fame. Vazhuvoor style — B. Ramiah Pillai; Melattur style — Mangudi Dorairaj. [Q261, Q272, Q343]
- **Padma Subrahmanyam** — nayi Bharatanatyam style invent ki, Nishagandhi Puraskaram 2015 (exponent field: Bharatanatyam). Awards: Padma Vibhushan (2024), Padma Bhushan (2003), Padma Shri (1981), SNA (1983). [Q153, Q325, Q409]
- **Kumari Kamala (Kamala Lakshmi Narayanan)** — 1953 Queen Elizabeth-II coronation festivities ke liye invite hui, Vazhuvoor tradition ki preeminent artist. Awards: Kalaimamani (1967), Padma Bhushan (1970). [Q209, Q231]
- **Sonal Mansingh** — Bharatanatyam + Odissi dono master, **youngest Padma Bhushan recipient (1992)**, 2003 mein **Padma Vibhushan** pane wali **doosri Indian woman dancer** (Balasaraswati ke baad). [Q185, Q263]
- **Indrani Rahman** — Miss India 1952, first South Asian Miss Universe contestant, Bharatanatyam/Kuchipudi/Kathakali/Odissi sab kiya, SNA (1981). **Vasundhara Doraswamy** — UNESCO Paris 'World Peace' conference ke liye India se invite hui doosri Bharatanatyam danseuse, SNA 2019. [Q232, Q283]
- **Narthaki Nataraj** — **first trans woman Padma Shri (Bharatanatyam)**, SNA (2011). **Manjamma Jogati** — India ki first transgender folk dancer Padma Shri (2021, folk arts). **Hema Malini** (Bollywood actress) — trained **Bharatanatyam** dancer, Padma Shri 2000. **Kumkum Dhar Kathak ke liye jaani jaati hain, Kuchipudi ke liye NAHI** — trap pair (Yash Bharti Award, UP govt). [Q170, Q172, Q350, Q401]
- Doosre exponents: **Urmila Satyanarayanan** (Kalaimamani 1997), **Priyadarshini Govind** (Kalaimamani 1998, SNA 2012), **Sudha Chandran** (National Award 1985, film Mayuri), **Shobana Chandrakumar** (Padma Shri 2006), **C V Chandra Shekhar** (Padma Bhushan 2011, SNA 1993), **Radha Sridhar** (SNA 2018,

Venkatesha Natya Mandira 1969 founded), **Rama Vaidyanathan** (Devadasi National Award 2013), **Guru MK Saroja** (Padma Shri 2011), **R Muthu Kannammal** (Padma Shri 2022, Sadir dance — 32 Devadasis mein akeli survivor). [Q213, Q316, Q327, Q379, Q407, Q348, Q411, Q416, Q366]

● **Dhananjayans** — Vannadil Pudiyaaveetil Dhananjayan aur Shanta Dhananjayan (Chennai couple), Rashtriya Kalidas Samman 2019-20 (Bharatanatyam), MP govt ne diya. **Waheeda Rehman** — actress-cum-dancer, Padma Bhushan 2011. **Saroja Vaidyanathan** — Bharatanatyam, Kalidas Samman 2009-10, book 'The Science of Bharatanatyam'. **Meenakshi Srinivasan** — Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar 2011 (Bharatanatyam). [Q161, Q195, Q256, Q363]

3. Odissi Exponents

● **Kabichandra Kalicharan Patnaik** ne 'Odissi' term coin kiya (Odissi music/dance/Odia theatre field mein kaam kiya). **Guru Kelucharan Mohapatra** — **Odisha se pehla Padma Vibhushan (2000)**, Padma Bhushan (1988), SNA (1966), Kalidas Samman (1987); 1993 mein apni wife-dancer aur son ke saath 'Srjan' banaya; choreographed: Panchapuspa, Krushna Gatha, Geeta Govinda, Urbashi, Sakhigopal, Konark. [Q208, Q233, Q357]

● **Deba Prasad Das, Pankaj Charan Das, Gangadhar Pradhan** — Odissi se associated (theoretical base Natya Shastra se). SNA Odissi awardees list: Pankaj Charan Das/Deba Prasad Das (1970), Mayadhar Raut (1985), Sonal Mansingh (1987), Kumkum Mohanty (1994), Gangadhar Pradhan (1997), Gita Mahalik (2009), Aruna Mohanty (2010), Sujata Mohapatra (2017), Surupa Sen (2018), Sutapa Talukdar (2019), Rabindra Atibudhi (2020). [Q186, Q196, Q238, Q240, Q318, Q412]

● **Ratikant Mohapatra** — SNA 2016 (Odissi), Bhumi Putra Samman (2016). **Madhavi Mudgal** — Padma Shri 1990, France govt medal 1997, 'Nritya Choodamani' title 2004. **Guru Mayadhar Raut** — 1950s mein Odissi revive ki grammar/Abhinaya vocabulary redefine karke. [Q238, Q345, Q386]

● **Laxmipriya Mohapatra** — **pehli woman jo Gotipua stage par perform ki, pehli dancer jo Odissi stage par perform ki**. **Ileana Citaristi** (Italian-origin) — 2006 Padma Shri, Odissi + Chhau dono; **foreign-origin ki pehli classical dancer Padma Shri awardee**. [Q339, Q340]

● **Sharmila Biswas** — Odissi Vision and Movement Center (Kolkata, 1995) founder, 1998 Best Choreography Award. **Durga Charan Ranbir** — Guru Kelucharan Mahapatra Award 2019. **Minati Mishra** — 1975 Orissa SNA, 2012 Padma Shri. **Maguni Charan Das** — Gotipua ke liye Padma Shri (2004). **Guru Gangadhar Pradhan** — Odissi, SNA 1998, Padma Shri 2008. [Q320, Q339, Q353, Q372, Q418, Q427]

4. Manipuri Exponents

● **Guru Bipin Singh** — '**Father of Manipuri Dance**', Imphal mein **Govindji Nartanalaya/Narthanalaya (women ke liye)** founded kiya, Maharaja of Manipur ne 'Nrityacharya' title di. Awards: SNA (1966), Kalidas Samman (1989). [Q157, Q212, Q269, Q377]

● **4 Jhaveri sisters** — Nayana, Ranjana, Suverna, Darshana; **Darshana Jhaveri** youngest, 1972 mein Manipuri Narthanalaya ki co-founder, Padma Shri (2002). [Q202, Q223]

● **Elam Endira Devi** — Padma Shri (Manipuri), film 'Matamgi Manipur' mein act kiya (National Film Award 1972). **Rajkumar Singhajit Singh** — Manipuri guru, Padma Shri 1986, SNA 1984. **Bimbavati Devi** — Guru Bipin Singh aur Guru Kalavati Devi ki daughter. [Q277, Q294, Q306]

● **Akham Lakshmi Devi** — SNA (2018). **Aluna Kabuini** — Ras exponent, Manipur State Kala Academy Award 2001 (tribal Kabui dance). **Guru Nileshwar Mukherjee** — Manipuri. **Thokchom Ibemubi Devi** — SNA 2021 (Manipuri). **Lourembam Bino Devi** — Padma Shri 2022, SNA winner (Manipuri). **Guru Amubi Singh** — Padma Shri 1970, SNA 1956 (Manipuri). [Q160, Q202, Q227, Q309, Q369, Q431]

5. Kuchipudi, Mohiniyattam & Kathakali Exponents

- **Kuchipudi: Vempati Chinna Satyam** — Kuchipudi Art Academy Madras (1963), Padma Bhushan (1998). **V. Satyanarayana Sarma** — Padma Shri 1970, SNA Fellowship 1967. **Kaushalya Reddy, Raja aur Radha Reddy** (1976 mein 'Natya Tarangini' NCR mein banaya, Padma Shri 1984, Padma Bhushan 2000), Yamini Reddy, Bhavana Reddy. **Siddhendra Yogi** — 17th century, 'Bhaamaakalaapam' (Satyabhama ki kahani) compose ki. **Padmaja Reddy** — Telangana ki pehli SNA Award winner, 'Kakatiyam' style develop ki. **Haleem Khan** bhi Kuchipudi se associated hain; lekin **Ghanakanta Bora Barbayan Kuchipudi se NAHI — wo Sattriya dancer hain** (trap). [Q144, Q210, Q222, Q247, Q280, Q288, Q323, Q333, Q367, Q432]
- **Mohiniyattam: Bharati Shivaji, Kanak Rele** — dono exponents. Kanak Rele — Nalanda Dance Research Centre (1967) founder-director. **Gopika Varma** — SNA 2019, pehli Mohiniyattam dancer jise Kalaimamani mili. **Kalamandalam Kalyanikutty Amma** — 'Mother of Mohiniyattam', Vallathol Narayana Menon ke saath dance revive kiya, do books likhi Mohiniyattam ki history/structure par. **Kshemavathy Pavithran** — Padma Shri 2011. **Jayaprabha Menon** — Devadasi National Award 2013 (Mohiniyattam). [Q154, Q176, Q193, Q296, Q314, Q364, Q402, Q406]
- **Kutiyattam (Kerala)** — Sanskrit theatre form, neta abhinaya (eye expression) + hasta abhinaya (gestures) prominent. **Ammanur Madhava Chakkir** — Padma Shri (1982) Kutiyattam ke liye. [Q158]
- **Kathakali: Kottakkal Nandakumaran Nair** — SNA 2019, 'Kathi' Veshas famous. **Guru Gopinath** — SNA 1965, 'Kala Tilakam' title. **Milena Salvini** (Italian) — Padma Shri 2019. **Louise Lightfoot** — 'Australian Mother of Kathakali' (title diya Vallathol Narayana Menon ne). **Vallathol Narayana Menon** ki service se Kathakali ko naya impetus mila. **Keezhpadam Kumaran Nair** — Padma Shri 2004. **Kalamandalam Rajan** — SNA 2009. **Kottakkal Sivaraman** — Kathakali se associated. **Haripriya Namboodiri** — Kathakali, Stree Ratnam aur Devdasi National Award dono jeete. [Q155, Q201, Q275, Q305, Q324, Q371, Q413, Q434, Q437]

6. Sattriya, Chhau & Regional/Folk Dance Personalities

- **Srimanta Sankardev** — Sattriya dance ka inventor/pioneer, saath mein Borgeet (music), Ankia Naat/Bhaona (theatre), Brajavali (language) bhi diya. **Ramkrishna Talukdar** — SNA 2018 (Sattriya, Assam). **Jatin Goswami** — Padma Shri 2008, SNA 2004. **Tankeswar Hazarika Borbayan, Sharodi Saikia** — dono SNA winners (Sattriya). **Indira PP Bora** — Assam se, Bharatanatyam+Kuchipudi+Sattriya teeno mein Padma Shri (2020). [Q147, Q225, Q270, Q287, Q319, Q344, Q405]
- **Chhau: Gopal Prasad Dubey** — Padma Shri 2012. **Guru Makar Dhawaja Darogha** (Jharkhand) — Padma Shri 2011. **Guru Shyama Charan Pati** — Padma Shri 2006. Ileana Citaristi — Odissi+Chhau dono. [Q360, Q368, Q391, Q414]
- **Folk dance personalities: Dr. Teejan Bai** — Pandavani (Chhattisgarh), Padma Vibhushan (2019). **Kanaka Raju** — Gussadi (Raj Gond tribe, Adilabad, Telangana), Padma Shri 2021. **Rani Machaiah** — Ummathat (Coorg/Karnataka, Kodava women), Padma Shri 2023. **Gulabo Sapera** — 'Queen of Kalbelia dance' (Sapera/Snake Charmer dance), Padma Shri 2016. **Satyaram Reang** — Hojagiri dance (Tripura, Reang community), Padma Shri 2021. **Radhe Shyam Barle** — Panthi folk dance (Chhattisgarh), Padma Shri 2021. **Surekha Punekar** — Lavani (Maharashtra). [Q150, Q159, Q164, Q184, Q216, Q315, Q424]

7. Hindustani Vocal Gharanas & Vocalists

- **Khayal gharana founders: Gwalior (oldest)** — Nathan Pir Baksh & Nathu Khan (exponents: Hassu Khan, Haddu Khan, Vishnu Digambar Paluskar, Krishnarao Shankar Pandit). **Kirana** — Abdul Karim Khan & Abdul Wahid Khan (exponents: Bhimsen Joshi, Gangubai Hangal, Mani Prasad). **Agra** — Hajisujan Khan (exponents: Faiyyaz Khan, Latafat Hussein Khan, Dinkar Kakini). **Jaipur-Atrauli** — Alladiya Khan (exponents: Kishori Amonkar, Mallikarjun Mansur, Kesarbai Kerkar). **Patiala** — Bade Fateh Ali Khan & Ali Baksh Jarnail Khan (exponents: Bade Ghulam Ali Khan, Lakshmi Shankar — founded by Mian Kallu, Malka Pukhraj). **Indore** — Ustad Amir Khan. **Rampur-Sahaswan** — Inayat Hussain Khan. **Banaras (khyal)** — Pandit Gopal Mishra (exponents: Rajan-Sajan Mishra, Girija Devi). [Q145, Q165, Q169, Q220, Q224, Q278, Q291, Q298, Q307, Q326, Q328, Q384, Q387, Q395, Q396, Q422, Q423, Q428, Q430, Q435]

- **Bhimsen Joshi** — Kirana Gharana, khayal singer, first live performance 1941 (umra 19). Awards: SNA (1976), National Film Award Best Male Playback 1985 (film 'Ankahee'), Bharat Ratna (2009). **Pandit Jasraj** — Mewati Gharana ('Rasraj'). **Kumar Gandharva** (asli naam Shivaputra Siddaramaiah Komkali math) — Padma Vibhushan 1990. [Q145, Q165, Q220, Q382, Q399]
- **Bade Ghulam Ali Khan** (Patiala Gharana) — 'Tansen of 20th century' kehlaye. **Gangubai Hangal** — Kirana Gharana, Padma Bhushan (1971), Padma Vibhushan (2002). **Girija Devi** — 'Queen of Thumri', Padma Vibhushan 2016. **Kishori Amonkar** — Jaipur-Atrauli Gharana, khyal/thumri/bhajan, Padma Vibhushan 2002. **Mallikarjun Mansur** — Jaipur-Atrauli, autobiography 'My journey in Music'. **Kesarbai Kerkar** — Jaipur-Atrauli, 1969 'Rajya Gayika' title (Maharashtra govt). [Q175, Q249, Q298, Q307, Q341, Q387, Q423]
- **Annapurna Devi** — surbahar (bass sitar) player, Baba Allaiddin Khan ki beti, Maihar-Senia gharana establish kiya. **Shubha Mudgal** — Hindustani, Padma Shri 2000. **Ashish Sankrityayan** — Dhrupad exponent. **Asghari Bai** — Dhrupad, Padma Shri 1990. **Ustad Asad Ali Khan** — Dhrupad ke **Khandarbani school** ke instrumentalist (rudra veena), SNA 1977, Padma Bhushan 2008; 4 Dhrupad schools — Gauri/Gauhar, Khandar, Nauhar, Dagar. **Anup Jalota** — Bhajan singer. [Q162, Q207, Q370, Q375, Q378, Q286, Q203, Q429]
- **Malka Jaan (Agra Gharana)** — **Wajid Ali Shah** ke durbar ki court musician thi. **Janki Bai** ('Chhappan Chhuri') — Allahabad se, 1911 Delhi Darbar mein Emperor George V ke liye Gauhar Jaan ke saath perform kiya. **Meer Qutub Baksh** — Bahadur Shah Zafar ne 'Tanras' title di. **Chintaman Raghunath Vyas** — khyal singer, 'Raag Sarita' likhi, Padma Bhushan 1992. [Q359, Q384, Q403, Q404]

8. Carnatic Music Personalities

- **Purandar Das** — 'Father of Carnatic Music'. **M.S. Subbulakshmi** — 'Queen of Carnatic Music', **music mein pehli Bharat Ratna (1998)**, first Indian classical musician jisne UN General Assembly (1966) mein perform kiya, **first Ramon Magsaysay Award recipient Indian musician (1974)**. Awards: Padma Vibhushan (1975), Padma Bhushan (1954), SNA (1956). [Q152, Q197, Q253, Q330]
- **M Balamuralikrishna** — Talas (Trimukhi, Panchamukhi, Saptamukhi, Navamukhi) compose kiye, Padma Vibhushan 1991, Switzerland mein Academy of Performing Arts and Research establish ki. Anya Carnatic musicians: Dandapani Desikar, T. Brinda, Semmangudi Srinivasa Iyer, GN Balasubramaniam, Papanasam Sivan (Padma Bhushan 1972). Vishnu Narayan Bhatkhande **Carnatic NAHI, Hindustani se related the** — trap point. [Q174, Q214, Q242, Q388, Q397]
- **TH Vinayakram** — 'God of Ghatam', Padma Bhushan 2014; 1991 mein Grammy jeeta (T.H. Vinayakram & Zakir Hussain, Best World Music Album). **U Srinivas** — mandolin (Carnatic), Padma Shri 1998. **Bombay Jayashri Ramnath** — Carnatic, Padma Shri 2021. [Q218, Q254, Q268, Q282]

9. Instrumentalists — Sitar, Sarod, Tabla, Flute, Violin, Veena & Others

- **Sitar**: Pandit Ravi Shankar (The Beatles ke saath collaborate kiya, pehle Indian Grammy aur Grammy LifeTime Achievement winner, Bharat Ratna 1999, guru — **Allaiddin Khan**). Shahid Parvez Khan, Budhaditya Mukherjee (pehla musician jisne House of Commons London mein perform kiya), Anushka Shankar, Nikhil Banerjee (Maihar Gharana), Ilyas Khan, Anoushka Shankar (album 'Land of Gold', Grammy nomination). [Q148, Q230, Q244, Q254, Q281, Q285, Q338, Q389, Q292]
- **Sarod**: Amjad Ali Khan (Massachusetts USA ne 20 April 1984 ko unke naam din declare kiya; 2014 Nobel Peace Prize Concert mein sons ke saath 'Raga for Peace' bajaya, Q425). Ustad Allaiddin Khan (Ravi Shankar ke guru, Maihar Gharana founder, Madhya Pradesh). Ali Akbar Khan (Maihar Gharana, Raag Chandranandan banaya, Calcutta music school 1956, Padma Vibhushan 1989). Vidushi Sharan Rani (India ki first woman sarod player, Padma Bhushan 2000). Zarin Sharma. [Q181, Q251, Q259, Q262, Q264, Q274, Q292, Q295, Q346]
- **Tabla**: Zakir Hussain (Global Drum Project — Grammy Music Album, 'Planet Drum' band bhi, Padma Vibhushan 2023). Alla Rakha/Ustad Alla Rakha ('Abbaji', Punjab Gharana, American jazz drummer Buddy Rich ke saath 1968 album, Zakir Hussain ke father). Kishan Maharaj (Benaras Gharana). Shafaat Ahmed Khan (Delhi gharana). Sandeep Das (Benaras Gharana, HUM founder, Grammy 2017 'Sing Me Home'). [Q181, Q217, Q221, Q243, Q246, Q259, Q415, Q421, Q436]

- **Flute (Bansuri):** Hariprasad Chaurasia (Senia gharana, Rotterdam Music Conservatory artistic director, biography 'Breath of Gold'; 'Call of the Valley' 1967 album Shivkumar Sharma aur Brij Bhushan Kabra ke saath). Ronu Majumdar, Pravin Godkhindi. [Q207, Q313, Q322, Q332]
- **Violin:** M.S. Gopalakrishnan (Carnatic+Hindustani dono master), L Subramaniam (Carnatic violin virtuoso), Satyadev Pawar, Lalgudi Jayaraman, Lalita aur Nandini sisters, Dr N Rajam, Kunnakudi Vaidyanathan. [Q284, Q310, Q329, Q335, Q349, Q293]
- **Veena:** Sundaram/S Balachander (Padma Bhushan 1982), Chitti Babu, Jayanthi Kumaresh (Saraswati veena). **Santoor:** Pandit Shiv Kumar Sharma (Jammu-Kashmir, film Silsila/Chandni music, Padma Vibhushan 2001). **Mandolin:** U Srinivas. **Sarang:** Ustad Sultan Khan (Tabla Beat Science group), Shakoor Khan (Kirana Gharana), Bundu Khan, Santosh Mishra. **Guitar:** Brij Bhushan Kabra (raga pe guitar bajane wale pehle artist, Jodhpur royal family se). **Harmonium:** Appa Jalgaonkar, Tulsidas Borkar. **Saxophone:** Kadri Gopalnath. [Q245, Q260, Q271, Q273, Q302, Q321, Q334, Q331, Q347, Q352, Q354, Q355, Q365]

10. Playback Singers, Music Directors & Film Music

- **Lata Mangeskar** — Indore mein born, pehla playback song Marathi film 'Kiti Hasaal' (1942, age 13), last song 2019. Titles: 'Queen of Melody', 'Voice of the Millennium', 'Melody Queen'. Awards: Bharat Ratna (2001), Legion of Honour (France, 2009). Manna Dey — Bhendibazaar Gharana, Ustad Aman Ali Khan ke student, Dadasaheb Phalke (2007). [Q178, Q194, Q226, Q258, Q265, Q373]
- **Asha Bhosle** — Guinness 'Most Recorded Artist' (2011, 12000+ songs, 20+ languages), Dadasaheb Phalke (2000). **Kishore Kumar** — Khandwa (M.P.) mein born 1929, Filmfare Best Male Playback (8 baar). **Shamshad Begum** — OP Nayyar Award 2009. **Udit Narayan Jha** — Padma Shri 2009, Padma Bhushan 2016. **Kumar Sanu** — Guinness record, 28 songs 1 din mein (1993). [Q255, Q257, Q362, Q183, Q385, Q417]
- **AR Rahman** — 'Mozart of Madras', Madras 1967 mein born, 2 Oscar + BAFTA + Golden Globe + 2 Grammy (2009-10), pehla Indian Oscar Best Original Score winner. **C Ramchandra** — music director, 'Aye Mere Watan Ke Logon' (Lata Mangeskar). **Khayyam** — Padma Bhushan 2011. **K.V. Mahadevan** — pehla National Award Best Music Direction (film Kandan Karunai); 1979 mein bhi jeeta (Sankarabharanam). **RD Burman** — 'Panchamda' kehlate the. **Bappi Lahiri** (Bappida) — West Bengal se, Filmfare Awards 1985/2018. **S Janaki** — Andhra Pradesh se singer. [Q168, Q171, Q182, Q189, Q194, Q198, Q361, Q381]
- **Bhupen Hazarika** — 'Bard of Brahmaputra' (Assam), film 'Rudaali' ke liye Best Music Director National Award, Bharat Ratna 2019. **Jyoti Prasad Agarwala** — 'Rupkonwar' (Assam), first Assamese filmmaker/film 'Joymoti' (1935), death anniversary 'Silpi Divas' manaya jaata hai. [Q234, Q374]
- **Ustad Bismillah Khan** — Bharat Ratna 2001 (music mein **teesra classical musician Bharat Ratna, M.S. Subbulakshmi aur Ravi Shankar ke baad**), shehnai ko marriage mandap se concert hall tak laaye, 15 August 1947 Red Fort ceremony mein perform kiya, Tehran Iran mein unka auditorium naam hai. [Q248, Q300, Q408]

11. Ghazal, Sufi, Qawwali & Folk Singers

- **Ghazal tradition** India mein **Hazrat Amir Khusrau** ne establish ki (unhe 'father of qawwali' aur 'Parrot of India' bhi kehte hain, books: Tughlaqnama, Nuh-sipihr). **Jagjit Singh** — 'King of Ghazal', 'The Unforgettables' collection. **Begum Akhtar** — 'Mallika-e-Ghazal'. **Talat Aziz** — ghazal singer. [Q149, Q192, Q199, Q398]
- **Sufi:** Wadali Brothers (Puranchand aur Pyarelal Wadali; Kaafian/ghazal/bhajan sab gaate hain). Nooran Sisters (Jyoti aur Sultana Nooran, Jalandhar, Sham Chaurasia gharana). **Qawwali:** Sabri Brothers, Aziz Warsi, Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan. [Q156, Q358, Q337]
- **Folk singers:** Malini Awasthi (Bhojpuri, Padma Shri 2016). Allah Jilai Bai (Rajasthan, Maand/Thumri/Khayal/Dadra, best piece 'Kesaria Balam', Padma Shri 1982). Sartaj/Sarwar/Swaroop/Mame Khan — Rajasthan folk music. Rajasthan Maand famous singer — Allah Jilai Bai (Bikaner Gharana). [Q200, Q394, Q410]

12. Grammy, Oscar & International Honours

- **Ravi Shankar** — first Indian Grammy winner, first Indian Grammy LifeTime Achievement Award winner. **Zakir Hussain** — 'Global Drum Project' (Mickey Hart, Sikiru Adepoju, Giovanni Hidalgo ke saath) Grammy Music Album, 'Planet Drum' band ka bhi part tha (1992 Grammy — Best World Music Album ki pehli category). **T.H. Vinayakram aur Zakir Hussain** — 1991 Grammy Best World Music Album. **Vishwa Mohan Bhatt** — 1993 Grammy Best World Music Album. [Q243, Q254, Q436]
- **Ricky Kej** — 57th Grammy (2015, 'Winds of Samsara'), 64th Grammy (2022, 'Divine Tides'). **Tanvi Shah** — 2010 Grammy 'Jai Ho' (Best Song written for Visual Media), **first Indian woman jisne Grammy jeeta**. [Q400, Q426]
- **Gulzar** — Grammy + Oscar dono, Academy Award (2009), Padma Bhushan (2004). **AR Rahman** — 2 Oscar (2009), 2 Grammy. [Q237]
- **Mallika Sarabhai** — France government se 'Chevalier des Palmes Academiques' (2005). **Lata Mangeshkar** — 2009 Legion of Honour (Officer rank, France ka highest honour). [Q336, Q373]

13. Pioneers, Firsts & Special Mentions

- **Uday Shankar** — 'Father of modern Indian dance', European theatrical techniques ko Indian classical dance mein fuse kiya ('Hi-dance'/'Creative dance'), Padma Vibhushan 1971. **Shanti Bardhan** — unka junior colleague, 'Ranga Sri Little Ballet Troupe' banaya, puppet-jaisi Ramayana dance-drama produce ki. [Q173, Q205, Q206]
- **Mrinalini Sarabhai** — Darpana Academy of Performing Arts (Ahmedabad, 1949) founder, Bharatanatyam+Kathakali, 2018 mein Google Doodle ne 100th birthday celebrate ki, 1968 Mexico Govt gold medal (Ballet Folklorico choreography ke liye), first Nishagandhi Puraskaram recipient (Kerala Govt, 2013). [Q211, Q236, Q303, Q420]
- **Yog Sunder Desai** — Gujarat mein 1921 born, pre-independence era ke dance pioneer, Indian Revival Group (Calcutta, 1948) banaya. [Q356]
- **Laxmibai Kolhapurkar** — pehla National Film Award Best Choreography (1992). **Chittani Ramachandra Hegde** — pehla Yakshagana artist jise Padma Shri mila (2019), 'Chittani Gharana' naam pada. [Q383, Q393]
- **Kabir Das** — Kashi (UP) mein 15th century mein born, Bhakti Movement ke saint-poet, books: Bijak, Kabir Parachai, Sakhi Granth; Guru Granth Sahib mein verses hain; Guru Nanak aur Sikandar Lodhi ke contemporary the. [Q289]
- **Bhushan Lakandri** — SNA 2020 (contemporary dance). **Deepak Mazumdar** — SNA 2018 (contemporary dance), Shiladhish Art and Research Institute (Mumbai) founder. SNA khud ki details: first awarded 1952, Ministry of Culture ke under, headquarters New Delhi. [Q204, Q266, Q323]
- **Ramali Bin Ibrahim** (Malaysian) — Bharatanatyam aur Odissi choreographer, Padma Shri 2018. [Q433]