

NUPUR - INDIAN CLASSICAL AND FOLK DANCE SOCIETY
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Nupur, the Indian Classical and Folk Dance Society of Kamala Nehru College is one of the oldest societies of this college. Currently, Nupur consists of 15 members in the folk team whereas 8 members in the classical solo category. Over the past years, Nupur has performed a number of folk dance forms of India including Bihu, Chhari, Dandiya, etc. In the year 2020, Nupur, The Indian Dance Society performed Lavani, the folk dance of Maharashtra as well as Haryanvi, the folk dance from the state of Haryana.

The members of Nupur are trained dancers in different Indian classical as well as folk dance forms and have learnt and contributed to the society in a generous amount.

Nupur, The Indian Dance Society has won a number of awards in folk as well as classical dance in various colleges including Deshbandhu College, Sri Venkateswara College etc. The folk team also participated in 'Udaan Utsav', held at Indira Gandhi National Center For The Arts (IGNCA), New Delhi and bagged the consolation prize. The Society took part in a number of inter college competitions and got first as well as third position. In the Solo Indian Classical Dance Competition, Sneha Shaji ;a third year student performed in colleges like Sri Venkateswara, SGTB Khalsa, Hansraj College, etc. and bagged the second position at Ram Lal Anand College and the first position at Atma Ram Sanatan Dharm College, University of Delhi. P.N Sowmyalaxmi; a first year member also bagged the first position at Sri Venkateswara College. Sanskriti Choudhary; B.A. English Hons., another member of our society performed at 24th International Congress of Vedanta, organised by JNU & Center for Indic Studies, UMASS, Dartmouth, USA, also at Indra Gandhi National Centre for Arts, Rashtriya Utarayani Mahotsav, Delhi Sanskrit Utsav - Delhi Government and was awarded KRANTIDHARA INTERNATIONAL YUVA PRATIBHA SAMMAN at Meerut Literary Festival. The Folk Group performed Lavani in colleges like DTU, Maitreyi College, Jesus and Mary College and bagged the first position at Deshbandhu College. After the lockdown was announced in early 2020, competitions were mainly held online. In December, the folk team participated in the group folk dance category called "Sanskriti" in Mood Indigo Festival 2020 organized by IIT Bombay. In the solo category of Nrityanjali, P.N Sowmyalaxmi bagged the first position and Swarnali Nag won the second position for the same.

Members of Nupur have an optimistic view towards dance and are always ready to learn new dance forms. According to us dance is the means of not only enjoyment but also a language of the soul of the body.

