

**BHARATANATYAM CODE-057**  
**SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER\***  
**CLASS: XII (2025- 26)**

**Time: 2 hours**

**Max Marks: 30**

**General Instructions**

**Read the following instructions carefully.**

1. There are 15 questions in this question paper with internal choice.
2. SECTION A consists of 8 multiple-choice questions carrying 1 mark each.
3. SECTION B consists of 5 short answer questions carrying 2 marks each.
4. SECTION C consists of 2 long answer questions carrying 6 marks each.

| S.No | SECTION-A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Marks |
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| 1.   | Who among the Pandavas was Barbarik's father? –<br>a) Yudhishtira<br>b) Bheema<br>c) Arjuna<br>d) Nakula                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1     |
| 2.   | Shikhandi is a character from –<br>a) Mahabharat<br>b) Ramayan<br>c) Purana<br>d) Panchatantra                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1     |
| 3.   | 'Natya shastra' is written by<br>a) Kalidas<br>b) Vyasa<br>c) Ashwaghosha<br>d) Bharat Muni                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1     |
| 4.   | Brihadeeshwara Temple is connected to<br>a) Bharatnatyam<br>b) Bihu<br>c) Odissi<br>d) Kathak                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1     |
| 5.   | Which of the following best describes the concept of "NATYA" in indian classical dance?<br>a) Pure dance movements without expressions.<br>b) The dramatic representation of story through expressions, gestures and dialogue.<br>c) A combination of rhythmic patterns and foot work.<br>d) A sequence of abstract movements performed with precision. | 1     |

\*Please note that the assessment scheme of the Academic Session 2024-25 will continue in the current session i.e. 2025-26.

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| 6. | The Tala Anga of roopaka Talam is<br>a) 101<br>b) 100<br>c) 01<br>d) 1011                                                                 | 1 |
| 7. | Which art form is most closely associated with the Devdasi tradition?<br>a) Kathak<br>b) Bharatanatyam<br>c) Mohiniattam<br>d) Khuchipudi | 1 |
| 8. | What is the name of Lord Shiva's bow called?<br>a) Gandeerv<br>b) Pinak<br>c) Dhanush<br>d) Sarang                                        | 1 |

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|     | <b>SECTION-B</b>                                                                                                                                |   |
| 9.  | Write the name of Sapta Taala and their Taalaangas.<br>(OR)<br>Write the shlokas of Nritta and Natya from Abhinay darpana and explain the same. | 2 |
| 10. | Define the following terms -<br>a) Araimandi<br>b) muzhumandi<br>(OR)<br>Define the following terms -<br>a) Adavu<br>b) jaati                   | 2 |
| 11. | What is "SANGEET" explain with shloka.<br>(OR)<br>What is "LAYA" and how many types are there?                                                  | 2 |
| 12. | Explain the Aangik Abhinaya in detail.<br>(OR)<br>Write the shloka of Mandala pada.                                                             | 2 |

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| 13. | Write the difference between Lokdharmi and Natyadharimi<br>(OR)<br>Write the name of eight Rasas with their sthayee bhaava. | 2 |
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|     | <b>SECTION-C</b>                                                                                                   |   |
| 14. | Write the life history of T. Balasaraswati.<br>(OR)<br>Write the Shloka of Bhramari pada and Utplavana pada bheda. | 6 |
| 15. | Define Tandava and Lasya.<br>(OR)<br>Explain the traditional costumes and jewellery of Bharatnatyam.               | 6 |