

## Natesan Ramani.



**I** present to you, Sir, Shri Natesan Ramani.

Shri Ramani was born at Tiruvarur in Tamilnadu in 1934. He received his initial training in music from his grandfather, Shri A. Narayanaswamy Iyer and later, for over ten years, from the legendary Shri T.R. Mahalingam. He gave his first solo flute recital over the All India Radio when he was only twelve years old. Over the last three decades, he has established himself as one of the leading flutists of the Carnatic music. He has given innumerable performances in India and abroad.

Shri N. Ramani was declared a State Artist by the Government of Tamilnadu in 1981 and was awarded the title of Kalamamani by the Tamilnadu Eyal Isai Nataka Manram in 1973. Besides, he has also been honoured by other well known art organisations in India and abroad.

Shri Ramani has set up an institution, the Ramani Academy of Flute in Madras for research and training in the art of flute playing and has trained a number of students.

For his eminence in the field of Music and his contribution to its enrichment, Shri Natesan Ramani receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for Carnatic Instrumental Music for the year 1984.

