

Award 1954

Music: Carn. Instr
Flute

P. Sanjeeva Rao

d 1962

Sir,

I have the honour to present to you Shri Palladam Sanjeevarao, a foremost exponent of instrumental music of the Karnatic School.

His merits as a musician were recognised very early and he is the only living disciple of the famous late Sarabha Sastrigal. Shri Palladam Sanjeevarao is over 70 years of age and is one of the seniormost flutists of the country. He has attained proficiency on a difficult instrument like the flute, and is well known for the softness and delicacy of his style. Even at this advanced age his performances command great appreciation and respect. He has been awarded the title of Venugana Siromani by His Holiness the Siromanigal of Shri Uttaradi and the title of Sangeet Kala Nidhi by the Music Academy, Madras in 1943.

For his pre-eminence in Karnatic music and for his life long devotion and service to its cause I pray, Sir, that you may be pleased to grant him recognition as musician of the year, in the field of instrumental music of the Karnatic School and to award to him a Shawl, a gold Shrinkhal and a Sanad in token of that recognition.

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