

**Shri Thiyam Tarun  
Kumar Singh**



Born in 1912 in Imphal, Shri Thiyam Tarun Kumar Singh was trained in Manipuri dance by Guru Amubi Singh. He also learnt the allied arts of Manipur from C Manik Singh, R K Phaijaosana, Y Angao Singh, H Amuyaima Singh and H Subedar Menjor.

As a teacher and choreographer Shri Thiyam Tarun Kumar Singh has made a major contribution to Manipuri dance. He taught Manipuri at Lahore in the forties and later at Uday Shankar's India Cultural Centre, Calcutta. He was also a dance director in Bombay Talkies. An innovative choreographer, Shri Thiyam Tarun Kumar Singh has always advanced in his work the eclectic approach of his guru. He joined the Jawaharlal Nehru Manipur Dance Academy, Imphal, in 1971,

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where he trained a large number of students and choreographed several new dance-dramas. Author of two books on Manipuri dance, Shri Thiyam Tarun Kumar Singh has received various honours including the Manipur State Kala Akademi Award in 1984.

For his eminence in dance and his contribution to its enrichment, Shri Thiyam Tarun Kumar Singh receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for Manipuri dance.

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