



Shakti - Festival of Music and Dance

Why in News?

To rejuvenate the Temple Traditions in the country, [Sangeet Natak Akademi](#), under the series of **Kala Pravah**, is organising the festival under the title 'Shakti a festival of music and dance' during the holy Navaratri from 9th April 2024.

Key Points

- The inauguration of the Shakti festival will begin from the [Kamakhya Temple, Guwahati](#) and this will be continued at **Mahalakshmi Temple, Kolhapur, Maharashtra, Jwalamukhi Temple, Kangada, Himachal Pradesh, Tripura Sundari, Udaipur, Tripura, Ambaji Temple, Banaskantha, Gujarat, Jai Durga Shaktipeeth, Deoghar, Jharkhand** and it will be concluded on 17th April, 2024 at **Shaktipeeth Maa Harsidhi Temple, Jaisinghpur, Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh**.

Sangeet Natak Akademi

- It is **India's national academy for music, dance and drama**.
- It was **created** by a resolution of the (then) Ministry of Education, Government of India, in **1952 with Dr P.V. Rajamannar as its first Chairman**.
- It is presently an **Autonomous Body** of the Ministry of Culture, Government of India and is fully funded by the Government for implementation of its schemes and programmes.
- It has been working towards the **preservation, research, promotion and rejuvenation of performing art forms of the country** expressed in the form of music, dance, drama, folk and tribal art forms and other allied art forms of the country.

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