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Percussionist

### **TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN**

Mikkel Szlavik is a naturally talented drummer and when this skilled percussionist wanted to learn ghatam from me travelling from Denmark to India, I was very happy and excited to teach him.

Indian rhythmic system is mathematically complex and unique in patterns and techniques. It requires constant and intense practice on instrument as well as on the unique tala (time measuring system) phonetic phrase coordination. I was very impressed by the dedication and hard work put in by Mikkel that I taught him more than that was possible during the short spell of his stay.

If given an opportunity and proper infrastructural support Mikkel could go on to master GHATAM. I wish he gets them at the right time.

I wish him all the best.

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Vaidyanathan Suresh