



HARVINDER KUMAR SHARMA

Akademi Award: Hindustani Instrumental Music (Sitar)

Born on 29 May 1957 at Kapurthala in Punjab, Shri Harvinder Kumar Sharma received his training in Sitar from his father Meghraj Sharma and was later groomed under the tutelage of Vilayat Khan, R.D. Verma and Jatinder Kumar of the Imdadkhani gharana.

A top-grade artist from the All India Radio and Doordarshan and an empanelled artist with the ICCR, he has showcased his musical brilliance on prestigious stages worldwide, including Russia, Canada, New Zealand, and more. With a career spanning six decades, Shri Sharma's performances have left an indelible mark on audiences. Beyond his musical pursuits, he has also contributed significantly to education as the Joint Director in the Department of Higher Education, Haryana. In his tenure spanning over 36 years as Professor of Music in the Department of Higher Education, Haryana, Shri Harvinder Kumar Sharma has trained many students, who have gone on to become A grade artists of All India Radio.

Shri Harvinder Kumar Sharma has been honoured with many awards including the Pandit Lakhmi Chand State Award, the Karmyogi State Award, the Naadyogi Award, and the Surmani Award.

Shri Harvinder Kumar Sharma receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for the year 2023 for his contribution to Hindustani instrumental music .