

AchAra-vIna

The chanDam for the song is :

[thAnAna] [thAnath-] [thanattha] [thatthana]
[thAnAna] [thAnath-] [thanattha] [thatthana]
[thAnAna] [thAnath-] [thanattha] [thatthana] [thana-thAna]

(thAnAna) = 5 mAtrAs = thaka - thakita
(thAnath-) = 4 mAtrAs = thaka - Dhimi
(thanattha) = 4 mAtrAs = thaka - Dhimi
(thatthana) = 4 mAtrAs = thaka - Dhimi
(thana-thAna) = 5 mAtrAs = ?

Each of the 3 lines have a total of 17 mAtrAs = 8.5 aksharams in maDhyama kAlam = one sangIrNa chApu + one chathusra Ekam.

The 'thongal' has 5 mAtrAs. Guruji added 12 more to the 'thongal', to make it 17 mAtrAs, equal the full thALam = (thaka - thakita) (thaka - Dhimi) (thaka - Dhimi) (thaka - Dhimi).