Asai-nAlu-chathura

The chanDam for the song is :

[thAna] [thAna-thana] [thattha-thana] [thattha-thana]
[thAna] [thAna-thana] [thattha-thana] [thattha-thana]
[thAna] [thAna-thana] [thattha-thana] [thattha-thana]   [thantha-thAna]

(thAna) = 3 mAtrAs   = thakita
(thAna-thana) = 3 + 2 = 5 mAtrAs   = thakita – thaka
(thattha-thana) = 3 + 2 = 5 mAtrAs   = thakita – thaka
(thantha-thAna) = 3 + 3 = 6 mAtrAs   = ?

The first three lines have
(3 + 5 + 5 + 5) = 18 units = 9 aksharam in maDhyama kAlam followed by
'thongal' with 6 mAtrAs.   Guruji added 12 more mAtrAs to make it 18
mAtrAs, equal to the full thALam.

Thus the thALam for the song is (thakita) (thakita – thaka) (thakita – thaka)
(thakita – thaka) for the three lines as well as the 'thongal'.