

List of Geographical Indications [GI Tags] in India

Latest Update: The Geographical Indications Registry in Chennai has given tags to seven different products from Uttar Pradesh. The products are as follows:

- **Amroha Dholak:** Musical instrument made of natural wood (mango, jackfruit, and teakwood).
- **Mahoba Gaura Patthar Hastashlip:** Craft made of unique and soft stone, scientifically known as 'Pyro Flight Stone'.
- **Mainpuri Tarkashi:** Popular art form of brass wire inlay work on wood, used for making khadaous.
- **Sambhal Horn Craft:** Handmade craft made from raw material procured from dead animals.
- **Baghpat Home Furnishings:** Baghpat and Meerut have gained renown for their exceptional handloom home furnishing products, and they have been actively involved in the production of fabrics using cotton yarn for generations. The handloom weaving process exclusively utilizes cotton yarn.
- **Barabanki Handloom Product:** Barabanki and its neighbouring areas are home to approximately 50,000 weavers and 20,000 looms.
- **Kalpi Handmade Paper:** Munnalal 'Khaddari,' a Gandhian, introduced the craft formally in the 1940s. However, locals believe that Kalpi's association with paper-making extends even further back in history. Today, the handmade paper-making cluster in Kalpi is a significant hub, involving over 5,000 craftsmen and approximately 200 units.

Gucci Mushroom from Jammu and Kashmir is in the news as GI Tag is sought for it. It belongs to the agriculture sector; while there are a few others from the handicraft sector for which GI tags are sought for. Those are - Basohli Pashmina & Painting, Tweed fabric, Loi blankets from Kishtwar and Chikri craft. Hence, [UPSC IAS exam](#) aspirants should know what is a GI Tag and what is its significance.

GI tag is the abbreviation of Geographical Indications tags in India. It came into force with effect from 15th September 2003. Darjeeling Tea was the first Indian product to get a GI tag. This article will discuss more such information on GI in detail.

Government has allotted GI Tags to Kashmir Saffron and Manipuri Black Rice recently.

GI tags to 4 new products from 3 different states in August 2019.

1. Palani Panchamirtham in Palani Town, Tamil Nadu
2. Tawlhlohpuan from Mizoram
3. Mizo Puanchei from Mizoram
4. Tirur Betel leaf from Kerala

Madhya Pradesh's plea to put state's basmati rice under Geographical Indication tag was recently dismissed. Aspirants should be aware of the list of GI Tags in India as it is important for [IAS Exam](#) and other competitive exams.

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List of GI Tags 2023

Note: The GI Tags 2023 will be updated here as and when announced for any products.

Various products from different states received GI tags which includes Jeeraphool from Chhattisgarh, Himachali Kala Zeera, Kandhamal Haladi from Odisha, etc. the complete list of geographical indications tagged products is given below:

GI Tags

Products	Categories	States/UTs
Kashmir Saffron	Agriculture	Jammu & Kashmir
Manipuri Black Rice	Food Stuff	Manipur
Kandhamal Haladi	Agricultural	Odisha
Rasagola	Food Stuff	Odisha
Kodaikanal Malai Poondum	Agricultural	Tamil Nadu
Pawndum	Handicraft	Mizoram
Ngotekherh	Handicraft	Mizoram
Hmaram	Handicraft	Mizoram

Palani Panchamirtham	Food Stuff	Tamil Nadu
Tawlhlohpuan	Handicraft	Mizoram
Mizo Puanchei	Handicraft	Mizoram
Gulbarga Tur Dal	Agricultural	Karnataka
Tirur Betel Leaf (Tirur Vettala)	Agricultural	Kerala
Khola Chilli	Agricultural	Goa
Idu Mishmi Textiles	Handicraft	Arunachal Pradesh
Dindigul Locks	Manufactured	Tamil Nadu
Kandangi Saree	Handicraft	Tamil Nadu
Srivilliputtur Palkova	Food Stuff	Tamil Nadu
Amroha Dholak	Handicraft	Uttar Pradesh
Mahoba Gaura Patthar Hastashilp	Handicraft	Uttar Pradesh
Mainpuri Tarkashi	Handicraft	Uttar Pradesh
Sambhal Horn Craft	Handicraft	Uttar Pradesh
Baghpat Home Furnishings	Handicraft	Uttar Pradesh
Barabanki Handloom Product	Handicraft	Uttar Pradesh
Kalpi Handmade Paper	Handicraft	Uttar Pradesh

State-Wise List of GI Tags in India

The GI tags allotted to the handicraft, agricultural, food or manufactured products are listed down below state-wise:

Indian State

GT Tags

Andhra Pradesh	<p>Srikalahasthi Kalamkari</p> <p>Kondapalli Bommallu</p> <p>Machilipatnam Kalamkari</p> <p>Budithi Bell & Brass Metal Craft</p> <p>Andhra Pradesh Leather Puppetry</p> <p>Uppada Jamdani Sarees</p> <p>Venkatagiri Sarees</p> <p>Bobbili Veena</p> <p>Mangalagiri Sarees and Fabrics</p> <p>Dharmavaram Handloom Pattu Sarees And Paavadas</p> <p>Udayagiri Wooden Cutlery</p> <p>Durgi Stone Carvings</p> <p>Etikoppaka Toys</p> <p>Allagadda Stone Carving</p> <p>Tirupati Laddu</p> <p>Bandar Laddu</p> <p>Guntur Sannam Chilli</p> <p>Araku Valley Arabica Coffee</p>
Arunachal Pradesh	<p>Idu Mishmi Textiles</p> <p>Arunachal Orange</p>

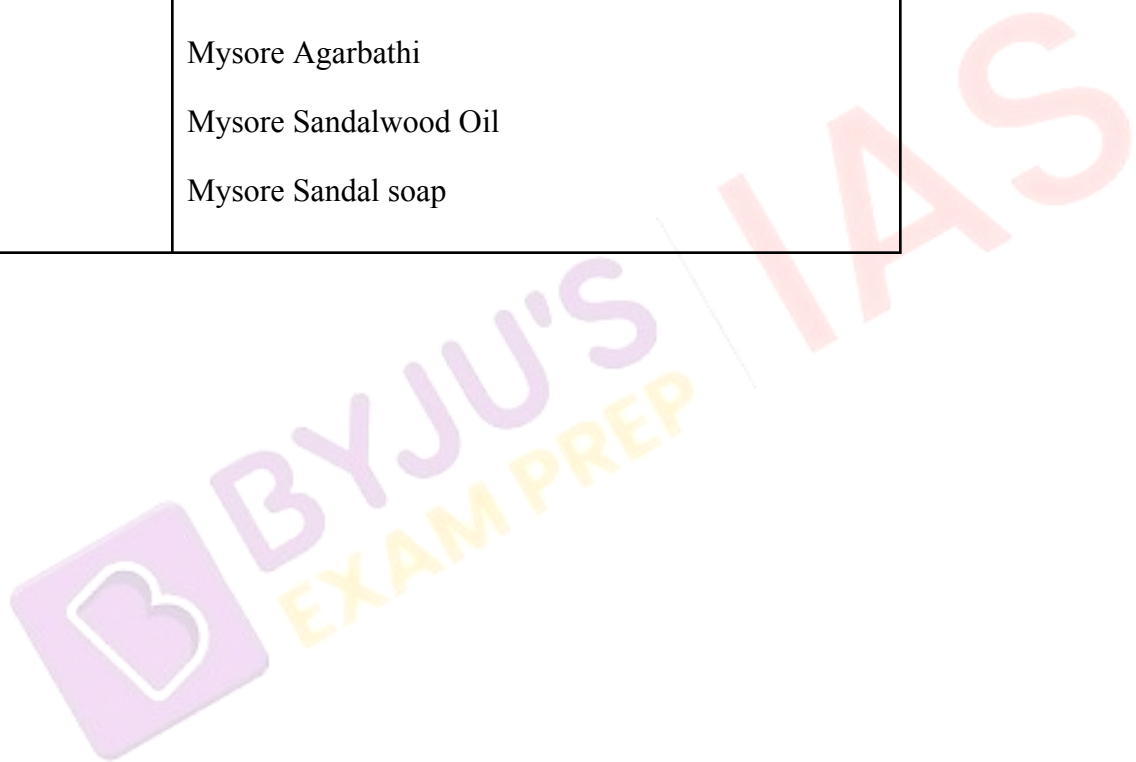
Assam	<p>Muga Silk of Assam</p> <p>Muga Silk of Assam (Logo)</p> <p>Assam Karbi Anglong Ginger</p> <p>Joha Rice of Assam</p> <p>Tezpur Litchi</p> <p>Boka Chaul</p> <p>Kaji Nemu</p>
Bihar	<p>Madhubani Paintings</p> <p>Applique (Khatwa) Work of Bihar</p> <p>Sujini Embroidery Work of Bihar</p> <p>Sikki Grass Products of Bihar</p> <p>Bhagalpur Silk</p> <p>Applique (Khatwa) Work of Bihar (Logo)</p> <p>Sikki Grass Products of Bihar (Logo)</p> <p>Sujini Embroidery Work of Bihar(Logo)</p> <p>Bhagalpuri Zardalu</p> <p>Katarni Rice</p> <p>Maghai Paan</p> <p>Shahi Litchi of Bihar</p> <p>Silao Khaja</p>
Chhattisgarh	<p>Bastar Dhokra</p> <p>Bastar Wooden Craft</p>

	Bastar Iron Craft
Goa	Khola Chilli Feni
Gujarat	Sankheda Furniture Agates of Cambay Kutch Embroidery Tangaliya Shawl Surat Zari Craft Kachchh Shawls Patan Patola Sankheda Furniture (Logo) Kutch Embroidery (Logo) Agates of Cambay (Logo) Jamnagari Bandhani RajKot Patola Pethapur Printing Blocks Gir Kesar Mango Bhalia Wheat

Himachal Pradesh	<p>Kullu Shawl</p> <p>Kangra Tea</p> <p>Chamba Rumal</p> <p>Kinnauri Shawl</p> <p>Kullu Shawl (Logo)</p> <p>Kangra Paintings</p> <p>Himachali Kala Zeera</p> <p>Himachali Chulli Oil</p>
Jammu & Kashmir	<p>Kani Shawl</p> <p>Kashmir Pashmina</p> <p>Kashmir Paper Machie</p> <p>Kashmir Walnut Wood Carving</p> <p>Khatamband</p> <p>Kashmiri Hand Knotted Carpet</p> <p>Saffron (Mongra, Lachha, Guchhi)</p>
Jharkhand	Sohrai – Khovar Painting

Karnataka	<p>Mysore Silk</p> <p>Bidriware</p> <p>Channapatna Toys & Dolls</p> <p>Mysore Rosewood Inlay</p> <p>Kasuti Embroidery</p> <p>Mysore Traditional Paintings</p> <p>Ilkal Sarees</p> <p>Ganjifa Cards of Mysore</p> <p>Navalgund Durries</p> <p>Karnataka Bronzeware</p> <p>Sandur Lambani Embroidery</p> <p>Kinhal Toys</p> <p>Udupi Sarees</p> <p>Mysore Silk (Logo)</p> <p>Coorg Orange</p> <p>Mysore Betel leaf</p> <p>Nanjangud Banana</p> <p>Udupi Mallige</p> <p>Mysore Mallige</p> <p>Hadagali Mallige</p> <p>Coorg Green Cardamom</p> <p>Devanahalli Pomelo</p> <p>Appemidi Mango</p> <p>Kamalapur Red Banana</p>
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	Bangalore Blue Grapes
	Coorg Arabica Coffee
	Chikmagalur Arabica Coffee
	Bababudangiri Arabica Coffee
	Sirsi Supari
	Gulbarga Tur Dal
	Dharwad Pedha
	Mysore Agarbathi
	Mysore Sandalwood Oil
	Mysore Sandal soap



Kerala	<p>Tirur Betel Leaf (Tirur Vettila)</p> <p>Alleppey Coir</p> <p>Navara Rice</p> <p>Palakkadan Matta Rice</p> <p>Alleppey Green Cardamom</p> <p>Maddalam of Palakkad</p> <p>Screw Pine Craft of Kerala</p> <p>Brass Broidered Coconut Shell Crafts of Kerala</p> <p>Pokkali Rice</p> <p>Vazhakulam Pineapple</p> <p>Cannanore Home Furnishings</p> <p>Balaramapuram Sarees and Fine Cotton Fabrics</p> <p>Kasaragod Sarees</p> <p>Kuthampully Sarees</p> <p>Central Travancore Jaggery</p> <p>Wayanad Jeerakasala Rice A</p> <p>Wayanad Gandhakasala Rice</p> <p>Payyannur Pavithra Ring</p> <p>Chendamangalam Dhoties & Set Mundu</p> <p>Kaipad Rice</p> <p>Chengalikodan Nendran Banana</p> <p>Kuthampully Dhoties & Set Mundu</p> <p>Maddalam of Palakkad (Logo)</p> <p>Brass Broidered Coconut Shell Craft of Kerala (Logo)</p>
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	<p>Screw Pine Craft of Kerala (Logo)</p> <p>Nilambur Teak</p> <p>Wayanad Robusta Coffee</p> <p>Marayoor Jaggery (Marayoor Sharkara)</p>
Madhya Pradesh	<p>Chanderi Sarees</p> <p>Leather Toys of Indore</p> <p>Bagh Prints of Madhya Pradesh</p> <p>Bell Metal Ware of Datia and Tikamgarh</p> <p>Maheshwar Sarees & Fabrics</p> <p>Bell Metal Ware of Datia and Tikamgarh (Logo)</p> <p>Leather Toys of Indore (Logo)</p> <p>Ratlami Sev</p> <p>Bagh Prints of Madhya Pradesh (Logo)</p> <p>Jhabua Kadaknath Black Chicken Meat</p>

Maharashtra	<p>Solapur Chaddar</p> <p>Solapur Terry Towel</p> <p>Puneri Pagadi</p> <p>Nashik Valley Wine</p> <p>Paithani Sarees and Fabrics</p> <p>Mahabaleshwar Strawberry</p> <p>Nashik Grapes</p> <p>Kolhapur Jaggery</p> <p>Ajara Ghansal Rice</p> <p>Mangalwedha Jowar</p> <p>Sindhudurg & Ratnagiri Kokum</p> <p>Waghya Ghevada</p> <p>Navapur Tur Dal</p> <p>Vengurla Cashew</p> <p>Lasalgaon Onion</p> <p>Sangli Raisins</p> <p>Beed Custard Apple</p> <p>Jalna Sweet Orange</p> <p>Waigaon Turmeric</p> <p>Purandar Fig</p> <p>Jalgaon Bharit Brinjal</p> <p>Solapur Pomegranate</p> <p>Bhiwapur Chil</p> <p>Ambemohar Rice</p>
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	<p>Dahanu Gholvad Chikoo</p> <p>Jalgaon Banana</p> <p>Marathwada Kesar Mango</p> <p>Karvath Kati Sarees & Fabrics</p> <p>Alphonso</p> <p>Sangli Turmeric</p>
Manipur	<p>Shaphee Lanphee</p> <p>Wangkhei Phee</p> <p>Moirang Phee</p> <p>Kachai Lemon</p> <p>Chak-Hao</p>
Meghalaya	<p>Khasi Mandarin</p> <p>Memong Narang</p>
Mizoram	<p>Mizo Chilli</p> <p>Pawndum</p> <p>Ngotekherh</p> <p>Hmaram</p> <p>Tawlhlohpuan</p> <p>Mizo Puanchei</p>
Nagaland	<p>Naga Mircha</p> <p>Naga Tree Tomato</p> <p>Chakhesang Shawl</p>

Odisha	<p>Kotpad Handloom fabric</p> <p>Orissa Ikat</p> <p>Konark Stone carving</p> <p>Orissa Pattachitra</p> <p>Pipli Applique Work</p> <p>Khandua Saree and Fabrics</p> <p>Gopalpur Tussar Fabrics</p> <p>Ganjam Kewda Rooh</p> <p>Ganjam Kewda Flower</p> <p>Dhalapathar Parda & Fabrics</p> <p>Sambalpuri Bandha Saree & Fabrics</p> <p>Bomkai Saree & Fabrics</p> <p>Habaspuri Saree & Fabrics</p> <p>Berhampur Patta (Phoda Kumbha) Saree & Joda</p> <p>Orissa Pattachitra (Logo)</p> <p>Kandhamal Haladi</p> <p>Odisha Rasagola</p>
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Rajasthan	Kota Doria
	Blue Pottery of Jaipur
	Molela Clay Work
	Kathputlis of Rajasthan
	Bikaneri Bhujia
	Kota Doria (Logo)
	Bagru Hand Block Print
	Thewa Art Work
	Makrana Marble
	Molela Clay Work of Rajasthan (Logo)
	Blue Pottery of Jaipur (Logo)
	Kathputlis of Rajasthan (Logo)
	Pokaran Pottery

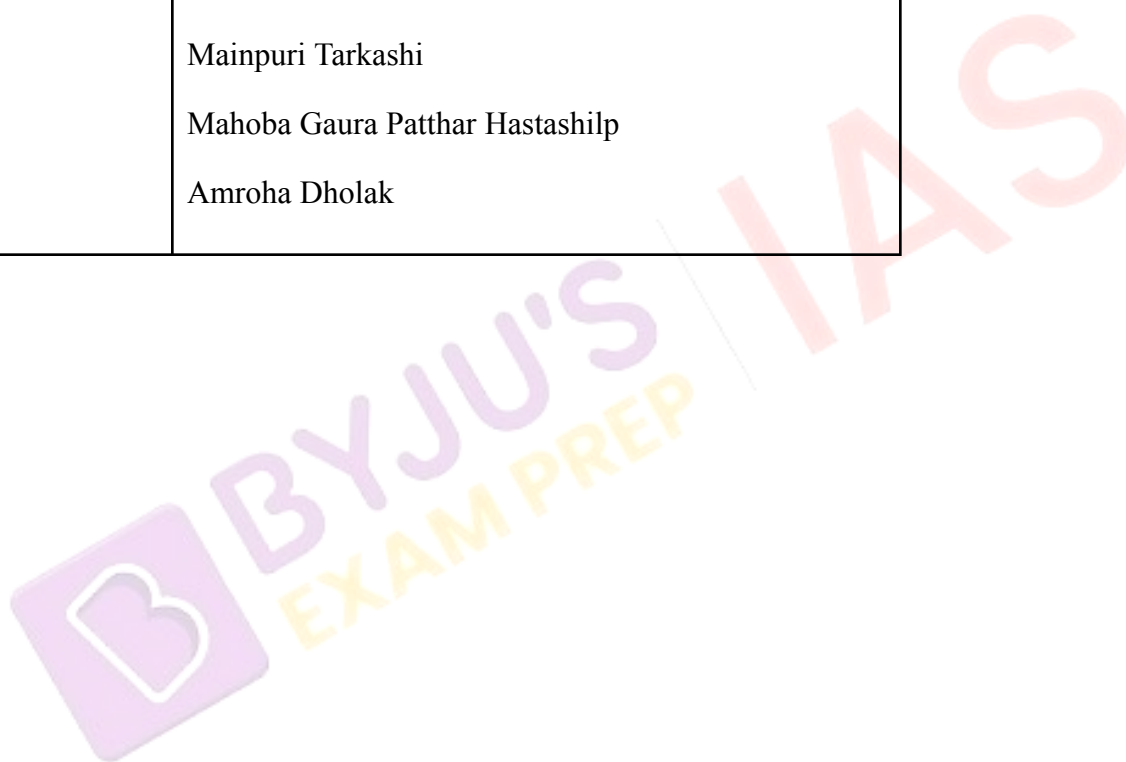
Tamil Nadu	<p>Salem Fabric</p> <p>Kancheepuram Silk</p> <p>Kancheepuram Silk</p> <p>Madurai Sungudi</p> <p>Coimbatore Wet Grinder</p> <p>Thanjavur Paintings</p> <p>Temple Jewellery of Nagercoil</p> <p>Thanjavur Art Plate</p> <p>East India Leather</p> <p>Salem Silk known as Salem Venpattu</p> <p>Kovai Kora Cotton Sarees</p> <p>Arani Silk</p> <p>Swamimalai Bronze Icons</p> <p>Eathamozhi Tall Coconut</p> <p>Thanjavur Doll</p> <p>Nilgiri (Orthodox)</p> <p>Virupakshi Hill Banana</p> <p>Sirumalai Hill Banana</p> <p>Madurai Malli</p> <p>Pattamadai Pai ("Pattamadai Mat")</p> <p>Nachiarkoil Kuthuvilakku ("Nachiarkoil Lamp")</p> <p>Chettinad Kottan</p> <p>Toda Embroidery</p> <p>Thanjavur Veenai</p>
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	<p>Thanjavur Art Plate (Logo)</p> <p>Swamimalai Bronze Icons (Logo)</p> <p>Temple Jewellery of Nagercoil (Logo)</p> <p>Mahabalipuram Stone Sculpture</p> <p>Erode Manjal (Erode Turmeric)</p> <p>Thirubuvanam Silk Sarees</p> <p>Kodaikanal Malai Poondur</p> <p>Palani Panchamirtham</p> <p>Dindigul Locks</p> <p>Kandangi Saree</p> <p>Srivilliputtur Palkova</p> <p>Kovilpatti Kadalai Mittai</p> <p>Thanjavur Pith Works</p> <p>Arumbavur Wood Carvings</p>
Tripura	Tripura Queen Pineapple

Telangana	<p>Pochampally Ikat</p> <p>Silver Filigree of Karimnagar</p> <p>Nirmal Toys and Craft</p> <p>Nirmal Furniture</p> <p>Nirmal Paintings</p> <p>Gadwal Sarees</p> <p>Hyderabad Haleem</p> <p>Cheriyal Paintings</p> <p>Siddipet Gollabhama</p> <p>Narayanpet Handloom Sarees</p> <p>Pochampally Ikat (Logo)</p> <p>Adilabad Dokra</p> <p>Warangal Durries</p> <p>Telia Rumal</p>
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Uttar Pradesh	<p>Allahabad Surkha Guava</p> <p>Lucknow Chikan Craft</p> <p>Malihabadi Dusseheri mango</p> <p>Banaras Brocades and Sarees</p> <p>Hand Made Carpet of Bhadohi</p> <p>Agra Durrie</p> <p>Farrukhabad Prints</p> <p>Lucknow Zardozi</p> <p>Banaras Brocades and Sarees (Logo)</p> <p>Kalanamak Rice</p> <p>Firozabad Glass</p> <p>Kannauj Perfume</p> <p>Kanpur Saddlery</p> <p>Moradabad Metal Craft</p> <p>Saharanpur Wood Craft</p> <p>Meerut Scissors</p> <p>Khurja Pottery</p> <p>Banaras Gulabi Meenakari Craft</p> <p>Varanasi Wooden Lacquerware & Toys</p> <p>Mirzapur Handmade Dari</p> <p>Nizamabad Black Pottery</p> <p>Banaras Métal Repoussé Craft</p> <p>Varanasi Glass beads</p> <p>Ghazipur Wall Hanging</p>
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	Varanasi Soft Stone Jali Work
	Chunar Balua Patthar
	Gorakhpur Terracotta
	Kalpi Handmade Paper
	Barabanki Handloom Product
	Baghpat Home Furnishings
	Sambhal Horn Craft
	Mainpuri Tarkashi
	Mahoba Gaura Patthar Hastashilp
	Amroha Dholak



West Bengal	<p>Darjeeling Tea (word & logo)</p> <p>Nakshi Kantha</p> <p>Santiniketan Leather Goods</p> <p>Malda Laxman Bhog Mango</p> <p>Khirsapati (Himsagar) mangoes</p> <p>Malda Fazli Mango</p> <p>Santipur Saree</p> <p>Baluchari Saree</p> <p>Dhaniakhali Saree</p> <p>Joynagar Moa</p> <p>Bardhaman Sitabhog</p> <p>Bardhaman Mihidana</p> <p>Gobindobhog Rice</p> <p>Tulaipanji Rice</p> <p>Banglar Rasogolla</p> <p>Bankura Panchmura Terracotta Craft</p> <p>Bengal Patachitra</p> <p>Purulia Chhau Mask</p> <p>Wooden Mask of Kushmandi</p> <p>Madur kathi</p>
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What is GI Tag?

A GI or Geographical Indication is a name or a sign given to certain products that relate to a specific geographical location or origins like a region, town or country.

Using Geographical Indications may be regarded as a certification that the particular product is produced as per traditional methods, has certain specific qualities, or has a particular reputation because of its geographical origin.

Geographical indications are typically used for wine and spirit drinks, foodstuffs, agricultural products, handicrafts, and industrial products.

GI Tag ensures that none other than those registered as authorized users are allowed to use the popular product name. In order to function as a GI, a sign must identify a product as originating in a given place.

Who accords and regulates Geographical Indications?

- Geographical Indications are covered as a component of [intellectual property rights \(IPRs\)](#) under the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property.
- At the International level, GI is governed by the [World Trade Organisation's \(WTO's\)](#) Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS).
- In India, Geographical Indications registration is administered by the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999 which came into force with effect from September 2003.
- The first product in India to be accorded with GI tag was Darjeeling tea in the year 2004-05.

Benefits of GI Tags

The Geographical Indication registration confers the following benefits:

- Legal protection to the products
- Prevents unauthorised use of GI tag products by others
- It helps consumers to get quality products of desired traits and is assured of authenticity
- Promotes the economic prosperity of producers of GI tag goods by enhancing their demand in national and international markets

Along with the benefits, there are certain issues associated with GI tags as well. Off late, there has been a rise in disputes over the question of the place of origin of the product under consideration. This gets aggravated due to a lack of clear historical evidence.

For example, the disputes surrounding the origin of Roshogulla, a popular dessert, from eastern India. Both West Bengal and Odisha claim that the dessert originated in their own states. By 'winning' a GI tag, each state is looking to promote its own cultural and regional jingoism over the other.

As a point of discussion, this sort of unhealthy competition tends to polarise the country on regional, cultural and linguistic lines. Most states in their rush to corner as many GI tags as possible have forgotten to pay attention to enhance the value of products already having a GI tag.

As a result, neither the local community nor the customer is benefitting economically. This trend undercuts the very idea of GI protection to native endemic products.

Significance of GI Tags

A geographical indication right facilitates those who have the right to use the indication to prohibit its usage by a third party whose product does not conform to the applicable standards.

For example, in the purview in which the Darjeeling geographical indication is protected, producers of Darjeeling tea can omit the term “Darjeeling” for tea not grown in their tea gardens or not produced according to the norms set out in the code of practice for the geographical indication.

However, a protected GI does not permit the holder to forbid someone from making a product using the same approaches as those set out in the standards for that indication. Protection for a GI tag is usually procured by acquiring a right over the sign that constitutes the indication.

Role of GI in Rural Development

Geographical indications are mostly traditional products, produced by rural communities over generations that have gained prominence on the markets for their precise qualities.

The recognition and protection of the markets of these products allow the producers' community to devote and maintaining the precise qualities of the product on which the reputation is built. This might also allow them to invest together in promoting the reputation of the product.

Some of the observed rural development impacts of GI are:

- The supply chain is structured around a common product reputation
- Increased and stabilised prices for the GI product
- Distributed through all the levels of the supply chain adds value
- Natural resources can be preserved on which the product is based
- Preservation of traditions and traditional expertise
- Tourism can be boosted

Geographical Indications Protection

Geographical indications are protected and preserved in various countries and regional systems through a wide array of approaches and often using a consolidation of two or more approaches.

There are three major ways to protect a geographical indication:

1. So-called sui generis systems (i.e. special regimes of protection)
2. Using collective or certification marks

3. Techniques concentrating on business practices, including administrative product approval schemes

These approaches have been developed in consonance with different legal practices and within a framework of individual historical and economic conditions.

The approaches to protect GI comprise differences with respect to critical questions like conditions for protection or the scope of protection. On the other hand, the two modes of protection mentioned above namely sui generis systems and collective or certification mark systems, share some common characteristics, such as the fact that they set up rights for collective use by those who comply with defined standards.

Way Forward for GI

- The tag for geographical indications needs to be allotted only after a thorough historical and empirical inquiry.
- For products whose origin can't be effectively traced, either both the states should be given ownership or none of the regions is provided with the GI tag.
- The focus of the states and the community needs to shift from mere certification for the sake of region and instead divert all resources towards active promotion of the product and its respective industry.

Summary of Geographical Indications in India

- Geographical Indications of Goods are defined as that aspect of industrial property, which refers to the geographical indication referring to a country or to a place situated therein as being the country or place of origin of that product.
- Under Articles 1 (2) and 10 of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, geographical indications are covered as an element of IPRs.
- Typically, the GI tag conveys an assurance of quality and distinctiveness which is essentially attributable to the fact of its origin in that defined geographical locality, region or country.
- They are also covered under Articles 22 to 24 of the [Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights Agreement \(TRIPS\)](#), which was part of the Agreements concluding the Uruguay Round of GATT negotiations.
- Promoters of Geographical indications regard them as strong tools for protecting their national property rights. Opponents, however, consider GI as a barrier to trade.

FAQ about Geographical Indication Tags In India

Q. How many GI tags are there in India?

Till now over 400 products have been added to the GI list.

Q. Which state has the highest GI tags?

Karnataka has the highest 42 Geographical Indication tagged products in the country.