

Geographical Indication (GI) Tags in India: Memorize Faster

Have you heard of Aranmula Kannadi which is a unique handicraft from Kerala? You might have heard of Kanchipuram Sarees of Tamil Nadu and Madhubani Paintings of Bihar. All these are unique products from a particular location. Such products now bear an additional tag – Geographical Indication.

What is a Geographical Indication?

A geographical indication (GI) is a sign used on products that have a specific geographical origin and possess qualities or a reputation that are due to that origin. In order to function as a GI, a sign must identify a product as originating in a given place.

For example, Blue pottery of Jaipur.



Geographical Indication tags



Significance of GI tag

You might have heard of intellectual properties rights like Copyright, Patent, Trademark etc. Geographical Indication Tag provides similar rights and protection to holders.

A geographical indication right enables those who have the right to use the indication to prevent its use by a third party whose product does not conform to the applicable standards. For example, in the jurisdictions in which the Darjeeling geographical indication is protected, producers of Darjeeling tea can exclude the use of the term “Darjeeling” for tea not grown in their tea gardens or not produced according to the standards set out in the code of practice for the geographical indication.

Significance of Geographical Indications for Competitive Exams

Geographical Indication is one of the hot question topics for almost all competitive exams including UPSC Civil Services Prelims. Knowledge of students on Indian culture and diversity is tested by different question formats connected to GI tags – including ‘Match the following’ questions. As we have prepared this compilation state-wise, we hope it would be very easy for students to connect different GI to corresponding states.

GI tags – a requirement of TRIPS agreement

- India, as a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO), enacted the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration & Protection) Act, 1999 has come into force with effect from 15th September 2003.
- Darjeeling Tea was the first Indian product to get the geographical indication tag. In 2004, the famous beverage got the recognition.
- India has 236 GI products registered so far and over 270 more products have applied for the label.

Geographical Indication (GI) Tags in India: State-wise Compilation

This post is a compilation of Geographical Indication Tags (GI Tags) in India, arranged state-wise. The state-wise compilation will help students to memorize the cultural identities of a place faster.

State-wise compilation of Geographical Indications

Andhra Pradesh

Sl.No.	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Srikalahasthi Kalamkari	Handicraft
2.	Kondapalli Bommalu	Handicraft
3.	Machilipatnam Kalamkari	Handicraft
4.	Budiiti Bell & Brass Craft	Handicraft
5.	Andhra Pradesh Leather Puppetry	Handicraft
6.	Uppada Jamdani Sarees	Handicraft
7.	Tirupati Laddu[a]	Foodstuff
8.	Guntur Sannam Chilli	Agricultural
9.	Venkatagiri Sarees	Handicraft
10.	Bobbili Veena	Handicraft

11.	Mangalagiri Sarees and Fabrics	Handicraft
12.	Dharmavaram Handloom Pattu Sarees and Paavadas	Textile

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SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Assam (Orthodox) Logo	Agricultural
2.	Muga Silk of Assam (Logo)	Handicraft
3.	Muga Silk	Handicraft

Bihar

SI.No.	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Madhubani paintings Handicraft	Handicraft
2.	Applique – Khatwa Patch Work of Bihar	Handicraft
3.	Sujini Embroidery Work of Bihar Handicraft	Handicraft
4.	Bhagalpur Silk Handicraft	Handicraft

Chhattisgarh

SI.No.	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Bastar Dhokra	Handicraft
2.	Bastar Wooden Craft	Handicraft
3.	Bastar Iron Craft	Handicraft
4.	Bastar Dhokra (Logo)	Handicraft
5.	Champa Silk Saree and Fabrics	Handicraft

Goa

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Fenni	Manufactured

Gujarat

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Tangaliya Shawl	Handicraft
2.	Surat Zari Craft	Handicraft



3.	Gir Kesar Mango	Agricultural
4.	Bhalia Wheat	Agricultural
5.	Kachchh Shawls	Handicraft
6.	Patan Patola	Handicraft
7.	Sankheda Furniture	Handicraft
8.	Kutch Embroidery	Handicraft

Haryana

Sl.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Phulkari*	Handicraft

*Also in Punjab and Rajasthan

Himachal Pradesh

Sl.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Kullu Shawl (Logo)	Textile
2.	Kangra Tea	Agricultural
3.	Chamba Rumal	Handicraft
4.	Kinnauri Shawl	Handicraft

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Sl.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Kashmir Papier Mache	Handicraft
2.	Kashmir Walnut Wood Carving	Handicraft
3.	Khatamband	Handicraft
4.	Kani Shawls	Handicraft
5.	Kashmir Pashmina	Handicraft

Karnataka

Sl.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Byadgi chilli	Agriculture
2.	Kinnal Toys	Handicraft
3.	Mysore Agarbathi	Manufactured
4.	Bangalore Blue Grapes	Agriculture

5.	Mysore Pak	Sweets
6.	Bangalore Rose Onion	Agriculture
7.	Coorg orange	Agriculture
8.	Mysore silk	Handicraft
9.	Bidriware	Handicraft
10.	Channapatna Toys & Dolls	Handicraft
11.	Mysore Rosewood Inlay	Handicraft
12.	Mysore Sandalwood Oil	Manufactured
13.	Mysore Sandal Soap	Manufactured
14.	Kasuti Embroidery	Handicraft
15.	Mysore Traditional Paintings	Handicraft
16.	Mysore betel leaf	Agricultural
17.	Nanjanagud Banana	Agricultural
18.	Mysore Jasmine	Agricultural
19.	Udupi Jasmine	Agricultural
20.	Hadagali Jasmine	Agricultural
21.	Ilkal saree	Handicraft
22.	Navalgund Durries	Handicraft
23.	Karnataka Bronze Ware	Handicraft
24.	Molakalmuru Sarees	Handicraft
25.	Monsooned Malabar Arabica Coffee	Agricultural
26.	Monsooned Malabar Robusta Coffee	Agricultural
27.	Coorg Green Cardamom	Agricultural
28.	Dharwad Pedha	Foodstuff

Kerala

Sl.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Aranmula Kannadi	Handicraft
2.	Alleppey Coir	Handicraft
3.	Balaramapuram Sarees and Fine Cotton Fabrics	Handicraft
4.	Brass broidered coconut shell craft of Kerala	Handicraft
5.	Cannanore Home Furnishings	Handicraft
6.	Central Travancore Jaggery	Agricultural
7.	Chendamangalam Dhoties & Set Mundu	Handicraft

8.	Chengalikodan Banana	Agriculture
9.	Kasaragod Sarees	Handicraft
10.	Kuthampally dhoties and set mundu	Clothing
11.	Maddalam of Palakkad	Handicraft
12.	Payyannur Pavithra Ring	Handicraft
13.	Pokkali Rice	Agriculture
14.	Screw Pine Craft of Kerala	Handicraft
15.	Vazhakulam Pineapple	Agriculture
16.	Wayanad Gandhakasala Rice	Agriculture
17.	Wayanad Jeerakasala Rice	Agriculture
18.	Navara rice Agricultural	Agriculture
19.	Palakkadan Matta Rice	Agriculture
20.	Spices Alleppey Green Cardamom	Agriculture

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Madhya Pradesh

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Chanderi Fabric	Handicraft
2.	Leather Toys of Indore	Handicraft
3.	Bagh Prints of Madhya Pradesh	Handicraft
4.	Bell Metal Ware of Datia and Tikamgarh (Logo)	Handicraft
5.	Bell Metal Ware of Datia and Tikamgarh	Handicraft
6.	Maheshwar Sarees & Fabrics	Handicraft

Maharashtra

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Solapuri Chaddar	Handicraft
2.	Solapur Terry Towel	Handicraft
3.	Nagpur Orange	Agricultural
4.	Puneri Pagadi	Handicraft
5.	Nashik valley wine	Manufactured
6.	Paithani Sarees and Fabrics	Handicraft
7.	Mahabaleshwar Strawberry	Agricultural

8.	Nashik Grapes	Agricultural
9.	Nashik Grapes	Agricultural
10.	Kolhapur Jaggery	Agriculture

Manipur

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Shaphee Lanphee	Textile
2.	Wangkhei Phee	Textile
3.	Moirang Phee	Textile

Nagaland

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Naga Mircha	Agricultural

Odisha



SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Kotpad Handloom fabric	Handicraft
2.	Orissa Ikat	Handicraft
3.	Konark Stone Carving	Handicraft
4.	Pattachitra	Handicraft
5.	Pipili Applique Work	Handicraft
6.	Khandua Saree and Fabrics	Handicraft
7.	Gopalpur Tussar Fabrics	Handicraft
8.	Ganjam Kewda Rooh	Agricultural
9.	Ganjam Kewda Flower	Agricultural
10.	Dhalapathar Parda & Fabrics	Handicraft
11.	Sambalpuri Bandha Saree & Fabrics	Handicraft
12.	Bomkai Saree & Fabrics	Handicraft
13.	Habaspuri Saree & Fabrics	Handicraft
14.	Berhampur Patta (Phoda Kumbha) Saree & Joda	Handicraft
15.	Odisha Pattachitra (Logo)	Textile

Punjab

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
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1.	Phulkari*	Handicraft
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*Also in Haryana and Rajasthan

Rajasthan

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Kota Doria	Handicraft
2.	Blue Pottery of Jaipur	Handicraft
3.	Molela Clay Work	Handicraft
4.	Kathputlis of Rajasthan	Handicraft
5.	Sanganeri Hand Block Printing	Handicraft
6.	Bikaneri Bhujia	Agricultural
7.	Kota Doria (Logo)	Handicraft
8.	Phulkari*	Handicraft
9.	Bagru Hand Block Print	Handicraft
10.	Thewa Art Work	Handicraft
11.	Makrana marble	Natural Goods

*Also in Haryana and punjab

Tamil Nadu

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Salem Fabric	Handicraft
2.	Kancheepuram Silk	Handicraft
3.	Bhavani Jamakkalam	Handicraft
4.	Madurai Sungudi	Handicraft
5.	Coimbatore Wet Grinder	Manufactured
6.	Thanjavur Paintings	Handicraft
7.	Temple Jewellery of Nagercoil	Handicraft
8.	Thanjavur Art Plate	Handicraft
9.	E. I. Leather	Manufactured
10.	Salem silk	Handicraft
11.	Kovai Cora Cotton	Handicraft
12.	Arani Silk Handicraft	Handicraft
13.	Swamimalai Bronze Icons	Agricultural

14.	Eathomozhy Tall Coconut	Agricultural
15.	Thanjavur Doll Handicraft	Handicraft
16.	Nilgiri(Orthodox) Logo	Agricultural
17.	Virupakshi Hill Banana	Agricultural
18.	Sirumalai Hill Banana	Agricultural
19.	Madurai Malli	Agricultural
20.	Pattamadai Pai ('Pattamadai Mat')	Handicraft
21.	Nachiarkoil Kuthuvilakku ('Nachiarkoil Lamp')	Handicraft
22.	Chettinad Kottan	Handicraft
23.	Toda Embroidery t	Handicraft
24.	Thanjavur Veenai	Handicraft

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Telangana

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Pochampally Ikat	Handicraft
2.	Silver Filigree of Karimnagar	Handicraft
3.	Nirmal toys and craft	Handicraft
4.	Nirmal furniture	Handicraft
5.	Nirmal paintings	Handicraft
6.	Gadwal Sarees	Handicraft
7.	Hyderabadi Haleem	Foodstuff
8.	Cheriyal Paintings	Handicraft
9.	Pembarthi Metal Craft	Handicraft
10.	Siddipet Gollabhama	Handicraft
11.	Narayanpet Handloom Sarees	Handicraft

Uttar Pradesh

SI.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Allahabad Surkha	Agricultural
2.	Lucknow Chikan Craft	Handicraft
3.	Mango Malihabadi Dusseheri	Agricultural
4.	Banaras Brocades and Sarees	Handicraft

5.	Banaras Brocades and Sarees (Logo)	Handicraft
6.	Hand made Carpet of Bhadohi	Handmade Carpets
7.	Agra Durrie	Handicraft
8.	Farrukhabad Prints	Handicraft
9.	Lucknow Zardozi	Handicraft
10.	Kalanamak Rice	Agricultural
11.	Firozabad Glass	Handicraft
12.	Kannauj Perfume	Manufactured
13.	Kanpur Saddlery	Manufactured
14.	Moradabad Metal Craft	Handicraft
15.	Saharanpur Wood Craft	Handicraft
16.	Handmade Carpets of Mirzapur	Handmade Carpets
17.	Handmade Carpets of Banaras	Handmade Carpets
18.	Agra Petha	Sweets
19.	Mathura Pedda	Sweets
20.	Nizamabad black clay pottery	Handicraft
21.	Varanasi Wooden Lacquerware & Toys	Handicraft

West Bengal

Sl.No	Geographical Indication	Type
1.	Darjeeling Tea (word & logo)	Agricultural
2.	Nakshi Kantha	Handicraft
3.	Laxman Bhog Mango	Agricultural
4.	Himsagar(Khirsapati Mango)	Agricultural
5.	Fazli Mango	Agricultural
6.	Santipore Saree	Handicraft
7.	Baluchari Saree	Handicraft
8.	Dhaniakhali Saree	Handicraft

Summary: GI Tags

- Geographical Indications of Goods are defined as that aspect of industrial property which refer 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.
- Typically, such a name 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.

- 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.
- They are also covered under Articles 22 to 24 of the Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) Agreement, which was part of the Agreements concluding the Uruguay Round of GATT negotiations.
- Proponents of GIs regard them as strong tools for protecting their national property rights. Opponents, however, consider GIs as barriers to trade.

