

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2079
ANSWERED ON- 17/03/2023

GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION STATUS

2079. SHRI ABIR RANJAN BISWAS:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that only 22 products in West Bengal have been granted Geographical Indication (GI) status till now, if so, details thereof;
- (b) the number of traditional textile products in India which have had a GI tag since 2014, year-wise, State-wise;
- (c) the amount of revenue generated by exporting traditional textile products with GI tag and traditional textile products with no GI tag in the last five years, year-wise; and
- (d) the details of the steps taken by Government to increase awareness about GI tags for textile products, especially in West Bengal in the last five years, year-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

(a): Yes Sir, the following products of West Bengal State have been registered under Geographical Indication (GI) Act, 1999. The details are as follows:

Sl. No.	Geographical Indications	Goods (As per Sec 2 (f) of GI Act 1999)
1	Darjeeling Tea (word & logo)	Agricultural
2	Nakshi Kantha	Handicraft
3	Santiniketan Leather Goods	Handicraft
4	Malda Laxman Bhog Mango	Agricultural
5	Malda Khisapati (Himsagar)	Agricultural
6	Malda Fazli Mango	Agricultural
7	Santipore Saree	Handicraft
8	Baluchari Saree	Handicraft
9	Dhaniakhali Saree	Handicraft
10	Joynagar Moa	Food stuff
11	Bardhaman Sitabhog	Food stuff
12	Bardhaman Mihidana	Food stuff
13	Gobindobhog Rice	Agricultural
14	Tulapanji Rice	Agricultural

15	Banglar Rasogolla	Food stuff
16	Bankura Panchurma Terracotta Craft	Handicraft
17	Bengal Dokra	Handicraft
18	Bengal Patachitra	Handicraft
19	Purulia Chau Mask	Handicraft
20	Wooden Mask of Kushmandi	Handicraft
21	Madur Kathi	Handicraft
22	Dalle Khursani	Agricultural

(Source: Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce, Government of India)

(b): A total no. of 28 traditional textile products have been given GI tag since 2014. The year-wise, State-wise details are given at Annexure-I.

(c): There is no separate HS code for the GI tag textiles. The export figure in respect of traditional textile products in the category of Handloom and Handicrafts are as below:

(Rs. In Crore)

Year	Export figure(Traditional Textiles)	
	Handloom	Handicrafts
2017-18	2,280.18	7,073.91
2018-19	2,392.39	7,230.29
2019-20	2,248.33	6,873.07
2020-21	1,644.78	6,986.25
2021-22	1,987.63	8,782.34

(d): To increase awareness about GI tags for textile products, GI help desk has been set up at all the 29 Weaver Service Centres (WSCs) including WSC, Kolkata for the state of West Bengal.

Also, workshop/seminar are conducted throughout the country by the Office of the Development Commissioner for Handicrafts, Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India.

Annexure-I

Sl. No.	State/UT	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	Total
1	Assam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	01	01
2	Arunachal Pradesh	-	-	-	-	-	01	-	-	-	01
3	Gujarat	-	-	01	-	01	-	-	-	-	02
4	Himachal Pradesh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	01	-	01
5	Jammu & Kashmir	-	-	01	-	-	-	-	-	-	01
6	Karnataka	-	02	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	02
7	Kerala	-	01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	01
8	Maharashtra	-	-	01	-	-	-	-	-	-	01
9	Mizoram	-	-	-	-	-	05	-	-	-	05
10	Nagaland	-	-	-	01	-	-	-	-	-	01
11	Tamilnadu	-	-	-	-	01	01	-	02	-	04
12	Telangana	-	-	-	01	-	-	01	-	-	02
13	Uttar Pradesh	01	-	-	01	-	-	-	03	-	05
14	West Bengal	-	-	-	01	-	-	-	-	-	01
Total		01	03	03	04	02	07	01	06	01	28
