

ABOUT GI

Geographical Indications (GIs) are associated with the legacy of a product connected with a specific location having unique blend of nature, culture, tradition, and artisan. In India, there are several registered GIs and there are numerous GIs which are not yet registered officially, but are potential registerable GIs.

GI based on classes to Natural Goods, Food Stuff
Manufactured Goods, Handicrafts
or Agricultural Goods

GI based on uniqueness,
weather, and
terrain of the place of origin

Legal Protection from
unfair usage

Registered by the
Authorized
community of the GI

GI Sign or symbol
indicating
Geographical Origin
or location

Economic empowerment
to Artisans, Producers,
and Manufacturers

Social Uplifting and
continuing the Legacy of
the Nation

512+ registered GIs and
numerous unregistered GIs
existence in India

Prevents counterfeiting
and ensures
genuineness of products

Preservation of local Culture,
Tradition,
and Legacy



SAHARANPUR WOOD CRAFT

The city of Saharanpur is situated near the Shivalik range of the Himalayas, which is rich in high-quality wood such as sheesham, rosewood, and teak. This natural abundance of wood, combined with the skills of local artisans, helped establish Saharanpur as a hub for woodcraft.

Saharanpur woodcraft is a traditional craft that originated in the city of Saharanpur in the state of Uttar Pradesh, India. The craft is believed to have its roots in the Mughal era, around the 17th century, when it flourished as a centre for wood carving and furniture-making.

Uniqueness

The unique fusion of animal designs and geometric designs may be found in this handicraft along with the mix of flora and nature. The art has been transferred from generation to generation maintaining the uniqueness of the craft for centuries.

Price

May range from Rs. 400/- to >40,000/- depending upon the size and the intricacies involved in the carving.

Years they have started
350 years

Number of families involved
90,000 people



Type of Goods
Handicraft

Class of Goods
20

Geographical Location
Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh

Method of Production

The method of production can broadly be divided into three stages viz., Timber seasoning, Chemical treatment of wood and Woodcarving.

The process starts with selecting the wood, followed by carving the design with chisels and knives.

The carved wood is then sanded and polished to give it a smooth finish. The craftsmen use traditional techniques passed down from generations to create beautiful and intricate designs.