

# 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

700+ registered GIs and  
numerous unregistered GIs  
existence in India

Prevents counterfeiting and  
ensures genuineness of  
products

Preservation of local Culture,  
Tradition, and Legacy



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# UDAIPUR KOFTGARI METAL CRAFT

Udaipur Koftgari Metal Craft is a traditional decorative metalworking technique which involves inlaying a softer metal, like gold or silver, into a harder metal like iron, steel etc. In this craft gold and silver wires are inlaid onto iron or steel surfaces. Practiced in Udaipur and Chittorgarh, Rajasthan, it is used to decorate weaponry, utility items and decorative objects with intricate motifs. The craft reflects regal heritage and is prized for its ornamental finesse.

## UNIQUENESS

Koftgari is distinguished by its wire-based designs, hammered into metal without adhesives. The motifs—lines, curves and floral patterns—are created using gold and silver wire, giving each piece a luxurious finish. Practiced by skilled artisans, the craft embodies Mewar's martial legacy and is revered for its aesthetic and symbolic richness.

## RAW MATERIALS

Iron/Steel Sheets, Gold and Silver Wire, Moonstone (Hakkik)



Price  
Approx.  
Rs. 2000 to 50000

Proof of Origin  
15<sup>th</sup> Century

Type of Goods  
Handicrafts

No. of Families Involved  
Approx.  
400 families

Class of Goods  
8

Geographical Location  
Udaipur and Chittorgarh districts,  
Rajasthan

## METHOD OF PRODUCTION

Iron or steel is etched with crisscross hatching, heated and marked with designs using a cherni tool. Gold or silver wire is inlaid into the grooves and hammered in. The piece is buffed, polished and mounted onto frames. Women assist in preparation and packaging, while men handle metalwork and wire inlay.