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**News: Geographical Indication tags**

- Recently, over 17 products from Odisha, Arunachal Pradesh, West Bengal, and J&K have received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag.

**Newly received GI tags**

**Kapdaganda Shawl**

- Woven and embroidered by the women of the Dongria Kondh tribe, a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG) in the Niyamgiri hills in Odisha's Rayagada and Kalahandi districts, the shawl reflects the rich tribal heritage of the Dongria Kondhs.

**Lanjia Saura Painting**

- The art form belongs to the Lanjia Saura community, a PVTG largely residing in the Rayagada district.
- These paintings are in the form of exterior murals painted on the mud walls of homes. White paintings figure over a crimson-maroon background.

### **Koraput Kala Jeera Rice**

- The black-coloured rice variety, also known as the ‘Prince of Rice’, is famous for its aroma, taste, texture and nutritional value.
- Tribal farmers of the Koraput region have preserved the rice variety for around 1,000 years.

### **Similipal Kai Chutney**

- The chutney made with red weaver ants is a traditional delicacy of the tribals in Odisha’s Mayurbhanj district. These ants are found in the forests of Mayurbhanj, including in the Similipal forests.

### **Nayagarh Kanteimundi Brinjal**

- This Brinjal is known for its prickly thorns on the stems and the whole plant. The plants are resistant to major insects and can be grown with minimal pesticide.

### **Odisha Khajuri Guda**

- Odisha’s “Khajuri Guda” or jaggery is a natural sweetener extracted from date palm trees and has its origin in the Gajapati district.

## Dhenkanal Magji

- Dhenkanal Magji is a **type of sweet made from cheese from buffalo milk, with distinct characteristics in terms of appearance, taste, flavour, shape, and size.**

## Other products to receive GI Tag

State	Product Name	Brief Explanation
Arunachal Pradesh	Wancho Wooden Craft	Ethnic wood craft integral to Wancho tribes, used for decoration and gifting, historically used in various aspects of their community life.
	Adi Kekir	Ginger variety from Arunachal Pradesh.
West Bengal	Tangail Saree	Saree style originating from Bengal with distinct weaving patterns.
	Garad Saree	Saree, known for its unique texture and

		appearance, is traditional attire from Bengal.
	<b>Korial Saree</b>	Saree variety is recognized for its weaving style and traditional significance in Bengal.
	<b>Kalo Nunia Rice</b>	Rice variety from West Bengal.
	<b>Sundarban Honey</b>	Honey sourced from the Sundarbans area of West Bengal.
<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>Kachchhi Kharek</b>	Product of date palm harvested at Khalal (fresh stage), which are bold, crisp and sweet.
<b>Jammu Kashmir</b>	<b>Ramban Anardana</b>	Ramban Anardana, locally referred to as Dhruni, is an important fruit tree growing wild in hilly tracts and forests of J&K.