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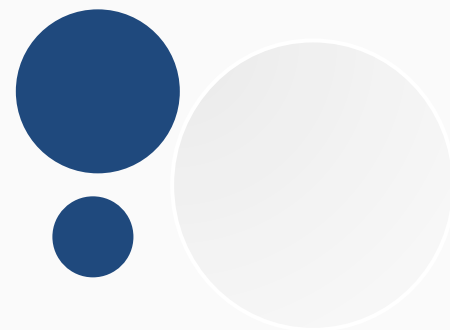
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Leveraging India's Recent Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) A Textiles Perspective

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1. Free Trade Agreement (FTA)

a. Introduction

A Free Trade Agreement (FTA) is an agreement between two or more countries to reduce barriers to imports and exports among them with a view to enhancing mutual trade. It could cover a broad range of areas like goods, services, intellectual property, government procurement, etc. The key benefits of an FTA for the textiles sector is that it allows the exports of textiles products at preferential customs duty to the trading partner provided the rules of origin criteria is met.

b. FTA Partner Countries of India

India has formalized **18 Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)** to strengthen trade integration and enhance export competitiveness. Key recent agreements include the **India–UK Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)** signed on 24 July 2025 and the **India–New Zealand FTA** signed on 27 April 2026. Further, India has concluded negotiations for the India–European Union (EU) FTA in January 2026.

The **India–EFTA Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA)** entered into force on **1 October 2025** and **India-Oman CEPA** came into effect from **1 June 2026**.

The list of India’s Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) is provided in the table below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Agreement	Date of Signing of the Agreement
1	India – Sri Lanka FTA	28 th December 1998
2	Agreement on SAFTA (India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Bhutan, the Maldives and Afghanistan)	4 th January 2004
3	India Nepal Treaty of Trade	27 th October 2009
4	India – Bhutan Agreement on Trade Commerce and Transit	17 th January 1972
5	India – Thailand FTA – Early Harvest Scheme (EHS)	9 th October 2003
6	India – Singapore CECA	29 th June 2005
7	India – ASEAN- CECA – Trade in Goods, Services and Investment Agreement (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam)	13 th August 2009 for goods and November 2014 for Services and Investment
8	India – South Korea CEPA	7 th August 2009
9	India – Japan CEPA	16 th February 2011
10	India – Malaysia CECA	18 th February 2011

Sl. No.	Name of the Agreement	Date of Signing of the Agreement
11	India – Mauritius Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and Partnership Agreement (CECPA)	22 nd February 2021
12	India-UAE CEPA	18 th February 2022
13	India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (Ind-Australia ECTA)	2 nd April 2022
14	India-European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA)	10 th March 2024
15	India- UK Comprehensive Economic & Trade Agreement (CETA)	25 th July 2025
16	India- Oman Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA)	18 th December 2025
17	India- New Zealand Free Trade Agreement	22 nd December 2025
18	India- European Union Free Trade Agreement	January 2026 (Concluded)

c. India's Recent FTAs and relevance for Textiles & Handicraft Sector

India's recent FTAs represent a **transformational opportunity for the textiles and handicrafts sector**, particularly for MSME-driven and artisanal led exports. By providing **duty-free access, regulatory facilitation, and expanded market reach**, these agreements:

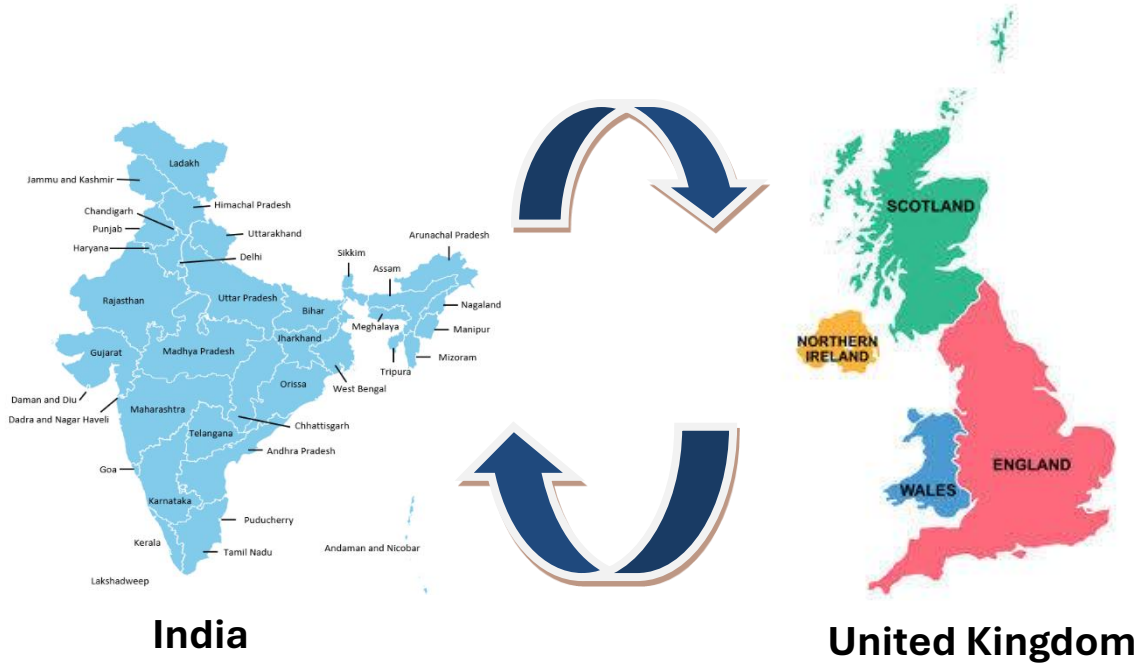
- Enhance global competitiveness
- Promote inclusive and employment-intensive growth
- Position India as a **reliable, sustainable sourcing hub for textiles and handcrafted products**

Some of the salient aspects in some of these FTAs are the following:

- Zero duty access on most goods of India's export interest
- Rules of origin that ensure adequate processing with a view to prevent circumvention of 3rd party goods
- Deeper commitments including on mobility in services
- Facilitatory environment for investments in the sector

The text indicating the tariff preferences and rules of origin are available on the website of the Department of Commerce. The benefits of these recent FTAs, the key parameters of the FTA partners and the districts that can leverage specific sectors in these FTAs is given in the subsequent parts of this booklet.

1.1 India–UK Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)



The India–UK Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA), signed on 24 July 2025.

Benefits	Segment opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tariff elimination upon implementation on about 99% of tariff lines, including zero-duty access on 99% of textile and clothing tariff lines (earlier up to 12%), covering 1,143 lines and thereby removing the long-standing duty disadvantage faced by India vis-à-vis key competitors such as Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Cambodia. • The agreement also facilitates trade through simplified procedures, including waiver of origin documentation for consignments below £1000, enabling e-commerce exports, and introduction of self-certification (origin declaration), along with provisions allowing UK importers to certify origin. 	<p>RMG, home textiles, carpets, and handicrafts are poised for strong growth due to improved price competitiveness and market access.</p>

United Kingdom

Overview of Textiles Market



India-UK CETA

- Signed on 24.07.2025
- Zero-duty access on 99% of textile and clothing tariff lines (covering 1,143 lines)

UK's Market Size

- ❑ **Global import (2025):** \$28.7 Bn
- ❑ **Sectoral imports:**
 - Apparel (74%)
 - Made ups (10%)
 - Fabric (5%)

Top Exporting States/UTs

- Tamil Nadu (29%)
- Haryana (18%)
- Uttar Pradesh (16%)
- Gujarat (7%)
- Karnataka (7%)
- Maharashtra (6%)

India-UK bilateral trade

- India's exports to UK: \$2.2 Bn (2025-26)
- Sectoral exports:
 - RMG (68%)
 - Cotton textiles (13%)
 - Man-made textiles (8%)
 - Handicraft (6%)

Major Fairs & Exhibitions



London Textile Fair
Event date: 13th-14th Jan'2026
Location: London



Tex Premium-
Luxury Fabric Show
Event date: 23rd -24th June'2026
Location: London



Made London – The Design and
Craft Fair
Event date: month of October
Location: London

Focus Products

Cotton T-shirts

Women bottom wear, Lingerie

Jersey, pullover, coats & jackets

Men's bottom-wear, cotton woven
& knitted shirts

Major Apparel Buying Houses

Primark

Baird Group

International Clothing Designs (ICD)

Major Buyers

Burberry

Regatta

Adidas

Next UK

Dunelm Group plc

Major Textile Design Houses

Colefax & Fowler

Osborne & Little

Rapture & Wright

Designers Guild

Major Fashion Technology & Design Institutes

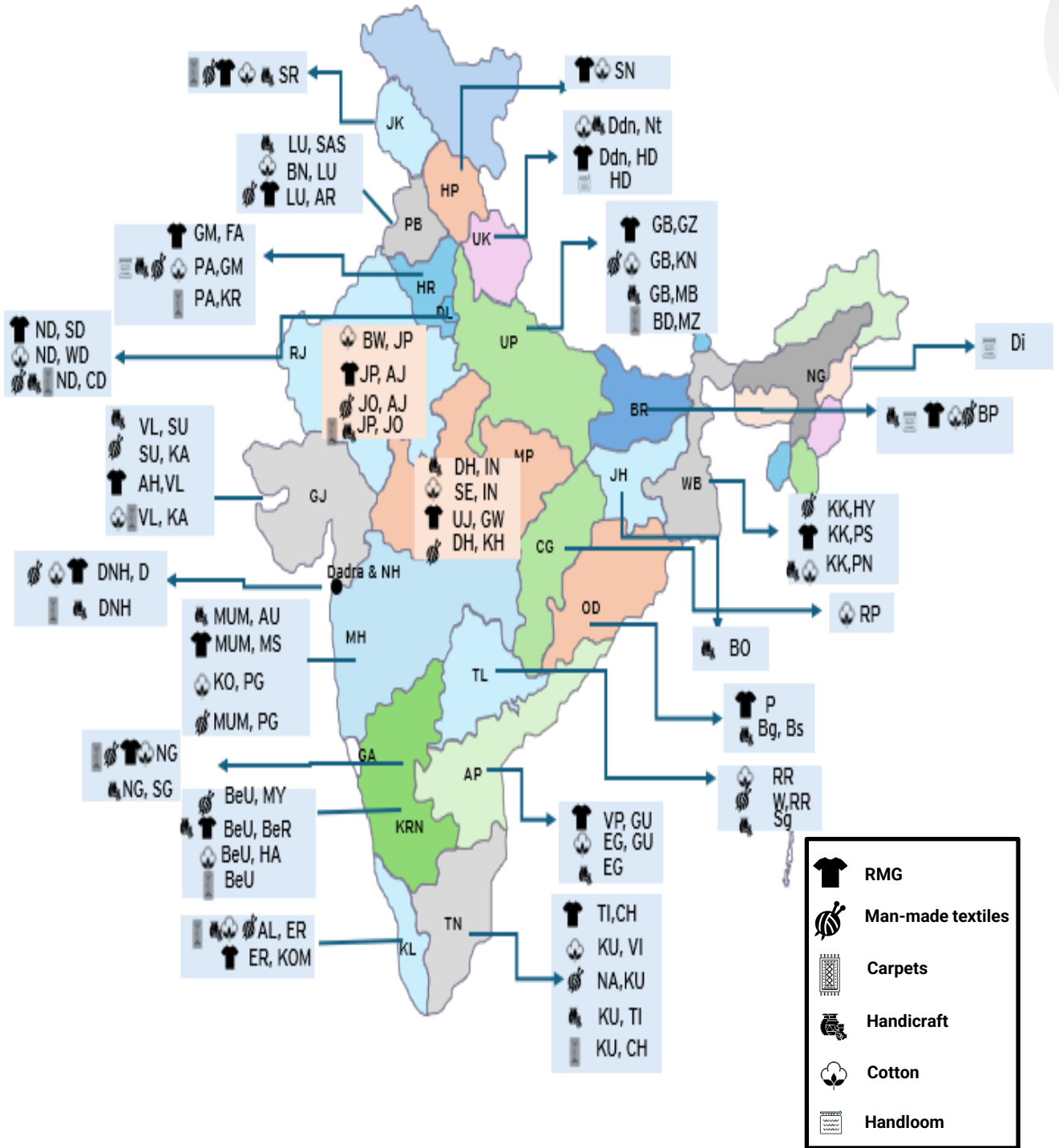
London College of Fashion
(University of Arts, London)

Royal College of Art, London

Manchester Fashion Institute

Source- ITC Trade Map, DGCIS

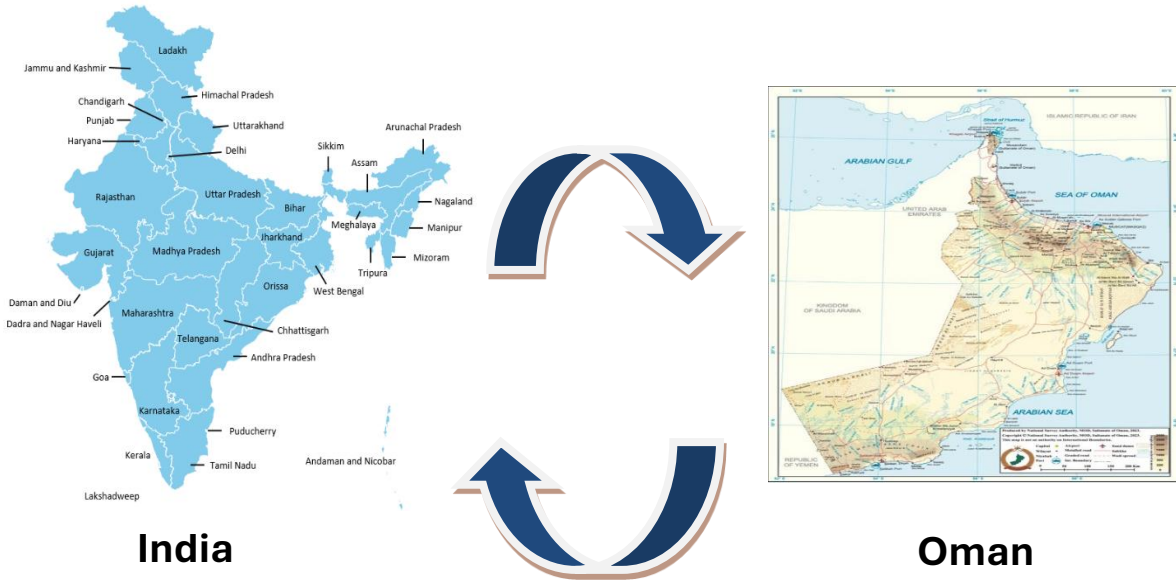
Districts that can leverage benefits of India UK CETA



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Source- DGCIS

1.2 India-Oman Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA)



The India–Oman Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA), signed on 18 December 2025, and came into effect from 1 June 2026 that provides significant opportunities for India’s textiles and clothing sector through comprehensive tariff liberalisation and trade facilitation measures.

Benefits	Segment opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immediate tariff elimination: Subsequent to the operationalization of the agreement, Oman has committed to immediate tariff elimination on all 945 textile tariff lines (covering all 6 digit HS lines in Chapters 50–63), granting zero-duty access from the existing 5% MFN rate, thereby ensuring full market access for Indian textile exports. • Correspondingly, India has offered concessions on 1,924 tariff lines, with 1,923 lines under immediate tariff elimination, while only one tariff line (HS 63090000 – worn clothing) remains excluded. • Further, provisions on intellectual property rights (IPR) and Geographical Indications (GI) are expected to enhance the visibility and marketability of India’s textile heritage covering India’s GI-tagged handloom (104) and handicraft (214) products, strengthening their export potential in Oman. 	<p>Key segments positioned for growth include readymade garments, made-ups, MMF textiles, and jute products.</p>

Oman

Overview of Textiles Market



India-Oman CEPA

- Signed on 18.12.2025
- Entry into force: 1. 6.2026
- Zero-duty access on all 945 Textile tariff lines

India-Oman bilateral trade

- ❑ **India's exports to Oman:** \$95.1 Mn (2025-26)
- ❑ **Sectoral exports:**
 - RMG (48%)
 - Mand-made textiles (38%)
 - Cotton textiles (8%)
 - Handicraft (3.4%)

Oman's Market Size

- ❑ **Global import (2025):** \$0.35 Bn
- ❑ **Sectoral imports:**
 - Apparel (39%)
 - Fabric (21%)
 - Made ups (17%)

Top Exporting States/UTs

- Maharashtra (21%)
- Gujarat (19%)
- Tamil Nadu (18%)
- Jammu & Kashmir (16%)
- Karnataka (9%)
- West Bengal (3%)

Major Fairs & Exhibitions



Omani- Turkish International Forum & Exhibition
Event date: 2nd-4th Feb' 2026
Location: Muscat



GCC Sustainable Muscat Fashion Week
Event date: September 2025
Location: Muscat

Focus Products

Carpets

Activewear, T-shirts, Outerwear

MMF blankets, Home linen, Curtains

Men & Women bottom wear

Jute fabric

Major Retailers

Lulu Muscat Hypermarket

Nesto Hyper Market

Carrefour Oman

Major Textile Design Houses

Assain Textiles

Oman Digital Prints

Major Fashion Technology & Design Institutes

Scientific College of Design, Muscat

University of Technology and Applied Sciences, Muscat

Sultan Qaboos University

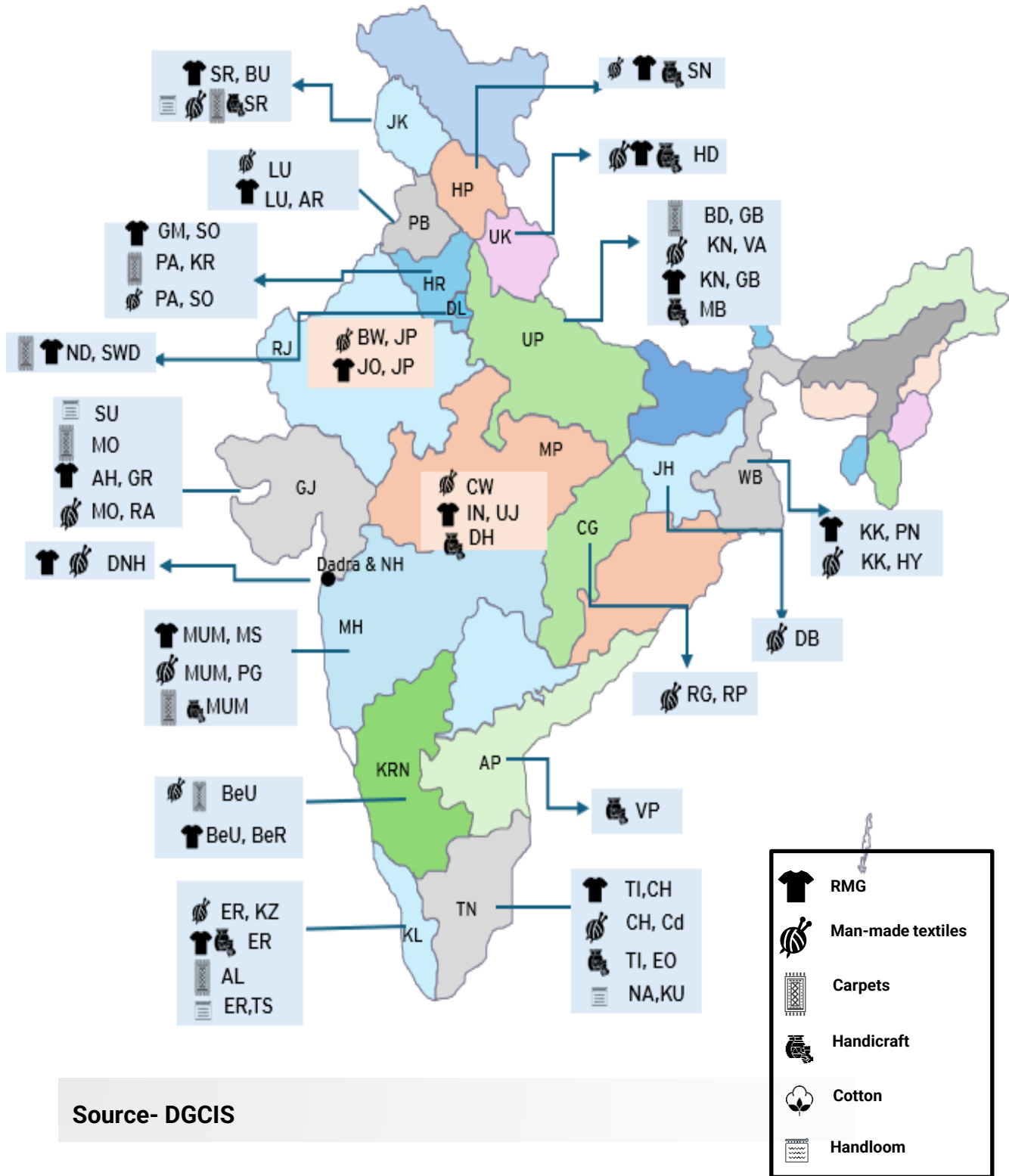
Industry Body

Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OCCI)

Public Establishment for Industrial Estates (PEIE), (now Madayn)

Source- ITC Trade Map, DGCIS

Districts that can leverage benefits of India Oman CEPA



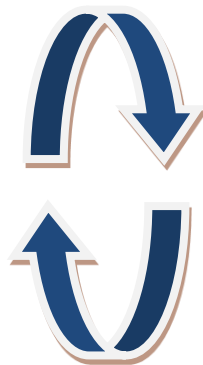
Source- DGCIS

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1.3 India and European Union Trade Agreement



India



EU

The India–EU Free Trade Agreement (FTA), **concluded on 27 January 2026.**

Benefits	Segment opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upon operationalization, immediate zero-duty access on all textile and clothing tariff lines, replacing existing duties of up to 12%, thereby unlocking the EU’s large import market of approximately USD 263.5 billion (INR 22.9 lakh crore)• The agreement shall also remove the long-standing tariff disadvantage faced by Indian exporters vis-à-vis competing countries such as Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Turkey, significantly improving price competitiveness.• Further, the FTA addresses non-tariff barriers through regulatory cooperation, customs simplification, and enhanced transparency, leading to reduced compliance costs and improved ease of doing business.	<p>The agreement is expected to provide a major impetus to labour-intensive segments, including cotton yarn, man-made fibre apparel, ready-made garments, and home textiles, thereby expanding export opportunities.</p>

EU-27

Overview of Textiles Market



India-EU FTA

- Concluded on 27.1.2026
- Immediate zero duty access on all textile and clothing tariff lines

EU's Market Size

- ❑ **Global import (2025):** \$291 Bn
- ❑ **Sectoral imports:**
 - Apparel (73%)
 - Made ups (8%)
 - Fabric (7%)
 - Fibre (2%)

India-EU-27 bilateral trade

- ❑ **India's exports to EU-27:** \$7.8Bn (2025-26)
- ❑ **Sectoral exports:**
 - RMG (60%)
 - Cotton textiles (17%)
 - Man-made textiles (14%)
 - Handicraft (4%)

Top Exporting States

- Tamil Nadu (33%)
- Uttar Pradesh (15%)
- Haryana (10%)
- Uttar Pradesh (11%)
- Karnataka (9%)
- Gujarat (8%)

Major Fairs & Exhibitions



PV PARIS Premier Vision-Paris 2026
Event date: 1-3 September 2026
Location: Paris, France



INTERTEX MILANO
Event date: 7-9 July 2026
Location: Milan, Italy



TEXTILEXPO BARCELONA Barcelona Textile Expo
Event date: 17-22 March 2026
Location: Barcelona, Spain



heimtextil Heimtextil 2026
Event date: 13-16 January 2026
Location: Frankfurt, Germany

Focus Products

T-shirts

Outerwear, Men & Women bottom wear

Carpets, Home linen, Carpets

Woven shirts, Woven blouses, Knitted shirts, Knitted blouses

Activewear, Accessories, Nightwear

Source- ITC Trade Map, DGCIS

Major Buyers/Retailers

C&A

Primark Germany

CCC SA, Poland

KiK Textilien

Peek & Cloppenburg

Major Textile Design Houses

Maison Lelièvre, France

KUSILAS, Spain

Loro Piano, Italy

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Textile Councils

German Fashion and Textile Association

UNITEX, France

Sistema Moda Italia, Italy

Major Fashion Technology & Design Institutes

AMD Akademie Mode & Design, Germany

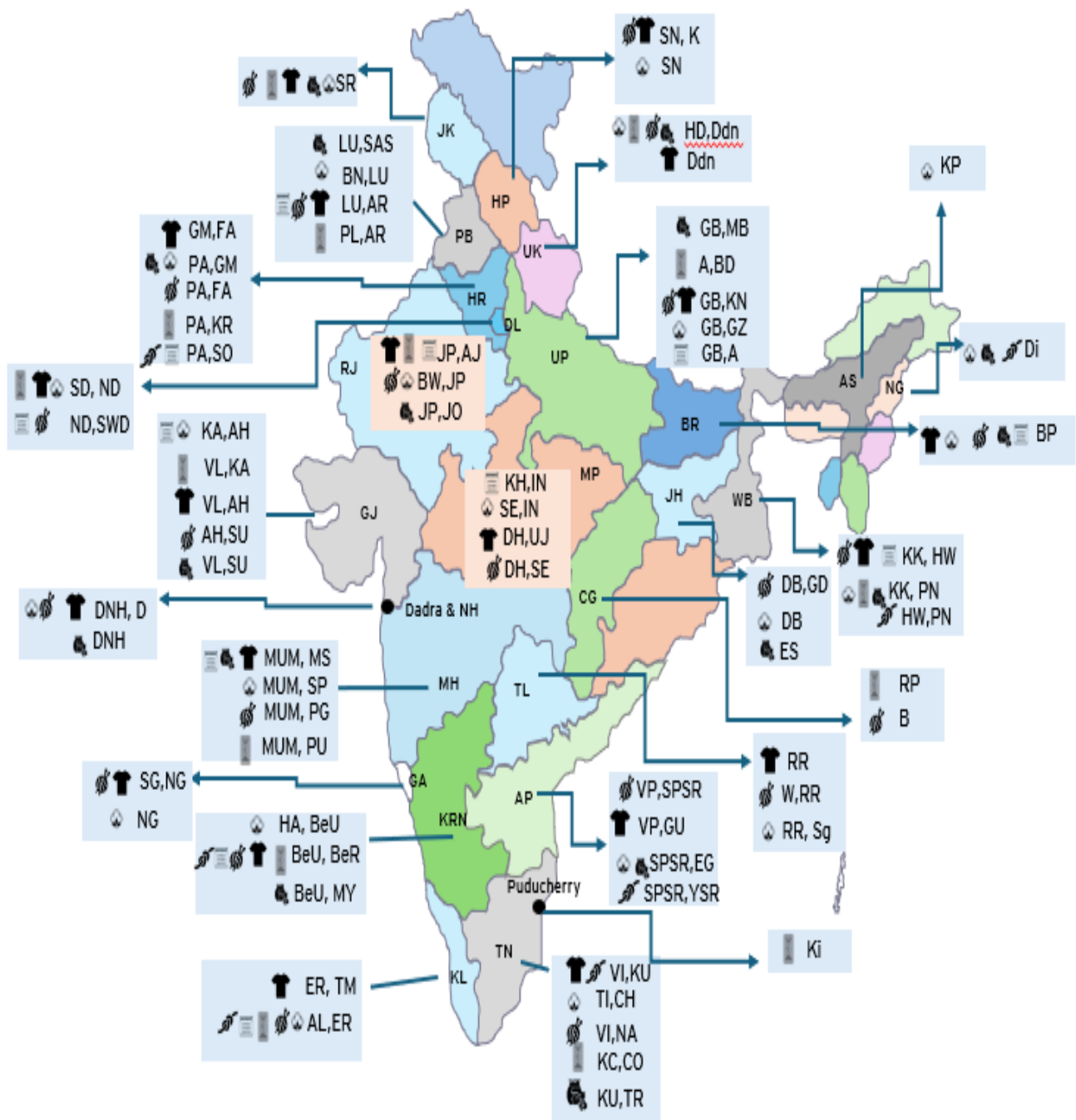
Paris School of Fashion, France

Istituto Marangoni, Italy

IED Barcelona, Spain

Vizja University, Poland

Districts that can leverage benefits for exports to EU-27*



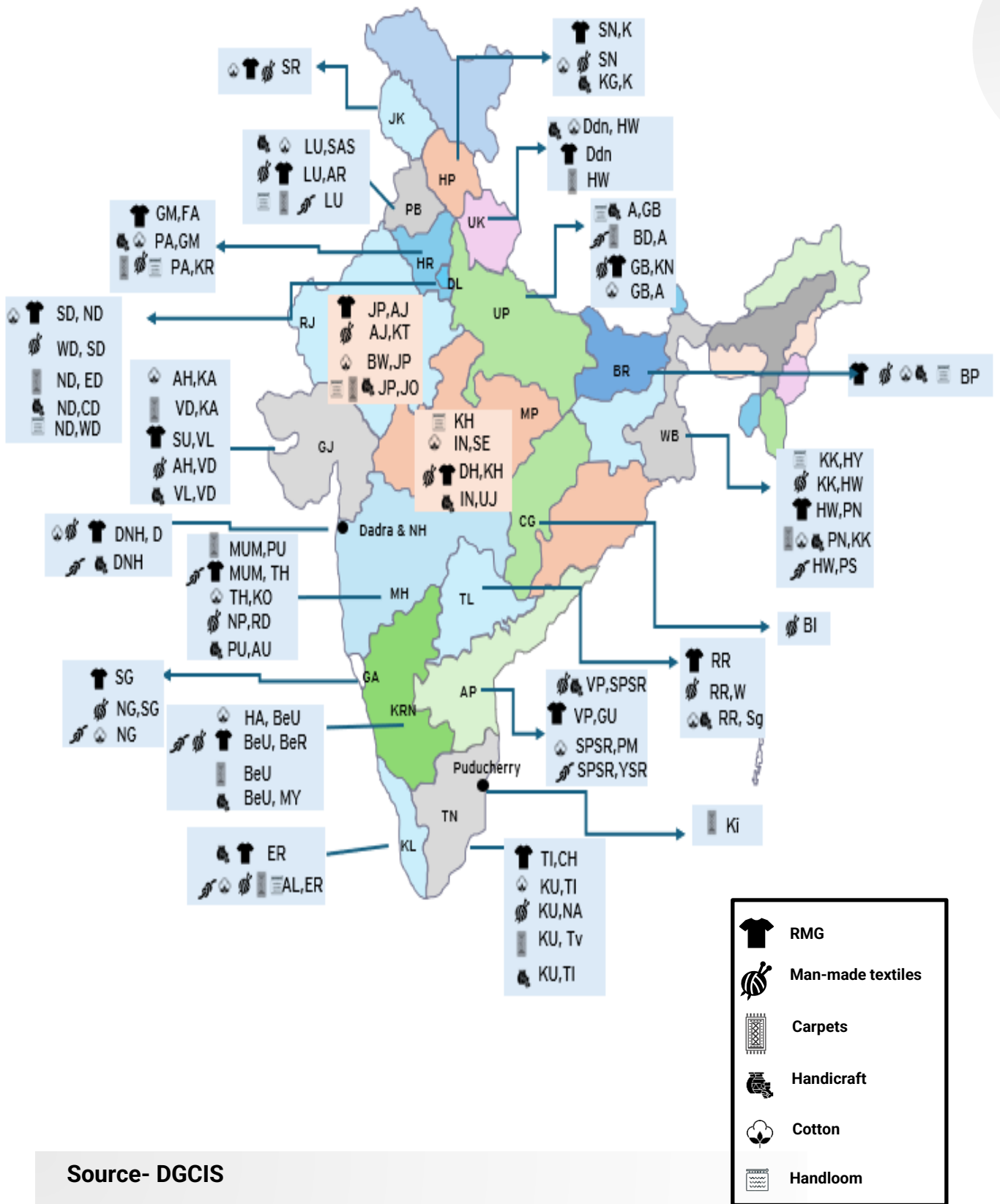
*** Top 5 countries of EU are Germany, France, Italy, Spain and Poland**

Source- DGCIS

	RMG
	Man-made textiles
	Carpets
	Handicraft
	Cotton
	Handloom

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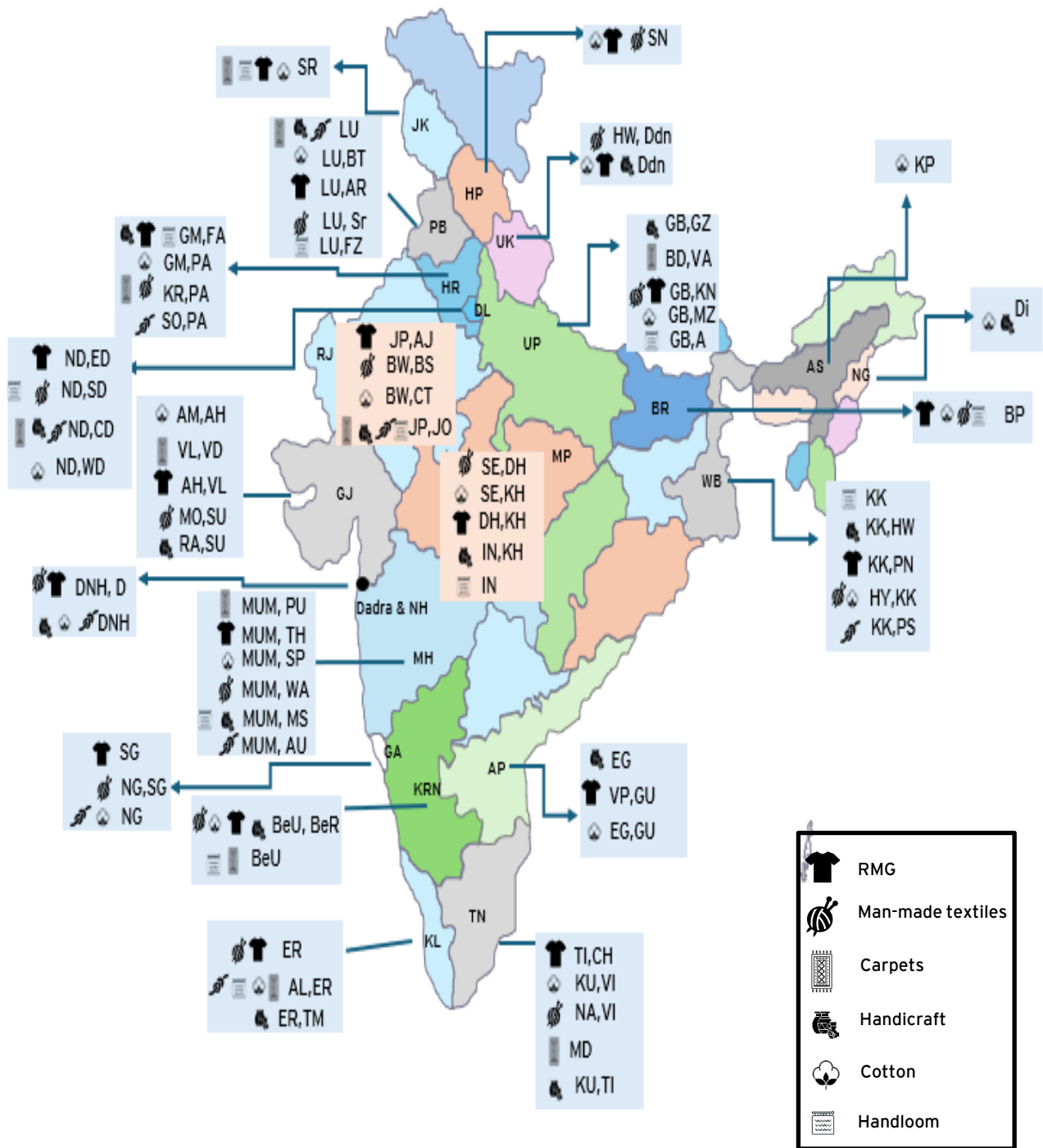
Districts that can leverage benefits for exports to Germany



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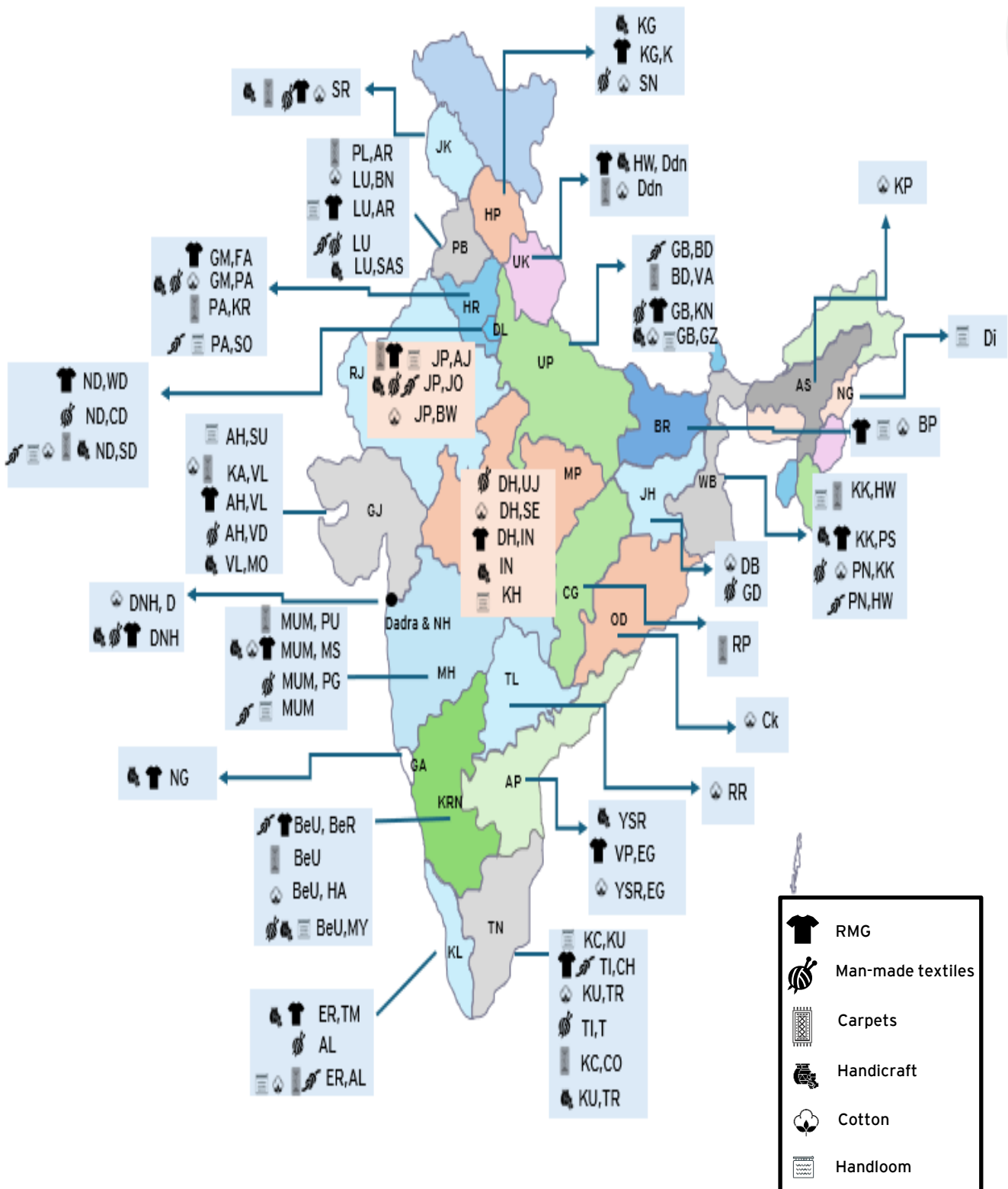
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Districts that can leverage benefits for exports to Italy



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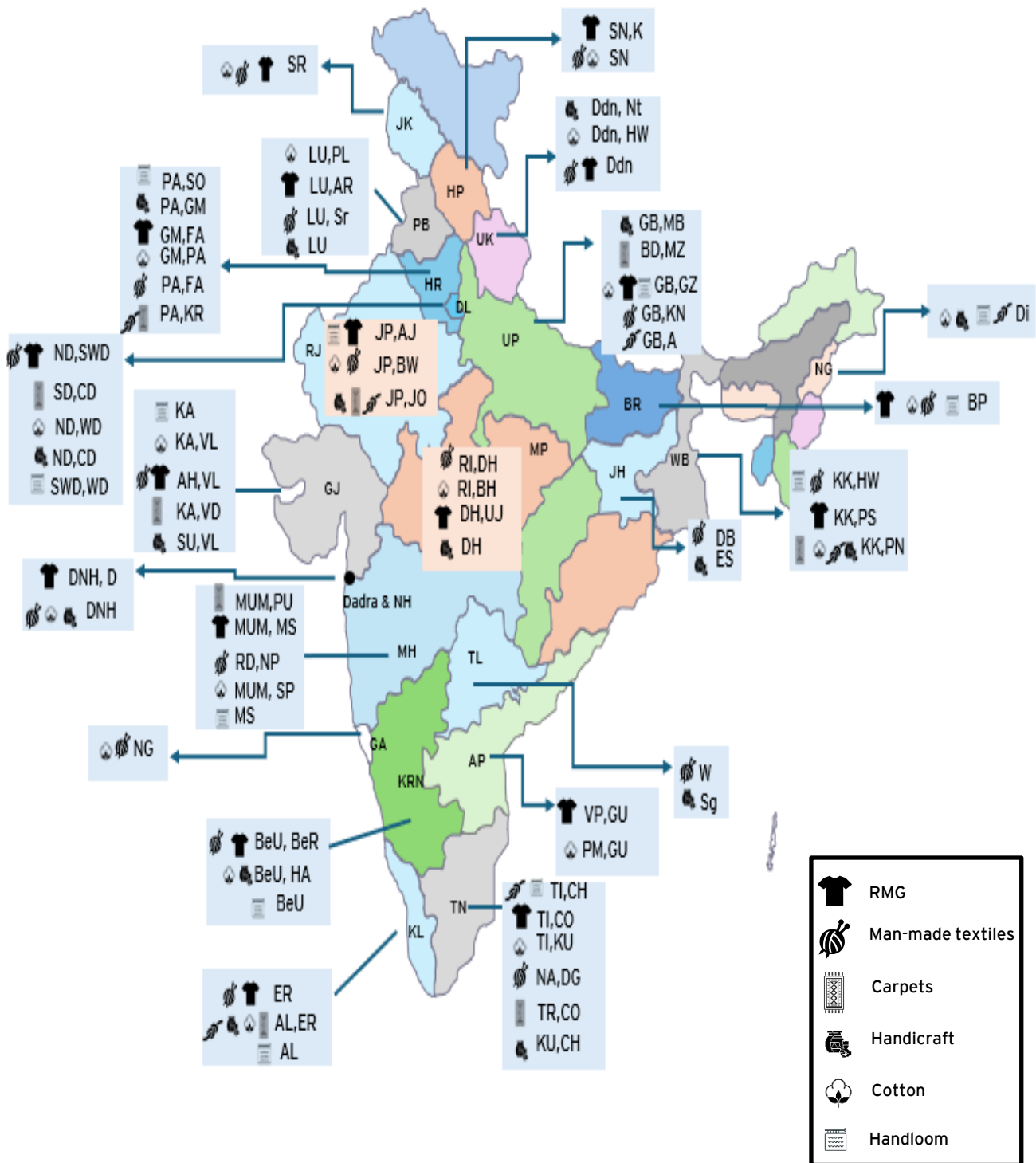
Districts that can leverage benefits for exports to France



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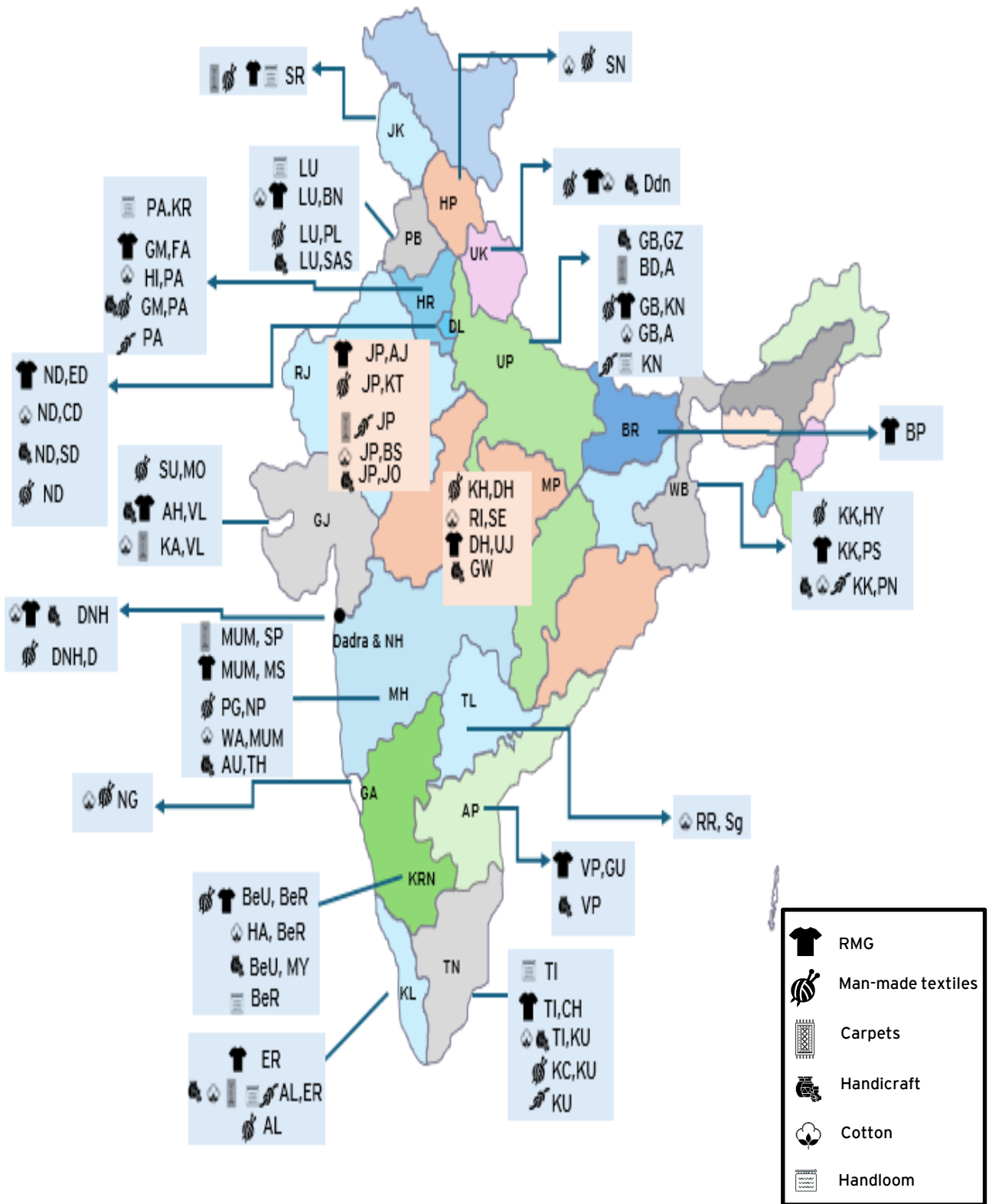
Districts that can leverage benefits for exports to Spain



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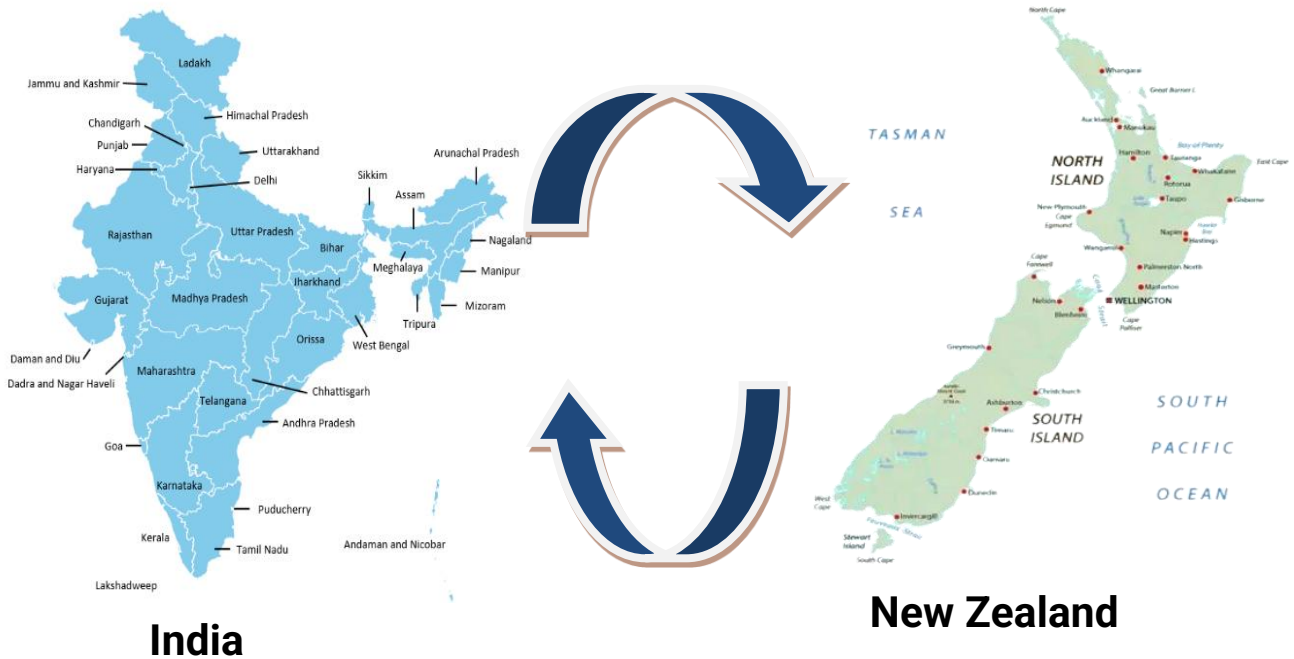
Districts that can leverage benefits for exports to Poland



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Source- DGCIS

1.4 India and New Zealand Free Trade Agreement



The India–New Zealand Free Trade Agreement (FTA), **signed on 27 April 2026.**

Benefits	Segment opportunities
<p>Upon operationalization, Pre-FTA peak tariffs were up to 10%, now fully eliminated, to ensure Zero-duty market access.</p>	<p>With complete tariff elimination, Indian exporters are well-positioned to expand their market share, particularly in segments such as apparel, carpets, and intermediate textiles, and move towards higher-value products.</p>

New Zealand

Overview of Textiles Market



India-New Zealand FTA

- Signed on 27.04.2026
- 100% duty-free access for Indian textiles and apparel

India-NZ bilateral trade

- ❑ **India's exports to New Zealand:** \$0.1 Bn (2025-26)
- ❑ **Sectoral exports:**
 - Cotton textiles (38%)
 - RMG (35%)
 - Man-made textiles (13%)
 - Carpets (5%)

New Zealand's Market Size

- ❑ **Global import (2025):** \$1.8 Bn
- ❑ **Sectoral imports:**
 - Apparel (64%)
 - Made ups (15%)
 - Carpets (6%)
 - Fabric (6%)

Top Exporting States/UTs

- Tamil Nadu (22%)
- Gujarat (19%)
- Maharashtra (14%)
- Haryana (13%)
- Uttar Pradesh (9%)
- West Bengal (5%)

Major Fairs & Exhibitions



ATA NZ Conference & Trade Show
Event date: 13 -14 August 2026
Location: Rotorua



New Zealand Fashion Week
Event date: 17-22 August 2026
Location: Auckland



Autumn Gift & Homeware Fair
Event date: 1-3 March 2026
Location: Auckland

Focus Products

T-shirts

Outerwear, Men & Women bottom wear

Home linen, curtains, carpets, MMF blankets

Woven shirts, knitted shirts

Activewear

Source- ITC Trade Map, DGCIS

Major Buyers/Retailers

The Warehouse NZ

Briscoes NZ Ltd

KMART NZ Holdings

Adairs NZ Ltd

Hallenstein Glassons

Major Textile Design Houses

James Dunlop Textiles

Studio Lorelle

Ingrid Anderson Textile Design

Textile Councils

Fashion Council of New Zealand (FCNZ)

National Council of New Zealand Wool Interests

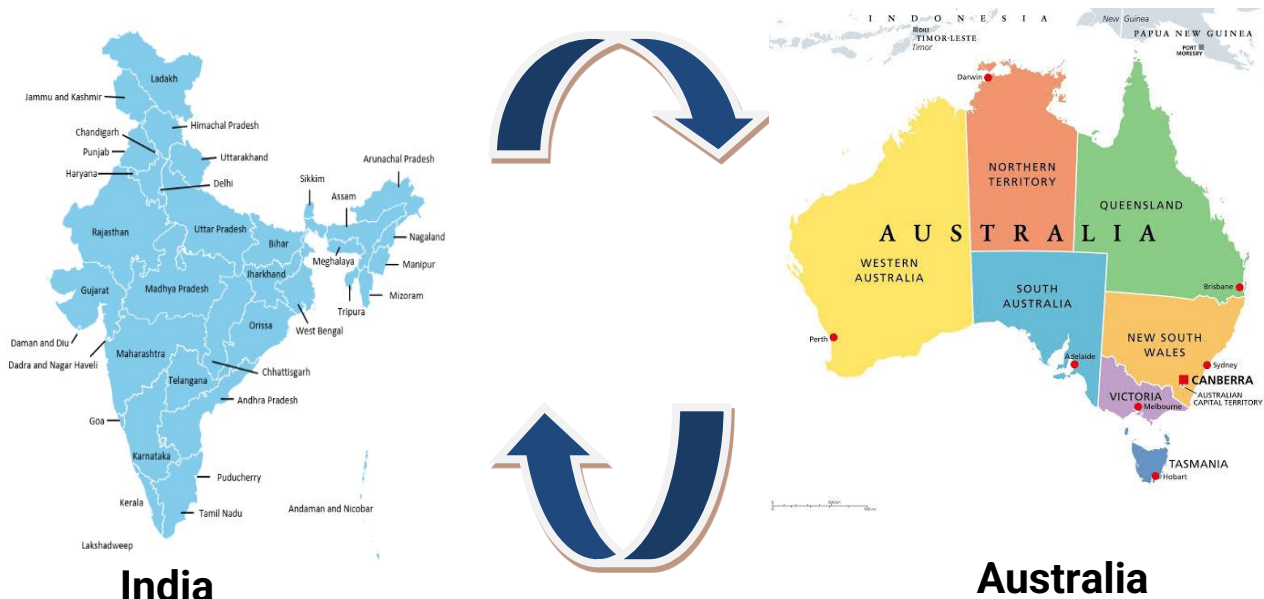
Major Fashion Technology & Design Institutes

Auckland University of Technology

Whitecliffe College of Arts & Design

Victoria University of Wellington

1.5 India–Australia Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (ECTA)



The India–Australia Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (ECTA), signed on **2 April 2022**, and entered into force on 29 December 2022. The agreement has allowed over 90% of India's textile and apparel exports to enter duty-free access to the Australian market, significantly reducing the cost of goods for Indian exporters.

Benefits	Segment opportunities
<p>Under CETA, India secures comprehensive zero-duty access for textiles and clothing, thereby significantly enhancing market access for Indian exports in high-value Australian market, facilitating export diversification, and opened up new opportunities for Indian textile and apparel exporters, making them more competitive in the global market.</p>	<p>With complete tariff elimination, Indian exporters are well-positioned to expand their market share, particularly in segments such as apparel, home textiles, cotton yarns & fabrics and MMF products.</p>

Australia

Overview of Textiles Market



India-Australia ECTA

- Signed on 2.4.2022
- Entry into force: 29.12.2022
- 100% duty-free access for 90% of Indian textiles and apparel

Australia's Market Size

- ❑ **Global import (2025): \$11 Bn**
- ❑ **Sectoral imports:**
 - Apparel (72%)
 - Made ups (16%)
 - Carpets (3%)
 - Filament (1%)

India-Australia bilateral trade

- ❑ **India's exports to Australia: \$0.7 Bn (2025-26)**
- ❑ **Sectoral exports:**
 - RMG (48%)
 - Cotton textiles (26%)
 - Man-made textiles (11%)
 - Carpets (9%)

Top Exporting States/UTs

- Tamil Nadu (25%)
- Haryana (18%)
- Uttar Pradesh (12%)
- Gujarat (11%)
- Karnataka (8%)
- Punjab (5%)

Major Fairs & Exhibitions



Australian Fashion Week (AFW)
Event date: 11 -15 May 2026
Location: Sydney



Global Sourcing Expo Australia
Event date: 16-18 June 2026
Location: Sydney
Event date: 17-19 Nov 2026
Location: Melbourne

Major Buyers/Retailers

Cotton On Group

Linen House

Country Road Group

Pillow Talk

Premier Investments

Adairs

Major Textile Design Houses

Utopia Goods

Warwick Fabrics

Focus Products

T-shirts

Outerwear, Men & Women bottom wear

Bed linen, Home linen, Carpets

Woven shirts, Knitted shirts

Activewear, Nightwear

Textile Councils

Australian Fashion Council (AFC)

Major Fashion Technology & Design Institutes

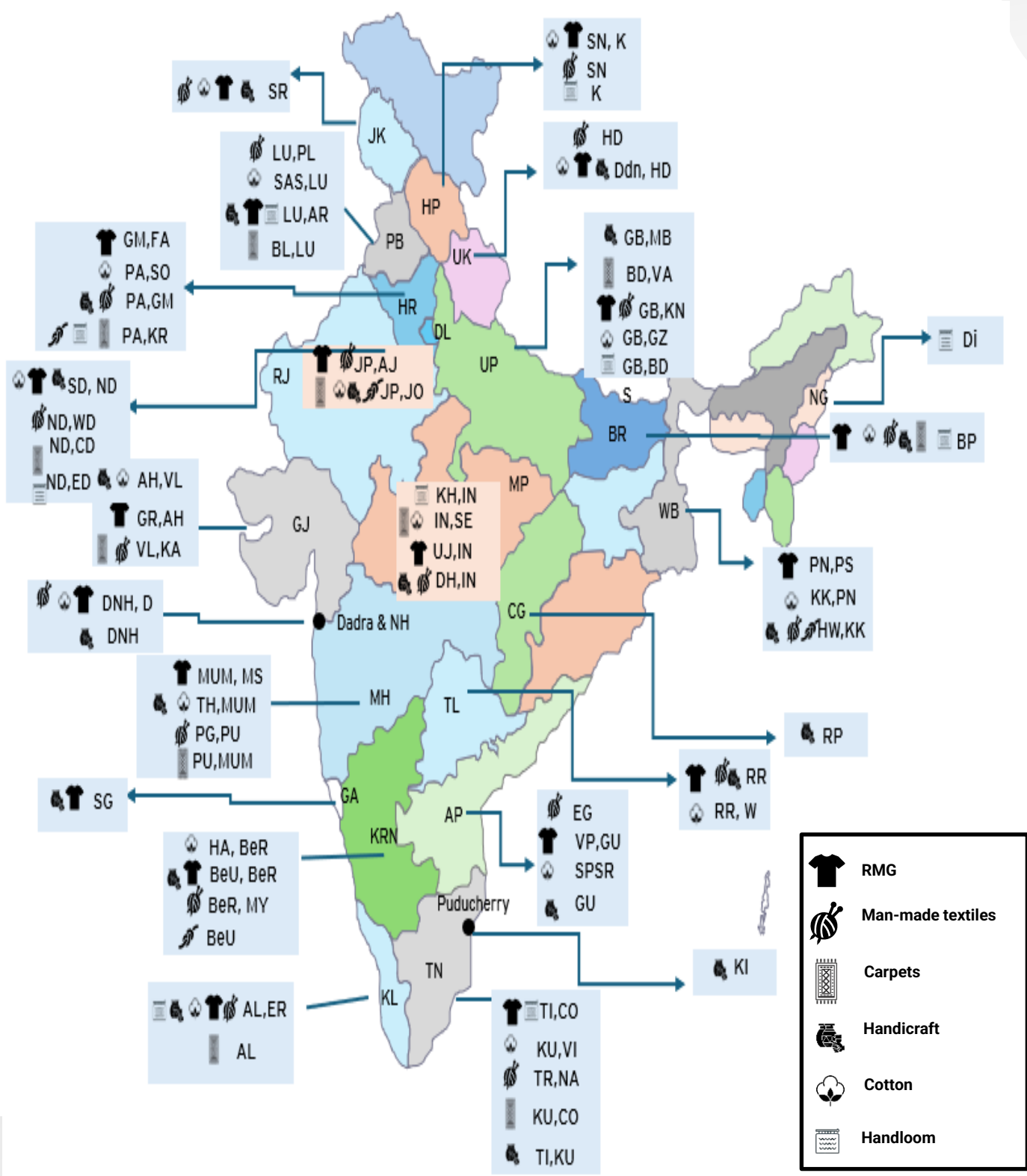
University of Technology Sydney

Queensland University of Technology

RMIT University

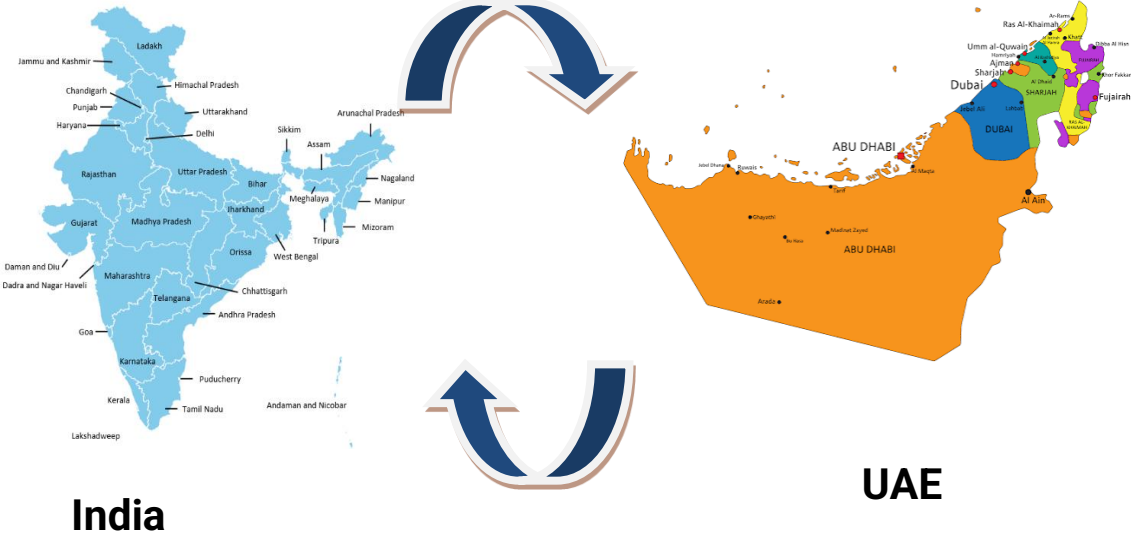
Source- ITC Trade Map, DGCIS

Districts that can leverage benefits of India-Australia ECTA



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1.6 India-UAE Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA)



The India-UAE Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA), signed in **February 2022**, and came into effect on 1 May 2022. The India–Oman Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement provides **zero-duty access for Indian textiles and apparel**, eliminating the earlier **5% import tariff**.

Benefits	Segment opportunities
<p>Under CEPA, India secures zero-duty access for Indian textiles and apparel, eliminating the earlier 5% import tariff. With tariff elimination and the UAE’s position as a gateway to the Middle East, Africa, and Central Asia, India has significant potential to expand exports, strengthen regional supply chains, and increase value-added textile trade.</p>	<p>With complete tariff elimination, Indian exporters are well-positioned to expand their market share such as garments, fabrics, yarn, and home textiles.</p>

United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Overview of Textiles Market



India-UAE CEPA

- Signed in February 2022
- Entry into force: 1. 5.2022
- Zero-duty access for Indian textiles and apparel

UAE's Market Size

- **Global import (2025):** \$10.9 Bn
- **Sectoral imports:**
 - Apparel (52%)
 - Fabric (28%)
 - Made ups (10%)

India-UAE bilateral trade

- **India's exports to UAE:** \$2.3 Bn (2025-26)
- **Sectoral exports:**
 - RMG (54%)
 - Man-made textiles (14%)
 - Cotton textiles (10.5%)
 - Handicrafts (10.3%)

Top Exporting States/UTs

- Gujarat (20%)
- Maharashtra (18%)
- Uttar Pradesh (17%)
- Tamil Nadu (14%)
- Delhi (11%)
- Punjab (6%)
- Haryana (3%)

Major Fairs & Exhibitions



International Apparel & Textile Fair (IATF) – Dubai
Event date: 16th -18th Nov' 2026
Location: Dubai



International Textile Expo (INTEX)
Event date: 17-19 June 2026
Location: Dubai



Asia Fashion (Dubai) Show-2026
Event date: 12 October 2026
Location: Dubai

Focus Products

T-shirts

Outerwear

Men's bottom wear, Knitted shirts

Silk fabrics

MMF blankets

Major Buyers/Retailers

Apparel Group (Dubai)

Sharaf Retail

Etoile Group

Home Centre

Lulu Hypermarket

Carrefour

Major Textile Design Houses

Designtex

Crater

Bouguessa Fashion Design

Textile Councils

TEXMAS ((Textile Merchants Group)

Dubai Design & Fashion Council (DDFC)

Major Fashion Technology & Design Institutes

Dubai Institute of Design and Innovation

Middlesex University, Dubai

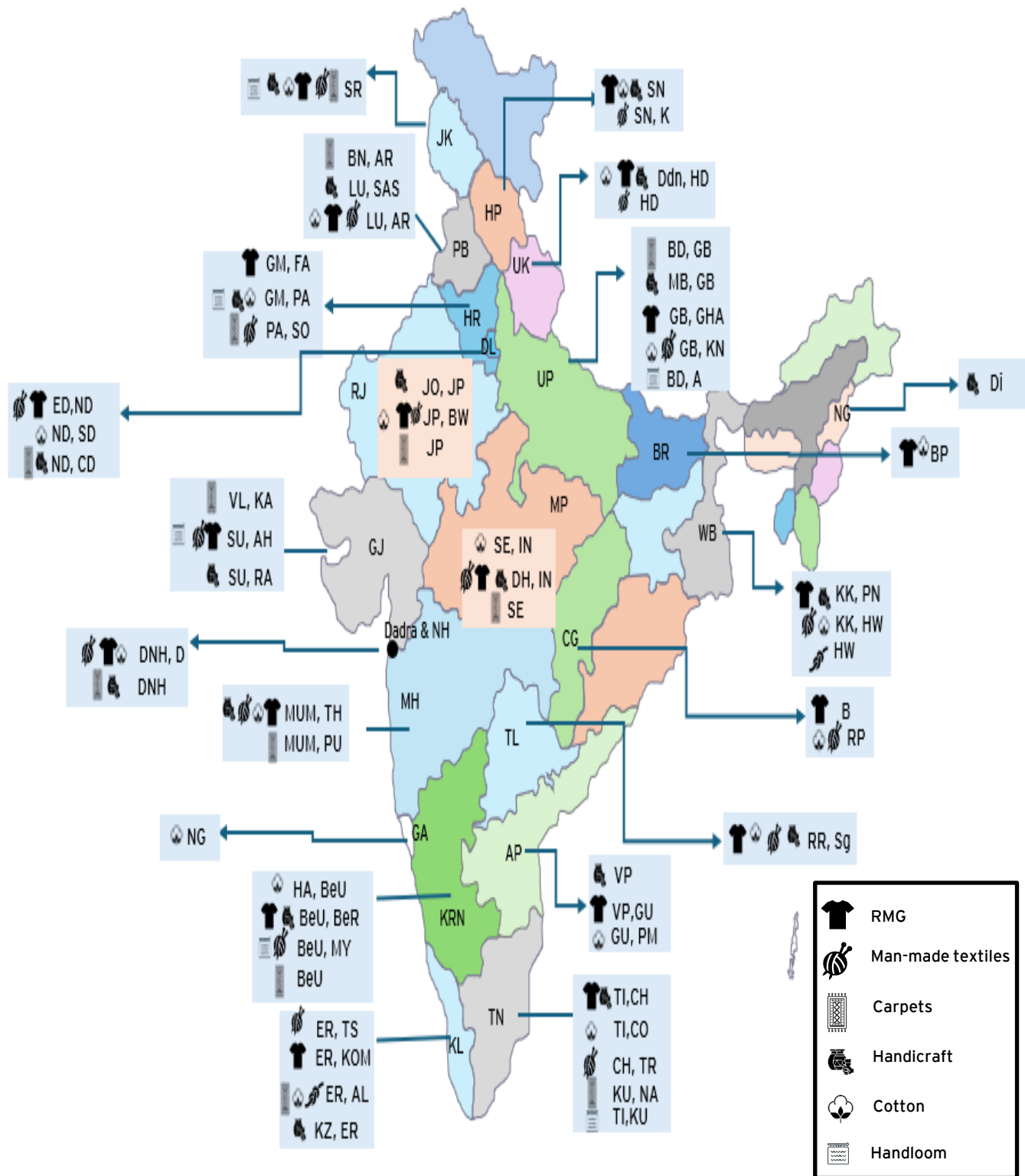
Heriot-Watt University, Dubai

University of Sharjah

Esmod Dubai

Source- ITC Trade Map, DGCIS

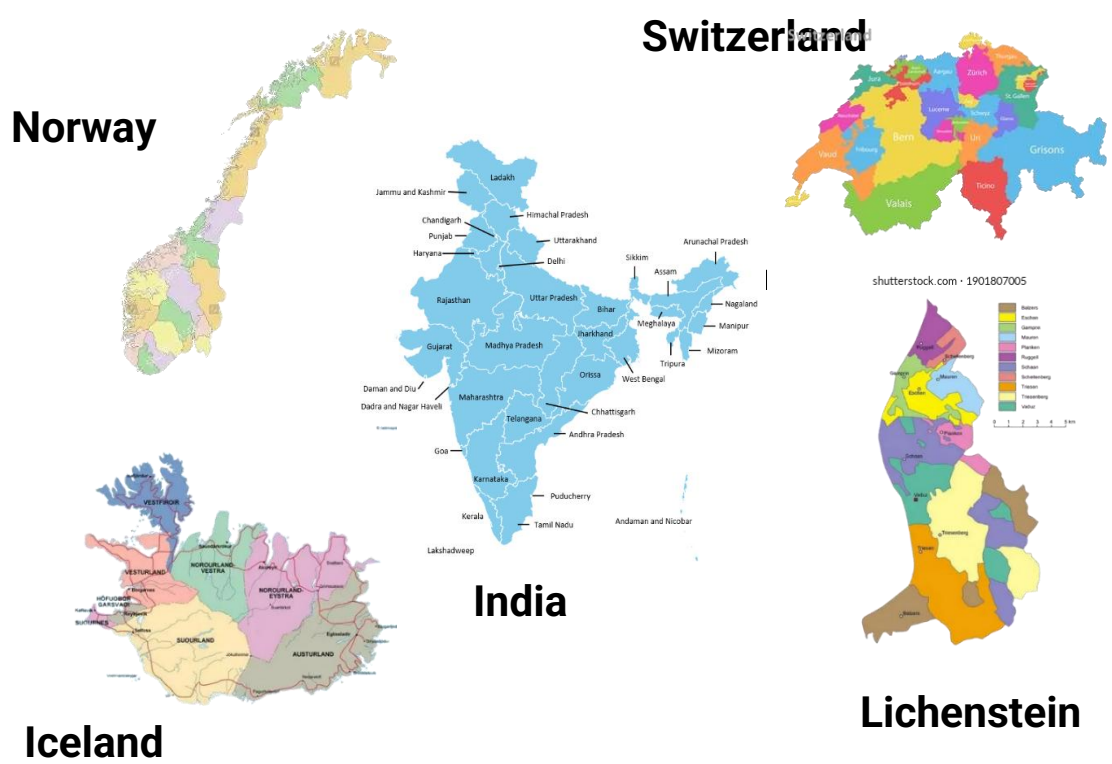
Districts that can export under India UAE CEPA



Source- DGCIS

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1.7 India-EFTA Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA)



The India- EFTA Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA) was signed on 10 March 2024, and came into effect on 1 October 2025. EFTA is an intergovernmental organization comprising four developed European countries, namely, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein.

Benefits	Segment opportunities
<p>Under TEPA, India secures comprehensive zero-duty access for textiles and clothing across all partner countries, except Norway, thereby significantly enhancing market access for Indian exports in high-value European markets, facilitating export diversification and enabling deeper integration into global value chains.</p>	<p>The preferential access is expected to boost exports in key labour-intensive segments, support MSMEs, and generate employment, while reinforcing India’s position as a reliable and competitive supplier of textiles and apparel in developed markets.</p>

European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Overview of Textiles Market



India-EFTA TEPA

- Signed on 10.03.2024
- Came into effect from 1.10.2025
- Zero-duty access for textiles and clothing across all partner countries, except Norway

India-EFTA bilateral trade

- ❑ **India's exports to EFTA:** \$0.13 Bn (2025-26)
- ❑ **Sectoral exports:**
 - RMG (42%)
 - Man-made textiles (27.2%)
 - Cotton textiles (20%)
 - Carpets (5%)

EFTA's Market Size

- ❑ **Global import (2025):** \$0.12 Bn (excl. Liechtenstein)
- ❑ **Sectoral imports:**
 - Apparel (78%)
 - Made ups (9.4%)
 - Others (cotton, wool, etc) (5%)

Top Exporting States/UTs

- Tamil Nadu (27.5%)
- Maharashtra (18.9%)
- Gujarat (10.3%)
- Uttar Pradesh (10.1%)
- Madhya Pradesh (6.9%)
- West Bengal (5.1%)
- Haryana (5%)

Major Fairs & Exhibitions



INDEX™ Geneva
Event date: 19-22 May 2026
Location: Geneva (Switzerland)



Zurich Fashion Week
Event date: 11-15 February 2026
Location: Zurich (Switzerland)



Oslo Runway
Event date: 31 Aug-5 Sep 2026
Location: Oslo (Norway)



Mode Suisse
Event date: 22 June 2026
Location: Zurich (Switzerland)

Focus Products

T-shirts

Outerwear, Men & Women bottom wear

Bed linen, Packing goods

Woven shirts, Woven blouses, Knitted shirts, Men's innerwear, Knitted blouses

Activewear, Accessories

Major Buyers/Retailers

Verner Group

Voice Norge AS

Princess Gruppen AS

Bestseller

Helly Hansen

Farmers Market

Major Textile Design Houses

Forster Rohner AG

Anna Design

Røros Tweed

BrandDesign SA

Textile Councils

Starseite- Swizz Textiles

Norwegian Fashion & Textile
Agenda (NF&TA)

Major Fashion Technology & Design Institutes

Oslo National Academy of the Arts

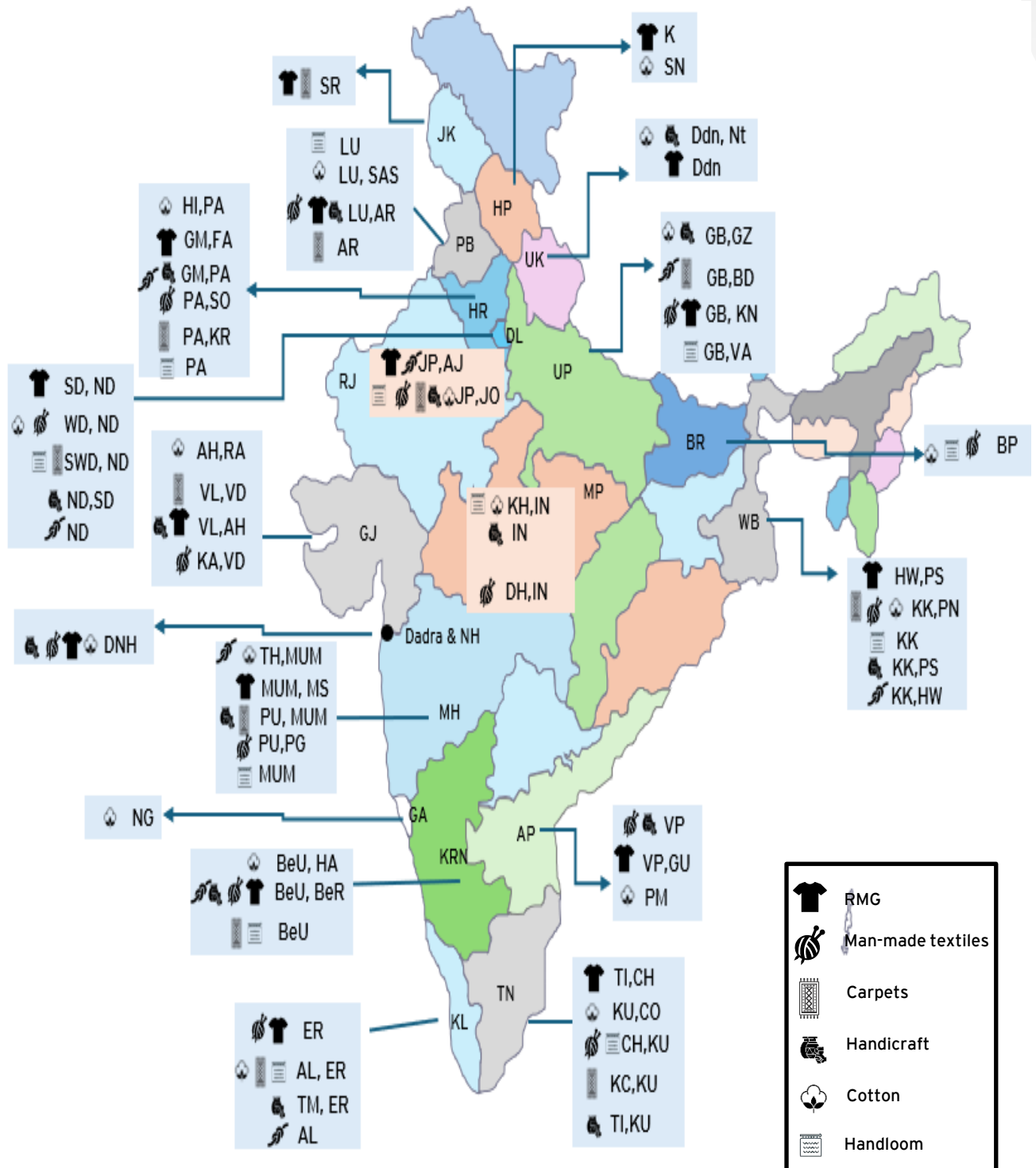
Geneva University of Art & Design

Iceland University of the Arts

Source- ITC Trade Map, DGCIS

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Districts that can leverage India EFTA TEPA



Source- DGCIS

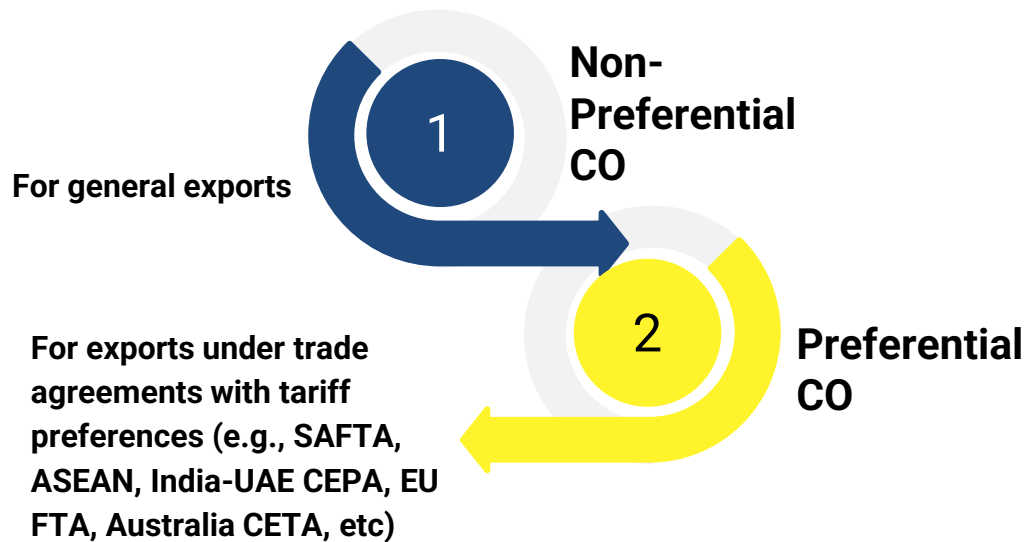
The following matrix identifies the most relevant FTA markets with applicable duty benefits.

Product category	India-UK FTA	India-EU FTA	India-UAE CEPA	India-Oman CEPA	India-EFTA TEPA
Readymade garments	Zero duty on womenwear, activewear, MMF garments	0% duty with fast fashion + premium segments	Re-export hub, duty-free access	5% 0%; Higher exports of knitwear, fashion garments, workwear, uniforms	High quality European supply chain
Handloom & Home textiles	Zero duty access to terry towels, bed linen, blankets, etc	Duty elimination improves margins for sustainable, handmade products	0% duty + rising demand of premium home textiles	Duty-free access for bed linen, towels, furnishing fabrics	Low-cost textile exports to high-value home textile exports
Handicrafts/Home Décor	Duty-free for handcrafted products	Zero duty enhances interior décor market	Zero tariffs + rising demand of luxury décor, lifestyle products	GI provision to handicraft products	Entry into luxury markets
Carpets & Floor Coverings	0% duty on hand-knotted & tufted carpets	Zero duty on hand-knotted, tufted and wool carpets	Duty-free access + high regional demand	Duty elimination on premium décor segment	Duty-free access in elite European markets
Cotton Yarn, Fabrics and Madeups	Processed cotton-fabric to UK RMG brands	Opportunity in organic and specialty yarns and fabrics	Re-export hub; fabric exports to garment manufacturers in UAE	Strengthen integration of apparel supply chain	Sustainable cotton exports to high-value finished textile products
Wool, Silk and Jute	0% duty on silk RMG and garments	Duty-free access to silk, wool and jute goods	High demand of silk, jute and wool products	Duty-free access + GCC gateway + MSME push	Duty-free access+ Gateway to European markets

2. Certificate of Origin (CO)

A Certificate of Origin (CO) is an official document used in international trade that certifies the country where goods were manufactured or produced.

There are 2 types of Certificate of Origin:



The COO can be applied online using the DGFT's Trade Connect Portal at <https://www.trade.gov.in/pages/home>. As per DGFT [Appendix 2B](#), The system is electronic and in some of the FTAs like the India EFTA TEPA, there is a provision for self-certification too. However, exporters must exercise due caution and diligence in ensuring that they keep the necessary documentation to verify that the rules of origin have been followed for a particular FTA.

Textile Committee is specifically authorised to issue preferential Certificate of Origin for textiles and made ups under several FTAs/PTAs, while EIC is authorised for all goods in many agreements. DGFT has also notified product-wise agencies for newer agreements such as India-UK CETA and India-Oman CEPA, including Textile Committee for textiles/clothing, Central Silk Board for silk, and Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) for handicrafts.

List of FTAs/PTAs and Certificate of Origin Issuing Agencies for Textile Sector

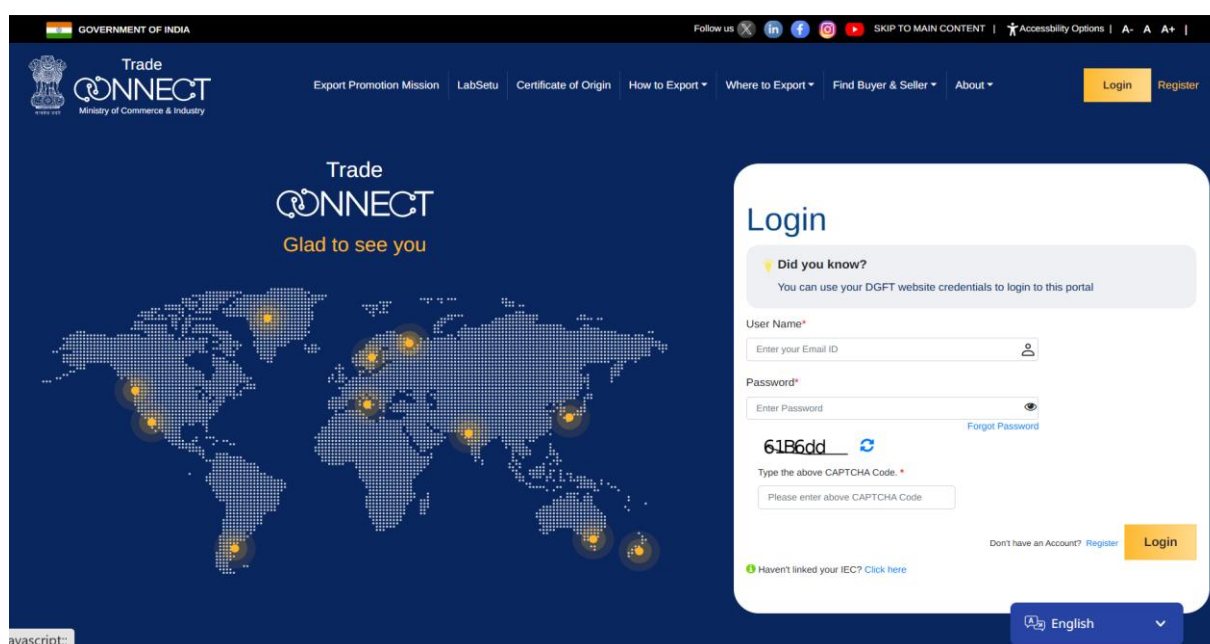
FTA/PTA/Trade Arrangement	Certificate of Origin issuing agency relevant for textile sector
Global System of Trade Preferences (GSTP)	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
India–Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement (ISLFTA)	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
ASEAN–India Free Trade Agreement	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
India–Korea Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (IKCEPA)	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
India–Malaysia Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (IMCECA)	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
India–Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (IJEPA)	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
South Asia Free Trade Area (SAFTA)	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
India–Chile Preferential Trading Agreement	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
India–MERCOSUR Preferential Trading Agreement	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement (APTA)	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups, as per applicable Appendix
SAARC Preferential Trading Arrangement (SAPTA)	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups, as per applicable Appendix
India–Singapore CECA	Textile Committee for textiles and made-ups; EIC for all goods
India–UAE CEPA	Textile Committee for textiles and clothing; other notified agencies for specified product categories
India–Australia ECTA	Certificate of Origin to be issued by the designated issuing body/authority as per the agreement and DGFT procedure
India–EFTA TEPA	Textile Committee for textiles; Central Silk Board for silk products; Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) for handicrafts; EIC/DGFT and other notified agencies as applicable
India–UK CETA	Textile Committee for textiles and clothing; Directorate General of Foreign Trade and its regional office; Export Inspection Council and Export Inspection Agencies
India–Oman CEPA	Textile Committee for textiles and clothing; Directorate General of Foreign Trade and its regional office; Export Inspection Council and Export Inspection Agencies

2.1 Procedure of obtaining the Certificate of Origin

The Certificate of Origin may be obtained by login through Trade Connect portal via following procedure:

a. Registration / Login of Exporters

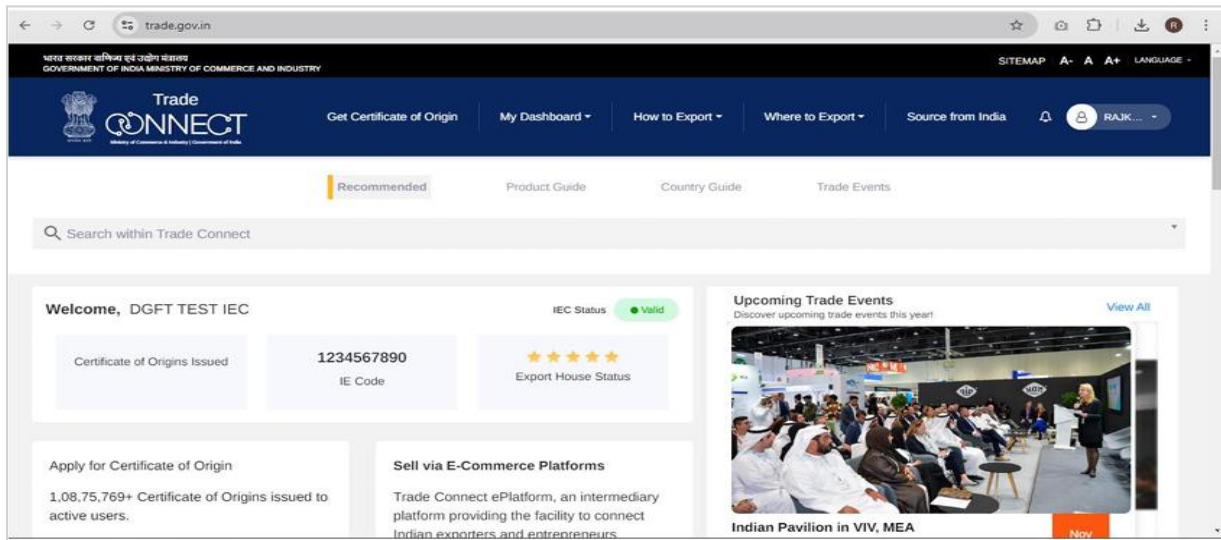
1. Visit <https://www.trade.gov.in/pages/home> and register by filling the basic details (Importer/Exporter, registered email ID, linked IEC, packing details, invoice, digital signature, etc) on Trade Connect portal



2. After Submitting the details, user will receive the OTP for registration, then the user will get credentials in their registered mail ID using which user logs in to the website. After successful login users will have to change password and login again.

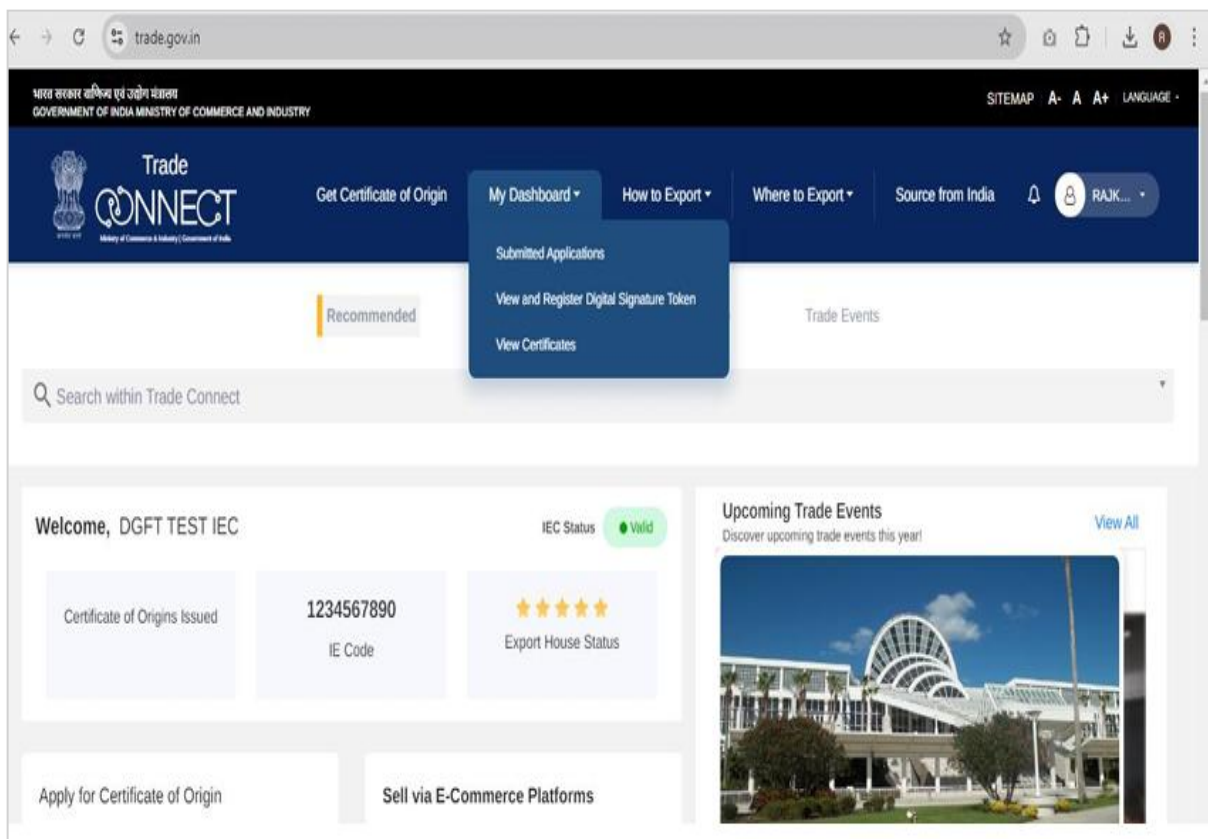
3. Exporters/ Importers already registered on the DGFT Customer Portal i.e., <https://www.dgft.gov.in/CP/> can utilize same email id and password to login on the Trade Connect Portal.

4. Ensure IEC has been linked to the logged in Email ID on DGFT Customer Portal to ensure filling of an application for Certificate of Origin. Once User Logged-In on the Trade Connect Portal, On dashboard, Linked IEC and Firm Name will be visible.



b. Registration of Digital Token/ Aadhar

1. Once Exporter/ Importer Logged In on the portal, click on “My Dashboard” > “View and Register Digital Signature Token”



2. Click on “Register New DSC” or “Register for Aadhaar E-sign” for utilizing the same during submission of an application.

2.2 Get Certificate of Origin

Once Exporter/ Importer Logged In on the portal, click on “Get Certificate of Origin” menu item. Following Screen will be visible

What is Certificate of Origin

Certificates of Origin certifies that goods in a shipment are wholly obtained, produced, manufactured, or processed in a particular country. Local chambers have the unique position to operate as the natural and trusted agent in issuing CoOs, which can issue two types:

(a) Preferential - Derived from reciprocal Regional Trade Agreements (RTAs) or non-reciprocal Preferential Trade Agreements (PTAs), they grant preferential/duty-free treatment to qualifying goods.

The rules of origin are negotiated as part of an FTA and are different under each FTA. A tariff preference will only be granted by the importing country only if below mentioned all requirements are met: -

- i. Meet the minimum Rules of Origin set under each specific trade agreement.
 - ii. Provide a certificate of origin (or statement) in specific formats prescribed under each trade preference.
 - iii. Transport directly (or “consign”) to their destination market or demonstrate that they have not been altered during transit.
- (b) Non-Preferential - Derived from the trade partner Country’s national legislation and is used to implement trade remedies and other trade restrictions when MFN duties are applied. Non-Preferential CoOs do not provide any tariff preference.

CoO Helpdesk Service:

Helpdesk Email: - CoO-dgft@gov.in

Helpdesk Number: - 011-23061495/011-23061499 (Monday to Friday)

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Number of Agencies Onboarded

3184422

Overall Applications Received

3166212

Overall CoO Issued

59674

Applications Received Last Week

54956

CoO Issued Last Week

Certificate of Origin



Apply for Certificate of Origin

Apply for Certificate of Origin

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Amendment for Certificate of Origin

Amendment for Certificate of Origin

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View Certificate of Origin

View Certificate of Origin

[Explore](#)



Verify Certificate

Verify Certificate

[Explore](#)



View Application Details

View Application Details

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CoO Wallet

CoO Wallet

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Log a Ticket

Click here to raise ticket for CoO.

[Explore](#)

a. Apply Certificate of Origin

Click on “Apply Certificate of Origin” and fill the basic details, certificate details, export details, import details, shipment details, upload attachments, declaration and application summary.

The screenshot displays a progress bar at the top with eight steps: Basic Details (selected), Certificate Details, Export Details, Import Details, Shipment Details, Attachments, Declaration, and Application Summary. Below the progress bar is the 'Basic Details' form section, which includes the following fields:

IEC Number * 1234567890	Firm Name * DGFT TEST IEC	DEL Status * N
IEC Branch * 001-GATE NO 3, UDYOG BHAWAN ,11-RAFI MARG Contact No: 99112295/	Branch Address * GATE NO 3, UDYOG BHAWAN,11-RAFI MARG Contact No: 9911229509,DELHI,DELHI,CENTRAL DELHI,110011,	GSTIN * 24AAAAA0000A1Z5

Postal Delivery of CoO required * YES NO

Declaration *
 I have updated my profile in ANF-1 (My IEC profile)

b. Submitted Application

To Track Submitted applications, click on My Dashboard >> Submitted Applications and download the Issued certificate and attested document.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `trade.gov.in/web?requestType=ApplicationRH&actionVal=checkLogin`. The main content area displays a table of applications. A modal window titled "APPROVED LICENSE/REJECTION LETTER DETAILS" is open, showing the following information:

Showing result for : Application process -> COO Application Sub process -> Apply COO Application Number - DRAFTCOOAPPLY00229277AM25 File Number - HQRCCOAPPLY00000019AM25

Sl.No.	Issued By	Issued Date	Letter Type	View Letter
1	TEST	02/09/2024	Non Preferential	View Letter

Navigation: Previous 1 Next

c. View Certificate of Origin

The screenshot shows the Trade CONNECT dashboard for Rajkumar Bansal. The user is logged in as "RAJK..." and the dashboard shows "Draft Application | Apply COO". The search results show "No matching records found".

Showing 0 to 0 of 0 entries (filtered from 42 total entries)

Start Fresh Application | Proceed With Existing Application

Trade CONNECT Certificate of Origin

Annexure

Glossary for States/UT's

Name	Abbreviation
Andaman & Nicobar islands	AN
Andhra Pradesh	AP
Arunachal Pradesh	ArP
Assam	A
Bihar	B
Chandigarh	CI
Chhattisgarh	CG
Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	DD
Delhi	DL
Goa	GA
Gujarat	GJ
Haryana	HR
Himachal Pradesh	HP
Jammu & Kashmir	JK
Jharkhand	JH
Karnataka	KRN
Kerala	KL
Ladakh	L
Lakshadweep	LK
Madhya Pradesh	MP
Maharashtra	MH
Manipur	Mr
Meghalaya	Mg
Mizoram	Mi
Nagaland	NG
Odisha	OD
Punjab	PB
Puducherry	PD
Rajasthan	RJ
Sikkim	SK
Tamil Nadu	TN
Telangana	TL
Tripura	TR
Uttar Pradesh	UP
Uttarakhand	UK
West Bengal	WB

Glossary of 100 Champion Districts

STATES/UTS	DISTRICTS	ABBREVIATIONS
Andhra Pradesh	VISAKHAPATANAM	VP
Andhra Pradesh	GUNTUR	GU
Dadra Nagar Haveli & Daman Diu	D&N Haveli	DNH
Delhi	NEW DELHI	ND
Delhi	EAST	ED
Delhi	SOUTH	SD
Delhi	WEST	WD
Delhi	SOUTH WEST	SWD
Delhi	CENTRAL	CD
Gujarat	SURAT	SU
Gujarat	AHMEDABAD	AH
Gujarat	VALSAD	VL
Gujarat	KACHCHH	KA
Gujarat	RAJKOT	RA
Gujarat	AMRELI	AM
Gujarat	MAHESANA	MA
Gujarat	VADODARA	VD
Gujarat	GANDHINAGAR	GR
Gujarat	MORBI	MO
Gujarat	SURENDRANAGAR	S
Gujarat	JAMNAGAR	JA
Gujarat	BHARUCH	BA
Gujarat	BOTAD	B
Haryana	GURUGRAM	GM
Haryana	PANIPAT	PA

STATES/UTS	DISTRICTS	ABBREVIATIONS
Haryana	FARIDABAD	FA
Haryana	SONIPAT	SO
Haryana	KARNAL	KR
Haryana	HISAR	HI
Himachal Pradesh	SOLAN	SN
Jammu & Kashmir	SRINAGAR	SR
Karnataka	BENGALURU URBAN	BeU
Karnataka	BENGALURU RURAL	BeR
Karnataka	HASSAN	HA
Karnataka	MYSURU	MY
Kerala	ERNAKULAM	ER
Kerala	ALAPPUZHA	AL
Madhya Pradesh	SEHORE	SE
Madhya Pradesh	RAISEN	RI
Madhya Pradesh	DHAR	DH
Madhya Pradesh	INDORE	IN
Madhya Pradesh	KHARGONE	KH
Madhya Pradesh	UJJAIN	UJ
Madhya Pradesh	BHOPAL	BH
Maharashtra	MUMBAI	MU
Maharashtra	THANE	TH
Maharashtra	MUMBAI SUBURBAN	MS
Maharashtra	KOLHAPUR	KO
Maharashtra	PUNE	PU
Maharashtra	PALGHAR	PG

STATES/UTS	DISTRICTS	ABBREVIATIONS
Maharashtra	NAGPUR	NP
Maharashtra	RAIGAD	RD
Maharashtra	WARDHA	WA
Maharashtra	SOLAPUR	SP
Maharashtra	AURANGABAD	AU
Maharashtra	AMVATI	AV
Punjab	LUDHIANA	LU
Punjab	BATHINDA	BT
Punjab	S.A.S Nagar	SAS
Punjab	BARNALA	BN
Punjab	SANGRUR	Sr
Punjab	PATIALA	PL
Punjab	AMRITSAR	AR
Rajasthan	BHILWARA	BW
Rajasthan	JAIPUR	JP
Rajasthan	AJMER	AJ
Rajasthan	CHITTORGARH	CT
Rajasthan	BANSWARA	BS
Rajasthan	JODHPUR	JO
Rajasthan	KOTA	KT
Tamil Nadu	TIRUPPUR	TI
Tamil Nadu	KARUR	KU
Tamil Nadu	COIMBATORE	CO
Tamil Nadu	CHENNAI	CH
Tamil Nadu	ERODE	EO

STATES/UTS	DISTRICTS	ABBREVIATIONS
Tamil Nadu	MADURAI	MD
Tamil Nadu	VIRUDHUNAGAR	VI
Tamil Nadu	KANCHIPURAM	KC
Tamil Nadu	DINDIGUL	DG
Tamil Nadu	NAMAKKAL	NA
Tamil Nadu	THENI	T
Tamil Nadu	KRISHNAGIRI	KS
Tamil Nadu	THOOTHUKKUDI	TK
Tamil Nadu	SALEM	SL
Tamil Nadu	THIRUVALLUR	TR
Tamil Nadu	TIRUNELVELI	TV
Telangana	RANGAREDDY	RR
Uttar Pradesh	GAUTAM BUDDHA NAGAR	GB
Uttar Pradesh	BHADOHI	BD
Uttar Pradesh	KANPUR NAGAR	KN
Uttar Pradesh	GHAZIABAD	GZ
Uttar Pradesh	MIRZAPUR	MZ
Uttar Pradesh	MORADABAD	MB
Uttar Pradesh	AGRA	A
Uttar Pradesh	VARANASI	VA
West Bengal	KOLKATA	KK
West Bengal	HOWDAH	HW
West Bengal	24 PARAGANAS NORTH	PN
West Bengal	HOOGLY	HY
West Bengal	24 PARAGANAS SOUTH	PS

Glossary of 100 Aspirational Districts

State	District	Abbreviations
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	South Andamans	San
Andhra Pradesh	Y.S.R.	YSR
Andhra Pradesh	East Godavari	EG
Andhra Pradesh	Prakasam	PM
Andhra Pradesh	SPSR Nellore	SPSR
Arunachal Pradesh	West Siang	WS
Arunachal Pradesh	Papum Pare	PP
Assam	Kamrup	KP
Assam	Nagaon	Ng
Assam	Nalbari	NB
Assam	Kamrup Metro	KM
Bihar	Bhagalpur	BP
Bihar	Patna	P
Bihar	Madhubani	MI
Bihar	Muzaffarpur	MR
Chhattisgarh	Raipur	RP
Chhattisgarh	Janjgir-Champa	JC
Chhattisgarh	Bilaspur	BI
Chhattisgarh	Rajnandgaon	RG
Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	Daman	D
Goa	North Goa	NG
Goa	South Goa	SG
Gujarat	Banas Kantha	BK
Gujarat	Junagadh	JU
Gujarat	Patan	P

State	District	Abbreviations
Gujarat	Porbandar	PO
Haryana	Yamunanagar	YR
Haryana	Sirsa	SS
Haryana	Kurukshetra	KT
Haryana	Rohtak	RK
Himachal Pradesh	Kullu	K
Himachal Pradesh	Kangra	KG
Himachal Pradesh	Mandi	M
Jammu & Kashmir	Baramulla	BM
Jammu & Kashmir	Budgam	BU
Jharkhand	Giridih	GD
Jharkhand	East Singhbhum	ES
Jharkhand	Dhanbad	DB
Jharkhand	Bokaro	BO
Karnataka	Bagalkote	BG
Karnataka	Ballari	BLL
Karnataka	Haveri	H
Karnataka	Gadag	GG
Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram	TM
Kerala	Thrissur	TS
Kerala	Kozhikode	KZ
Kerala	Kollam	KOM
Ladakh	Kargil	K
Lakshadweep	Lakshadweep District	L
Madhya Pradesh	Jabalpur	JB

State	District	Abbreviations
Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior	GW
Madhya Pradesh	Chhindwara	CW
Madhya Pradesh	Burhanpur	Bur
Maharashtra	Nanded	Nd
Maharashtra	Beed	Be
Maharashtra	Akola	Ak
Maharashtra	Latur	Lt
Manipur	Imphal East	IE
Manipur	Imphal West	IW
Meghalaya	West Garo Hills	WG
Meghalaya	Ribhoi	Rb
Mizoram	Aizawl	Az
Mizoram	Champhai	Cp
Nagaland	Dimapur	Di
Nagaland	Mokokchung	Mk
Odisha	Cuttack	Ck
Odisha	Bargarh	Bg
Odisha	Puri	P
Odisha	Baleshwar	BL
Puducherry	Karaikal	Ki
Punjab	Gurdaspur	Gp
Punjab	Fazilka	FZ
Punjab	Pathankot	Pk
Rajasthan	Ganganagar	G
Rajasthan	Nagaur	Nag

State	District	Abbreviations
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	Hang
Rajasthan	Churu	Chu
Sikkim	Gangtok	Gg
Sikkim	Namchi	Nc
Tamil Nadu	Thanjavur	Tj
Tamil Nadu	Tiruvannamalai	Tv
Tamil Nadu	Cuddalore	Cd
Tamil Nadu	Ramanathapum	Rmp
Telangana	Karimnagar	Kn
Telangana	Warangal	W
Telangana	Sangareddy	Sg
Telangana	Siddipet	Sp
Tripura	West Tripura	WT
Tripura	Sepahijala	Sj
Uttar Pradesh	Saharanpur	Sh
Uttar Pradesh	Bijnor	Bij
Uttar Pradesh	Gorakhpur	Gkp
Uttar Pradesh	Bareilly	By
Uttarakhand	Dehradun	Ddn
Uttarakhand	Haridwar	HD
Uttarakhand	Nainital	Nt
West Bengal	Murshidabad	Mub
West Bengal	Birbhum	Bb
West Bengal	Medinipur East	ME
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