

Risa Textile

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About Risa Textile

- It is a handwoven cloth used as a female upper garment, and also as headgear, a stole, or a present to express respect.
- It is woven in colourful designs and has a crucial social and religious significance.
- Adolescent Tripuri girls are first given a risa to wear in an event called Risa Sormani, at age 12 to 14.
- Religious relevance: The risa is used in religious festivals such as Garia Puja by tribal communities, a turban by men during weddings and festivals, a cummerbund over the dhoti, a head scarf by young girls and boys, and a muffler during winters.
- The cloth is also used as a makeshift hanger to hold an infant on mothers' backs.
- It is presented as a mark of honour to distinguished recipients.
- Risa is common in almost all 19 indigenous tribal communities of Tripura.
- The traditional Tripuri female attire consists of three parts — risa, rignai and rikutu.
 - Risa is a handwoven cloth used as a female upper garment.
 - Rignai is primarily worn as the lower garment and literally means 'to wear'.
 - Rituku is mainly used as a wrap, or like a 'chunri' or a 'pallu' of the Indian saree. It is also used to cover the heads of newly married Tripuri women.

- The complete Tripuri attire is claimed to have originated even before the time of the Manikya kings, who ruled Tripura for over 500 years starting from the 15th century.
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Q1) What is a Geographical Indication Tag?

It is a sign used on products that have a specific geographical origin and possess qualities or a reputation that are due to that origin. This is typically used for agricultural products, foodstuffs, wine and spirit drinks, handicrafts and industrial products.

Source: [Tripura's traditional tribal attire 'risa' gets GI tag: CM Manik Saha](#)

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