

iii) Taj Falaknuma Palace Hotel (Hyderabad)

## Q TEMPLES of India

i) BRIHADISESHWARA temple

at Tanjore is a  
~~the~~ Dravidian - style temple built by the  
 Cholas

ii) LINGARAJA temple at Mukteshwara  
(Bhubaneswar),

JAGANNATH temple, Puri, →

are built by the  
Ganga Rulers.

iii) (Sun Temple at Konark)

[12-Wheeled Chariot]

was built in the 13<sup>th</sup> century  
 is one of the Ancient Marvels.

iv) Dilwara Temple →

dedicated to the  
Jain Tirthankaras, is a pure white

Masravat temple, built in Mount Abu (Rajasthan), by the Solanki Rulers.

① Somnath Temple [Gujrat]

\* Kahi Vishwanath Temple,  
[Varanasi],

Kamakhye Temple [Guwahati],

Kali Temple of Kali Ghat [Kolkata],

are some classical examples  
of temples in India.

# INDIAN HANDICRAFTS

Indian crafts are combination of all the things that are crafted by human's hands. Different states of India have their own handicrafts. Unique kinds of crafts are solely handmade. It holds a special importance to tribal and rural communities.

Some of the Major important handicrafts of India are:

## ① GLASSWARE

① First reference found in Mahabharata.

② Mughals have patronage to this art and utilize it as decorations like

Sheesh Mahal.

Mughals also manufactured glass Hokkais, perfume boxes, bangles, etc.

③ Firozabad is famous for glass chandeliers

## ii) HANDICRAFTS on CLOTH

### ① Bandhani

If is one of the most important tie and dye technique, still used in Rajasthan & Gujarat.

By Making a series of knots, it is dipped in colors and the artist design the fabric.

### ② Ikat

If is another kind of tie and dye, also called (Resist Dyeing) method, because resist dyeing is repeatedly applied before the cloth. Its major centres are Odisha, Gujarat, etc

### ③ Kalamkari

If is hand painting on fabric using vegetable dyes. It is practised in Andhra Pradesh.

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## Batik art.

It is a technique of fabric decoration, where one end of the fabric is permeated with molten wax and then, dyed in cold colors.

It is famous in West Bengal and Madhya Pradesh.

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## Jamdani

Weaving of Muslin with opaque patterns on a transparent background, in different styles.

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## TERRACOTTA CRAFTS

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Terracotta means, "baked earth," and is a type of ceramic clay that has been semi-fried.

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Extensively used in pottery and bricks

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Best examples are Bankura Horses, Terracotta temples in Bishnupur (West Bengal)

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## CLAY and POTTERY

- ① It is also known as Lyrics of Handicrafts,
- ② It is one of the earliest crafts by man.
- ③ Currently, every part of India specializes in a particular type of claywork.

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## WOODEN WORK

- ① India has a large forest cover and wood is one of the major products derived from the forests.
- ② Furniture is the biggest commodity from wood.

## VII [TOY MAKING]

① Andhra Pradesh → Beautiful dolls, made of Red Wood, known as Tirupati dolls.

② Rajasthan → Dolls & stuffed toys, made of colorful cloth are famous.

③ Assam → Traditional dolls made out of Pith or Indian cork.

④ South India → Toys are made of different types of wood.

## VIII [EMBROIDERY RAFF]

① Pipli → A type of patch work made of embroidered colorful fabric, sewed

together to make beautiful designs.

Mainly practiced in Pipli village of Odisha.

② DHULKARI → It is a technique of drawing to create colorful flowers, mainly practiced in Punjab.

③ GOTTA PATTI → Here gold threads are used to make applique-like patterns on the cloth.

Mainly practiced in Rajasthan.

④ BANARAS BROCADE → Famous for Silver & Golden Zari works on Sarees.

Floral motifs are used generally on silk sarees. It requires 2 to 8 weeks to complete one Saree.

## (5) MIRROR WORK EMBROIDERY →

famous in Kutch region of Gujarat.

Tiny pieces of sisha (mirror) are fixed on the fabric using herring bones and satin stitches.

## VIII) FLOOR DESIGNS

① Made during religious or family programs.

② Designs are made free hand, beginning at the centre with a dot and then expanding in patterns of geometrical shapes like square, circle, triangles, straight lines, curves, etc.

③ Natural colors are used.

④ They are not permanent.

examples → Rangoli & Alpana ↗