



## Culture / GI Recognition

The Meerut bugle—a brass wind instrument long associated with India’s military drills, parades, and ceremonial signals—has been granted a Geographical Indication (GI) tag. Known for its sharp, commanding sound, the bugle holds deep cultural value across the Army, paramilitary forces, and police units.

Its crafting tradition began in the late 19th century during the British period, when bugles were vital for battlefield communication. Over the decades, Meerut developed into a specialised hub for handmade bugles, sustaining a skilled local industry that continues to supply the country’s regimental bands.

## MCQ

Which feature contributed to the Meerut bugle receiving GI status?

1. Its historic, locally specialised bugle-making tradition
2. Its exclusive use in Western classical orchestras



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3. Its mass production through automated factories
4. Its origin in naval shipyards of southern India