# **ABOUT GI**

Geographical Indications (GIs) are associated with the legacy of a product connected with a specific location having unique blend of nature, culture, tradition, and artisan. In India, there are several registered Gls and there are numerous GIs which are not yet registered officially, but are potential registerable GIs.

> GI based on classes of Natural Goods, Food Stuff Manufactured Goods, Handicrafts or Agricultural Goods

GI based on uniqueness, weather, and terrain of the place of origin

A Community Right

**Economic Empowerment to** Artisans, Producers, and Manufacturers

> 650+ Registered Gls and Numerous Unregistered Gls Existing in India

Authorized User Registration For **GI Community Members** 

> Legal protection from unfair usage

GI Logo indicating Geographical Origin or location

Social Upliftment and continuing the Legacy of the Nation

Prevents counterfeiting and ensures genuineness of products through "GI Tags"

Preservation of local Culture, Tradition and Legacy

A GI reflects a shared heritage that has evolved over generations, deeply influenced by local knowledge, distinctive environments, and cultural traditions. It highlights that certain products are far more than just items of trade; they represent the history, narratives, and dedication of the artisans, farmers, and communities who have kept these practices alive. By recognizing this inherent value, the GI system establishes a structure to safeguard and encourage these traditions, ensuring they thrive and adapt in today's competitive landscape.













### ZAWLAIDI WINE

Zawlaidi wine, named after a Mizo love potion from folklore, is produced by the Champhai & Hnahlan Grape Winery in Mizoram. Made from Bangalore Blue (Labrusca) grapes, the wine has a musky, port-like flavor. The grapes are harvested by hundreds of farmers from the Champhai Grape Growers Society, a collective spread across ten villages. First released in 2010, Zawlaidi has faced challenges such as prohibition, rising grape prices, and a shortage of glass bottles.

# Uniqueness

Zawlaidi wine's uniqueness lies in its cultural roots, inspired by a traditional Mizo love potion, and its distinctive musky flavor. The wine is a product of the twin vineyards in Champhai and Hnahlan, and its production involves a large community effort from local farmers. Despite facing multiple challenges, including changing liquor laws and supply issues, Zawlaidi remains a significant symbol of Mizoram's winemaking tradition.

#### Raw Materials

Bangalore Blue (Labrusca) grapes, machinery for processing, and glass bottles for packaging.



Class of Goods

**Proof of Origin** 000000



Geographical Location Mizoram

> Type of Goods **Agricultural**

Number of Families Involved Around Hundreds of farmers

#### Method of Production

The production of Zawlaidi wine involves harvesting Bangalore Blue grapes from local vineyards, drying, juicing, and fermenting them. The process is overseen by trained professionals to ensure quality. The grapes are processed into wine at the Champhai & Hnahlan Grape Winery. Despite modern challenges such as machinery inefficiencies and legal restrictions, the winery continues to produce high-quality wine with community involvement.









