



JHUMAR DANCE : ART & CULTURE

NEWS: Assam: 8,000 Tea Tribe artists to perform 'Jhumur' in Guwahati this November

WHY IN NEWS?

Assam Government's Jhumur Dance Event

- **Event:** Grand Jhumur dance performance.
- **Date:** November.
- **Participants:** 8,000 tea tribe artists.

Jhumur Dance of Assam

- **Regions:** Assam, West Bengal, Jharkhand, Bihar, Odisha, Chhattisgarh.
- **Occasions:** Harvest season, Karam Puja, Tushu Puja.

Performance and Movements

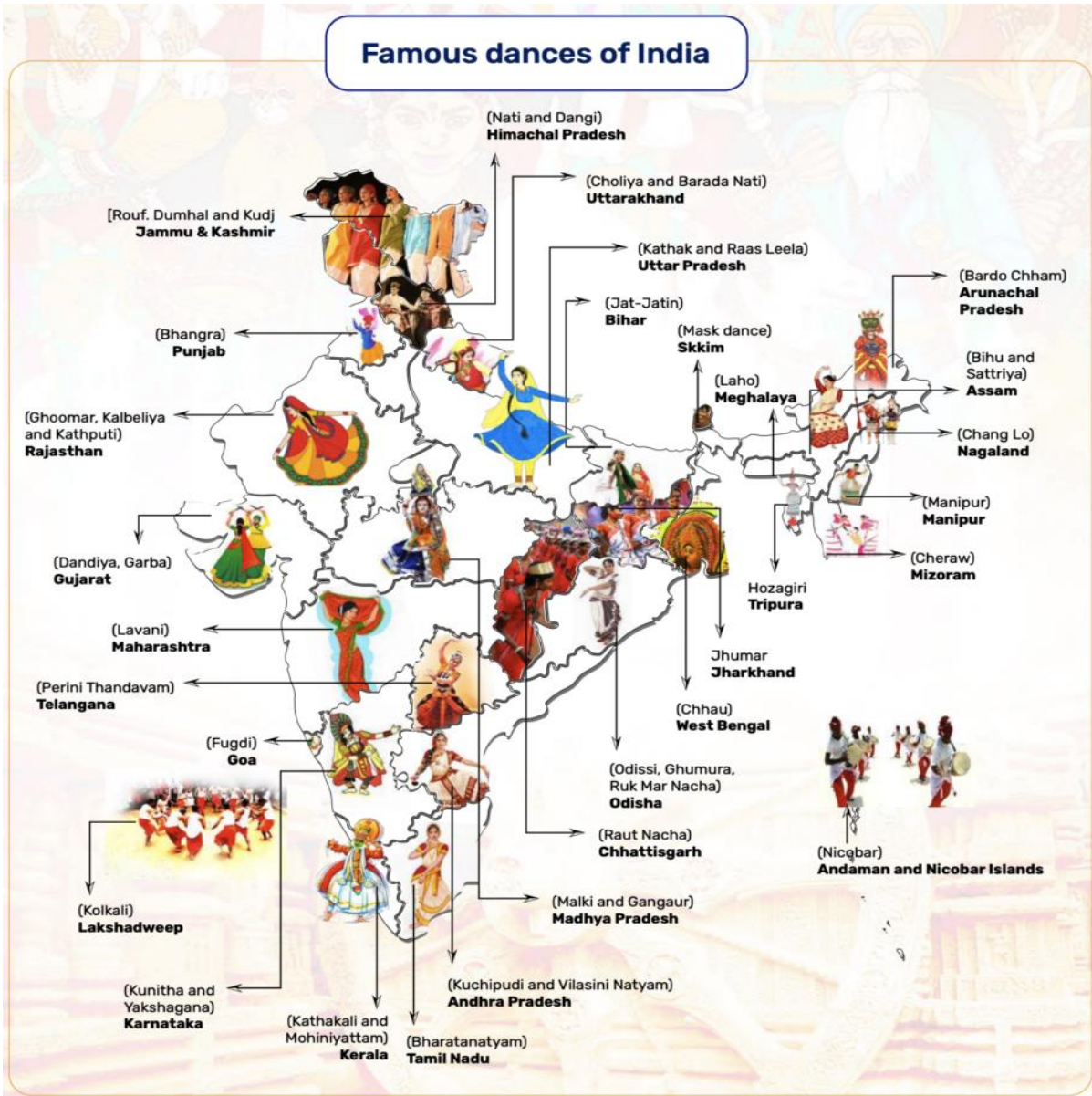
- **Participants:**
 - Young girls (dancers).
 - Male members (music and vocals).
- **Choreography:**
 - Girls hold each other's waists.
 - Synchronized hand and leg movements.
 - Forward and backward steps.
- **Musical Accompaniment:**
 - Instruments: Madal, Dhol, Flute, Shehnai, Taal.
- **Attire:**
 - **Girls:** White sarees with red borders.
 - **Boys:** Long traditional kurtas.

Cultural Significance

- **Ritualistic Roles:**
 - Ritual worship, prayer for rainfall, courtship.
- **Social Functions:**
 - Expression of community life.
 - Recreation from agricultural work.

Ancient Origins

- **History:** Existence in Mesolithic cave paintings.
- **Cultural Continuity:** Living tradition.



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