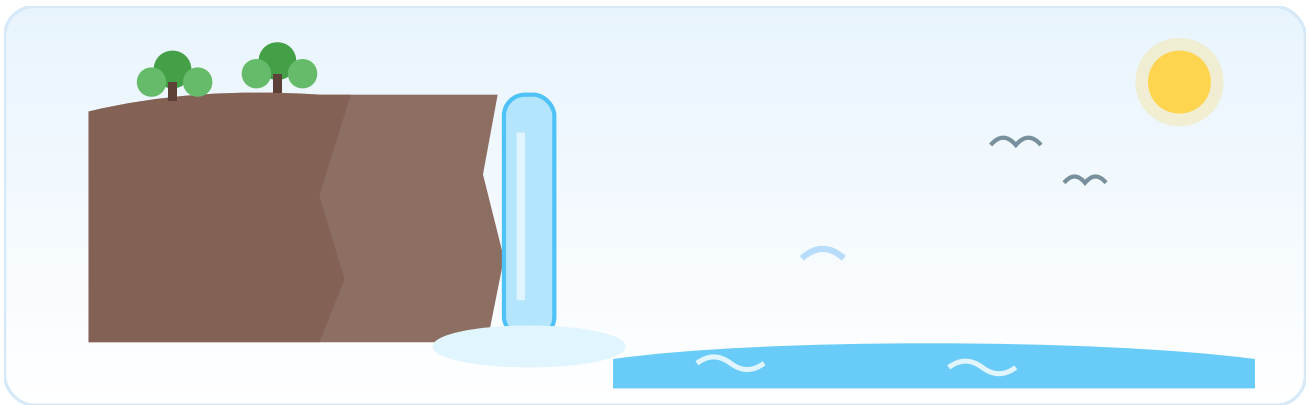


WATERFALLS *of* INDIA

STATE-WISE · ALL IMPORTANT WATERFALLS WITH HEIGHTS

Jog · Kunchikal · Nohkalikai · Dudhsagar · Chitrakote · Hundru · Shivanasamudra



35

Waterfalls with
Profile Diagrams

13

States
Covered

1

India Locator Map
(all falls marked)

80+

Exam Pointers
& Facts

River · Height · Type & Tiers · State · Range/Plateau · Nearby Parks & Cities

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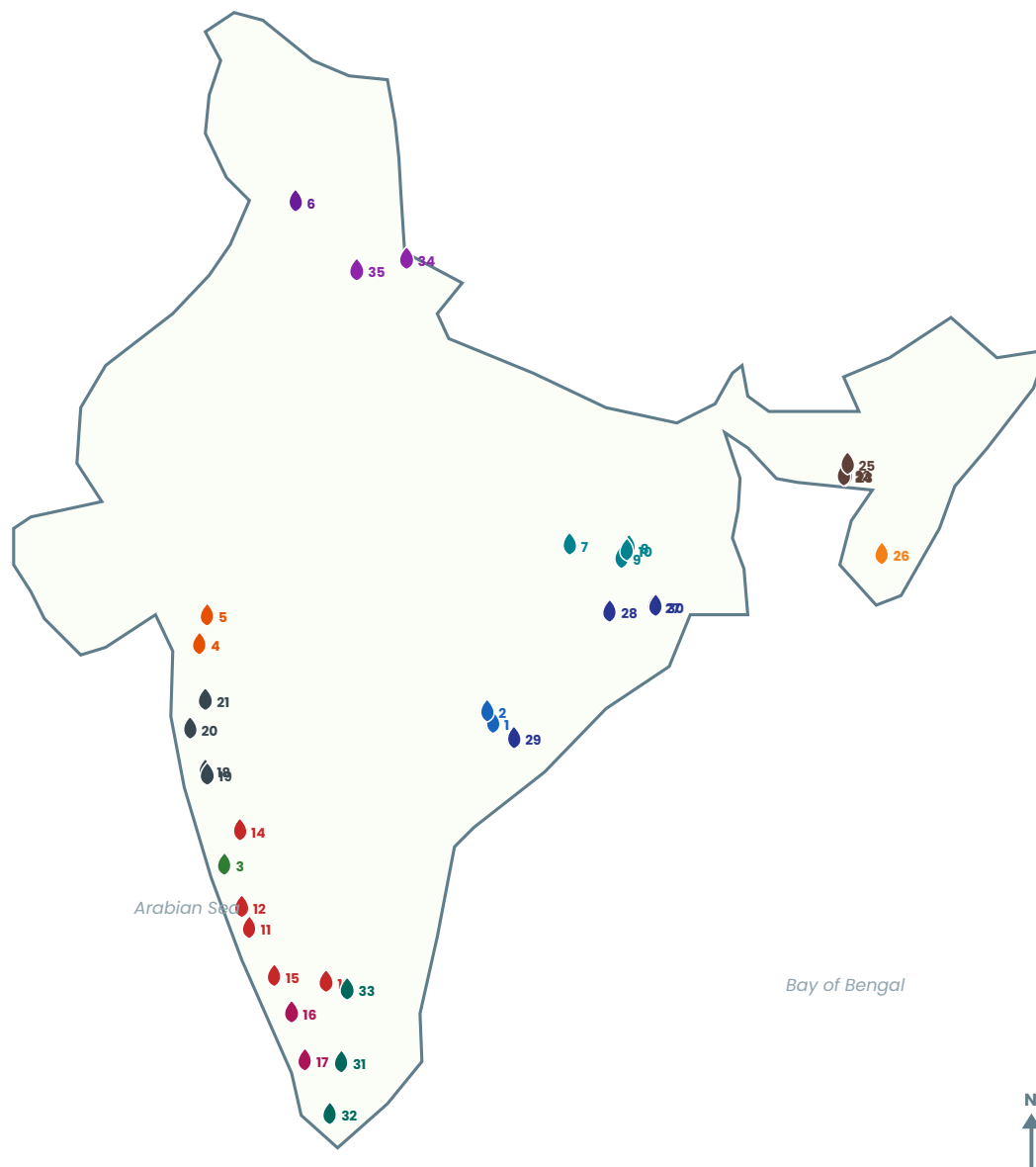
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All Waterfalls at a Glance

Waterfall	River	State	Height (m)	Type
Chhattisgarh				
Tirathgarh Falls (Teerathgarh...)	Munga-Bahar (Mugababar)...	Chhattisgarh	91	Tiered (3 tiers)
Chitrakote Falls (Chitrakoot ...)	Indravati River (tribut...	Chhattisgarh	29	Block
Goa				
Dudhsagar Falls	Mandovi (Mahadayi) River	Goa (border with Karn...	310	Tiered (4 tiers)
Gujarat				
Girmal Falls	Gira River (locally als...	Gujarat	30	Plunge
Ninai Falls	Small forest stream of ...	Gujarat	9	Plunge
Himachal Pradesh				
Bhagsu Falls (Bhagsunag Water...)	Bhagsu Nag stream - a s...	Himachal Pradesh	20	Cascade
Jharkhand				
Lodh Falls (Budha Ghagh)	Burha River (Budha Rive...	Jharkhand	143	Tiered (2 tiers)
Hundru Falls	Subarnarekha River	Jharkhand	98	Plunge
Dassam Falls (Dassam Ghagh)	Kanchi River (tributary...	Jharkhand	44	Plunge
Jonha Falls (Gautamdhara Fall...)	Gunga River (hangs over...	Jharkhand	43	Plunge
Karnataka				
Kunchikal Falls	Varahi	Karnataka	455	Tiered (4 tiers)
Jog Falls (Gersoppa / Joga Fa...	Sharavathi	Karnataka	253	Plunge
Shivanasamudra Falls (Gaganac...)	Kaveri (Cauvery)	Karnataka	90	Segmented
Gokak Falls	Ghataprabha	Karnataka	52	Plunge
Abbey Falls (Abbi Falls)	Kaveri (headstreams; mo...	Karnataka	21	Cascade
Kerala				
Meenmutty Falls (Wayanad)	Stream of the Chaliyar ...	Kerala	300	Tiered (3 tiers)
Athirappilly Falls	Chalakydy	Kerala	25	Segmented
Maharashtra				
Vajrai Falls (Bhambavli Vajra...)	Urmodi River (a Krishna...	Maharashtra	260	Tiered (3 tiers)
Thoseghar Falls	Monsoon streams drainin...	Maharashtra	200	Segmented
Kune Falls	Monsoon stream of the l...	Maharashtra	200	Tiered (3 tiers)
Randha Falls	Pravara River (tributar...	Maharashtra	45	Plunge
Meghalaya				
Nohkalikai Falls	No river - rain-fed; fe...	Meghalaya	340	Plunge
Nohsngthiang Falls (Seven Si...	Rain-fed streams spilli...	Meghalaya	315	Segmented
Kynrem Falls	Small monsoon-fed hill ...	Meghalaya	305	Tiered (3 tiers)
Elephant Falls	Small mountain stream o...	Meghalaya	12	Tiered (3 tiers)
Mizoram				
Vantawng Falls (Vantawng Khaw...)	Vanva River (some books...	Mizoram	229	Tiered (2 tiers)
Odisha				
Barehipani Falls	Budhabalanga River	Odisha	399	Tiered (2 tiers)
Khandadhar Falls (Sundargarh)	Kora Nala / Korapani Na...	Odisha	244	Horsetail (plunge)

Waterfalls of India — Locator Map



● Chhattisgarh ● Goa ● Gujarat ● Himachal Pradesh ● Jharkhand ● Karnataka ● Kerala ● Maharashtra ● Meghalaya ● Mizoram ● Odisha
● Tamil Nadu ● Uttarakhand

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●30 Joranda Falls
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●32 Courtallam Falls (Kutralam)
●33 Hogenakkal Falls
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●35 Kempty Falls

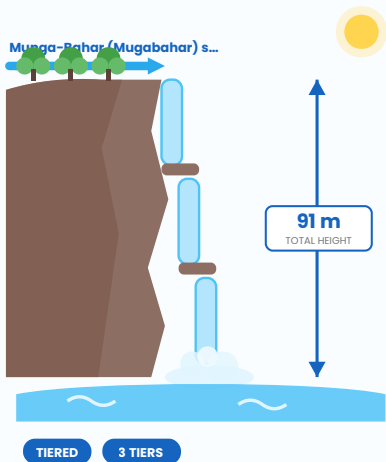
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Tirathgarh Falls (Teerathgarh Falls)

Chhattisgarh

WATERFALL PROFILE (schematic)



Location

Kanger Valley National Park, ~35 km southwest of Jagdalpur, Bastar district — Chhattisgarh

Multi-step 'milky white' staircase fall inside Kanger Ghati (Valley) National Park

River & Terrain

On river: **Munga-Bahar (Mugabahar) stream, a tributary of the Kanger River**
Range / Plateau: Bastar plateau (Kanger valley)

Key Statistics

91 m HEIGHT

TIERED TYPE

3 TIERS

Nearby (Cities / Parks / Sanctuaries)

- Kanger Valley National Park (est. 1982; UNESCO Tentative List 2025)
- Kutumsar and Kailash caves
- Jagdalpur (~35 km)

Best Flow Season

October to February (post-monsoon); peak flow July-September

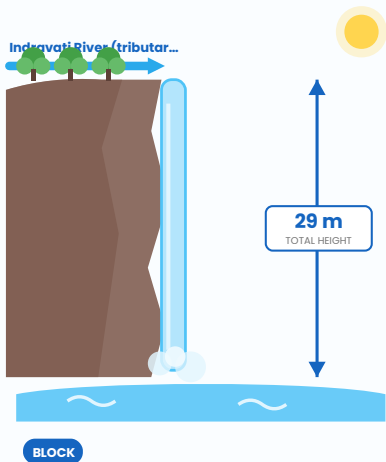
Exam Pointers

- ★ Tirathgarh Falls (~91 m / 300 ft total, falling in staircase-like tiers) is on the Munga-Bahar stream (Kanger river system) inside Kanger Valley National Park, Bastar.
- ★ Chitrakote (widest) and Tirathgarh (tiered) form the famous Bastar waterfall pair near Jagdalpur.
- ★ Some sources cite only the main cascade (~30-35 m); the exam-standard total height is ~91 m (300 ft).

Chitrakote Falls (Chitrakoot Falls)

Chhattisgarh

WATERFALL PROFILE (schematic)



Waterfall Height Mist/Plunge pool

Location

About 38 km west of Jagdalpur, Bastar district — Chhattisgarh
Horseshoe-shaped fall on the Indravati where it crosses the Bastar plateau

River & Terrain

On river: Indravati River (tributary of the Godavari)
Range / Plateau: Bastar plateau (Dandakaranya region)

Key Statistics

29 m HEIGHT

BLOCK TYPE

Nearby (Cities / Parks / Sanctuaries)

- Jagdalpur (~38 km)
- Kanger Valley National Park (further southeast)

Best Flow Season

July to October (monsoon), when it swells to full ~300 m width

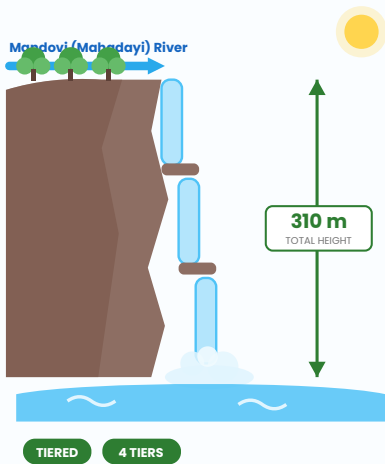
Exam Pointers

- ★ Chitrakote Falls on the Indravati River (Bastar, Chhattisgarh) is the WIDEST waterfall of India (~300 m in monsoon) and is called the 'Niagara of India' for its horseshoe shape.
- ★ Height only ~29 m (95 ft) - famous for width, not height; Indravati is a tributary of the Godavari.
- ★ In lean season the fall splits into multiple ribbons; upstream diversion/check dams have caused summer drying in recent years.

Dudhsagar Falls

Goa

WATERFALL PROFILE (schematic)



Waterfall Height Mist/Plunge pool

Location

Sonaulim, Sanguem taluka (South Goa), on the Goa-Karnataka border — Goa (border with Karnataka)

Inside Bhagwan Mahaveer Wildlife Sanctuary & Mollem National Park, ~60 km from Panaji

River & Terrain

On river: **Mandovi (Mahadayi) River**

Range / Plateau: Western Ghats (Sahyadri)

Key Statistics

310 m HEIGHT

TIERED TYPE

4 TIERS

Nearby (Cities / Parks / Sanctuaries)

- Bhagwan Mahaveer Wildlife Sanctuary
- Mollem National Park
- Castle Rock station (Karnataka)
- Madgaon (46 km)
- Panaji (60 km)

Best Flow Season

Monsoon and post-monsoon (July-January); fullest flow July-September

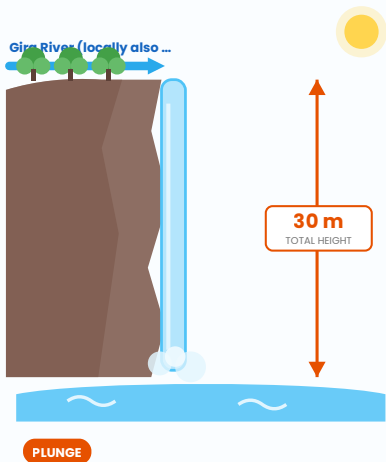
Exam Pointers

- ★ Name means 'Sea of Milk'; a four-tiered fall of ~310 m (some sources 320 m) on the Mandovi/Mahadayi river - among India's tallest waterfalls.
- ★ Lies on the Londa-Vasco da Gama (Belagavi-Vasco) railway line of the Braganza Ghats section; a rail bridge crosses in front of the falls.
- ★ Located within Bhagwan Mahaveer Sanctuary and Mollem National Park in the Western Ghats; linked to the Mahadayi/Mandovi water-sharing dispute between Goa and Karnataka.

Girmal Falls

Gujarat

WATERFALL PROFILE (schematic)



Waterfall Height Mist/Plunge pool

Location

Girmal village, Dang district (near Mahal, ~89 km from Saputara) — Gujarat
Inside/adjoining Purna Wildlife Sanctuary in the Dang forests; ~50 km from Ahwa

River & Terrain

On river: **Gira River (locally also called Girmal river)**
Range / Plateau: Dang forests on the Sahyadri (Western Ghats) fringe

Key Statistics

30 m HEIGHT

PLUNGE TYPE

Nearby (Cities / Parks / Sanctuaries)

- Purna Wildlife Sanctuary
- Mahal (35 km)
- Ahwa (50 km)
- Saputara hill station (89 km)
- Waghai (78 km)

Best Flow Season

Monsoon and post-monsoon (July-December); dries up in summer

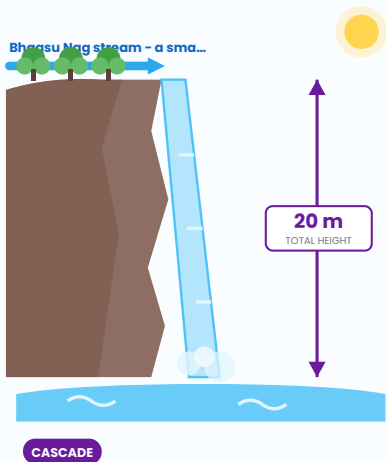
Exam Pointers

- ★ Highest waterfall of Gujarat - a ~30 m (100 ft) plunge on the Gira river in Dang district (Gujarat Tourism figure).
- ★ Set in the dense Dang teak forests near Purna Wildlife Sanctuary, on the northern fringe of the Western Ghats.
- ★ Do not confuse with Gira Falls near Waghai (also on the Gira river, closer to Saputara) - Girmal is the taller, remoter fall.

Bhagsu Falls (Bhagsunag Waterfall)

Himachal Pradesh

WATERFALL PROFILE (schematic)



Waterfall Height Mist/Plunge pool

Location

Bhagsu (Bhagsunag) village, ~2-3 km from McLeod Ganj and ~7 km from Dharamshala, Kangra district — Himachal Pradesh

Fall ~1 km behind the ancient Bhagsunag (Shiva) temple, on the lower slopes of the Dhauladhar

River & Terrain

On river: **Bhagsu Nag stream - a small snow/spring-fed stream from the Dhauladhar range**

Range / Plateau: Dhauladhar range, Lesser Himalaya (Kangra)

Key Statistics

20 m HEIGHT

CASCADE TYPE

Nearby (Cities / Parks / Sanctuaries)

- McLeod Ganj
- Dharamshala
- Bhagsunag Temple
- Triund trek base

Best Flow Season

monsoon (Jul-Sep) for fullest flow; Mar-Jun for visits

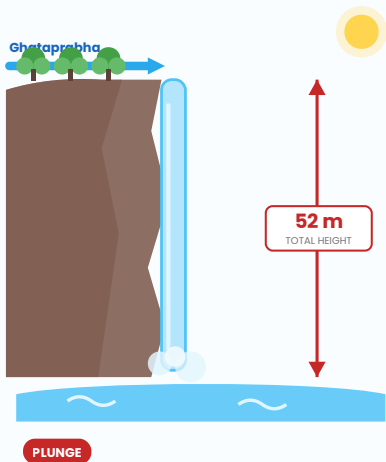
Exam Pointers

- ★ ~20 m fall on the Bhagsu Nag stream near Bhagsunag village, ~2-3 km from McLeod Ganj (Dharamshala), Kangra district, Himachal Pradesh.
- ★ Linked to the legend of King Bhagsu and the serpent god (Nag) - the adjacent Bhagsunag temple of Lord Shiva gives the fall its name.
- ★ Fed by snow-melt of the Dhauladhar range; a popular starting point area for the Triund trek.

Gokak Falls

Karnataka

WATERFALL PROFILE (schematic)



Location

~6 km from Gokak town, Belagavi (Belgaum) district — Karnataka
Ghataprabha (a tributary of the Krishna) leaps 52 m over a sandstone cliff in a horseshoe-shaped crest

River & Terrain

On river: **Ghataprabha**
Range / Plateau: Deccan Plateau (Ghataprabha valley, not in the Western Ghats crest)

Key Statistics

52 m HEIGHT

PLUNGE TYPE

Nearby (Cities / Parks / Sanctuaries)

- Gokak town
- Ghataprabha Bird Sanctuary
- Hidkal (Raja Lakhamagouda) Dam upstream
- 200 m hanging/suspension bridge at the falls

Best Flow Season

Monsoon (July-October)

Exam Pointers

- ★ Often called a miniature 'Niagara' for its horseshoe-shaped crest (width ~177 m); height 52-53 m.
- ★ One of the earliest sites of hydroelectricity generation in India - power was first generated here around 1887 to run the Gokak Mills.
- ★ Ghataprabha is a right-bank tributary of the Krishna; a 200-m-long hanging bridge spans the river near the falls.