



## Srinagar Recognised as 'World Craft City'

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Recently, Srinagar has become the fourth Indian city to be recognised as a 'World Crafts City' by the World Craft Council (WCC).

- Jaipur, Malappuram and Mysore are the other three Indian cities that have earlier been recognised as **World Craft Cities**.
- In 2021, Srinagar city was designated a **creative city** as part of the [UNESCO Creative City Network \(UCCN\)](#) for crafts and folk arts.
- **Papier-maché, walnut wood carving, carpets, Sozni embroidery and Pashmina and Kani shawls** are some of the crafts from Srinagar.
- **WCC-World Craft City Programme:**
- It was launched in 2014 by the **World Crafts Council AISBL (WCC-International)** to recognise the pivotal role **local authorities, craftspeople, and communities** play in **crafts development across the world**.
- **The WCC-International** was founded in 1964 and [Smt Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay](#), being one of the founding members, attended the **1<sup>st</sup> WCC General Assembly**.
  - **Smt Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay** founded the **Craft Council of India** in 1964 to protect and enhance **India's craft heritage**.

Read More: [Srinagar: UNESCO Creative Cities Network](#)

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