

Mountain Passes of India

भारत की प्रमुख दरें



- Navigable route through a mountain range
- पहाड में से निकलता रास्ता

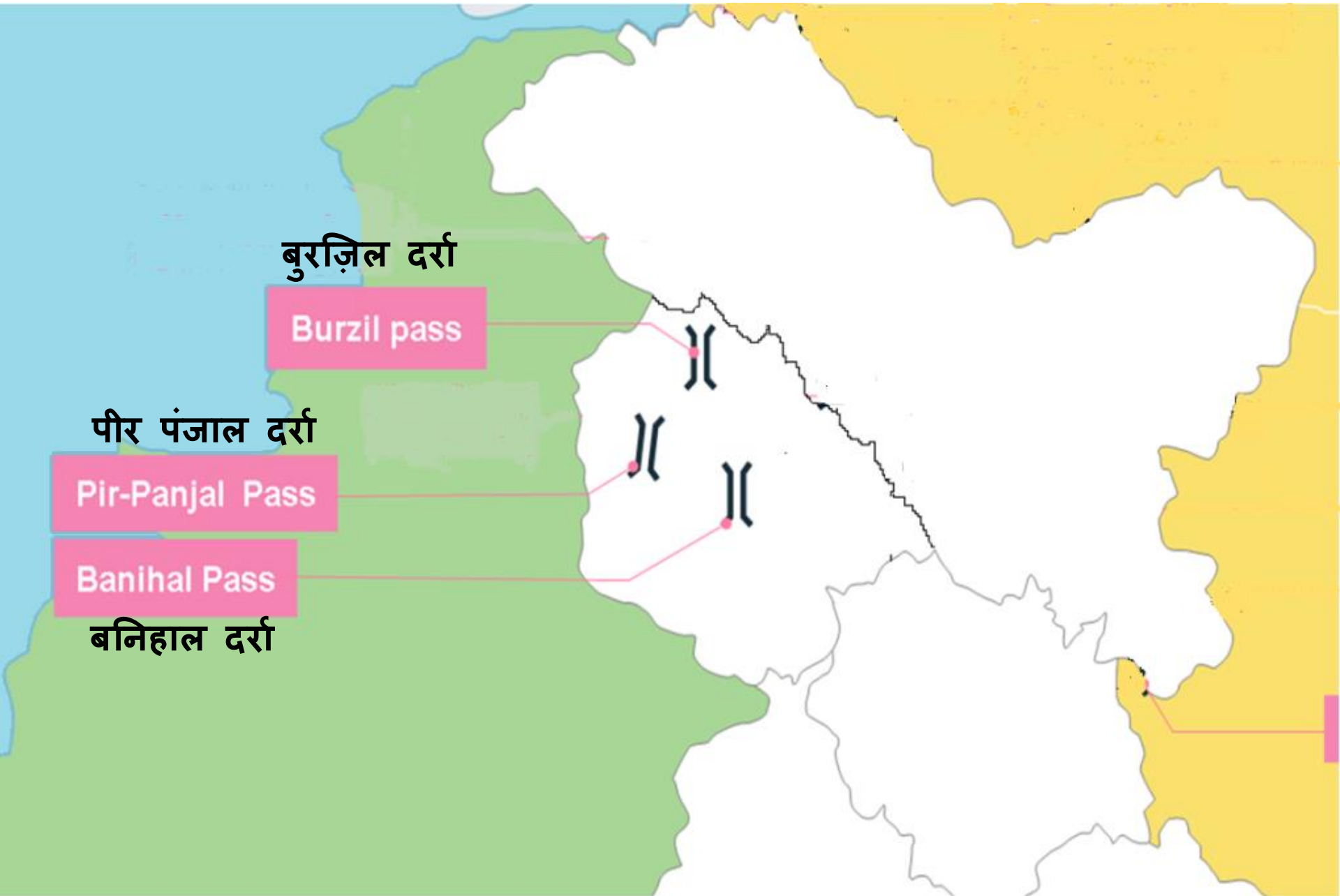


Northern States/UTs with Imp. Passes

- Jammu & Kashmir
- Ladakh
- Himachal Pradesh
- Uttarakhand

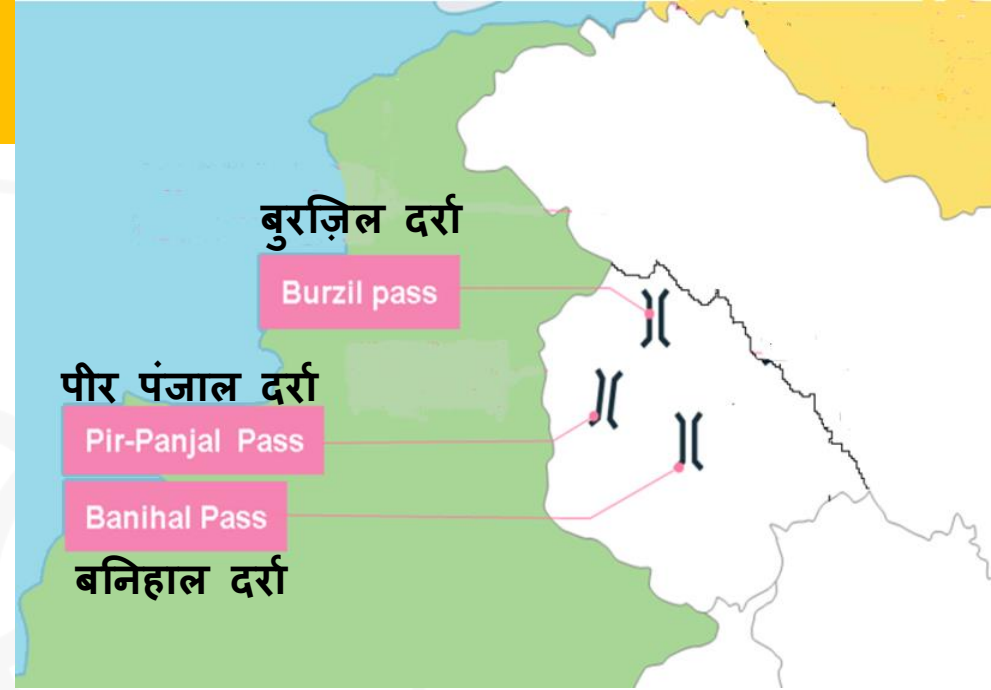


Passes in JAMMU & KASHMIR



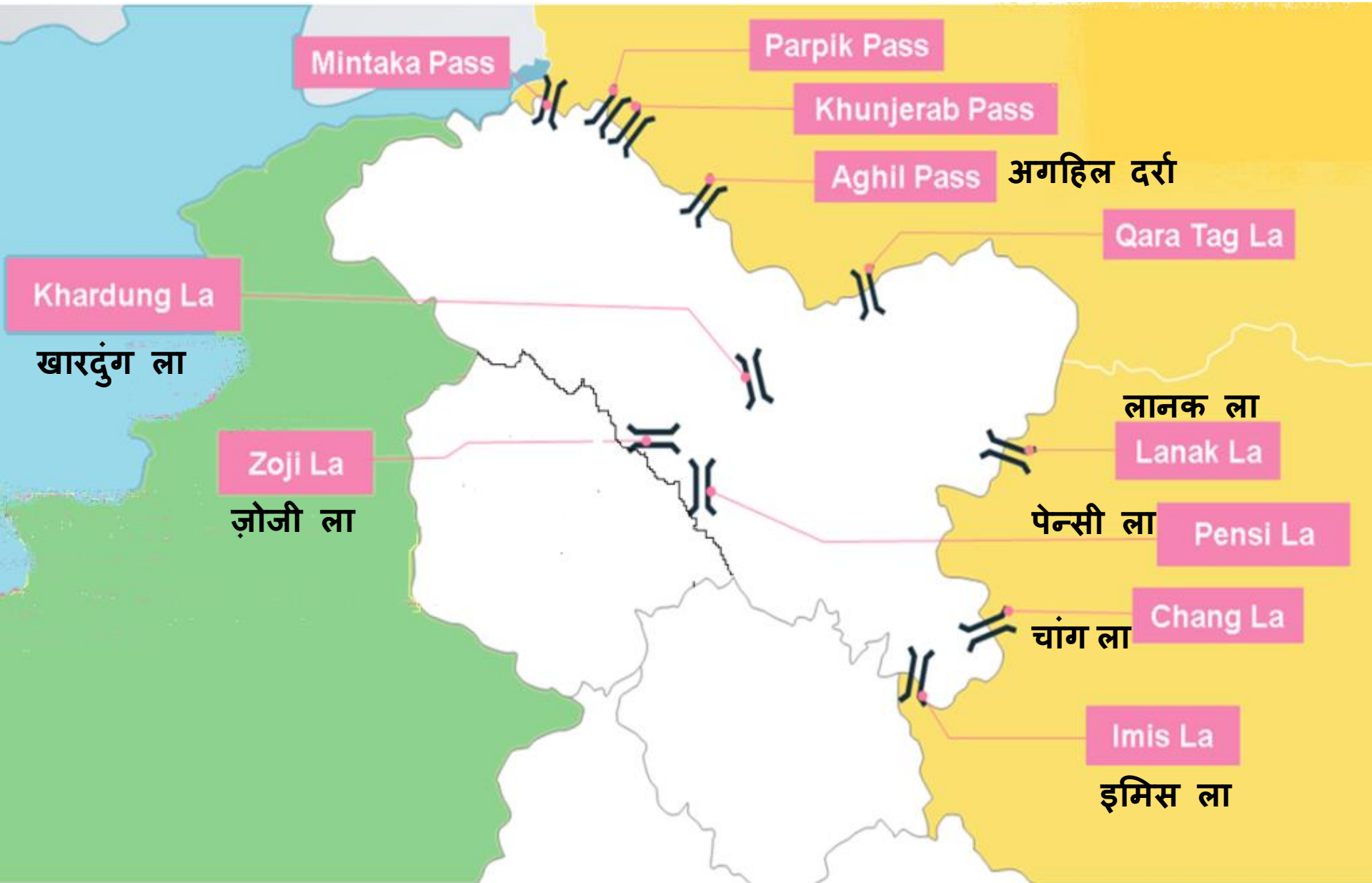
Passes in JAMMU & KASHMIR

- **Banihal Pass (बनिहाल दर्रा):**
Across the Pir Panjal Range
After Jawahar Tunnel (1956) -
no longer used for road
transport



- **Pir Panjal Pass (पीर पंजाल दर्रा):**
 - Also called Pir ki Gali
 - Pir Panjal Range named after it
- **Burzil Pass (बुरज़िल दर्रा)**
 - Oldest-known route connecting Gilgit & Srinagar
 - Now a conflict territory and partitioned

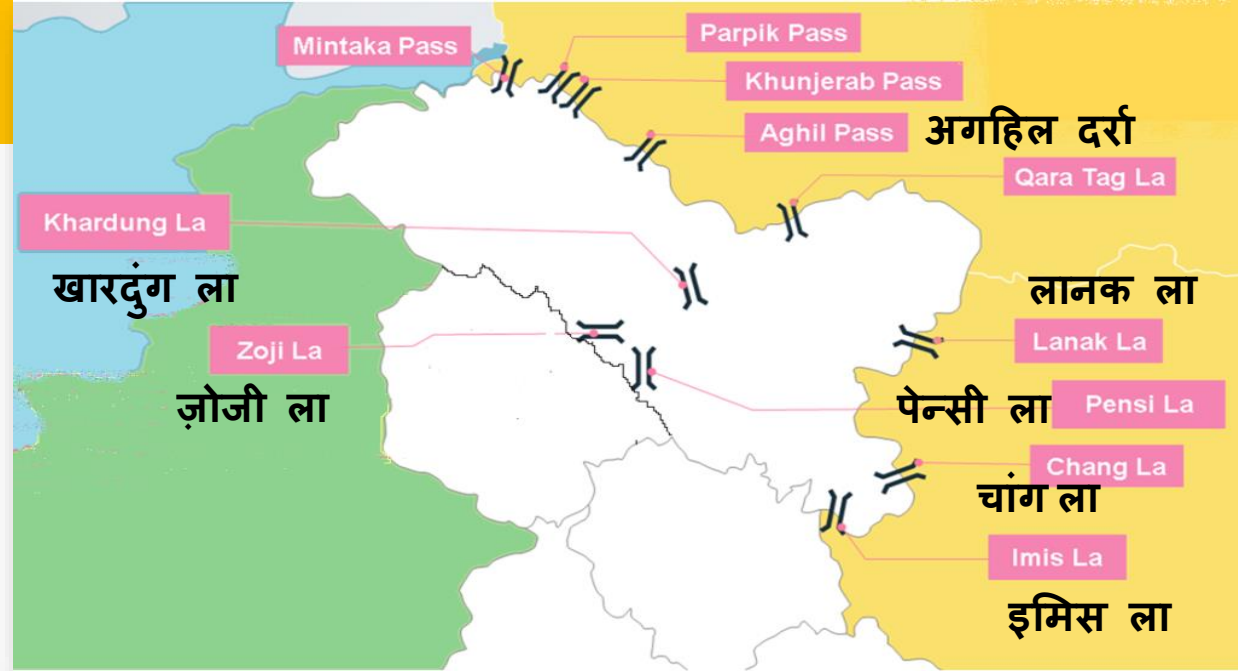
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Zoji La (ज़ोजी ला) –

- Zaskar Range
- Connects Srinagar with Kargil and Leh town
- Part of NH1



- **Pensi La (पेन्सी ला)** - Known as the Gateway to Zaskar
- **Khardung La (खारदुंग ला)** – Ladakh Range - gateway to Shyok and Nubra valleys - Used to carry supplies to Siachen Glacier

World's highest motorable pass in Ladakh

Umling La (उमलिंगा टॉप) –

Passing through Uminlga top)

Height of over 19,300 feet (Khardung La – 2nd highest)

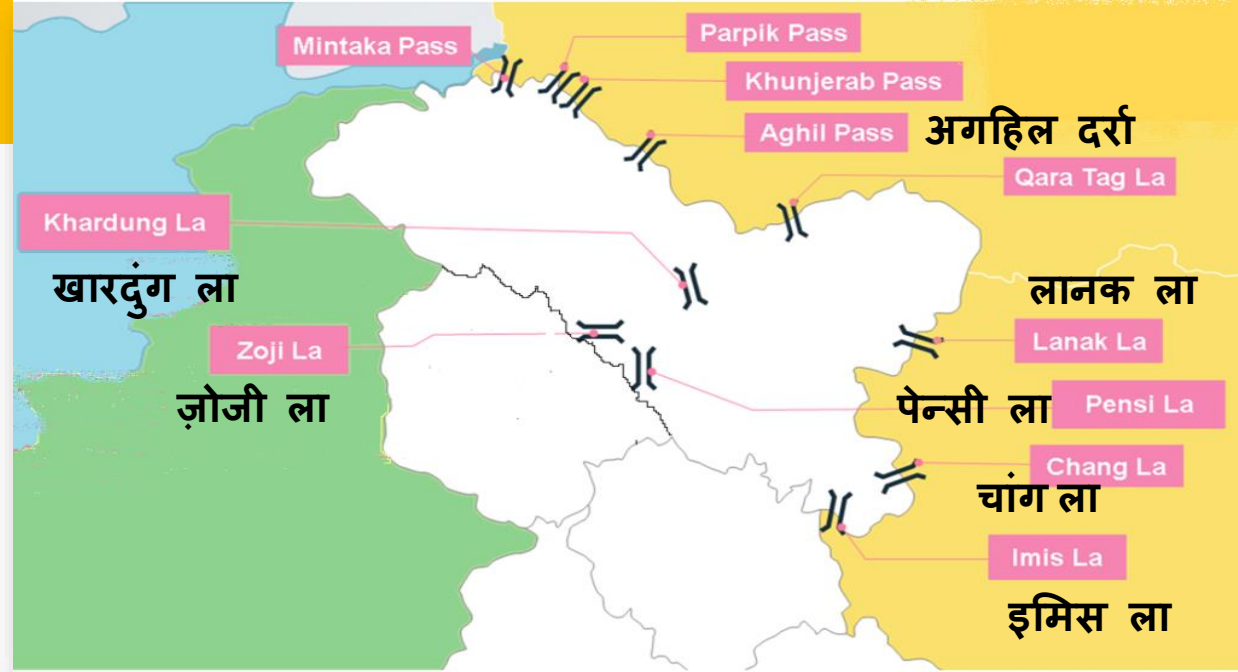
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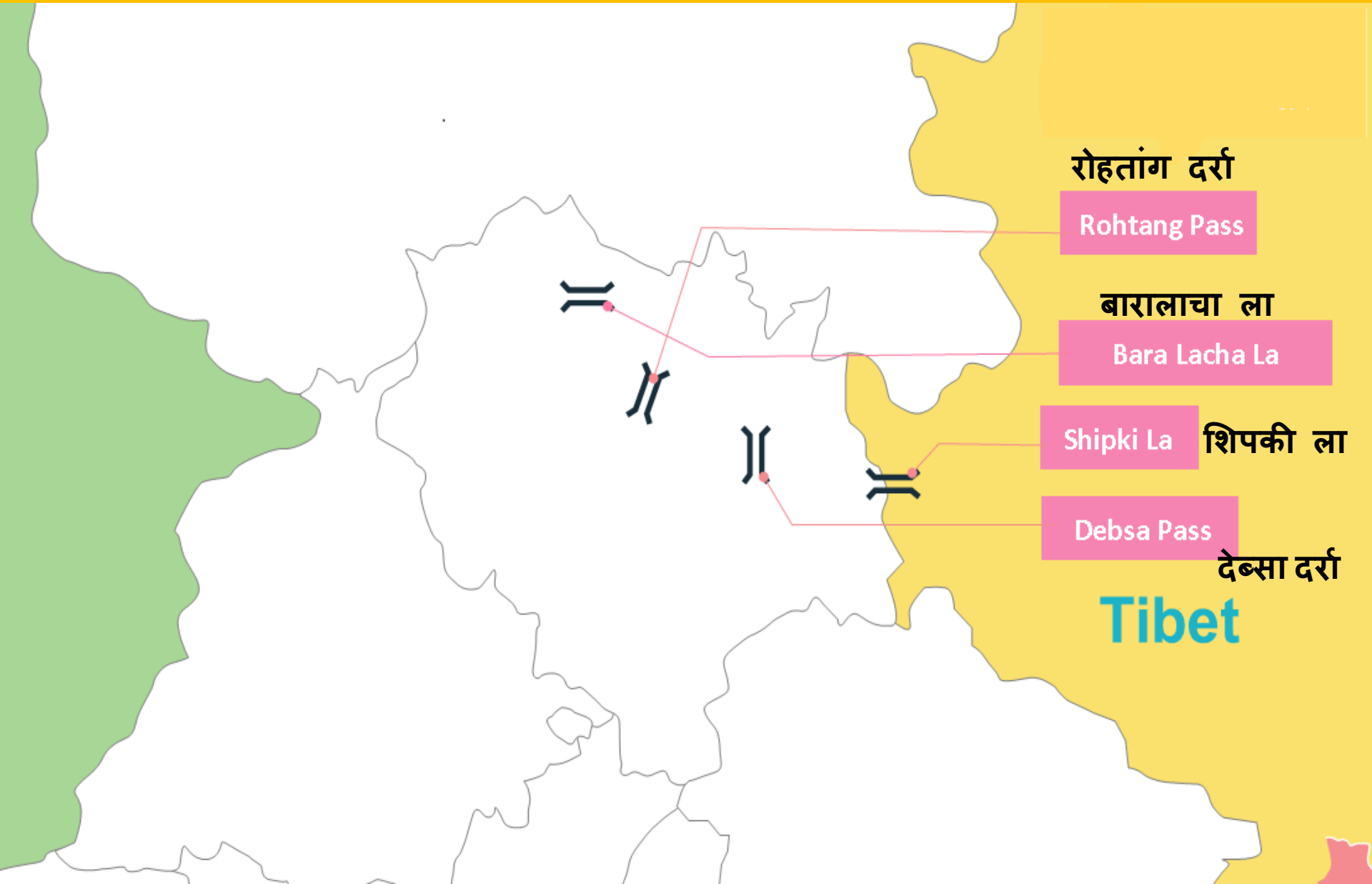
Mintaka Pass (मिन्ताका दर्रा) –

- Means 'thousand goats'
- Near trijunction of India-China and Afghanistan border



- **Aghil Pass (अघिल दर्रा)** – Karakoram Range – near K2 peak
- **Qara Tag La (करा ताग ला)** – Karakoram Range
- **Lanak La (लानक ला)** - Located in the disputed Aksai-Chin area

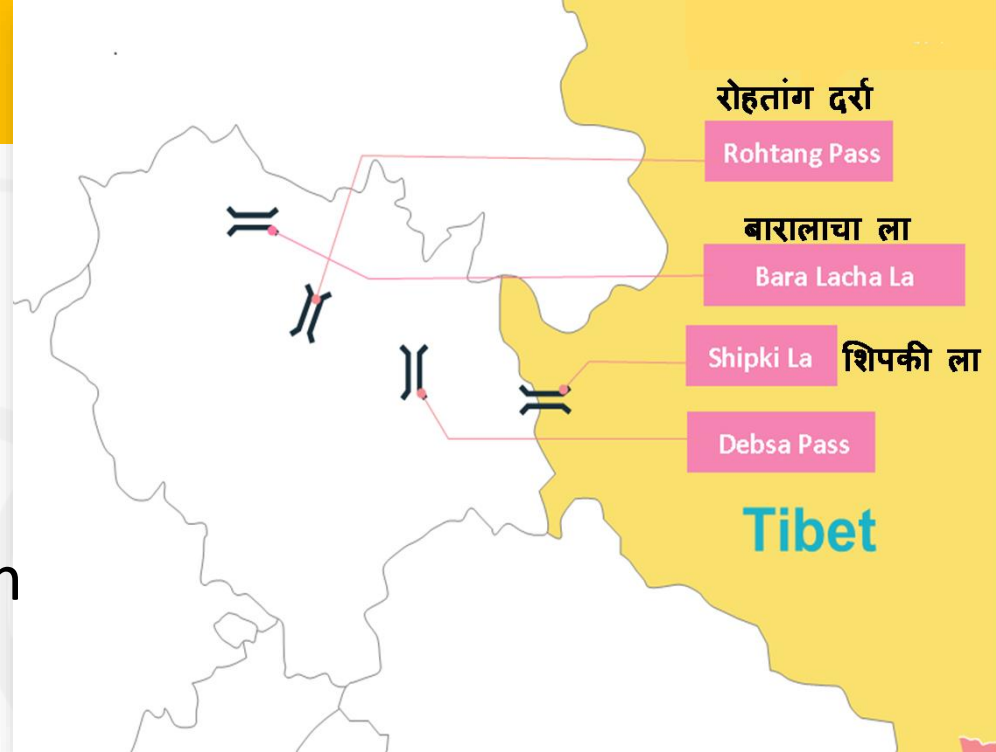
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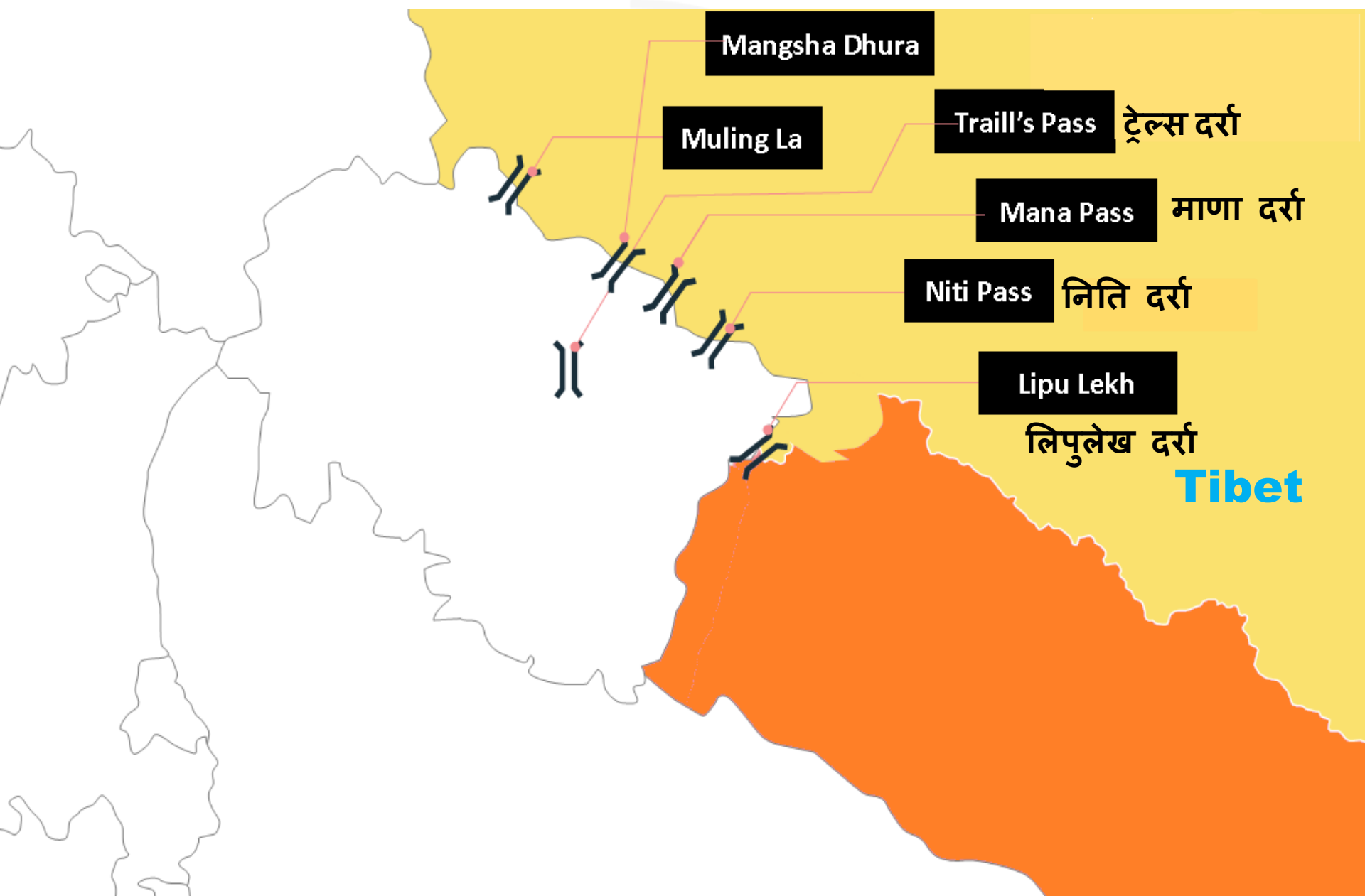
Shipki La (शिपकी ला) -

- Located on Indo-China border
- Passes through Jhelum Gorge
- Link between Himachal Pradesh and Tibet region



- **Debsa Pass (देबसा दर्रा)** – link between Kullu & Spiti
- **Rohtang Pass (रोहतांग दर्रा)** – Pir Panjal - link between Kullu, Lahul & Spiti valleys of Himachal Pradesh
- **Bara Lacha La (बारालाचा ला)** – Zaskar Range - connects Himachal Pradesh with Ladakh - situated along the Leh–Mandi Highway

Passes in UTTARAKHAND

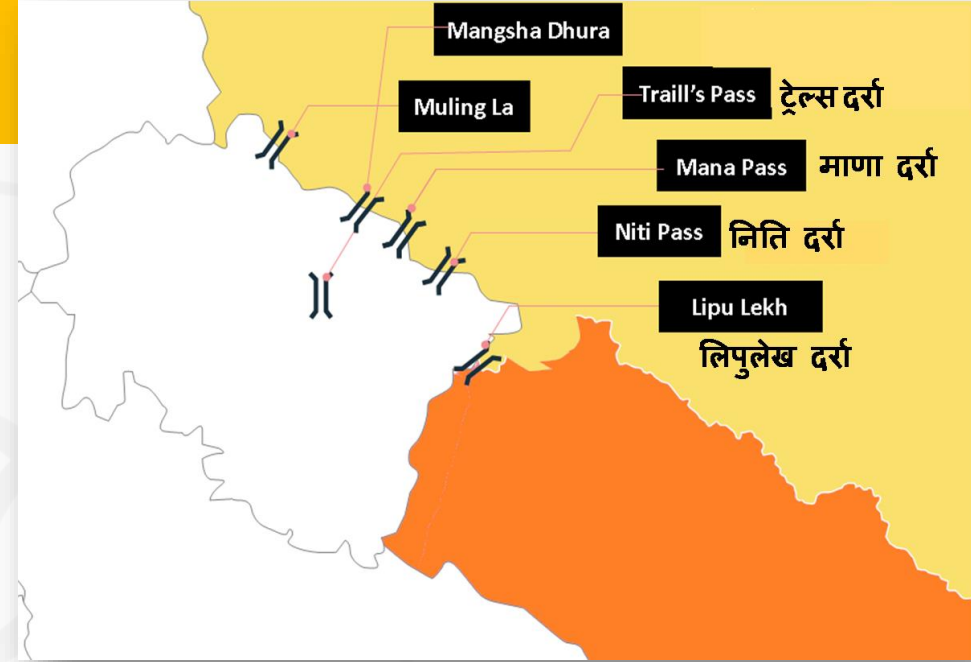


Passes in UTTARAKHAND

- **Lipu Lekh (लिपुलेख दर्रा)**-

Near trijunction of India, Tibet and Nepal borders.

Pilgrims use this pass to reach Kailash-Mansarowar



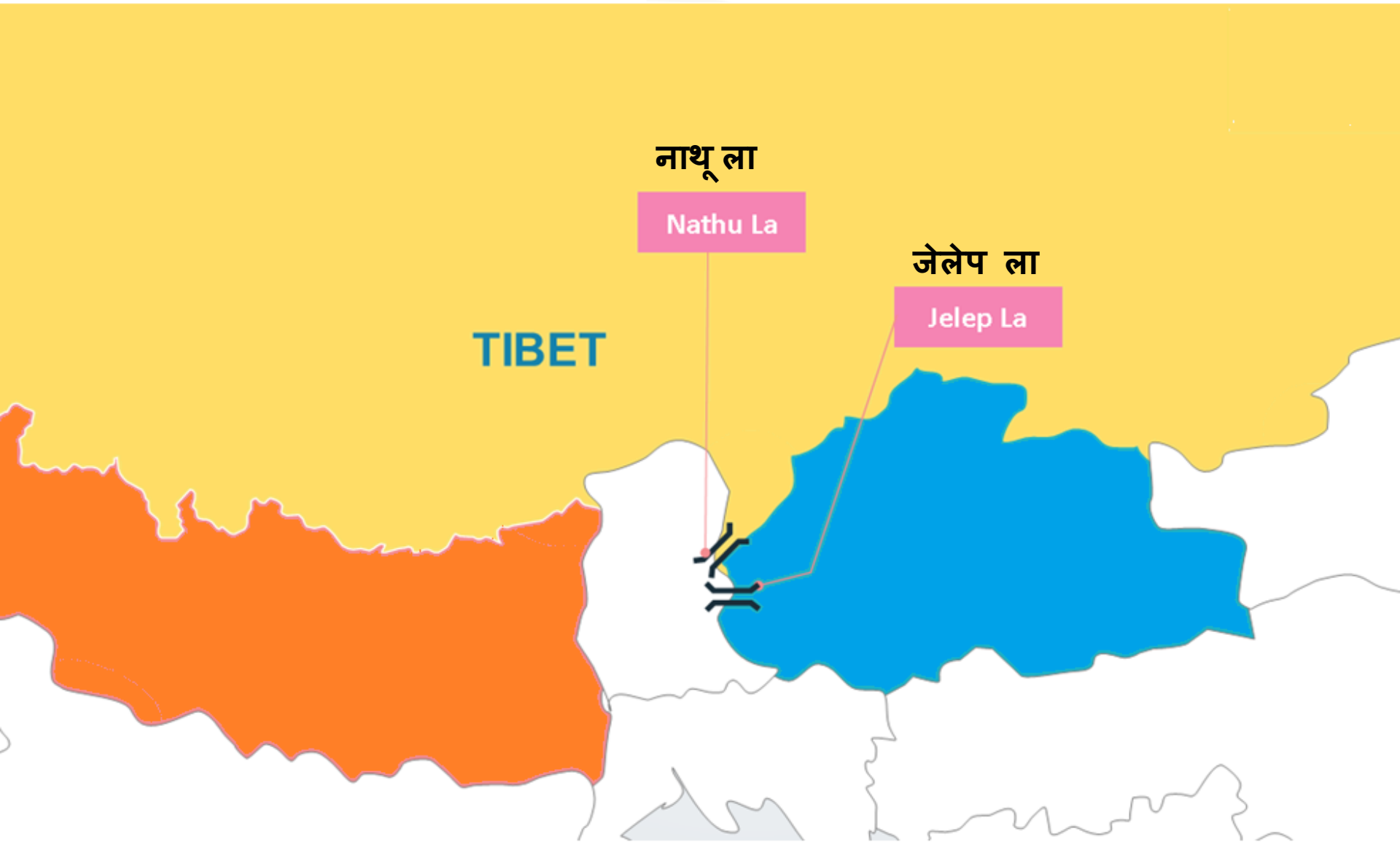
- **Mana Pass (माणा दर्रा)** - connects Uttarakhand with Tibet.
- **Niti Pass (निति दर्रा)** - connects Uttarakhand with Tibet region.
- **Muling La (मुलिंग ला)** – situated North of Gangotri

North Eastern States with Imp. Passes

- Sikkim
- Arunachal Pradesh



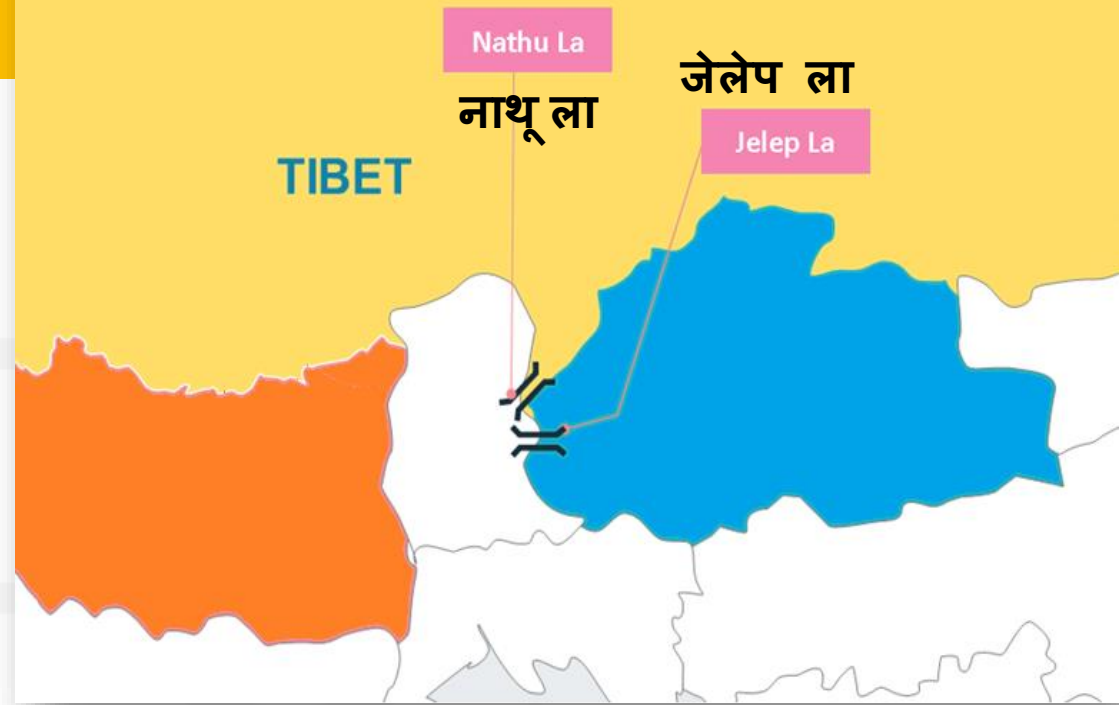
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Jelep La (जेलेप ला) –

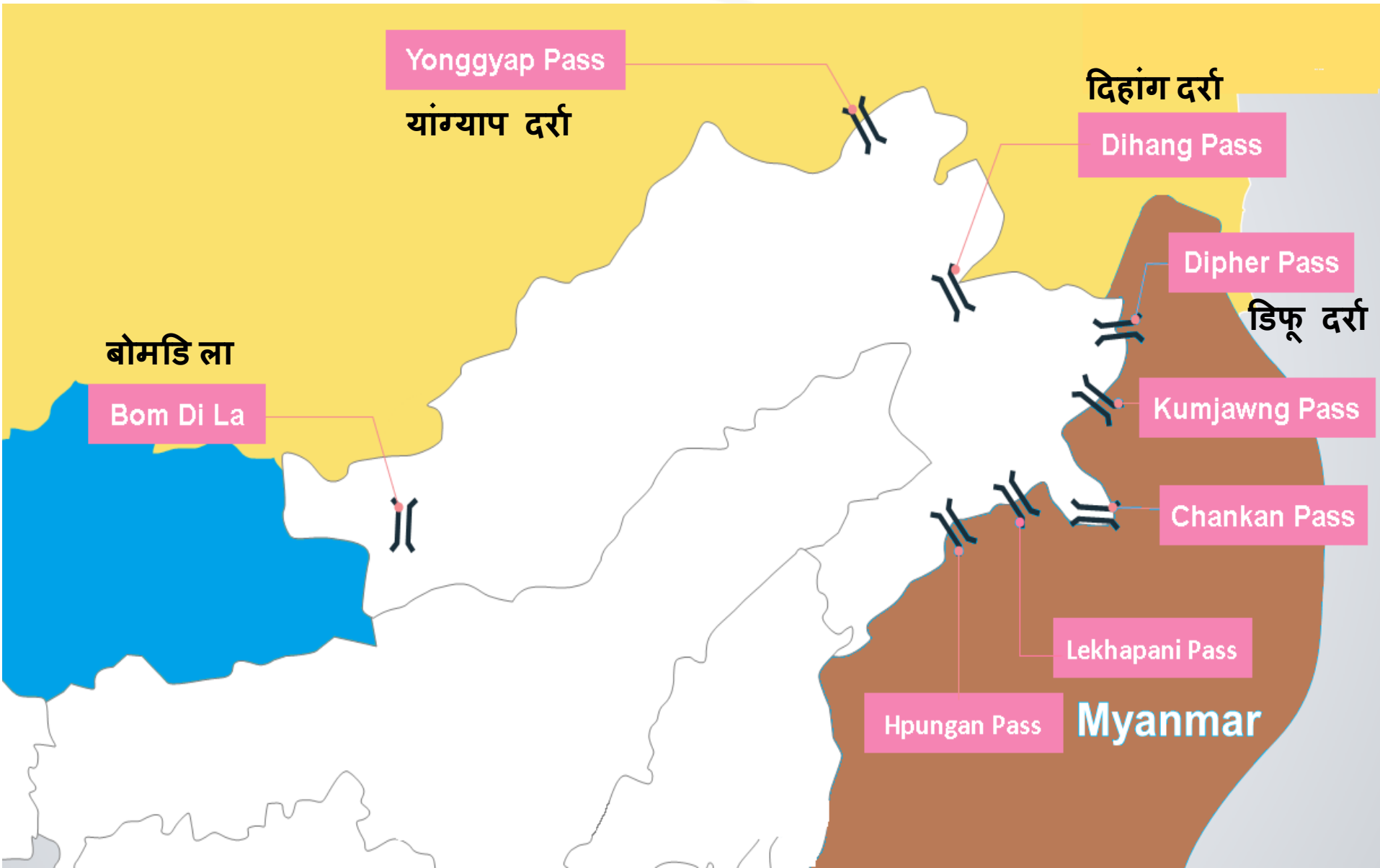
- Lies at Sikkim- gives way to Bhutan
- Route that connects Lhasa to India
- Tista River has created this pass



Nathu La (नाथू ला) - situated on India China border. Important auxiliary route making up the ancient Silk Route

- Nathu La connects Sikkim with Tibet region.
- This pass was closed after Indo-China war in 1962 but was reopened in 2006.

Passes in ARUNACHAL PRADESH

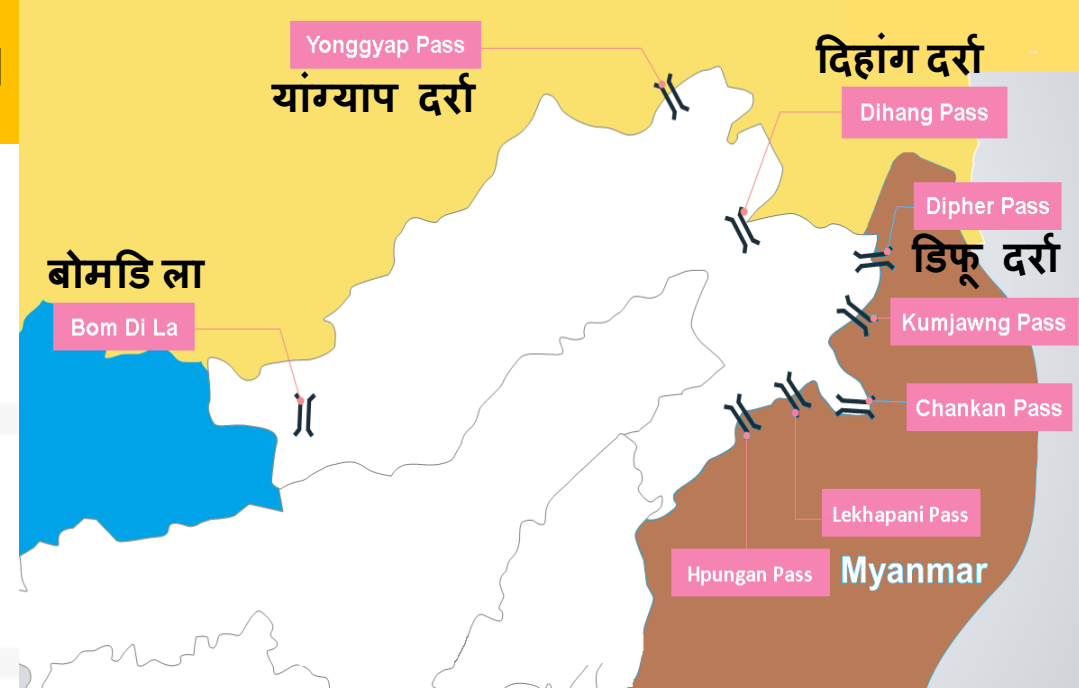


Passes in ARUNACHAL PRADESH

Diphu pass (डिफू दर्रा) -

Lies on the trijunction of India, China and Myanmar –

Lies on Macmohan Line



Bom Di La (बोमडिला) - connects Arunachal Pradesh with Lhasa (Tibet)

Yonggyap pass (यांग्याप दर्रा) - on Indo-China border and joins Arunachal Pradesh with Tibet region

Other States with Important Passes

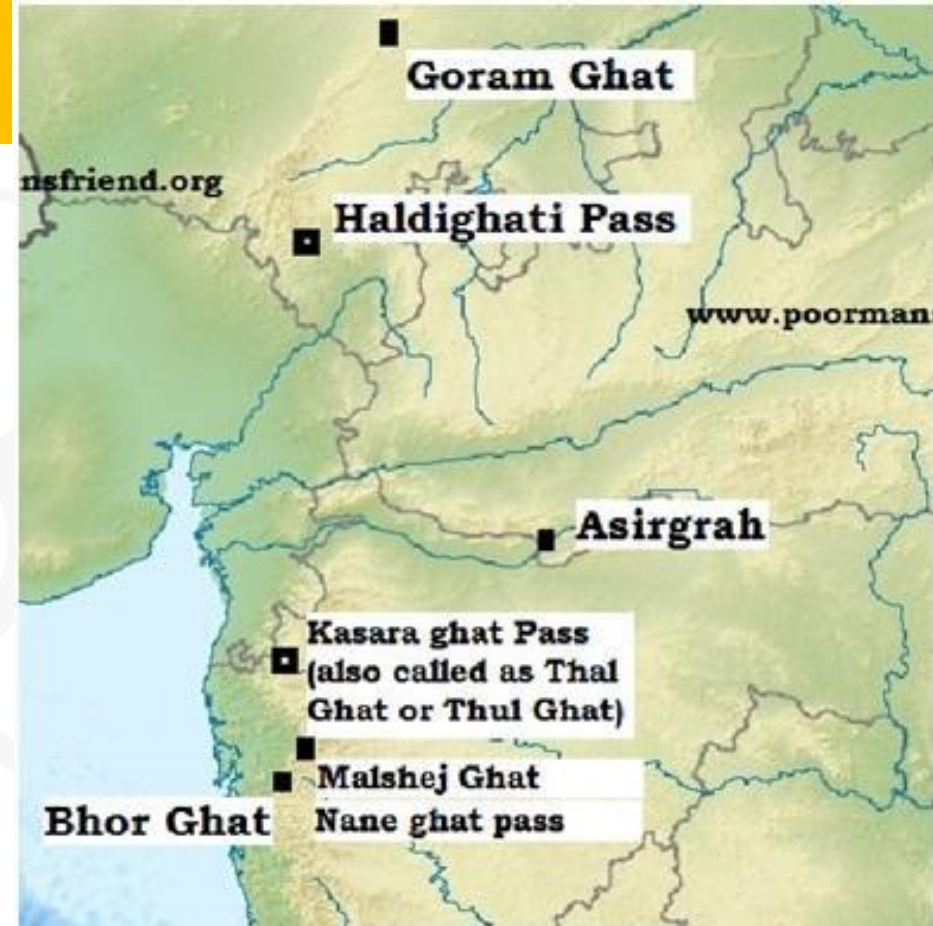
- Rajasthan
- Madhya Pradesh
- Maharashtra
- Kerala



Passes in RAJASTHAN

Goram Ghat (गोरमघाट) –

Located in the Aravali Range
Connects Mewar and Marwar
Connects Udaipur with Sirohi and
Jalore



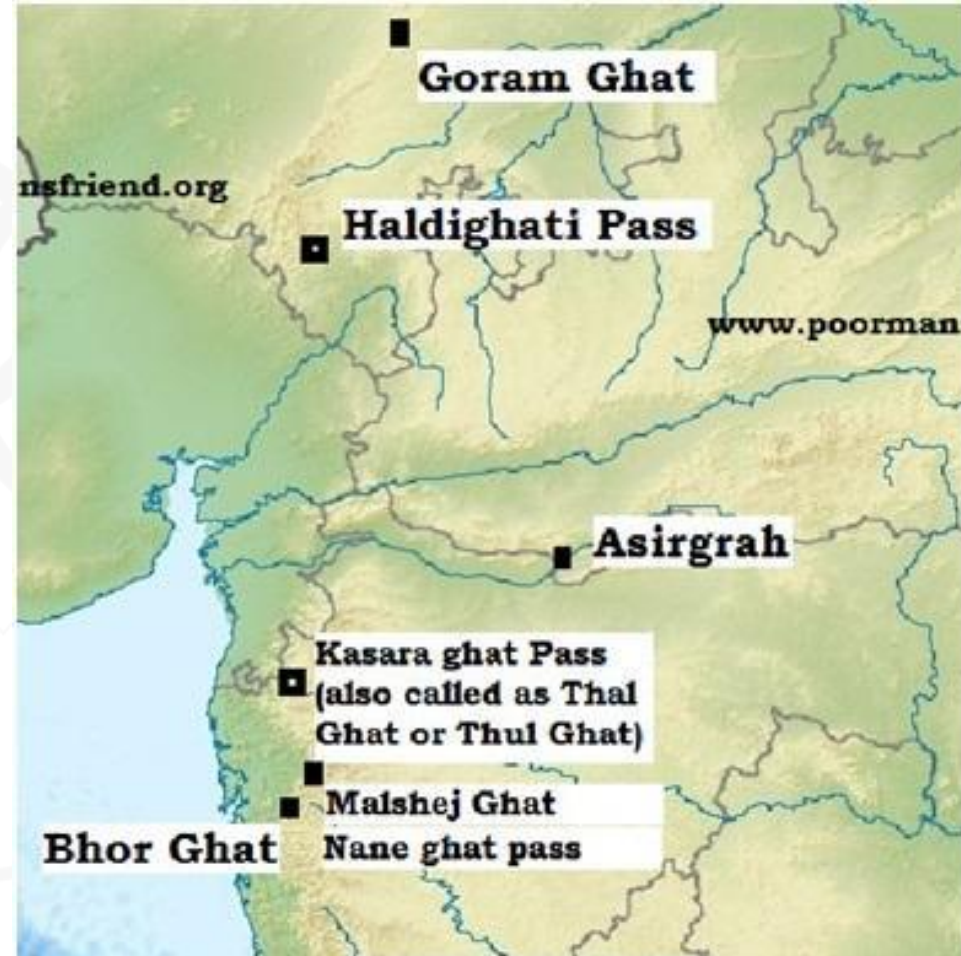
Haldighati Pass (हल्दीघाटी का दर्रा) –

- Located in the Aravali Range - Connects Rajsamand and Pali
- Historically very significant - famous **Battle of Haldighati** took place (1576) between **Kingdom of Mewar (army led by Maharana Pratap)** and **Mughal emperor Akbar's general Man Singh I of Amer**
- Turmeric-coloured yellow soil of the area

Passes in MADHYA PRADESH

Asirgarh Pass (असीरगढ़ दर्रा) –

- Satpura Range
- Popularly known as **Dakkani Darwaza** or **Doorway to the Deccan/ Key to the Deccan**
- Connects North India with Deccan Plateau.
- Connects the Narmada and Tapti Valleys



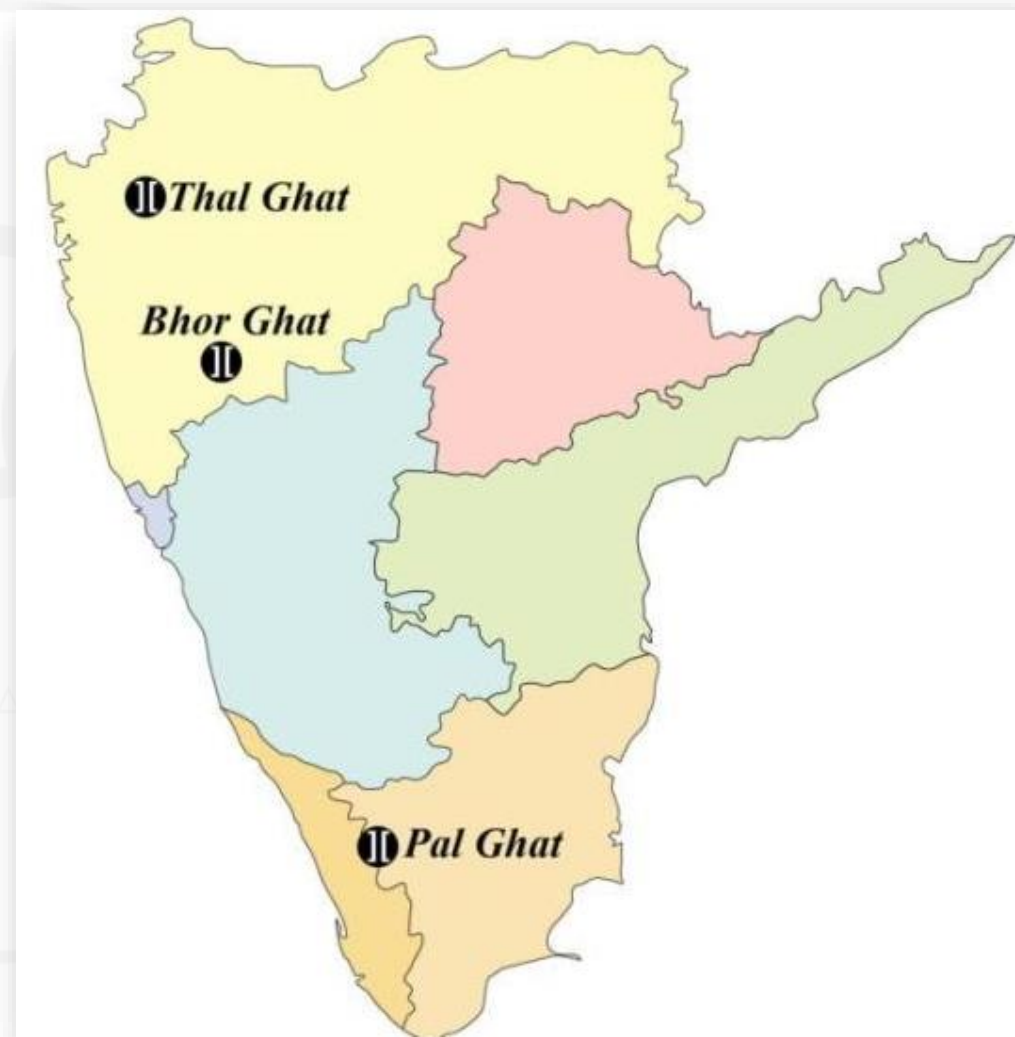
Passes in Western Ghats (MAHARASHTRA)

Thal Ghat (थाल घाट) –

- Northern Sahyadri
- Links Mumbai to Nasik

Bhor Ghat (भोर घाट)-

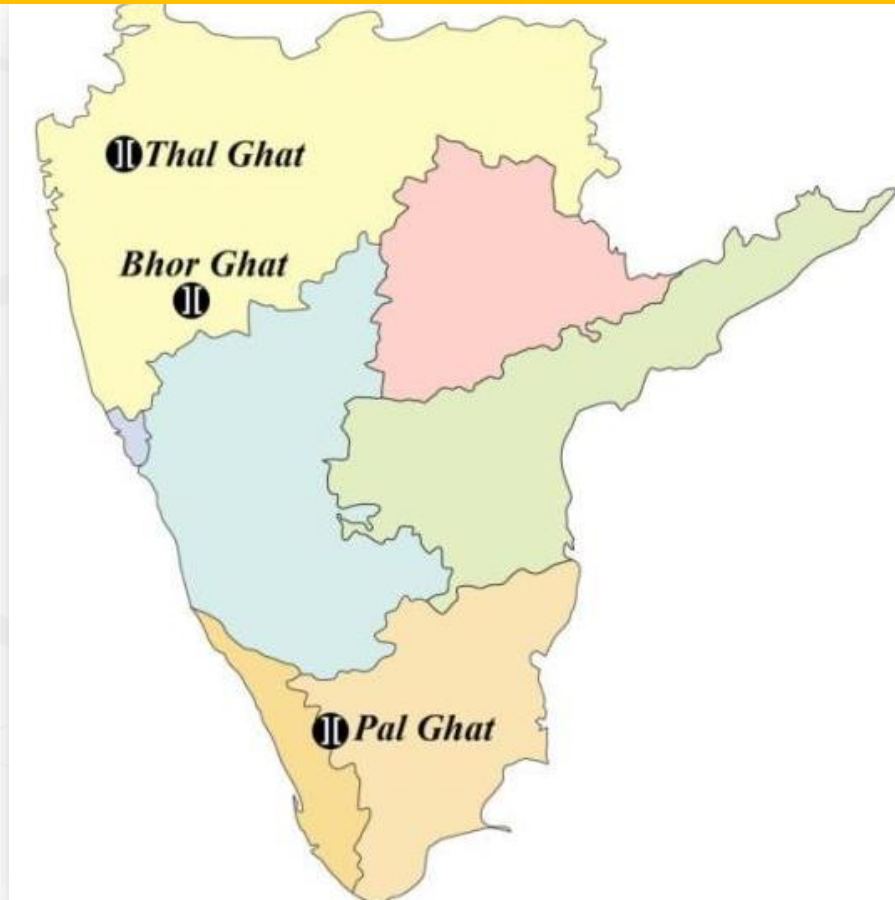
- In Northern Sahyadri
- Links Mumbai to Pune



Passes in Western Ghats (Kerala)

Pal Ghat (पाल घाट)-

- Also called Palakkad Gap
- Between Nilgiri and Annamalai hills
- Connects (Kochi) Kerala to (Chennai) Tamil Nadu



Senkota Pass (सेनकोट्टा दर्रा) -

- Between the Nagercoil / नागरकोइल and the Cardamom/ इलायची hills
- Links Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala) and Madurai (Tamil Nadu)

Questions on Mountain Passes.....
...to be continued in Next Video