

Mutual Agreement on Organic Products

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Recently, India and Taiwan implemented the **Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) for organic products**.

- This agreement is a landmark achievement for both countries as it is the **first bilateral** agreement for organic products.
 - The implementing Agencies for the MRA are the <u>Agricultural and Processed Food Products</u> <u>Export Development Authority (APEDA)</u>. Ministry of Commerce and Industry, India and the Agriculture and Food Agency, Ministry of Agriculture (AFA), Taiwan.
- Mutual recognition will simplify organic product exports by avoiding dual certifications, reducing compliance costs, simplifying requirements, and enhancing trade opportunities in the organic sector.
- The MRA will facilitate the export of key Indian organic products like rice, processed food, green/black and herbal tea, and medicinal plant products to Taiwan.
- Schemes for Organic Products in India
- Indian Organic Logo.
- Participatory Guarantee System for India.
- National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP)

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