

APEDA to Boost Alcohol Exports Under 'Make in India' Initiative

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The <u>Agricultural and Processed Food Export Development Authority (APEDA)</u> plans to promote both the <u>Indian alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages</u> globallytargeting **USD 1 billion in export revenue** over the next few years, as part of the <u>'Make in India' initiative</u>.

- As part of India's push to enhance its global beverage footprint, Godawan Single Malt Whisky, an artisanal whisky made in Rajasthan, India, is set to launch in the United Kingdom.
- India's Alcohol Market: India currently ranks 40th in the world for alcoholic beverage exports. India is the 3rd largest market for alcoholic beverages in the world.
 - India exported alcoholic products worth Rs 3,107.50 Crores (USD 375.09 Millions) during the year 2023-24. India's imports of alcoholic beverages in 2023 reached USD 1 billion.
 - Major Export Destinations are UAEs, Singapore, Tanzania, Angola and Ghana.
 - Maharashtra has emerged as an important state for the manufacture of wines.
 - India has 46 wineries, with 43 located in Maharashtra, where approximately 1,500 acres of grapes are cultivated for wine production.
 - Maharashtra has declared the wine-making business as a **small-scale industry** and has also offered excise concessions.
 - APEDA was established under the APEDA Act, 1985 and is mandated with the responsibility of export promotion and development of products like Alcoholic and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, Meat and Meat Products, Floriculture Products etc.

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