

## **BHARATI** Initiative

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The <u>Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)</u> has launched the **BHARATI initiative** to strengthen India's agri-food exports and foster innovation among startups.

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- About: BHARATI (Bharat's Hub for Agritech, Resilience, Advancement and Incubation for Export Enablement) aims to promote innovation, strengthen India's agri-food startups, and boost exports.
- Objectives: To empower 100 agri-food startups through innovation and incubation, supporting APEDA's goal of USD 50 billion in agri-food exports by 2030.
  - Also aims to address challenges in perishability, quality, logistics, and sustainability.
- Key Features:
  - Targets high-value agri-food products such as GI-tagged, organic, superfoods, processed foods, livestock, <u>AYUSH</u> products.
  - It will also promote advanced technologies like Al, blockchain, loT, and agri-fintech, addressing packaging, perishability, sustainability, and logistics.
  - Connects startups and innovators to provide export-ready solutions by helping them meet international food safety and quality standards through a 3-month acceleration programme.
  - It also aligns with <u>Atmanirbhar Bharat</u>, <u>Vocal for Local</u>, <u>Digital India</u>, and <u>Start-Up</u> <u>India</u> programme.
  - APEDA partners with state boards, universities, IITs/NITs, industry bodies, and accelerators to strengthen the ecosystem and enable annual scalability.

#### APEDA

- APEDA, established under the APEDA Act, 1985, is a statutory body under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry.
- It promotes and develops exports of agricultural products, providing support in marketing, transportation, and value addition.



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 The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) was established by the

Government of India under the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority Act, 1985.

- It functions under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. The Authority has its headquarters in New Delhi.
- APEDA is mandated with the responsibility of export promotion and development of the scheduled products viz. fruits, vegetables and their products; meat and meat products; alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages; cereal and cereal products; groundnuts, peanuts and walnuts, pickles, floriculture and floriculture products; herbal and medicinal plants etc.
- APEDA has been entrusted with the responsibility to monitor import of sugar.

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