



# **ANNUAL ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2022-23**

**EXCISE DEPARTMENT  
GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA**

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**1.** Excise Department was set up as an independent Department with effect from 01.12.1999 after being carved out of the erstwhile Revenue and Excise Department. It is a resource generation Department of the State. It enforces the State Excise laws and the NDPS Act.1985 in the State.

**2. EXCISE REVENUE:**

2.1 Excise Department regulates the manufacture, import, export, transport, storage and sale of excise goods. The endeavor of the Government has been to ensure that the existing demand is met by legitimate and safe supply of liquor, which is fit for human consumption. Any short supply of legitimate liquor is bound to result in bootlegging / spurious liquor filling up the gap, which would endanger public safety.

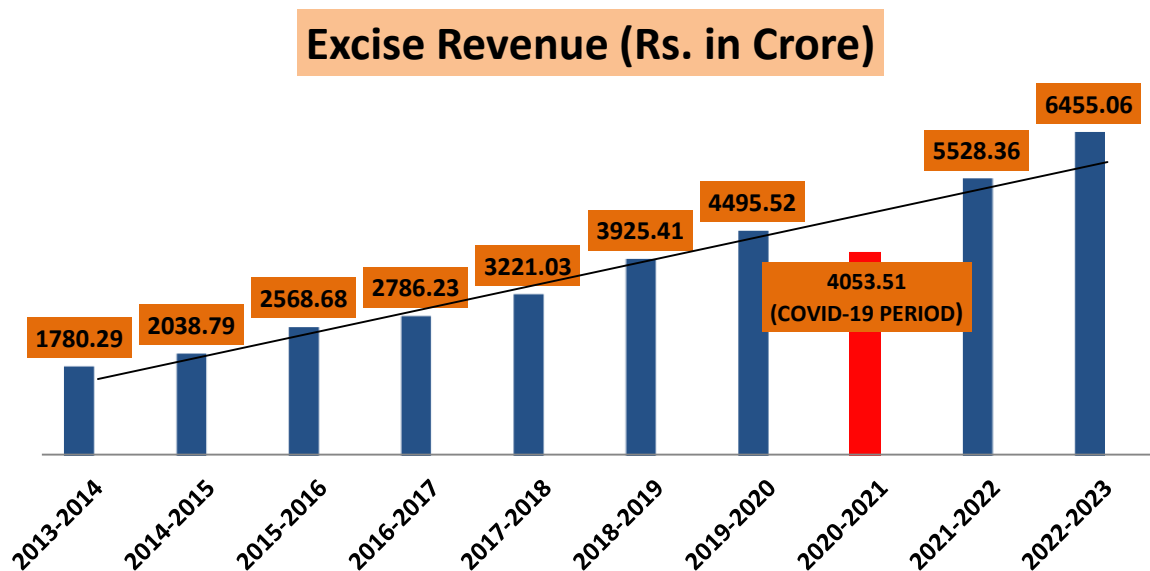
2.2 According to Article 246 (3) of the Constitution of India, the Legislature of the State has exclusive powers to make laws for the State or any part thereof with respect to any of the matters enumerated in list II of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution. Item No. 8 of the List II envisages intoxicating liquors, that is to say, the production, manufacture, possession, transport, purchase and sale of intoxicating liquors. Item No. 66 of the List II of the Constitution empowers the State Legislature to impose fees in respect of any of the matter enumerated in this list. The excise duty is leviable in respect of alcoholic liquors for human consumption manufactured in the State or produced elsewhere in India (item No. 51 List II. 7<sup>th</sup> Schedule).

2.3 The State has exclusive right to grant privilege for manufacture, possession and sale of intoxicating liquor. However, the State grants such privileges to persons in shape of licenses.

2.4 The monopoly in wholesale trade in liquor in the State is vested with Government and it operates through a Corporation under the name and style of 'Odisha State Beverages Corporation' (OSBC). An intoxicant can be manufactured or imported as per the provisions of the relevant Act and Rules but the same cannot be sold to any business unit except through the Odisha State Beverages Corporation. Hence the entire saleable quantity of intoxicants is acquired by the Beverages Corporation. The Corporation sells to the licensees under terms and condition prescribed by the Government as well as by the Corporation from time to time.

2.5 The Excise Revenue has increased over the years. The figures for the last ten years are as follows: -

Year	Excise Revenue (Rs. in Crore)	Percentage of Growth
2013-2014	1780.29	18.69 %
2014-2015	2038.79	14.52%
2015-2016	2568.68	25.99%
2016-2017	2786.23	8.47%
2017-2018	3221.03	15.71 %
2018-2019	3925.41	21.87 %
2019-2020	4495.52	14.52%
2020-2021	4053.51	-9.83% (Due to COVID-19)
2021-2022	5528.36	36.38%
2022-2023	6455.06	16.76%



### 3. IMFL AND BEER

3.1 The main source of Excise Revenue in the State is through imposition of duty on India Made Foreign Liquor (IMFL) and Beer. There are 1163 Foreign Liquor 'OFF' shops, 702 'ON' shops, 19 'ON' Clubs, 56 Beer Parlour, 36 Military Canteen in the State for the year 2022-23.

3.2 Consideration money is collected from the IMFL 'OFF' / 'ON' / Beer Parlour and Club 'ON' shops each month. Besides, the State gets duty on the IMFL and Beer lifted by the retailers. The retailers have to lift a Minimum Guaranteed Quantity (MGQ) of IMFL and Beer, which ensures a guaranteed amount of duty.

#### 4. OUT STILL (OS) LIQUOR:

Twenty Two Excise districts of the State namely Sambalpur, Bargarh, Jharsuguda, Deogarh, Kalahandi, Nuapada, Bolangir, Sonapur, Boudh, Koraput, Rayagada, Nabarangpur, Malkangiri, Sundargarh, Angul, Keonjhar, Mayurbhanja, Ganjam, Gajapati, Dhenkanal, Berhampur and Rourkela are having Out Still system. These Out Still shops are settled by lottery. There are 551 Nos. of Out Still shops with 1465 branch shops for the year, 2022-23.

#### 5. COUNTRY LIQUOR SHOPS:

5.1 Country Liquor shops are prevalent in 10 Districts namely Cuttack, Jagatsinghpur, Bhubaneswar, Kendrapara, Jajpur, Puri, Nayagarh, Khurda, Balasore, and Bhadrak. There are 242 nos. of Country Liquor shops in the State for the year 2022-23.

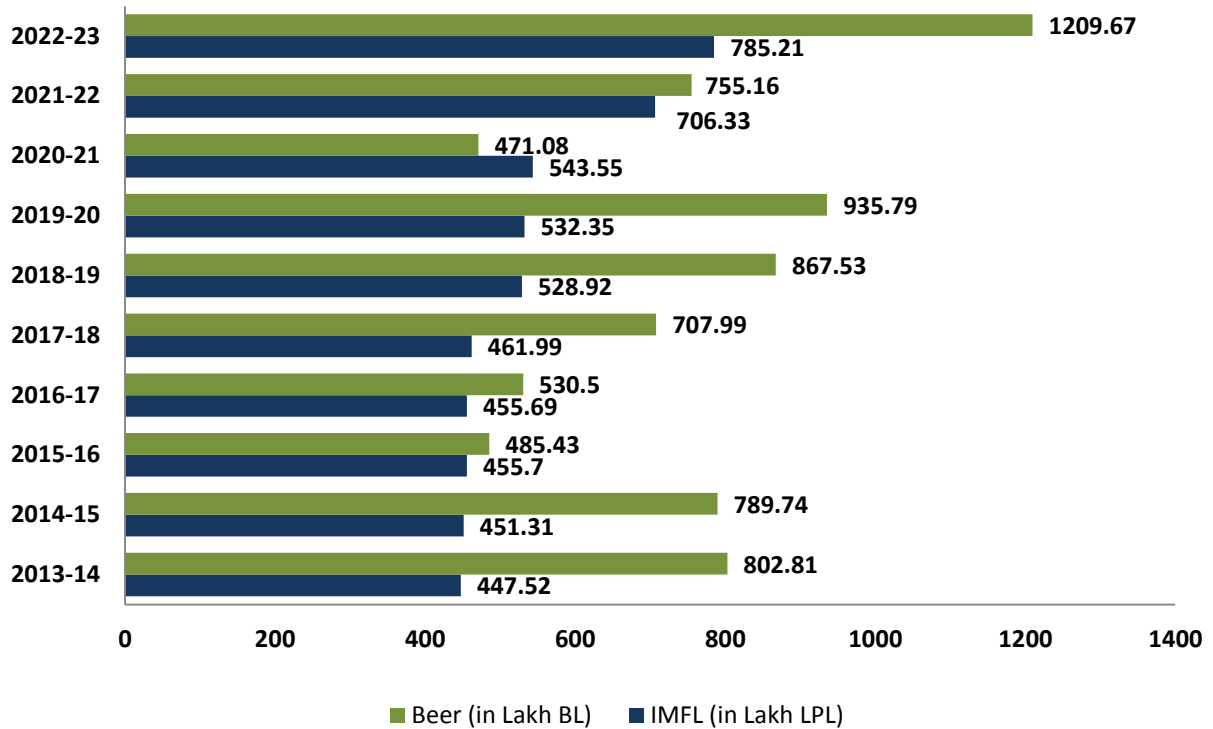
5.2 As per decision of Govt., C.S. is being supplied in 200 ml. glass bottles by the ACSI Ltd (Aska Co-operative Sugar Industries Ltd.).

#### 6. LIFTING OF IMFL AND BEER:

Lifting position of IMFL and Beer for last ten years are given below:-

Sl. No.	Year	IMFL (in Lakh LPL)	Beer (In Lakh BL)
1.	2013-14	447.52	802.81
2.	2014-15	451.31	789.74
3.	2015-16	455.70	485.43
4.	2016-17	455.69	530.50
5.	2017-18	461.99	707.99
6.	2018-19	528.92	867.53
7.	2019-20	532.35	935.79
8.	2020-21	543.55	471.08
9.	2021-22	706.33	755.16
10.	2022-23	785.21	1209.67

## LIFTING OF IMFL AND BEER

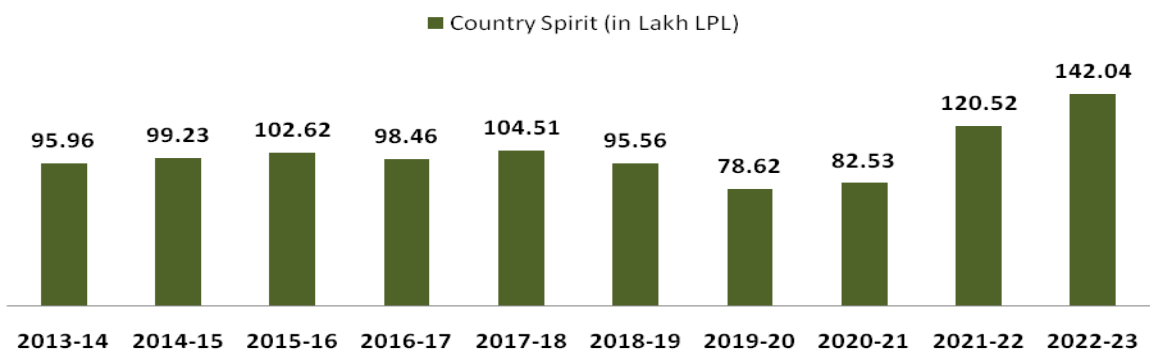


### 7. LIFTING OF COUNTRY LIQUOR

Lifting position of Country Spirit for last ten years is given below: -

Sl. No.	Year	Country Spirit (in Lakh LPL)
1.	2013-14	95.96
2.	2014-15	99.23
3.	2015-16	102.62
4.	2016-17	98.46
5.	2017-18	104.51
6.	2018-19	95.56
7.	2019-20	78.62
8.	2020-21	82.53
9.	2021-22	120.52
10.	2022-23	142.04

### Country Spirit (in Lakh LPL)



## 8. PERFORMANCE OF ODISHA STATE BEVERAGES CORPORATION:

8.1 Government have taken over the monopoly in wholesale trade of IMFL and Country Spirit through a State owned Corporation namely, Odisha State Beverages Corporation Ltd., which has been incorporated as a wholly owned company of the State Government under the Companies Act, 1956. As a result, the collection of Excise duty and sales tax has been increased. A year-wise growth chart of excise duty and sales tax for last ten years is given below: -

Year	Item (I) Excise duty (Rs. in Crore)	Item (II) VAT including entry Tax (Rs. in Crore)	Item (III) Special COVID fee	Total (I+II)
2013-14	1262.00	504.62	-	1766.62
2014-15	1404.50	670.94	-	2075.44
2015-16	1815.85	817.83	-	2633.68
2016-17	2000.33	1091.64	-	3091.97
2017-18	2381.81	1243.20	-	3625.01
2018-19	3205.11	1600.52	-	4805.63
2019-20	3718.69	1728.22	-	5446.91
2020-21	3155.20	1346.70	570.77	5072.67
2021-22	4422.28	2094.00	-	6516.28
2022-23	5273.70	2512.43	-	7786.13

8.2 The Corporation has an authorized capital of Rs. 5.00 Crores. The Government have subscribed Rs. 1.00 Crore towards equity to the Corporation. The Corporation has opened its depots at Khurda, Cuttack, Berhampur, Sambalpur, Balasore, Angul, Rayagada, Jajpur&Sonepur. The Corporation has also opened Country liquor depots at Cuttack, Khurda, Balasore and Jajpur which cover 09 Districts namely Cuttack, Jagatsingpur, Kendrapara, Jajpur, Puri, Nayagarh, Khurda, Balasore, and Bhadrak.

The Corporation has paid following amount towards license fees in last ten years.

Year	License Fee (Rs. In crore)
2013-14	100.80
2014-15	151.90
2015-16	2.75
2016-17	2.75
2017-18	3.00
2018-19	3.00
2019-20	3.00
2020-21	6.00
2021-22	6.00
2022-23	6.00

8.3 The total turnover of the Corporation for last ten years is as follows:-

Sl. No.	Year	Turn Over (Rs. in Crores)	Remarks
1.	2013-14	Rs.3047.01	Audited
2.	2014-15	Rs.3532.35	Audited
3.	2015-16	Rs.3878.39	Audited
4.	2016-17	Rs.4305.32	Audited
5.	2017-18	Rs.3726.69	Audited
6.	2018-19	Rs.4738.36	Audited
7.	2019-20	Rs.5152.89	Audited
8.	2020-21	Rs.3922.32	Audited
9.	2021-22	Rs.6011.39	Audited
10.	2022-23	Rs.7456.64	-

8.4 Odisha State Beverages Corporation has paid the following amount to Govt. towards dividend in last ten years:

Sl. No.	For the Financial Year	Dividend paid to Govt. (Finance Deptt.)
1.	2012-2013	Rs.22,90,31,747/-
2.	2013-2014	Rs.16,88,37,495/-
3.	2014-2015	Rs.10,01,70,000/-
4.	2015-2016	Rs. 10,88,78,330/-
5.	2016-2017	Rs. 7,64,70,000/-
6.	2017-2018	Rs. 7,64,00,000/-
7.	2018-2019	Rs. 8,99,74,000/-
8.	2019-2020	Rs. 7,58,01,325/-
9.	2020-2021	Rs. 6,26,32,088/-
10.	2021-2022	Rs. 5,60,00,000/-

8.5 Odisha State Beverages Corporation has made the following donation to Chief Minister's Relief Fund in last ten years.

SL No.	Financial Year	Amount (Rs. in Crore)
1	2013-14	15.00
2	2014-15	25.00
3	2015-16	10.00
4	2016-17	03.00
5	2017-18	12.00
6	2018-19	5.00
7	2019-20	15.00
8	2020-21	-
9	2021-22	10.00
10	2022-23	10.00

8.6 CSR Activities of Odisha State Beverages Corporation in last eight years as given below.

SL No.	Financial Year	Amount (Rs. in Crore)
1	2015-16	1.63
2	2016-17	1.22
3	2017-18	0.93
4	2018-19	0.76
5	2019-20	0.73
6	2020-21	0.73
7	2021-22	0.79
8	2022-23	0.70

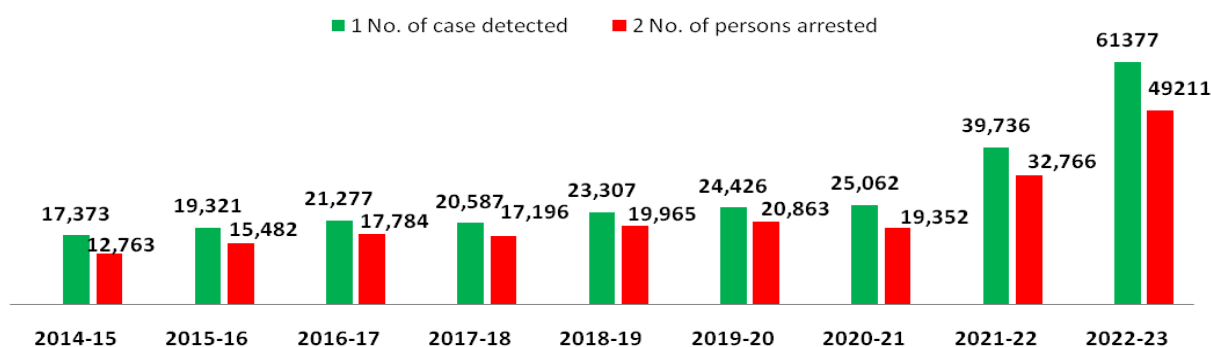
## 9. ENFORCEMENT

9.1 There are four Excise Intelligence and Enforcement Bureau (E.I. & E.B) Units in the State for effective control of Organized Excise & Narco related crimes and to protect the Revenue interest of the State. Out of these 4(four) units, 1(one) unit each is under the control of the 3(three) Excise Deputy Commissioners and 1(one) unit is under the direct control of Excise Commissioner, Odisha. Besides 3(three) Satellite units of Excise Intelligence and Enforcement Bureau (E.I. & E.B) have been created this year at Balasore, Rourkela and Jeypore under jurisdiction of Revenue District of Balasore, Rourkela and Koraput respectively. In addition to these EI and EB Units, there are mobile units in the districts to ensure enforcement.

9.2 Comparative statement of enforcement activities is furnished below:

Item	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
1. No. of case detected	17,373	19,321	21,277	20,587	23,307	24,426	25,062	39,736	61377
2. No. of persons arrested	12,763	15,482	17,784	17,196	19,965	20,863	19,352	32,766	49211
3. Major seized article									
(a) ID Liquor (in Ltr)	1,52,818	2,39,963	2,49,090	1,66,750	2,89,601	4,63,496	8,35,362	10,77,692	19,74,213
(b) IMFL(in LPL)	8,893	13,239	9,860	12,364	9396.375	12,434.48	13925.75	19272.02	14084
(c) Beer (in BL)	12,521	16,361	8,537	11,497	12,071	13,203	8437.1	23568.59	20,765
(d) Wash (inLtr.)	15,11,463	15,89,031	13,43,056	15,61,943	1905060.8	24,12,447	59,75,079	1,10,87,501	20,13,3530

## ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES





## 10. DETECTION AND DESTRUCTION OF HEMP PLANT

During the year 2022-23, Rs.70.00 Lakh has been provided for strengthening enforcement activities to 9(nine) districts namely Angul, Berhampur, Boudh, Gajapati, Ganjam, Kandhamal, Koraput, Malkangiri and Rayagada where there is high density of hemp plant cultivation.

Sl. No.	Name of the Excise District	Hemp Plant Destruction (in acres)	No. of Hemp Plants Destroyed during 2022-23
1.	Angul	0.02	32
2.	Berhampur	16	19200
3.	Boudh	1192	1361400
4.	Gajapati	1151.608	2303168
5.	Ganjam	41	42041
6.	Kandhamal	8647	8647000
7.	Koraput	538.6	644120
8.	Malkangiri	1968	2953100
9.	Rayagada	1569	1580996
10.	Sambalpur	0.37	748
	Grand Total	15123.598	17551805

## 11. STEPS TO CHECK ILLICIT LIQUOR

**11.1** In order to prevent the illegal inflow of non-duty paid liquor, Excise Adhesive Labels are affixed to distinguish duty paid liquor. Such labels are being affixed on each bottle of IMFL, Beer and Country liquor bottle.

**11.2** To prevent and check the flow of illicit liquor, 3(three) Excise Divisional Offices are functioning in the State along with 33(thirty three) Multi-Disciplinary Squad, 33(thirty three) District Mobile teams, 71(seventy one) Excise Range Office, 201(two hundred one) Excise Stations under 33(thirty three) Excise Districts. One Enforcement Cell has been set up in the Excise Directorate with engagement of one DSE to monitor the activities on daily basis through online module in eABKARI web portal.

**11.3** Public Awareness has been made involving N.G.O.s , S.H.G.s and Panchayati Raj Institutions about the dangers of drinking, particularly I.D. and spurious liquor. Besides, to gather information about illicit liquor traders, one toll free Helpline No. 1800-3456-713 has been introduced and the same is functioning in the Office of Excise Commissioner, Odisha, Cuttack. For observance of International day against Drug Abuse & Illicit Trafficking in districts, Rs.7.60 lakh has been provided to districts in 2022-23.

**11.4** The excise cadre has been restructured raising the total strength from 2215 to 2672 with creation of 9 new Excise Station, 13 Excise Range Offices and 3 Satellite Units of Excise Intelligence & Enforcement Bureau. For mobility support, 54 additional vehicles have been provided.

**11.5** Proper co-ordination with Police, NCB and other enforcement agencies are being made to strengthen the enforcement activities in the State.

**11.6** Government have empowered the Excise officers above the rank of Constable of Excise under section 83 (2) to investigate any offence or for all offences punishable under the Odisha Excise Act,2008.

## **12. NDPS CASES:**

A comparative Statement of no. of NDPS cases detected and arrested since last five years is given below.

<b>Subject</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
No of cases registered	545	402	381	686	1949
No of persons arrested.	579	440	396	769	2232

Total 32.512 Kgs of Brown Sugar and 41330.102 Kgs of Ganja have been seized under NDPS Act during the financial year 2022-23.

More concerted efforts are being made for training of the excise field functionaries so as to achieve better coordination with all related agencies and to ensure that the conviction rate in excise offences goes up significantly.

## **13. STAFF STRENGTH:**

There is only one Directorate under the Administrative control of Excise Department headed by the Excise Commissioner. There are three Excise Deputy Commissioners for Central Division, Cuttack, Southern Division, Berhampur and Northern Division, Sambalpur.

**The staff position of Excise Field functionaries is as follows: -**

SI No.	Name of the Post	Sanctioned strength	Persons in Position	Vacant
1.	Superintendent of Excise	47	17	30
2.	Deputy Superintendent of Excise	71	42	29
3.	Inspector of Excise	173	94	79
4.	Sub-Inspector of Excise	291	254	37
5.	Assistant Sub-Inspector of Excise	426	311	115
6.	Excise Constable	1646	1071	575
7.	Section Officer	36	15	21
8.	Senior Assistant	36	24	12
9.	Junior Steno	02	02	00
10.	Junior Assistant	45	12	33
11.	Driver	27	08	19
12.	Peon	10	03	07
13.	Night Watchman	03	00	03
14.	Choukidar	17	09	08
15.	Choukidar-cum-Sweeper	01	00	01
16.	Sweeper	02	00	02
17.	Watchman	02	00	02

**13.1 Steps taken to fill up the vacancies of posts**

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	Group	Vacancy	Requisition sent to recruiting agency	Remarks
1.	Dy. Supdt. of Excise	B	28	28 (OPSC)	Recruitment is under process.
2.	Sub-Inspector of Excise	C	35	-	Steps have been initiated to place the proposal for filling of these vacant posts before the Empowered Committee.
3.	Excise Constable	C	575	-	Out of total 575 vacant posts, 309 posts are the newly created posts during cadre restructuring-2022 and steps have been taken to place the proposal for filling of these vacant posts before the empowered Committee.
4.	Junior Assistant (Excise)	C	33	20 (OSSSC)	Proposal is being sent for approval for recruitment of rest 13 vacant posts through OSSSC.

### 13.2 Promotions given to the Excise Officers.

Sl. No.	Name of the post	Promoted to	Total Number
1.	Deputy Superintendent of Excise	Superintendent of Excise	6
2.	Inspector of Excise	Deputy Superintendent of Excise	8
3.	Sub- Inspector of Excise	Inspector of Excise	12
4.	Assistant Sub- Inspector of Excise	Sub- Inspector of Excise	26
5.	Excise Constable	Assistant Sub- Inspector of Excise	51

### 13.3 Training

It has been decided to train the excise personnel from the rank of Excise Constable to the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Excise & the training shall be held in phased manner in different police training institutes. The detail training module/ schedule for different excise personnel have been furnished to the ADG of police (Training) BPSPA (Biju Patnaik State Police Academy) . An amount of Rs.10.00 (ten) lakh has also been placed with the BPSPA for the purpose.

### 14. HR Restructuring

The cadres of Odisha Excise Service, District Excise Ministerial Service and Excise Directorate Service have been restructured by creating 487 additional posts at different levels. In addition to this, 9 new Excise Stations, 13 new Excise Range offices, 3 new Satellite units of EI & EB Units under Excise Department have also been created.

### 15. Civil Infrastructure

- For strengthening Excise Administration and addressing its infrastructure requirements, Excise Department has been undertaking construction work since 2012 through two executing agencies- Chief Engineer (Buildings), R&B, Odisha under Works Department and Chief Engineer (Buildings & Bridges) RW, Odisha under Rural Development Department.

- To further expedite the civil construction work and for optimal use of budgetary allocation, the Odisha State Police Housing and Welfare Corporation Limited (OSPH&WC), has been roped in from last year, in addition to the above two executing agencies for development of Excise infrastructure in the State.

- During the Financial year 2022-23, taking into account the number of continuing projects and new projects sanctioned, Rs 40.00 Crore has been provisioned under Programme Expenditure. 34 (Thirty four) number of New projects / renovation work have been sanctioned for construction of Excise Stations / Range Offices / District Excise Offices including residential buildings.

- **Construction of Excise Bhawan.**

GA & PG Department has allotted 2.00 acres of Govt. land in Mouza - Chandrasekharapur, Khata No.619(GAD), Plot No.457 (Pt), Kissam-Gochar vide their Order No.4210/CA dated 17.02.2023 for construction of administrative building of different excise offices wherein the Excise Department, Excise Directorate, EAL Godown, State Flying Squad, State Chemical Testing Laboratory, Training Academy, Library etc. shall function. The Odisha Police Housing and Welfare Corporation (OPH & WC) has been selected as Executing Agency for the purpose.

**16. Uniform :**

- Ideal uniform for the Odisha Excise Personnel from the rank of Excise Constable to the rank of Additional Commissioner of Excise with Distinctive Insignia Shoulder Badge as per the rank & functional designation and procedures for wearing uniform by the officers along with uniform for Excise Drivers have been introduced to bring a sense of responsibility and cohesiveness among the excise personnel.

- Uniform allowance in lieu of uniform for excise personnel from the rank of Excise Constable to the rank of Additional Commissioner of Excise including Excise Driver have been introduced.

**17. Provision of vehicle :**

- Approval of Finance Department have been obtained to hire (a) 1 (one) vehicle for the office of Excise Commissioner, Odisha; (b) 4 (four) vehicles for four EI & EB Units @ one each and (c) 49 (forty-nine) vehicles for 13 newly created Range Offices, 3 new Satellite Units of three Divisional Offices and 33 newly proposed model Excise Stations.

## 18. NDPS Godown:

• 10(ten) Nos. of NPDS godowns have already been constructed and made operational at Angul, Mayurbhanj at Baripada, Sambalpur, Bargarh, Boudh, Ganjam at Chatrapur, Koraput at Jeypore, Cuttack, Puri and Khordha for storage of seized NDPS controlled substances with double locking system, provision of CCTV surveillance and round the clock guarding by the Security personnel in compliance to the order dated 28.1.2016 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India passed in Criminal Appeal Case No.652 of 2012 (Union of India- vrs- Mohanlal and another).

## 19. C&AG Para Settlement:

Approved compliance on 01 C&AG Paras relating to State Finance (Report 2 for the year 2022) have been forwarded to OLA (PAC branch) for consideration .

## 20. Triangular Committee Meeting

Dates of TC Meeting Held	No. of Paras	Money value(Rs.)	Settled/ Recommended	Remarks
25.05.2022	19	Rs.85,42,860 /-	Settled	Final settlement figure communicated by A.G. (O)
26.05.2022				
27.05.2022				
22.08.2022	23	Rs.33,39,10,864 /-	Settled	Final settlement figure communicated by A.G. (O)
23.08.2022				
24.08.2022				
TOTAL	42	Rs.34,24,53,724/-		

### Internal Audit Reports Issued

Nos of IARs Approved & issued	paras	Amount Held under objection	Amount suggested for recovery	Total money value
13	115	Rs.2,71,40,488.00	Rs.17,33,95,884.00	Rs.20,05,36,372.00

### Internal Audit Report Para Settlement

Settlement Method	No of Paras	Money value		Total	
		Amount Held under Objection	Amount suggested for recovery		
Through regular correspondence and IACRC Meetings	50	Rs. 1,87,23,257.00	Rs. 1,92,63,498.00	Rs. 3,79,86,755.00	-

## 21. e-ABKARI:

Department for promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Government of India has been thrusting upon ease of doing business in the State. So under the Programme Business Reforms Action Plan and under 5Tcharter of Excise Department, a number of G2B services of Excise Department have been identified for rolling out on-line. One portal for Excise Directorate has been developed by NIC, Bhubaneswar.

For Ease of Doing Business the following G2B Services of Excise Department and OSBC Ltd. are being provided online through e-Abkari Portal and OSBC online Portal developed by NIC.

- i. Application for grant of new FL'OFF'/CL/O.S shop license.
- ii. Grant of New "ON" Shop license.
- iii. Renewal of IMFL'OFF'/O.S/CL/'ON' shops with Online Payment.
- iv. Renewal of Distillery/Brewery/Bottling plants.
- v. Issue of L.O.I for setting up new Distilleries /Breweries /Bottling plants.
- vi. Issue of wholesale vendor license.
- vii. Issue of permits for import/transport of Spirit.
- viii. Issue of NOC for import/transport of Spirit.
- ix. Label/Brand Registration.
- x. Grant of new Mohua flower storage & sale License.
- xi. Accounting and import, export and transport of Mohua flower.
- xii. Transfer and shifting of 'OFF'/CL/O.S/'ON' shops.
- xiii. Public grievance monitoring system.
- xiv. SIR module.
- xv. Integrate of CCIS with CCTNS.
- xvi. Grant of temporary Bar License.
- xvii. Permission for late closing/serving.
- xviii. Daily Enforcement.
- xix. Criminal case Information System.
- xx. Indent application by supplier to permit generation by Superintendent of Excise, Khordha.
- xxi. Real time tracking of goods in transit from bottling unit to depot.
- xxii. Online issue of NOC for export of IMFL and Beer to outside the State.
- xxiii. Inventory management and real time MIS report generation.
- xxiv. Online purchase order generation by the retailers for lifting of IMFL/Beer/CL from OSBC depot.
- xxv. Online issue of transit pass to the licensed retailers by the OIC of depot.
- xxvi. 2.0 Treasury integration (online payment module) & 100 % online payment made through e-Abkari portal
- xxvii. Feedback system for licensee

- xxviii. Mohua Accounting
- xxix. Import / export / transport of Mohua Flower, Pass & Extension, cancellation of Mohua Flower Permits
- xxx. Grant of new Molasses License
- xxxi. EAL Accounting Module

## **22. EXCISE POLICY:**

Excise Policy (Excise Fee, Duty and Margin Structure along with Regulatory Guidelines) for the year 2023-24 is in force.

## **23. 5T**

All the targets fixed under 5T charter of this Department have been achieved.

## **24. Recognition and Awards**

In a special ceremony held in Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, the Hon'ble president of India, Smt. Draupadi Murmu, conferred the prestigious "**Digital India Gold Award**" to State Excise Department for digital initiatives and ease of doing business through e-ABAKARI portal on 07.01.2023.

Similarly on 19.12.2023, State Excise Department was honoured with **SKOTCH group Silver Award for ICT intervention at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi**, Initiated under Business Reforms Action Plans, the project has been largely effective in fulfilling the objectives and mandates of Excise department.

Besides, the Excise Department of Govt. of Odisha has been presented with the **20th Computer Society of India(CSI), Special Interest Group(CGI) e-Governance Award for computerization and IT initiatives** on 25.03.2023 at Netaji Subash University of Technology, New Delhi.

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## ***ACHIEVEMENTS DURING 2022-23***

