

Goa gets a museum dedicated to feni

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In news– Recently, Goa got a museum that is entirely dedicated to the **locally brewed alcohol, Feni**, which is Goa's one of the most loved features among the tourists.

About the Museum-

- The museum has been **named as 'All About Alcohol'**.
- Spread across 13,000 sq ft in the beach village of Candolim, the museum offers a potent brew of history and Goan culture.
- Nandan Kudchadkar's latest venture, a museum **dedicated to the "art of drinking"** and offers a fresh perspective on India's unofficial 'party capital'.
- The sprawling five-room museum **documents how feni, distilled from fermented cashew apples, has been produced**, transported and consumed over centuries.
- Thousands of multi-coloured garrafões (large-bellied glass bottles), used to hold the spirit, line its walls.
- **The museum also features its own cellar, which houses row upon row of cashew and coconut feni** dating back to the 1950s.

More about Feni-

- Feni is a **traditional liquor distilled from the fermented juice of cashew apples**.
- The name "feni" is derived from the **Sanskrit word phena** which actually means froth.
- It is due to the fact that bubbles form a light froth when the liquor is shaken in a bottle or poured in a glass.
- Feni is a part of Goa's food tradition from the last 400

years.

- It got the **Geographical Indication (GI) certificate in 2009.**
- In 2016, the Goan government initiated the process of declaring it as a heritage drink.
- **The two popular types of Feni Goa is known for are—** Coconut Feni and Cashew Feni.
- In terms of production, Coconut Feni is older than Cashew Feni.