

India-Israel Trade Ties

Why in news?

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Prime Minister's Israel visit will set the stage for partnerships in defence and agriculture.

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What are the highlights of Israel technology?

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• Israel has become the centre for R&D in the area of autonomous car technology.

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- It has a long line of dynamic innovation ecosystem outside America.
- Israel tackled its rain deficiency by developing technology solutions for water reuse in agriculture and industry.
- Israel's low inflation and rising labour force participation has a lot to offer businesses.

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What is the status of India-Israel trade relationship?

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• India has bilateral ties with Israel in areas of security, defence and agriculture.

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• The bilateral trade currently reached \$4.5 billion from \$200 million in 1992.

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- The presence of Israeli companies in India has grown to 300.
- India exports precious stones, metals, chemical products, textile, rubber & plastic products, and base machinery to Israel.

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What are the areas of trade to be concentrated?

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- Israeli defence industries are well inclined towards joint ventures to give a boost to the 'Make in India' campaign.
- India-Israeli deal to jointly develop a medium range surface-to-air missile system is a good business model to work on.
- ullet A joint research and development fund can work wonders.
- Indian-Israeli companies with their innovation can together stimulate domestic manufacturing and agriculture sector.
- \bullet The Israeli dairy genetic material can revolutionise the dairy industry in India. $\ensuremath{^{\backslash n}}$

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