

3. RESULTS

The responses received are tabulated in this document. Alcohol use is restricted on religious grounds in the predominantly Muslim countries of Bangladesh and Maldives. The limited information available from these countries relates mostly to seizure of alcoholic beverages. In Indonesia, which too is a predominantly Muslim country, the use, sale and production of alcohol varies from province to province. The responses received from the Directorate of Mental Health, Ministry of Health, are tabulated in this document. Six other SEAR Member States also responded to the questionnaire. The analysis of information in the discussion section is based on the responses from these seven countries.

BANGLADESH

There is little information about alcohol and related issues from Bangladesh. The limited information available is summarized below. This small but significant data indicates that alcohol is accessible to users in the lower, middle and upper strata of the population, albeit in small quantities.

Table 2 shows important cost comparisons of drugs and alcohol (locally produced or imported alcohol). The comparison suggests that heroin and herbal cannabis are cheaper than country made and overseas liquor. By the same token, country made liquor is four times cheaper than imported liquor.

Table 1: Alcohol production in Bangladesh by location for 2004

<i>Location</i>	<i>Litre/year</i>
Dhaka	293 155.53
Mymenshingh	118 983.60
Chittagong	156 687.10
Sremongal	498 981.24
Komilla	101 245.00
Santahar	85 860.00
Parbaitpur	74 460.00
Pabna	29 190.00
Khulna	68 790.00
Total	1 427 352.47

Source: Department of Narcotics Control, Ministry of Home Affairs

Table 3 presents the number of drug/alcohol cases and quantities seized in the years 2002 and 2003, while Table 4 presents the data for the years 2004 and 2005 (January-April).

Table 2: Cost comparisons of drugs and alcohol

<i>Name of drug</i>	<i>Price of single dose (Taka)</i>
Heroin	20–50
Herbal cannabis	10–30
Country made liquor	30–60
Overseas liquor	100–300
Phensedyl (codeine preparation)	100–150
Pethadine injection	60–150
BupreNorphine injection	30–50

Source: Department of Narcotics Control, Ministry of Home Affairs

Table 3: Statement of cases, accused and seizure during the years 2002 and 2003

Type of alcohol	2002				2003			
	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Accused</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Accused</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Unit</i>
Illegal distillation	1 608	1 859	32 639	Litre	1 544	1 720	31 177	Litre
Wash (Zauwa)	-	-	196 756	Litre	-	-	181 897	Litre
Bakhar (Fermenting agent)	1	1	53.15	Kg	3	3	90	Kg
Tari (Todi)	114	115	5 375	Litre	82	84	7 603	Litre
Pachwai	1	1	5 000	Litre	2	2	345	Litre
Country liquor	12	12	461	Litre	8	6	107	Litre
Foreign liquor	286	331	417 9 916 0	Litre Bottle Quartz	75	75	43 9 736 0	Litre Bottle Quartz
F.L. (beer)	-	-	17 915	Can	-	-	238	Can
Rectified spirit	87	92	12 579	Litre	98	101	1 477	Litre
Denatured spirit	51	59	1 209	Litre	39	46	559	Litre

Source: Department of Narcotics Control, Ministry of Home Affairs



Table 4: Statement of cases, accused and seizure during the years 2004 and 2005 (January-April)

Type of alcohol	2004				2005 (Jan-Apr)			
	Cases	Accused	Quantity	Unit	Cases	Accused	Quantity	Unit
Illegal distillation	1 668	1 795	32 084	Litre	578	612	11 062	Litre
Wash (Zauwa)	-	-	118 692	Litre	-	-	33 191	Litre
Bakhar (Fermenting agent)	2	2	194	Kg	1	0	17	Kg
Tari (Todi)	108	110	10 130	Litre	73	84	4 296	Litre
Pachwai	-	-	0	Litre	3	3	65	Litre
Country liquor	8	10	54	Litre	4	4	42	Litre
Foreign liquor	179	182	41 3 560 0	Litre Bottle Quartz	75	75	70 1 727 0	Litre Bottle Quartz
F.L. (beer)	-	-	5 795	Can	-	-	1 248	Can
Rectified spirit	94	124	3 074	Litre	31	38	166	Litre
Denatured spirit	47	55	1 603	Litre	8	9	144	Litre

Source: Department of Narcotics Control, Ministry of Home Affairs

BHUTAN

1	Definition of an alcoholic beverage (minimum volume %)	5
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2 Price of alcoholic beverages		
<i>Off-licence</i>	<i>Usual quantity (ml)</i>	<i>Price (Ngultrums)</i>
Average locally produced or most consumed beer	Most consumed beer is imported from outside country	35/bottle
Average and most consumed table wine	650	300/bottle
Average locally produced or most consumed spirits	750	70/bottle
If it exists, other special or different local alcoholic beverage, Ara Sing Chang, Bang Chang (10–50% alc. vol).	750	30/bottle
Average Non-alcoholic soft drink	1500	45/bottle

2 a	Change in price during the last five years	Increased
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3 Taxation of alcoholic beverages		
3 a	General sales tax or VAT (Value Added Tax)	Yes
3 b	Percentage of the tax	50% on beer (7–20%)
3 c	Duty-paid, excise or tax stamps or labels	No
3 d	Level of alcohol tax (percentage of the retail or selling price)	
	<i>Beer</i> (approx. 4.5% alcohol by volume)	5%
	<i>Wine</i> (approx. 12% alcohol by volume)	12–14%
	<i>Spirits</i> (approx. 40% alcohol by volume)	20–60%

4 Drink-driving legislation		
4 a	Maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a car*	Not determined
4 b	Frequency of Random Roadside Breath Testing (RBT) of drivers*	No RBT*
4 c	Geographical distribution of RBT use	NA

* Although there is no BAC and RBT system, drunken driving is prohibited. Road and Surface Transport and Royal Bhutan Police strictly monitor this policy.



5 Restrictions on consumption and availability		
5 a	Legal age limits for buying alcohol	
	<i>On-premise (years)</i>	<i>Off-licence (years)</i>
Beer	18	18
Wine	18	18
Spirits	18	18

5 b	Restrictions on alcohol consumption in different public domains	
Health care establishments	Legally forbidden	
Educational buildings	Legally forbidden	
Government offices	Legally forbidden	
Public transport	Legally forbidden	
Parks, streets etc.	No restrictions	
Sporting events	Partial restriction	
Leisure events (concerts etc.)	No restrictions	
Workplaces	Voluntary agreement	

5 c	Level of state control on production and sale of beer, wine and spirits		
State monopoly (full state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	Yes	Not produced but import is fully controlled by the state.	Yes
Retail sale	Yes	Yes	Yes
Licence is required (partial state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	Yes	Yes	Yes
Retail sale	Yes	Yes	Yes

5 d	Existing restrictions for the off-licence sale of beer, wine and spirits		
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Hours of sale are restricted*	Yes	Yes	Yes
Days of sale are restricted**	Yes	Yes	Yes
Places of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Density of outlets is restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
* Bar timing is after 1 pm only			
** Every Tuesday is observed as dry day where serving of alcohol is restricted			

5 e	Level of enforcement of existing sales restrictions	Partially enforced
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6 Alcohol advertising and health warnings			
6 a	Alcohol advertising allowed and exists in some form		No
6 b	Health warnings legally required on the advertisement		No
6 c	Health warnings of any kind legally required on the <i>containers/bottles</i> of alcoholic beverages		No
6 d	Regulation of alcohol advertising in different media		
	<i>Type of Media</i>	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>
	National TV	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Cable TV	Restricted	Restricted
	National radio	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Local radio	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Newspapers/magazines	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Billboards	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Points of sale	Restricted	Restricted
	Cinema	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden

7 Alcohol sponsorship and promotion			
		<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>
	Alcohol industry sponsorship of sporting events	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Alcohol industry sponsorship of youth events	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Sales promotion in the form of serving <i>free alcohol</i> (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Sales promotion in the form of <i>sales below cost</i> e.g. two for one, happy hour (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	No restrictions	No restrictions

8 Level of enforcement of existing advertising and sponsorship restrictions indicated in the two previous questions	
Advertising	Not enforced
Sponsorship	Not enforced



INDIA

1	Definition of an alcoholic beverage (minimum volume %)	4
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2 Price of alcoholic beverages		
	<i>quantity (ml)</i>	<i>(Rupees)</i>
Average locally produced or most consumed beer	650	50
Average and most consumed table wine	750	300–1800
Average locally produced or most consumed spirits (Indian Made Foreign Liquor-IMFL)	750	200–600
If it exists, other special or different local alcoholic beverage, (Indian Made Country Liquor-IMC 29–36% alc. vol)	750	80
Average Non-alcoholic soft drink	300	10

2 a	Change in price during the last five years	Increased by 5%
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3 Taxation of alcoholic beverages		
3 a	General sales tax or VAT (Value Added Tax)	Sales tax
3 b	Percentage of the tax	20% and above
3 c	Duty-paid, excise or tax stamps or labels	Yes
3 d	Level of alcohol tax (percentage of the retail or selling price)	
	<i>Beer</i> (approx. 4.5% alcohol by volume)	150%
	<i>Wine</i> (approx. 12% alcohol by volume)	50%
	<i>Spirits</i> (approx. 40% alcohol by volume)	250% and above

4 Drink-driving legislation		
4 a	Maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a car	30 mg%
4 b	Frequency of Random Roadside Breath Testing (RBT) of drivers	Occasional
4 c	Geographical distribution of RBT use	Highways/ Expressways

5 Restrictions on consumption and availability		
5 a	Legal age limits for buying alcohol	
	<i>On-premise (years)</i>	<i>Off-licence (years)</i>
Beer	25	25
Wine	25	25
Spirits	25	25

5 b Restrictions on alcohol consumption in different public domains	
Health care establishments	Legally forbidden
Educational buildings	Legally forbidden
Government offices	Legally forbidden
Public transport	Legally forbidden
Parks, streets etc.	Legally forbidden
Sporting events	Legally forbidden
Leisure events (concerts etc.)	Permitted with licence
Workplaces	Legally forbidden

5 c Level of state control on production and sale of beer, wine and spirits			
State monopoly (full state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	No	No	No
Retail sale	No	No	No
Licence is required (partial state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	Yes	Yes	Yes
Retail sale	Yes	Yes	Yes

5 d Existing restrictions for the off-licence sale of beer, wine and spirits			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Hours of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Days of sale are restricted	Dry days are Notified	Dry days are Notified	Dry days are Notified
Places of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Density of outlets is restricted	Permission is given on demand	Permission is given on demand	Permission is given on demand

5 e	Level of enforcement of existing sales restrictions	Fully enforced
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6 Alcohol advertising and health warnings			
6 a	Alcohol advertising allowed and exists in some form	No	
6 b	Health warnings legally required on the advertisement	NA	
6 c	Health warnings of any kind legally required on the <i>containers/bottles</i> of alcoholic beverages	Yes	
6 d	Regulation of alcohol advertising in different media		
	<i>Type of Media</i>	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>
	National TV	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Cable TV	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	National radio	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Local radio	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Newspapers/magazines	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Billboards	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Points of sale	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Cinema	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden

7 Alcohol sponsorship and promotion			
		<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>
	Alcohol industry sponsorship of sporting events	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Alcohol industry sponsorship of youth events	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Sales promotion in the form of serving <i>free alcohol</i> (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Sales promotion in the form of <i>sales below cost</i> e.g. two for one, happy hour (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	Yes	Yes

8 Level of enforcement of existing advertising and sponsorship restrictions indicated in the two previous questions	
Advertising	Fully enforced
Sponsorship	Fully enforced

INDONESIA

1	Definition of an alcoholic beverage (minimum volume %)	1
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2 Price of alcoholic beverages		
<i>Off-licence</i>	<i>Usual quantity (ml)</i>	<i>Price (Rupiah)</i>
Average locally produced or most consumed beer	330	6 500 – 8 500
	820	12 000 – 16 000
Average and most consumed table wine	750	138 000–780 000
Average locally produced or most consumed spirits	750	132 000–405 000
If it exists, other special or different local alcoholic beverage: Tuak, arak, cap tikus, topi miring (> 20% alc. vol)	Not available in shops	Not available in shops
Average Non-alcoholic soft drink	1 500	8 350
2 a	Change in price during the last five years	Increased

3 Taxation of alcoholic beverages		
3 a	General sales tax or VAT (Value Added Tax)	Yes
3 b	Percentage of the tax	10% (7–20%)
3 c	Duty-paid, excise or tax stamps or labels	No
3 d	Level of alcohol tax (percentage of the retail or selling price)	
Type A (1%)	Local product	1 250/litre
	Imported product	1 250/litre
Type A (1–5%)	Local product	2 050/litre
	Imported product	2 500/litre
Type B (5–15%)	Local product	3 150/litre
	Imported product	10 000/litre
Type B (15–20%)	Local product	7 800/litre
	Imported product	20 000/litre
Type C (> 20%)	Local product	25 500/litre
	Imported product	50 000/litre
* Government decree No. 3, 1997 divided alcoholic beverages into three types: Type A – 1–5%, Type B – 5–20%, Type C – 20–55%		

4 Drink-driving legislation		
4 a	Maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a car	No regulation
4 b	Frequency of Random Roadside Breath Testing (RBT) of drivers	No RBT
4 c	Geographical distribution of RBT use	NA



5 Restrictions on consumption and availability		
5 a	Legal age limits for buying alcohol	
	<i>On-premise (years)</i>	<i>Off-licence (years)</i>
Beer	21	21
Wine	21	21
Spirits	21	21

5 b	Restrictions on alcohol consumption in different public domains	
	Health care establishments	Legally forbidden
	Educational buildings	Legally forbidden
	Government offices	Legally forbidden
	Public transport	Legally forbidden
	Parks, streets etc.	Legally forbidden
	Sporting events	Legally forbidden
	Leisure events (concerts etc.)	Legally forbidden
	Workplaces	Legally forbidden

5 c	Level of state control on production and sale of beer, wine and spirits		
	State monopoly (full state control)		
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	No	No	No
Retail sale	No	No	No
	Licence is required (partial state control)		
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	Yes	Yes	Yes
Retail sale	Yes	Yes	Yes

5 d	Existing restrictions for the off-licence sale of beer, wine and spirits		
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Hours of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Days of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Places of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Density of outlets is restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes

5 e	Level of enforcement of existing sales restrictions	Rarely enforced
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6 Alcohol advertising and health warnings				
6 a	Alcohol advertising allowed and exists in some form		No	
6 b	Health warnings legally required on the advertisement		NA	
6 c	Health warnings of any kind legally required on the <i>containers/bottles</i> of alcoholic beverages		No	
6 d	Regulation of alcohol advertising in different media*			
	<i>Type of Media</i>	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
	National TV	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
	Cable TV	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
	National radio	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
	Local radio	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
	Newspapers/magazines	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
	Billboards	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
	Points of sale	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
	Cinema	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden

7 Alcohol sponsorship and promotion*			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Alcohol industry sponsorship of sporting events	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
Alcohol industry sponsorship of youth events	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
Sales promotion in the form of serving <i>free alcohol</i> (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden
Sales promotion in the form of <i>sales below cost</i> e.g. two for one, happy hour (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	Forbidden	Forbidden	Forbidden

8 Level of enforcement of existing advertising and sponsorship restrictions indicated in the two previous questions	
Advertising	Fully enforced*
Sponsorship	Fully enforced*

* Although there is no regulation in Indonesia, alcohol consumption is prohibited as 90% of Indonesian citizens are Muslims. In Aceh and several other districts alcohol consumption is punishable under Shari'ah law. Restrictions on advertising and sponsorship are fully enforced.



MALDIVES

Alcohol consumption is prohibited in Maldives for Maldivian citizens and punishable under Shari'ah law. However, its import for tourist trade is permitted. Foreigners (diplomats) residing in Maldives, are given special permits for consumption of alcohol on the inhabited islands such as Malé but are forbidden from serving alcohol to local Maldivians.

There is no local production of beer, wine and spirits.

Alcohol is permitted to be sold only in "resorts" for which a licence is required; elsewhere, on any inhabited island (including Malé), it is strictly forbidden, by law. There is full enforcement of existing sales restrictions. The total ban on sale of alcohol is enforced by the police; when visitors arrive into the country, they are informed that the import/consumption of alcohol is prohibited. Penalties imposed for non-compliance are fines and imprisonment.

No alcohol advertising is allowed. No alcohol sponsorship and promotion is allowed. Advertising and sponsorship restrictions are fully enforced.

MYANMAR

1	Definition of an alcoholic beverage (minimum volume %)	2
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2 Price of alcoholic beverages		
<i>Off-licence</i>	<i>Usual quantity (ml)</i>	<i>Price (Kyats)</i>
Average locally produced or most consumed beer	640	750
Average and most consumed table wine	350	650
Average locally produced or most consumed spirits	700	730
If it exists, other special or different local alcoholic beverage: Khaung Yay, Htan Yay, Dani Yay (40% alc. vol).	1000	1000
Average Non-alcoholic soft drink	285	200

2 a	Change in price during the last five years	Increased
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3 Taxation of alcoholic beverages		
3 a	General sales tax or VAT (Value Added Tax)	Yes
3 b	Percentage of the tax	40%
3 c	Duty-paid, excise or tax stamps or labels	No
3 d	Level of alcohol tax (percentage of the retail or selling price)	
	<i>Beer</i> (approx. 4.5% alcohol by volume)	40%
	<i>Wine</i> (approx. 12% alcohol by volume)	40%
	<i>Spirits</i> (approx. 40% alcohol by volume)	40%

4 Drink-driving legislation		
4 a	Maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a car	70 mg%
4 b	Frequency of Random Roadside Breath Testing (RBT) of drivers	Rarely performed
4 c	Geographical distribution of RBT use	Mostly performed in urban highly populated areas



5 Restrictions on consumption and availability		
5 a	Legal age limits for buying alcohol	
	<i>On-premise (years)</i>	<i>Off-licence (years)</i>
Beer	18	18
Wine	18	18
Spirits	18	18

5 b	Restrictions on alcohol consumption in different public domains	
Health care establishments	Legally forbidden	
Educational buildings	Legally forbidden	
Government offices	Legally forbidden	
Public transport	Partially restricted	
Parks, streets etc.	Voluntary agreement	
Sporting events	Voluntary agreement	
Leisure events (concerts etc.)	No restrictions	
Workplaces	Legally forbidden	

5 c	Level of state control on production and sale of beer, wine and spirits		
State monopoly (full state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	No	No	No
Retail sale	No	No	No
Licence is required (partial state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	Yes	Yes	Yes
Retail sale	Yes	Yes	Yes

5 d	Existing restrictions for the off-licence sale of beer, wine and spirits		
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Hours of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Days of sale are restricted	No	No	No
Places of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Density of outlets is restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes

5 e	Level of enforcement of existing sales restrictions	Fully enforced
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6 Alcohol advertising and health warnings			
6 a	Alcohol advertising allowed and exists in some form		Yes
6 b	Health warnings legally required on the advertisement		No
6 c	Health warnings of any kind legally required on the <i>containers/bottles</i> of alcoholic beverages		No
6 d	Regulation of alcohol advertising in different media		
	<i>Type of Media</i>	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>
	National TV	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Cable TV	NA	NA
	National radio	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Local radio	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Newspapers/magazines	Partial restriction	Partial restriction
	Billboards	Voluntary agreement	Voluntary agreement
	Points of sale	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Cinema	Partial restriction	Partial restriction

7 Alcohol sponsorship and promotion			
		<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>
	Alcohol industry sponsorship of sporting events	No restrictions	Partial restrictions
	Alcohol industry sponsorship of youth events	Partial restrictions	Partial restrictions
	Sales promotion in the form of serving <i>free alcohol</i> (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	Voluntary agreement	Voluntary agreement
	Sales promotion in the form of <i>sales below cost</i> e.g. two for one, happy hour (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	No restrictions	No restrictions

8 Level of enforcement of existing advertising and sponsorship restrictions indicated in the two previous questions	
Advertising	Fully enforced
Sponsorship	Fully enforced



NEPAL

1	Definition of an alcoholic beverage (minimum volume %)	All alcohol containing beverages regardless of percentage
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2 Price of alcoholic beverages		
<i>Off-licence</i>	<i>Usual quantity (ml)</i>	<i>Price (Rupees)</i>
Average locally produced or most consumed beer	650	95
Average and most consumed table wine	750	400
Average locally produced or most consumed spirits	600	20 onwards
If it exists, other special or different local alcoholic beverage: Raksi (home-made) (upto 80% alc. vol)	600	60 onwards
Average Non-alcoholic soft drink	200	15

2 a	Change in price during the last five years	Increased
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3 Taxation of alcoholic beverages		
3 a	General sales tax or VAT (Value Added Tax)	Yes
3 b	Percentage of the tax	13%
3 c	Duty-paid, excise or tax stamps or labels	Yes
3 d	Level of alcohol tax (percentage of the retail or selling price)	
	<i>Beer</i>	Rs 45/litre
	<i>Country beer</i>	Rs 15/litre
	<i>Wine</i> (upto 17% alcohol)	Rs 80/litre
	<i>Spirits</i> (less than 40 u.p.)	Rs 34/litre
	<i>Spirits</i> (40–65 u.p.)	Rs 200/litre
	<i>Spirits</i> (65 u.p. and above)	Rs 75/litre

4 Drink-driving legislation		
4 a	Maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a car	No alcohol is permitted in the blood
4 b	Frequency of Random Roadside Breath Testing (RBT) of drivers	Rarely
4 c	Geographical distribution of RBT use	NA

5 Restrictions on consumption and availability		
5 a	Legal age limits for buying alcohol	
	<i>On-premise (years)</i>	<i>Off-licence (years)</i>
Beer	18	18
Wine	18	18
Spirits	18	18

5 b Restrictions on alcohol consumption in different public domains	
Health care establishments	Legally forbidden
Educational buildings	Legally forbidden
Government offices	Legally forbidden
Public transport	No restrictions
Parks, streets etc.	No restrictions
Sporting events	Legally forbidden
Leisure events (concerts etc.)	Partially restricted
Workplaces	Legally forbidden

5 c Level of state control on production and sale of beer, wine and spirits			
State monopoly (full state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	No	No	No
Retail sale	No	No	No
Licence is required (partial state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production*	Yes	Yes	Yes
Retail sale	Yes	Yes	Yes

* Licence is not required for up to five litres of home-made alcohol for personal use at a time, up to six times per year

5 d Existing restrictions for the off-licence sale of beer, wine and spirits			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Hours of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Days of sale are restricted	No	No	No
Places of sale are restricted*	Yes	Yes	Yes
Density of outlets is restricted	No	No	No

* eg. religious places, office premises

5 e	Level of enforcement of existing sales restrictions	Partially enforced
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6 Alcohol advertising and health warnings				
6 a	Alcohol advertising allowed and exists in some form	Yes		
6 b	Health warnings legally required on the advertisement	No		
6 c	Health warnings of any kind legally required on the <i>containers/bottles</i> of alcoholic beverages	No		
6 d	Regulation of alcohol advertising in different media			
	<i>Type of Media</i>	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
	National TV	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Cable TV	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	National radio	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Local radio	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
	Newspapers/magazines	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Billboards	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Points of sale	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Cinema	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden

7 Alcohol sponsorship and promotion			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Alcohol industry sponsorship of sporting events	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
Alcohol industry sponsorship of youth events	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden	Legally forbidden
Sales promotion in the form of serving <i>free alcohol</i> (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	Partial restrictions	Partial restrictions	Partial restrictions
Sales promotion in the form of <i>sales below cost</i> e.g. two for one, happy hour (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	Partial restrictions	Partial restrictions	Partial restrictions

8 Level of enforcement of existing advertising and sponsorship restrictions indicated in the two previous questions	
Advertising	Partially enforced
Sponsorship	Partially enforced

SRI LANKA

1	Definition of an alcoholic beverage (minimum volume %)	4
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2 Price of alcoholic beverages		
<i>Off-licence</i>	<i>Usual quantity (ml)</i>	<i>Price (Sri Lankan Rupees)</i>
Average locally produced or most consumed beer	625	65
Average and most consumed table wine	-	-
Average locally produced or most consumed spirits	750	340
If it exists, other special or different local alcoholic beverage: Kasippu (widely used)	300	40
Average Non-alcoholic soft drink	300	30

2 a	Change in price during the last five years	Increased
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3 Taxation of alcoholic beverages		
3 a	General sales tax or VAT (Value Added Tax)	Yes
3 b	Percentage of the tax	20% (7–20%)
3 c	Duty-paid, excise or tax stamps or labels	No
3 d	Level of alcohol tax (percentage of the retail or selling price)	
	<i>Beer</i> (More than 4.5%)	Rs 53.50/litre
	<i>Beer</i> Less than 4.5%	Rs 37.50/litre
	<i>Wine</i> (approx. 12% alcohol by volume)	Rs 200.00/litre
	<i>Spirits</i> (Local arrack: approx. 40% alcohol by volume)	Rs 395.00/litre
	<i>Spirits</i> (Locally made foreign liquor: approx. 40% alcohol by volume)	Rs 525.00/litre

4 Drink-driving legislation		
4 a	Maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a car	60 mg%
4 b	Frequency of Random Roadside Breath Testing (RBT) of drivers	Sometimes
4 c	Geographical distribution of RBT use	Carried out in different regions and between rural and urban areas



5 Restrictions on consumption and availability		
5 a	Legal age limits for buying alcohol	
	<i>On-premise (years)</i>	<i>Off-licence (years)</i>
Beer	18	18
Wine	18	18
Spirits	18	18

5 b	Restrictions on alcohol consumption in different public domains	
Health care establishments	Legally forbidden	
Educational buildings	Legally forbidden	
Government offices	Legally forbidden	
Public transport	Legally forbidden	
Parks, streets etc.	Partially restricted	
Sporting events	No restrictions	
Leisure events (concerts etc.)	Partially restricted	
Workplaces	No restrictions	

5 c	Level of state control on production and sale of beer, wine and spirits		
State monopoly (full state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	No	No	No
Retail sale	No	No	No
Licence is required (partial state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	Yes	Yes	Yes
Retail sale	Yes	Yes	Yes

5 d	Existing restrictions for the off-licence sale of beer, wine and spirits		
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Hours of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Days of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Places of sale are restricted	No	No	No
Density of outlets is restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes

5 e	Level of enforcement of existing sales restrictions	Partially enforced
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6 Alcohol advertising and health warnings			
6 a	Alcohol advertising allowed and exists in some form		Yes
6 b	Health warnings legally required on the advertisement		No
6 c	Health warnings of any kind legally required on the <i>containers/bottles</i> of alcoholic beverages		No
6 d	Regulation of alcohol advertising in different media		
	<i>Type of Media</i>	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>
	National TV	Restricted	Restricted
	Cable TV	No restrictions	No restrictions
	National radio	Restricted	Restricted
	Local radio	Restricted	Restricted
	Newspapers/magazines	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Billboards	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Points of sale	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Cinema	Voluntary agreement	No restrictions

7 Alcohol sponsorship and promotion			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Alcohol industry sponsorship of sporting events	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions
Alcohol industry sponsorship of youth events	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions
Sales promotion in the form of serving <i>free alcohol</i> (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	Partial restrictions	Partial restrictions	Partial restrictions
Sales promotion in the form of <i>sales below cost</i> e.g. two for one, happy hour (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions

8 Level of enforcement of existing advertising and sponsorship restrictions indicated in the two previous questions	
Advertising	Direct advertising restrictions are strictly enforced
Sponsorship	Direct sponsorship restrictions are strictly enforced



THAILAND

1	Definition of an alcoholic beverage (minimum volume %)	> 0.5
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2 Price of alcoholic beverages		
<i>Off-licence</i>	<i>Usual quantity (ml)</i>	<i>Price (Baht)</i>
Average locally produced or most consumed beer	250	30–60
Average and most consumed table wine	330	45–70
Average locally produced or most consumed spirits	320	30–60
If it exists, other special or different local alcoholic beverage: Satho (7–15 % alc. vol).	640	30–60
Average Non-alcoholic soft drink	250	13–15

2 a	Change in price during the last five years	Increased
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3 Taxation of alcoholic beverages		
3 a	General sales tax or VAT (Value Added Tax)	Yes
3 b	Percentage of the tax	7% (7–20%)
3 c	Duty-paid, excise or tax stamps or labels	Yes
3 d	Level of alcohol tax (percentage of the retail or selling price)	
	<i>Beer</i> (approx. 4.5% alcohol by volume)	60%
	<i>Wine</i> (approx. 12% alcohol by volume)	60%
	<i>Spirits</i> (approx. 40% alcohol by volume)	50%

4 Drink-driving legislation		
4 a	Maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a car	50 mg%
4 b	Frequency of Random Roadside Breath Testing (RBT) of drivers	Sometimes
4 c	Geographical distribution of RBT use	Mostly performed in urban, highly populated areas

5 Restrictions on consumption and availability		
5 a	Legal age limits for buying alcohol	
	<i>On-premise (years)</i>	<i>Off-licence (years)</i>
Beer	20	18
Wine	20	18
Spirits	20	18

5 b	Restrictions on alcohol consumption in different public domains	
Health care establishments	Legally forbidden	
Educational buildings	Legally forbidden	
Government offices	Legally forbidden	
Public transport	No restrictions	
Parks, streets etc.	No restrictions	
Sporting events	No restrictions	
Leisure events (concerts etc.)	No restrictions	
Workplaces	Partially restricted	

5 c	Level of state control on production and sale of beer, wine and spirits		
State monopoly (full state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	No	No	No
Retail sale	No	No	No
Licence is required (partial state control)			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Production	Yes	Yes	Yes
Retail sale	Yes	Yes	Yes

5 d	Existing restrictions for the off-licence sale of beer, wine and spirits		
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Hours of sale are restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes
Days of sale are restricted	No	No	No
Places of sale are restricted	No	No	No
Density of outlets is restricted	No	No	No

5 e	Level of enforcement of existing sales restrictions	Fully enforced
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6 Alcohol advertising and health warnings			
6 a	Alcohol advertising allowed and exists in some form		Yes
6 b	Health warnings legally required on the advertisement		Yes
6 c	Health warnings of any kind legally required on the <i>containers/bottles</i> of alcoholic beverages		Yes
6 d	Regulation of alcohol advertising in different media		
	<i>Type of Media</i>	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>
	National TV	Partial restriction	Partial restriction
	Cable TV	Partial restriction	Partial restriction
	National radio	Partial restriction	Partial restriction
	Local radio	Partial restriction	Partial restriction
	Newspapers/magazines	Partial restriction	Partial restriction
	Billboards	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Points of sale	No restrictions	No restrictions
	Cinema	No restrictions	No restrictions

7 Alcohol sponsorship and promotion			
	<i>Beer</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Spirits</i>
Alcohol industry sponsorship of sporting events	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions
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Sales promotion in the form of <i>sales below cost</i> e.g. two for one, happy hour (complying with existing age and other sales restrictions)	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions

8 Level of enforcement of existing advertising and sponsorship restrictions indicated in the two previous questions	
Advertising	Partially enforced
Sponsorship	Not enforced