The principal duties of the Department are protection, augmentation and collection of Excise Revenue and enforcement of the above acts and various Rules made there under. The Department prevents leakage of revenue, and exerts effective control on the abuse of liquor and Intoxicating Drugs. The duties of Excise Department are broadly classified as Collection of Revenue, Enforcement activity and Campaign against Alcoholism.

Liquor includes spirits of wine, arrack, spirits, wine, toddy, beer and all liquid consisting of or containing alcohol. Individual has no fundamental right over the manufacture and trade of liquor. Absolute right on liquor is vested with the State. Government formulates Abkari policy of the state every year. The policy formulated by the State Government is implemented by the Excise Department.