

Indian packaging printer aims to grow significantly with investment in Heidelberg Intro Web technology

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- UFlex invests in second Heidelberg Intro printing line to expand Asepto plant in Sanand
- Print quality of Heidelberg Intro exceeds customer expectations of UFlex
- High-performance Web fed solution to deal with the growing demand for UFlex's Asepto, aseptic beverage packaging



Ashwani Kumar Sharma, President & CEO, Aseptic Liquid Packaging, UFlex Ltd.

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UFlex Limited, India's largest multinational flexible packaging and polymer science company and the first Indian manufacturer of aseptic liquid packaging, announces to double its production capacity from 3.5 bn packs per annum to 7 bn packs per annum. To achieve this, the company decided to invest in second printing line from the [Heidelberg Web Carton](#)

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This investment is part of its larger growth strategy in the liquid packaging space on the back of its ambition to expand its global footprints. Investing in the [Heidelberg Intro Web printing technology ↪:](#)

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is thus the first among many steps toward achieving its production capacity.

UFlex, established in 1985 and after becoming extremely successful in flexible packaging, it was time to diversify with offerings within the packaging business and Aseptic Liquid Packaging emerged as an obvious choice for the scope of innovation in the segment. The decision was taken and the Greenfield plant in Sanand with 85,000 sqm packaging area and a current printing capacity to produce 3.5 billion packs p.a. was commissioned. Now, the company aims at doubling the production capacity with the second printing line in the plant. Asepto plant, within a few years, has become a subject of interest in the Indian subcontinent. Therefore, it was necessary and a definite requirement to increase the existing capacity.

When the factory was completed, the investment was only in the latest technology and state-of-the-art machinery. One of the key-suppliers is Heidelberg Web Carton Converting, which delivered an Intro web-flexo printing press. The high-class machine prints 7 colors at a web-

width of 1320 mm with a speed of 500 MPM for all packaging materials of Asepto products. The highest quality and reliability of the machine combined with the best performance parameters are proven facts of Heidelberg Intro. Therefore, Intro was the first choice for the second machine as well! The new custom-built Heidelberg Intro will be installed in 2021 and will double Asepto's printing capacity.

Mr. Ashwani Kumar Sharma, President & CEO, Aseptic Liquid Packaging, UFlex Ltd. shares "Asepto is on a significant growth path. Heidelberg's Intro Web-Printing-Press machine is the perfect fit to meet all our, and our customer's requirements. Not only are the expectations for the machine, but also the seamless after-sales service factors makes

Heidelberg Intro an ideal system to give a push to our growth plans. The partnership shared by the two market leaders over the years has created a win-win situation for both of us. Once the commissioning of the project is complete, we will be looking at global expansion. Asepto Sanand will certainly act as a benchmark".

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