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Wider distribution strategies drives sales of carbonated natural mineral bottled water

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Bright outlook with diverse products aimed at different segments

Advancements in packaging will enhance sustainable credentials

Technology offers scope to enhance transparency, traceability and enhance production efficiencies

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Health factors bear heavy influence on soft drinks

Consumers are willing to pay for convenience and instant delivery

Local cultural traditions increasingly shape product developments

WHAT'S NEXT?

Stable outlook for soft drinks

Players will capitalise on more discerning tastes
High growth of reduced-sugar RTD tea will continue

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

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