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As we close the financial year, March has offered us more than just a moment of review — it has gifted us a glimpse into the future we are building for India's plastics export sector.

One of the clearest reflections of this future came through our participation in Indplas'25 in Kolkata, which set the tone for deeper domestic engagement. This platform was not just about showcasing capabilities, but about listening — to exporters, manufacturers, and innovators from across the country. These interactions reaffirmed that the strength of our export ecosystem lies in its adaptability, entrepreneurial spirit, and readiness to embrace global standards.

On the international front, our strategic outreach to Latin American markets—through the Buyer-Seller Meet in Mexico and our presence at Plástico Brasil 2025 in São Paulo—signals a purposeful shift toward market diversification. These events go beyond transactional exchanges; they represent a long-term commitment to forging sustainable trade partnerships. Latin America holds untapped potential for Indian plastics, and early indicators from these engagements suggest we are on the right path.

Each of these platforms—whether in Kolkata, Mexico City, or São Paulo—serves as a catalyst for trust-building. When Indian exporters meet global buyers faceto-face, it's not just products that are exchanged, but confidence. Confidence in quality, in delivery, and in long-term collaboration. And over time, that confidence translates into sustained trade volumes.

It is also worth acknowledging the amount of collaboration and coordination that goes into making these efforts impactful. Whether it is aligning with local chambers and industry associations, working closely with Indian missions abroad, or ensuring that our exhibitors are well-supported — the strength of our trade promotion activities lies in the collective intent behind them. Every successful event is a reminder of what we can achieve when industry, government, and institutions work in step.

There is also a growing awareness among exporters that global markets are no longer looking just for competitive pricing — they are looking for consistency, compliance, and credibility. It is heartening to see Indian companies respond to this shift with greater professionalism and a mindset oriented toward long-term growth. That is the evolution we must continue to nurture.

As we look toward FY 2025–26, the momentum we've built this past month — and this entire fiscal year — positions us well. But let us be clear-eyed: opportunity also demands preparation. At Plexconcil, we remain committed to supporting our members through market intelligence, trade facilitation, and policy advocacy so they are equipped to seize these global opportunities.

We must also remain agile in the face of emerging challenges. The recent imposition of reciprocal tariffs by the United States on Indian goods may create short-term headwinds for our exporters in that region. However, this only reinforces the importance of our diversification strategy. By deepening our engagement with less competitive but high-potential markets, we can build resilience and reduce dependency on any single geography.

To everyone who has contributed to this forward movement — whether on the ground at exhibitions or behind the scenes in planning — I extend my sincere thanks. Let us take this energy into the new year and continue to drive India's plastics exports toward new frontiers.

Warm regards,

Vikram Bhadauria Chairman, Plexconcil

Invest Bengal Seminar during INDPLAS 2025 Trade Fair, Kolkata, 28th to 3rd March 2025 | Eastern Region:

Invest Bengal seminar organized during Indplas 2025 trade fair in Kolkata on 28th Feb 2025. Dr Shashi Panja, Honorable Minister-in-Charge of Industry, Commerce, and Enterprises and Women and Child Development and Social Welfare, Govt. of West Bengal was the Chief Guest. With insightful speeches by Dr. Shashi Panja, Minister-in-Charge of Industry, Commerce, and Enterprises and Women and Child Development and Social Welfare, Govt. of West Bengal, along with key figures Mr. Vikram Bhadauria Chairman Plexconcil, Mr. Alok Tibrewala Regional Chairman - Eastern Region Plexconcil, Mr. Ravish Kamath COA member, PLEXCONCIL and President Plastindia Foundation and Mr Lalit Agrawal, President IPF. The event highlighted the promising growth potential for businesses in West Bengal.





PLEXCONCIL's participation at Indplas 2025 Trade, Kolkata 28th February – 3rd March 2025 | Eastern Region:

INDPLAS'25, the largest International Exhibition on Plastics in Eastern India, was successfully held from February 28 to March 3, 2025, at Biswa Bangla Mela Prangan, Kolkata, India. The event brought together industry leaders, innovators, and stakeholders from across the plastics sector, showcasing the latest advancements and business opportunities.



PLEXCONCIL actively participated in INDPLAS'25 with a promotional booth, reinforcing its commitment to supporting Indian exporters and driving growth in the plastics industry. The event provided an excellent platform for networking, collaboration, and exploring new avenues for trade and investment.



With a strong industry presence, INDPLAS continues to be a key event in the region, playing a vital role in expanding market opportunities for Indian plastics manufacturers.

PLEXCONCIL's Interactive Session with the ER Members in Kolkata on 1st March 2025 | Eastern Region:

Plexconcil organsied an interactive session at the Biswa Bangla Mela Prangan, Kolkata on 1st March 2025. Mr Vikram Bhadauria, Mr Sachin Shah, and Mr Sribash Dasmohapatra, fostering discussions on boosting eastern region export. Mr. L.K. Halder, Joint Director General of Foreign Trade, O/o Addl. DGFT, Kolkata also attended the session. Member Exporters interacted with the dignitaries in order to resolve their issues and concerns.





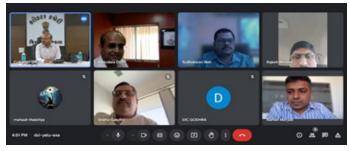
Panel Discussion on Growth Opportunities in Plastic Industry, 1st March 2025 | Eastern Region:

As part of the INDPLAS 2025 Trade Fair, a technical seminar on "Growth Opportunities in the Plastic Industry" was held on March 1, 2025. The panel discussion brought together industry experts to explore emerging trends, challenges, and opportunities shaping the future of the plastics sector. Mr. Vikram Bhadauria, Chairman of PLEXCONCIL, was one of a key speaker during the discussion. The session provided a valuable platform for knowledge exchange, fostering collaboration among industry leaders and stakeholders.



04th March 2025 - District Export Promotion Committee Meeting-Panchmahal District | Western Region:

District Export Promotion Committee Meeting-Panchmahal District was held under the chairmanship of Shri Ashish Kumar, IAS, Collector, Panchmahal District. The objective of this meeting was to deliberate on action plan to boost exports from Panchmahal District. As a part of the committee member, Mr Naman Marjadi, Assistant Director, Plexconcil attended the Meeting and gave relevant inputs to the committee regarding increasing exports of plastic from the district.



05th March 2025 - Post-Budget Webinar on the Union Budget 2025-26, organized by NITI Aayog | Western Region:

The Post-Budget Webinar on the Union Budget 2025-26, organized by NITI Aayog, focussed on three Themes: Manufacturing, Exports, and Nuclear Energy Missions and with the Ministry of Commerce and Industry lead the discussions, with key note address by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. The webinar had active participation from Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) and Industry Associations. Mr Vikram Bhadauria Chairman, Mr Arvind Goenka Past Chairman, Mr Sribash Dasmohapatra Executive Director and Mrs. Bharti Parave, Deputy Director attended the meeting virtually.

05th March 2025: Meeting with Mr.Deepak Jhalani ,Joint DGFT, Govt. of India | Northern Region:

Mr. Sanjay Singh, Deputy Director, Plexconcil – North had a meeting with Mr. Deepak Jhalani, Joint DGFT for a discussion on RoDTEP extension and a representation on the same was submitted to the competent authority.

06th March 2025: Meeting with CIS Division | Northern Region:

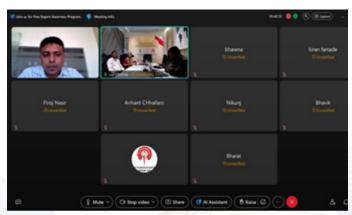
Mr. Sanjay Singh, Deputy Director, Plexconcil – North had a meeting with CIS Division and submitted necessary inputs received from Members to Shri. Manish Chadha, Joint Secretary with respect to exports to Russia and also opportunities to be explored in coordination with Embassy of India, Russia.

07th March 2025: AAHAR event | Northern Region:

Mr. Sanjay Singh, Deputy Director, PLEXCONCIL visited AAHAR food and packaging event, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi for membership awareness at the said event.

07th March 2025 - Webinar on Export Awareness Program with existing and prospective members | Western Region:

With the objective of briefing new members and prospective members about overview of Plastic exports and the services and activities of Plexconcil, a virtual meeting was organized on 7th March 2025 in virtual mode. During the meeting, members were introduced to an overview of India's plastic exports, the services of Plexconcil on the domestic and international front and the process of accessing the membership portal. Participants were also informed about Export procedures and other relevant details. During the session, Ms. Bharti Parave, Deputy Director, Plexconcil, addressed members' grievances and queries, while Mr. Naman Marjadi, Assistant Director, Regional Office - Ahmedabad, Plexconcil, delivered a Presentation about Plexconcil.



11th March 2025 - Stakeholders consultation meeting was organized by the DCPC | Western Region:

A stakeholders consultation meeting was organized by the DCPC under the chairmanship of the Joint Secretary of Petrochemicals. The meeting took place virtually on 11th March 2025 at Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. It was attended by industry representatives and associations to discuss the withdrawal of the exemption for LLDPE Butene Grade under IS 7328:2020, along with other relevant matters concerning various polyethylene grades. The discussions included inputs from both potential producers and existing consumers. Mr. Sribash Dashmohapatra, Executive Director and Mrs. Bharti Parave, Deputy Director attended and submitted necessary inputs during the meeting.

11th – 14th March 2025: Plexconcil's Indian Pavillion at Plastimagen 2025 | Mexico

The Plastics Export Promotion Council (Plexconcil) in its endeavor to promote the export of plastics products took part in PLASTIMAGEN 2025 in MEXICO, the largest show for machinery, raw material, and masterbatches held from 11-14 – March 2025.



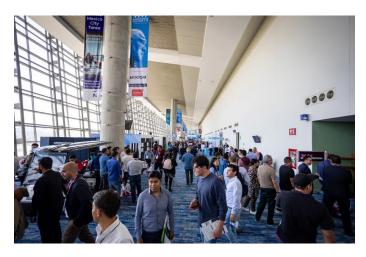
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With more than 40K square meters, the event offered technology, quality, efficiency, and cutting-edge solutions for over 28,000 attendees seeking the latest trends for their businesses.

The display had Machinery | Equipment | Auxiliary, components, and supplies, etc. | Raw materials, chemicals, and additives | Molds and dies | Thermoplastics, thermosets | Services.

INDIA AT PLASTIMAGEN 2025

Participation at PLASTIMAGEN is of great significance as Mexico is well placed to engage in cross-border trade with the US to the north and Latin America to the South. In 2020, Mexico was the 15th largest export economy in the world and among the top 15 importers. Mexico enjoys a strong network of FTAs with over 40 countries, which works as a great facilitator for cross-border trade. India and Mexico have robust trade relations. India's export of plastics to Mexico grew at an annual pace of 12.8% in recent years. India's plastics export to Mexico primarily comprised plastic sheets and films, Plastic raw materials, Leather cloth, and Packaging items of plastics.



The Indian Pavillion had 9 companies (99sqmt) that had participated mainly from the raw material segment, machinery which included injection molding, PVC Stabilizers, Plastic processing and woven sacks machinery, masterbatches, thermoplastic Polymer Compounds & Resins. The exhibitors were glad to have more footfalls this year and many queries for their products leading to finalizing deals. The buyers were from across Mexico, & Latin America.

The Council had a booth to promote its activities including the promotion and sourcing of Buyers & Exhibitors for PLEXCONNECT 2026 to be held in Delhi alongside Plast India 2026. The India Branding had an uplift from the previous edition which was visible and appreciated by visitors and others.

Indian Mission Engagement

Deputy Chief of Mission Smt. Deepti Ganji, inaugurated the India Pavillion on the first day while interacting with the exhibitors and visiting the other pavilions to understand the market and the potential for Indian products at the show. She was very appreciative of the efforts taken by the Plexconcil in continuing to be present at Plastimagen 2025 which would be the right approach to exports into Mexico in the future.



Mr. Prasad Shinde, Second Secretary was instrumental in connecting the Council with the relevant Plastic Associations in Mexico including ANIPAC.



Buyer-Seller Meet Hosted by the Embassy of India, Mexico

The Embassy of India, Mexico organized a Buyer-Seller Meet on the sidelines of the Plastimagen 2025, Mexico show with 35-40 Mexican buyers to meet with the Indian Companies on 10th March 2025 before the show.

The BSM was inaugurated by DCM Smt. Deepti Ganji. During her welcome remarks, she emphasized the need to have more such interaction with the Mexican Companies as she felt that therwas huge potential for India to export.



Ms. Marlene Fragoso Guillén, President of the National Association of Plastic, Industries of Mexico (ANIPAC) & Mr. Jaime Gutiérrez Casas, Head of the Coordination of Economic Development and Competitiveness (COFEC) of the Government of the State of Mexico also addressed the gathering. Ms. Annick Stroobants López, Partner Services And Foreign Trade Manager, ANIPAC was also present.

Mr. Jagdish Nainwal, President of the Trade & Commerce Council of India and Mexico (INDMEX) spoke about the IndMex which has been promoted to engage Indian and Mexican companies to do business.



Mr. Vikram Bhadaurai, Chairman, Plexconcil made a brief presentation about the global and Indian Plastic Industry. He invited the Mexican Buyers to visit PLEX-CONNECT 2026 to be held from 5-10 February 2026 in Delhi. He remarked during his presentation that though Mexico is not in the top 10 importing countries from India he felt there is great potential for Indian companies to expand business so that in a few years Mexico will be on the list of top 10 countries importing from India.

The Mexican companies were able to interact with the Indian Companies to establish contacts during the networking dinner hosted by the Embassy of India, Mexico.

PLEXCONNECT 2026 Promotions

The Plexconnect 2026 was promoted effectively during the show by the Council's representative visiting potential exhibitors/buyers and inviting them to India. The Plexconnect and the activities of the Council were promoted at the Council's booth which was at a very prominent location this year in the foyer area with larger visibility.



The Council's representative interacted with the country associations (Germany, Italy, China, Taiwan, Canada, Peru, and Brazil) at the show to invite them to Plexconnect 2026 with their buyer's delegation.

List of Indian Companies at Plastimagen 2025

- AMRUT BROTHERS MACHINERY PVT LTD
- 2. ARTI CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES
- 3. AQUENT ADVANCE AADIBOND
- 4. J P EXTRUSIONTECH
- KUBER POLYPLAST
- 6. POLIMEROS APPL S.A. de C.V.
- 7. PURSUIT INDUSTRIES PVT LTD
- 8. TECHNOSHELL AUTOMATIONS PRIVATE LIMIT-ED
- 9. VISHVA MACHINERY PVT LTD

Highlights

- The exhibitor's directory was translated into Spanish for distribution at the Council's booth.
- BSM before the event was organized for the second time in Mexico with the support of the Embassy of India, Mexico
- A buyer delegation has been proposed by the Association (ANIPAC) to visit PLEXCONNECT 2026

The Council was represented by Mr. Ruban Hobday, Regional Director, South.

Meetings during the Plastimagen 2025, March 11-14, 2025, Mexico

ANIPAC

A meeting with **Ms. Marlene Fragoso Guillén,** President of the National Association of Plastic, Industries of Mexico (ANIPAC) was organised at the Embassy of India. Mexico.



The Chairman Mr. Vikram Bhadurai briefed the President about the potential of the Indian products to be exported to Mexico.

He extended the inviation to the Association to mount a delegation visit to India the PLEXCONNECT 2026 to be hosted sidelines of Plast India 2026 which is one of the largest shows in India. It was also discussed to renew/revisit the MoU that Plexconcil had entered in 2022 with Anipac and IMBC. Ms. Annick Stroobants López, Partner Services And Foreign Trade Manager, ANIPAC was also present.



Informa Markets (Organiser)

The Chairman met Mr. Oscar, Show Director to discuss the plans for the 2026 Edition. The following points were discussed and confirmed.

- The location is to be shifted to a better location with 3*3 stalls configuration in the C or D Halls.
- 2. Raw Space will be provided and the Council will build its own Pavilion.
- 3. Other outside vendors can be allowed to do the Council's Pavillion.
- 4. The final space application will be sent in a month
- 5. The existing agreement of 15% discount on space and 1 complimentary booth for the Council will remain for the 2026 edition.

Costa Rica Plastics Association

The Council's representative met the Secretary of the Costa Rica Plastics Manufacturers Association Ms. Angi at the show. The discussion was to bring the buyers from CR to Plexconnect 2026. However, as the buyers are not keen to travel so far to India they are hesitant to confirm.

Ms. Angi had assured to circulate the information to their members. Earlier in 2023 the Council had visited their office in promoting Plexconenct 2024.



18th March 2025: VC Meeting with JS -EP(CAP) | Northern Region:

Plastindia Foundation Board Members along with Chairman, ED, Regional Chairman (East), Dy. Director-North, PLEXCONCIL had a meeting with Smt. Aishvarya Singh, Joint Secretary, EP-CAP division with regard to organising of Ambassadors Meet during PlastIndia 2026 show.

21st March 2025 - Post Budget Workshop on Exports and Imports under Niryat Bandhu Scheme, Silvassa | Western Region:



The Department of Industries and DGFT, Mumbai jointly organized a Post Budget Workshop on Exports and Imports under Niryat Bandhu Scheme' on 21st March, 2025 (Friday) at Kala Kendra, Silvassa, U.T. Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu. Plexconcil was invited to take a session during this workshop. On behalf of Plexconcil, Mr Naman Marjadi from Regional Office, Ahmedabad gave a Presentation on Overview of India's Plastics Exports & Support Provided by Plexconcil. Chief guest of the program was Shri Vishwajeet Chimankar, Deputy DGFT, Mumbai. Other speakers during the program were from DIC, UT of DNH& DD, Federation of Industries Association.

21st – 23rd March: Complast Vijayawada Show 2025 | Southern Region:



The Council participated in the Complast Vijayawada Show 2025 at SS Convention Centre, Vijayawada in an effort to reach out to Plastic Manufacturers in state of Andhra Pradesh. The organizers allotted a complimentary booth of 9 sqmtr to the Council who had a promotional booth to disseminate information on the Council's services, Membership mobilization and on the export potential for plastic products from India.

The Council was represented by Mr. R. Dayanidhi, Assistant Director – South.

India Pavilion at Plastico Brazil, 2025, Sao Paulo, Brazil organized by PLEXCONCIL – 24 to 28 March 2025 | Eastern Region:



The Council organized India Pavilion at Plastico Brazil 2025, Sao Paulo, Brazil (24-28 March 2025).

The pavilion was officially inaugurated by Shri Hansraj Singh Verma, Consul General of India, São Paulo in the presence of Mr. Preetham S., Consul (Commercial) at the Consulate General of India, São Paulo, Brazil. Their presence highlighted India's commitment to strengthening global partnerships and expanding its footprint in the Brazilian and Latin American markets.

Following the inauguration, Shri Hansraj Singh Verma interacted with Indian exhibitors, discussing trade opportunities and reinforcing India's position as a key player in the global plastics industry.

India's participation at Plastico Brazil 2025 marks another significant step toward boosting exports and fos-





tering international collaborations in the plastics sector. 27th March 2025 - Plastic Films and Sheet Panel Committee meeting | Western Region:

Plexconcil (H. O) conducted Plastic Films and Sheet panel committee meeting under Chairman Mr. M.S Adsul on 27th March, 2025. Members present in the panel meeting were Mr. Sandeep Verma – Garware Hi-Tech Films Limited, Mr. R.K Sharma- Dhuneri Poly Films Pvt. Ltd., Mr. Jagmohan Mongia & Mr. Ashish – Uflex Ltd, Mr. Purvang Talati – Chiripal Poly films Ltd.

28th March 2025 - Consumer and Houseware Panel Committee meeting | Western Region:

Plexconcil (H.O) conducted Consumer and Houseware panel committee meeting under Chairman Ms. Poonam Mantri on 28th March, 2025. Members present in the panel meeting were Mr. Sandeep Salunke – Nilkamal Pvt Ltd, Mr. Mukesh Singla Condor Footwear, Mr. Dinesh Jhamnani – Asian Plastowares and one of the member from ADR Plastics Pvt Ltd.

A discussion was held on increasing both the panel exports, addressing export-related issues such as challenges, market access strategies, and solutions to overcome barriers. The focus was on identifying growth opportunities and improving export efficiency.





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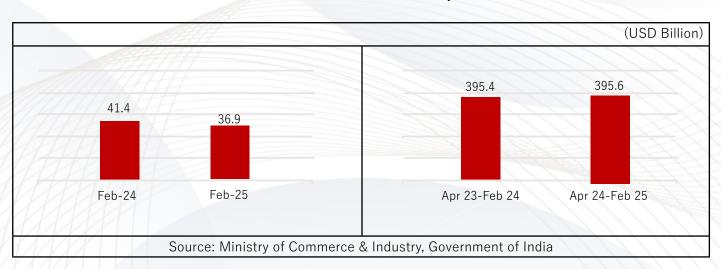


ANALYSIS OF INDIA'S PLASTICS EXPORT FEBRUARY 2025

TREND IN OVERALL EXPORTS

India reported merchandise exports of USD 36.9 billion in February 2025, lower by 10.9% from USD 41.4 billion in February 2024. Cumulative value of merchandise exports during April 2024 – February 2025 was USD 395.6 billion as against USD 395.4 billion during the same period last year, reflecting a modest 0.1% growth.

Exhibit 1: Trend in overall merchandise exports from India



TREND IN PLASTICS EXPORT

During February 2025, India exported plastics worth USD 969 million, lower by 3.4% from USD 1,003 million in February 2024. Cumulative value of plastics export during April 2024 - February 2025 was USD 11,312 million as against USD 10,438 million during the same period last year, registering an increase of 8.4%.

(USD Million) 11,312 10,438 969 1,003 Feb-25 Apr 23-Feb 24 Apr 24-Feb 25 Feb-24 Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India

Exhibit 2: Trend in plastics export by India

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY PANEL

In February 2025, the export performance of various plastic product categories displayed a mixed trend, with some sectors experiencing growth while others faced declines. Human hair & related products recorded the highest gains, followed by FIBC, Woven sacks, Woven fabrics, Tarpaulin; Consumer & houseware products; FRP & Composites and Floorcoverings, leathercloth & laminates. However, some segments face challenges including Plastic raw materials; Plastic films and sheets; Medical items of plastics; Plastic pipes & fittings; Writing instruments & stationery; Packaging items - flexible, rigid; Cordage, fishnets & monofilaments and Miscellaneous products and items nes witnessed a decline in export growth.

Exhibit 3: Panel-wise % growth in plastics export by India

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Panel	Feb-24	Feb-25	Growth	Apr 23- Feb-24	Apr 24- Feb-25	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Consumer & houseware products	64.4	66.7	+3.5%	758.4	717.0	-5.5%
Cordage, fishnets & monofilaments	24.8	24.5	-1.3%	233.7	276.5	+18.3%
FIBC, woven sacks, woven fabrics, & tarpaulin	122.4	131.6	+7.5%	1,226.0	1,425.4	+16.3%
Floorcoverings, leathercloth & laminates	60.3	61.5	+2.0%	625.6	696.4	+11.3%
FRP & Composites	38.4	39.6	+3.1%	435.2	467.4	+7.4%
Human hair & related products	51.2	71.3	+39.1%	685.1	684.2	-0.1%
Medical items of plastics	44.8	39.4	-12.2%	488.7	498.5	+2.0%
Miscellaneous products & items nes	62.1	52.2	-15.9%	657.8	617.3	-6.2%
Packaging items - flexible, rigid	55.2	54.6	-1.2%	571.4	623.0	+9.0%
Plastic films & sheets	162.7	151.3	-7.0%	1,573.4	1,838.0	+16.8%
Plastic pipes & fittings	24.6	20.8	-15.4%	259.2	298.6	+15.2%
Plastic raw materials	272.4	238.8	-12.3%	2,694.5	2,923.3	+8.5%
Writing instruments & stationery	19.1	16.7	-12.9%	229.5	247.1	+7.7%
	1,002.6	968.9	-3.4%	10,438.3	11,312.4	+8.4%

Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India

Exports of **Consumer & houseware products** witnessed an increase of 3.5% in February 2025. This growth was primarily due to higher sales of safety headgears (HS code - 65061090) to Bangladesh; other switches of plastics (85365020) to Germany and toothbrushes (960321) to the United Arab Emirates due to increase in demand.

Exports of **Cordage, fishnets & monofilaments** were down by 1.3% in February 2025 due to negative growth witnessed in sales of Made-up fishing nets of nylon (56081110) to the United Arab Emirates.

In February 2025, the export of **FIBC**, **woven sacks**, **woven fabrics & tarpaulin** witnessed a growth of 7.5% due to higher sales of Flexible intermediate bulk containers (630532) to Belgium, Germany, Netherlands, and the USA.

Export of **Floor coverings, leather cloth & laminates** were higher by 2.0% in February 2025 on account of consistent sales of floor coverings of polymers of vinyl chloride (39181090) and Other textile fabrics, impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with plastics other than polymers of vinyl chloride (590310).

Export of **FRP & Composites** increased by 3.1% during February 2025. This increase was due to higher exports of Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s (39269099).

Export of **Human hair & related products** were up by 39.1% in February 2025 on account of increase in sales of Human hair dressed, thinned, bleached or otherwise worked (67030010) to Viet Nam.

Medical items of plastics export were lower by 12.2% in February 2025 due to decline in sales of Blood transfusion apparatus (90189032) to Belgium and Syringes, with or without needles, used in medical, surgical, dental or veterinary sciences (901831) to the UK

Export of **Miscellaneous products & items nes** were down by 15.9% in February 2025 due to higher shipments of Polypropylene articles (39269080).

Packaging items - flexible, rigid export decreased by 1.2% on account of lower sales of Sacks and bags of polyethylene (392321).

In February 2025, the export of **Plastic films & sheets** was lower by 7.0% due to decreased sales of Other self-adhesive plates & sheets (39199090); Rigid and flexible sheets of polymers of propylene (392020); Films and sheets of non-cellular polyethylene terephthalate (39206220) and Films and sheets of non-cellular polyesters (39206929).

Export of **Plastic pipes & fittings** decreased by 15.4% due to lower sales of Tubes of polyethylene (39172110) and Rigid tubes, pipes and hoses, and fittings therefor of polymers of vinyl chloride (391723).

Plastics raw materials exports were decreased by 12.3% due to lower shipments of Polyethylene with a specific gravity of >= 0.94, in primary forms (390120), Linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) (39014010) and Polypropylene (39021000).

Export of **Writing instruments & stationery** declined by 12.9% in February 2025 due to lower sales of and Ball point pens (96089990).

Exhibit 4: Details of % change seen in top 50 items of export

	2	Apr 23-Feb 24	Apr 24-Feb 25	Growth
HS Code	Description	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
63053200	Flexible intermediate bulk containers	713.5	844.1	+18.3%
67030010	Human hair, dressed, thinned, bleached or otherwise worked	513.0	526.8	+2.7%
39269099	Other articles of plastics n.e.s	427.5	460.8	+7.8%
39232990	Other sacks and bags of plastics excl. those of polymers of ethylene	389.6	437.6	+12.3%
90011000	Optical fibres, optical fibre bundles and cables	338.4	271.3	-19.8%
39021000	Polypropylene	322.6	346.9	+7.5%
39076190	Other primary form of polyethylene terephthalate	293.6	294.8	+0.4%
48239019	Decorative laminates	279.0	289.3	+3.7%
39269080	Polypropylene articles n.e.s	200.0	236.2	+18.1%
39206220	Flexible and plain sheets and film of non-cellular polyeth- ylene terephthalate, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked	196.8	241.7	+22.8%
39069090	Other acrylic polymers, in primary forms	189.5	229.5	+21.1%
39232100	Sacks and bags, incl. cones, of polymers of ethylene	188.2	200.1	+6.4%
39202020	Flexible and plain sheets and film of non-cellular polymers of ethylene, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked	184.3	214.5	+16.4%
39239090	Other articles for the conveyance or packaging of goods, of plastics	169.4	191.6	+13.1%
59039090	Other textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with plastics other than polyvinyl chloride or polyurethane	161.7	199.3	+23.3%
05010010	Human hair, unworked	161.5	153.2	-5.1%
90015000	Spectacle lenses of materials other than glass	160.4	144.5	-9.9%
39202090	Other sheets and film of non-cellular polymers of ethylene, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked	135.4	149.3	+10.3%
39012000	Polyethylene with a specific gravity of $>= 0.94$, in primary forms	138.3	133.1	-3.7%
39076990	Other primary form of polyethylene terephthalate	128.8	112.1	-13.0%
96081019	Ball-point pens	121.3	121.4	+0.1%
90183930	Cannulae	120.2	135.3	+12.5%
39014010	Linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE)	117.7	170.9	+45.1%
39046100	Polytetrafluoroethylene	110.3	115.4	+4.7%
39219099	Other sheets and film of plastics, reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, unworked	109.1	129.8	+19.0%
39199090	Other self-adhesive sheets and film of plastics, whether or not in rolls $> 20 \ \text{cm}$ wide	106.1	118.0	+11.2%
56074900	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables of polyethylene or polypropylene	101.4	118.2	+16.6%
54072090	Other woven fabrics of strip or the like, of synthetic filament, incl. monofilament of $>=67$ decitex and with a cross sectional dimension of $<=1$ mm	98.8	115.1	+16.6%
39129090	Other cellulose and chemical derivatives thereof, n.e.s., in primary forms	93.1	106.5	+14.3%
39241090	Other tableware and kitchenware, of plastics	90.4	94.0	+3.9%

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39011090	Other polyethylene with a specific gravity of < 0.94 , in primary forms	90.7	65.8	-27.5%
39119090	Other polysulphides, polysulphones and other polymers and prepolymers produced by chemical synthesis, n.e.s.	86.8	72.0	-17.0%
39206919	Other sheets and film of non-cellular polyesters, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, not worked	86.1	89.1	+3.5%
90041000	Sunglasses	86.4	4.6	-94.7%
39046990	Other fluoro-polymers of vinyl chloride or of other halogenated olefins, in primary forms	78.3	94.3	+20.5%
39181090	Other floor coverings, whether or not self-adhesive, in rolls or in the form of tiles, and wall or ceiling coverings in rolls with a width of $>=45$ cm, of polymers of vinyl chloride	78.0	102.0	+30.8%
39219094	Flexible and metallised sheets and film of plastics, reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, unworked	74.1	105.5	+42.3%
39140020	Ion exchangers of polymerisation or co-polymerisation type	71.8	79.5	+10.7%
39095000	Polyurethanes	72.0	78.4	+8.9%
96032100	Tooth brushes	72.7	71.3	-2.0%
39204900	Sheets and film of non-cellular polymers of vinyl chloride, containing by weight < 6% of plasticisers, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked	70.6	74.1	+4.9%
39206290	Other sheets and film of non-cellular polyethylene tere- phthalate, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked	69.6	86.3	+24.1%
59031090	Other textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with polyvinyl chloride	66.8	69.2	+3.6%
39201019	Other sheets and film of non-cellular plastics, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked	64.1	68.2	+6.3%
39172390	Other rigid tubes, pipes and hoses, and fittings of polymers of vinyl chloride	64.5	64.5	+0.1%
39235010	Stoppers, lids, caps and other closures, of plastics	61.2	67.5	+10.2%
39219096	Flexible and laminated sheets and film of plastics, reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, unworked	61.0	68.6	+12.5%
39249090	Other household articles and toilet articles of plastics	60.2	59.5	-1.2%
39206929	Other sheets and film of non-cellular polyesters, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, not worked	56.7	74.7	+31.9%
39073010	Epoxy resins	55.9	53.3	-4.6%

Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India

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European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR)

The EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) is a European Union policy designed to combat global deforestation and forest degradation. Officially adopted on **June 29, 2023,** the regulation ensures that certain goods entering or leaving the EU are produced in ways that do not contribute to deforestation or harm forests.

Overview

By promoting the consumption of 'deforestation-free' products and reducing the EU's impact on global deforestation and forest degradation, Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 aims to lower greenhouse gas emissions and biodiversity loss.

This regulation is part of a broader action plan first outlined in the 2019 Commission Communication on **Stepping Up EU Action to Protect and Restore the World's Forests,** later reaffirmed by the **European Green Deal**, the **EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030**, and the **Farm to Fork Strategy**.

Background

The EUDR entered into force on **June 29, 2023,** addressing deforestation driven by the expansion of agricultural land for commodities such as cattle, wood, cocoa, soy, palm oil, coffee, and rubber, as well as their derived products like leather, chocolate, tyres, and furniture.

As a major consumer of these commodities, the EU recognizes its contribution to deforestation and seeks to lead efforts to address the problem. Under the regulation, any operator or trader placing these commodities on the EU market—or exporting them—must prove the products neither originate from recently deforested land nor contribute to forest degradation.

The EUDR repeals the EU Timber Regulation (EUTR):

- Timber products produced before June 29, 2023, will remain under EUTR rules until **December 31, 2027.**
- For all other products, EUTR will be repealed once EUDR enters into application.

In **December 2024**, the EU granted an additional 12-month phasing-in period. The EUDR will apply starting **December 30**, **2025**, for large and medium companies, and **June 30**, **2026**, for micro and small enterprises.

Objectives

The EUDR aims to:

- 1. Ensure that products Europeans buy, use, and consume do not contribute to deforestation and forest degra-
- 2. Reduce carbon emissions from EU consumption and production of relevant commodities by at least **32 million metric tonnes annually.**
- 3. Address all deforestation driven by agricultural expansion for the commodities covered by the regulation.
- 4. Prevent forest degradation globally.

How EUDR May Impact India's Plastic Exports and Imports

Although the EUDR primarily targets commodities linked to deforestation (e.g., palm oil, soy, cocoa, and timber), it could indirectly affect India's plastic trade in following ways:

- 1. Raw Material Sourcing: If plastic production involves deforestation-linked materials (e.g., natural rubber or certain chemicals), exporters may face compliance challenges.
- **2. Packaging Standards:** Indian exporters using plastic packaging for EUDR-regulated commodities may need to switch to eco-friendly or recyclable alternatives to meet EU standards.
- **3. Trade Dynamics:** The EU's focus on sustainability may lead to increased scrutiny of imports, including plastics, encouraging greener manufacturing practices in India.
- **4. Economic Impact:** Alongside other EU initiatives like the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM), the EUDR may influence India's exports to the EU, particularly sectors indirectly linked to plastics.

The EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) is a significant step toward global environmental protection. It addresses key drivers of biodiversity loss and climate change, emphasizing the need to balance economic growth with environmental responsibility. This reflects a collective commitment to safeguarding our planet.

Source: https://environment.ec.europa.eu/topics/forests/deforestation/regulation-deforestation-free-products_en & Plexconcil research



PRODUCT: Fittings such as joints, elbows, flanges of plastics

Plastic pipe fittings, classified under HS Code 391740, include joints, elbows, and flanges designed for connecting and directing fluid flow in piping systems. Made from durable and corrosion-resistant materials such as PVC, CPVC, PP, and PE, these fittings are widely used in plumbing, irrigation, industrial fluid handling, and chemical processing. They play a crucial role in water supply systems, wastewater management, construction and HVAC applications, offering a lightweight, cost-effective, and easy-to-install solution.

Worldwide Imports of Fittings of plastics is valued at USD 8.7 Billion per year approximately.

• In 2023, top 5 exporting countries of Fittings of plastics were: Germany (18.4%), China (12.0%), United States of America (11.3%), Italy (5.7%) and Switzerland (4.5%).

- In 2023, top 5 importing countries of Fittings of plastics were: Germany (9.3%), United States of America (8.8%), Mexico (6.3%), China (4.4%) and France (4.1%).
- India's exports of Fittings of plastics experienced a CAGR of 6.7% rising from USD 34.5 million in 2020-2021 to USD 53.6 million in 2023-2024.
- So far this year the product witnessed a growth of 26.8% reaching USD 61.7 million during Apr 24 Feb 25, compared to USD 48.7 million during the same period last year.

In 2023-24, India exported 10,627 sqm of Fittings of plastics valued at USD 53.6 million to the world. The United States of America was the top export destination in terms of value and Bhutan was the top export destination in terms of volume.

Destination Country	Value (USD Mn)	Destination Country	Qty. (tonnes)
United States of America	7.21	Bhutan	1,586
Viet Nam	4.48	United States of America	724
Bhutan	3.91	United Arab Emirates	691
United Kingdom	2.92	Indonesia	607
Saudi Arabia	2.88	Oman	471
Germany	2.76	Viet Nam	454
Nepal	2.35	United Kingdom	446
Egypt	2.11	Saudi Arabia	420
Maldives	1.94	Tanzania	369
Tanzania	1.91	Germany	355

Source: Department of Commerce, Govt. of India, Plexconcil Research

In 2023-24, India imported 5,750 tonnes of Fittings of plastics valued at USD 61.8 million from the world. United States of America was the top supplier in terms of value and China was the top supplier in terms of volume.

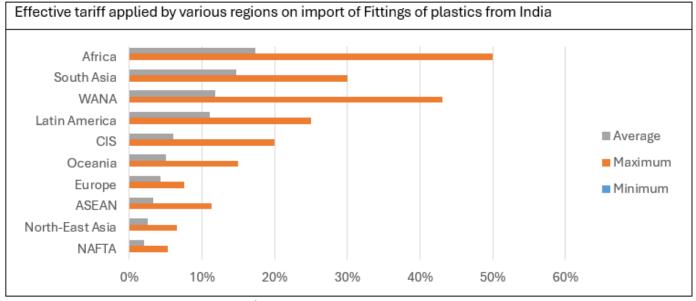
Source Country	Value (USD Mn)	Source Country	Qty. (Sqm)
United States of America	11.15	China	2,604
China	9.59	Germany	497
Germany	9.48	Italy	404
Italy	4.29	Taiwan	344
Korea Rp	3.35	Hong Kong	272
United Kingdom	3.14	Bangladesh	198
Singapore	2.35	Japan	196
France	2.09	Turkey	192
Japan	2.08	United States of America	167
Belgium	2.03	Czech Republic	151

Source: Department of Commerce, Govt. of India, Plexconcil Research

Indian Firms dealing in Fittings of plastics have immense potential to export to destinations like Australia, Canada, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and Viet Nam.

- There is zero duty applicable on import of Fittings of plastics from India in the United Kingdom under Developing Countries Trading Scheme (DCTS).
- Import of this product is eligible for zero customs duty in Australia under India- Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement. Japan, South Korea and United Arab Emirates under Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement.
- ASEAN countries, such as Indonesia, Malaysia & Viet Nam offer preferential custom duty where in Thailand offers zero custom duty on Fittings of plastics from India under the ASEAN-India Free Trade Agreement.
- Import of this product enjoys zero customs duty in Canda and have notable potential to export.

Unfortunately, several countries in Africa, South Asia, LAC and Europe do not accord any preferential treatment to Fittings of plastics exported from India due to which the average customs duty faced on this product is high.



Source: Market Access Map, Plexconcil Research



Mr. Denish Kansagara

Director of Sagar Polytechnik ltd

With over a decade of transformative leadership in the plastics industry, Denish Kansagara leverages his sharp business acumen and forward-thinking approach to drive innovation and strategic growth. As Managing Director, he has established a strong reputation for navigating complex challenges, fostering sustainable development, and spearheading innovation.

Denish's expertise encompasses manufacturing, management, and strategic planning, built on a solid foundation of a Bachelor's degree in Business and Commerce from Christ College, Rajkot.

Beyond his professional pursuits, Denish is deeply involved with Isha Foundation, embracing its values and vision. This commitment reflects his dedication to conscious leadership, personal growth, and community service.

Sagar Polytechnic Limited has a long-standing presence in the market. Could you walk us through your journey since inception and share the types of markets and customer segments you cater to?

We have been serving the market since 1988, and over the years, we've had the privilege of catering to a wide range of segments, including agriculture, water distribution, industrial, and domestic plumbing sectors. Our journey has been one of constant evolution and adaptation to changing market needs. We serve both domestic and international markets, and our product range is tailored to meet the specific demands of each. Whether it's complying with stringent regulatory standards or adapting our products to suit diverse climate conditions, we ensure that every product delivers optimal performance. This market-sensitive approach allows us to support customers effectively across varied geographies.



What certifications and industry standards does your company follow, and how do they help enhance trust with customers, particularly in the export markets?

We are an ISO-certified company, and all our products are manufactured in accordance with the relevant national and international standards. For instance, in India, we follow BIS standards. In the American market, it's ASTM; in Europe, we conform to DIN and ISO standards. We carefully align our production processes with these requirements depending on the target market and the specific product. These certifications are much more than just checkboxes—they reinforce the quality, safety, and performance of our products. For international customers especially, these marks of compliance are critical. They not only assure our customers of product reliability but also help us build long-term trust and credibility in highly regulated markets.



You currently export to over 70 countries. How do you tailor your products to meet the specific regulatory and climatic conditions of such diverse regions, especially places like the Middle East and Europe?

We've been exporting for more than 23–24 years now, and this experience has been crucial in helping us finetune our offerings for different markets. Every region comes with its own set of standards, expectations, and environmental challenges. For instance, in the Middle East, extreme heat is a common issue, so we've engineered our products to withstand high temperatures and

UV exposure. On the other hand, Europe has stringent environmental and safety regulations, and our products there are designed to meet or exceed those standards. This kind of customization ensures that our products perform optimally across diverse conditions—whether it's heat, pressure, or compliance requirements.



Do your products see higher demand in industrial sectors like chemicals and manufacturing, or are they more commonly used in domestic plumbing?

Our product line caters to both industrial and domestic markets, and demand varies based on the sector. However, we've seen particularly strong demand in industrial sectors such as chemicals, manufacturing, and mining, where durability, performance, and reliability are absolutely essential. These environments demand robust solutions, and our products are designed to deliver just that. At the same time, our pipes and fittings remain a popular choice in domestic plumbing because of their proven quality, ease of installation, and long-lasting performance.

Are there any niche markets that you specifically cater to? What challenges have you faced there, and can you share examples of how your products have performed in extreme or demanding conditions?

Yes, we cater to several niche markets, including the mining industry, which is one of the most demanding environments for any piping solution. The challenges here are immense—the conditions are highly abrasive, and materials flowing through the systems often include harsh particles that can wear out standard products quickly. Initially, we faced difficulties while designing products for such environments, especially for water transfer applications in mining operations. To overcome this, we modified our products to make them more resistant to abrasive materials and chemicals. This involved extensive field testing and iterative improvements through trial and error. As a result, we now offer specialized products that are guaranteed to perform reliably even in the harshest conditions.

Precision and consistency are key for leak-proof operations. What advanced manufacturing techniques or quality control measures do you use to maintain high accuracy in your products?

We've invested heavily in advanced manufacturing technologies, including state-of-the-art machinery and automation systems that ensure precision and consistency at every stage. From raw material handling to the final product, automation helps reduce human error and improves repeatability. Beyond that, we conduct rigorous quality control testing—including pressure and leak tests—to ensure that every product meets or exceeds performance and regulatory standards. This commitment to quality assurance guarantees leak-proof performance and reliability, helping us maintain customer satisfaction and trust.

Many manufacturers rely on imported raw materials. Your company emphasizes both indigenous and international sourcing. How does this balanced approach impact quality, cost, and supply chain reliability?

We adopt a hybrid sourcing model—relying on both domestic and international suppliers. This strategy has been key to maintaining consistency and control, especially during times of global uncertainty. Over the years, we've seen how geopolitical events can disrupt supply chains, leading to delays and cost increases. By working with local suppliers as well, we ensure greater quality control and reduce dependency on external factors. Local sourcing also supports the domestic economy and helps us remain cost-competitive. As a result, our customers benefit from high-quality products, on-time deliveries, and fewer disruptions—even in challenging times.



What significant achievements has Sagar Polytechnic Limited attained so far, and how do they reflect your growth and commitment to excellence?

One of our proudest achievements is being recognized as a Two-Star Export House by the Ministry of Commerce, Government of India. This distinction reflects our consistent export performance and adherence to global quality standards. In addition, we were recently honoured with the second-highest export award in the pipes and hoses segment for the year 2023–24. These accolades are more than just milestones—they represent our unwavering commitment to quality, customer satisfaction, and continuous improvement in both domestic and international markets.

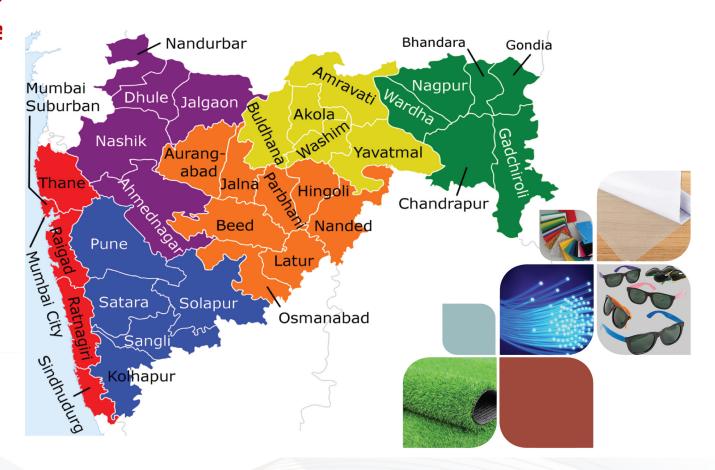




What key innovations or expansions do you have planned for your product line, especially in terms of material upgrades, design improvements, or manufacturing technologies?

Looking ahead, we're focused on increasing automation across our manufacturing processes to enhance efficiency, precision, and productivity. We're also constantly working on refining our product designs to stay aligned with evolving industry demands and customer expectations. Our R&D team is actively exploring new materials and structural enhancements that can improve performance and durability. Innovation is at the heart of what we do—and by embracing cutting-edge technologies and continuously upgrading our processes, we aim to remain a market leader and continue delivering top-tier products to our customers.

Maharashtra: "Innovating and Expanding in Plastics Export"



State Profile

Maharashtra, located in western India, is bordered by the Arabian Sea to the west, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh to the north, Chhattisgarh to the east, and Karnataka, Telangana, and Goa to the south. It is the third-largest state by geographical area (307,713 sq. km.) and the second-most populous. With a coastline of approximately 720 km, Maharashtra plays a vital role in trade and commerce. The state comprises 36 districts and 358 talukas.

Maharashtra contributes approximately **15% to the national GDP**, making it India's largest economy. The state is a powerhouse in exports, accounting for nearly **22% of India's total exports**, with Mumbai and Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) playing a crucial role. Maharashtra is also the **largest contributor to India's industrial output**, leading in sectors like automobiles, pharmaceuticals, and IT.

Overview of the Plastics Industry in Maharashtra

Maharashtra is the No. 2 Ranking State in India with Plastics exports in 2023-24 valued at USD 1.9 Billion. During the period, Maharashtra ranked as the second largest exporting state for plastic products, followed Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu (UT), West Bengal, Haryana and Tamil Nadu. Maharashtra's plastic export market share is 16.5%

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Product Panels	(USD Mil	(USD Million)		
Consumer & Houseware Products	118.1	197.6	+67.3%	
Cordage, Fishnets & Monofilaments	103.0	104.0	+0.9%	
FIBC, Woven Sacks, Woven Fabrics, Tarpaulin	68.4	60.2	-12.1%	
Floorcoverings, Leathercloth & Laminates	34.9	37.9	+8.5%	
FRP & Composites	41.1	57.1	+39.1%	
Human Hair & Related Products	1.4	3.4	+137.5%	
Medical Items of Plastics	16.9	44.4	+163.4%	
Miscellaneous Products and Items Nes	287.3	172.4	-40.0%	
Packaging Items - Flexible, Rigid	77.9	84.1	+7.9%	
Plastic Films and Sheets	616.9	569.6	-7.7%	
Plastic Pipes & Fittings	51.4	52.2	+1.7%	
Plastic Raw Materials	456.8	486.7	+6.5%	
Writing Instruments & Stationery	46.9	39.7	-15.5%	
	1,921.1	1,909.2	-0.6%	

(Source: DGCIS, Plexconcil Research)

- Plastics export during FY 2023-24 was valued at USD 1,909 million as against USD 1921 million during the same period last year, registering a minimal decline of 0.6%
- Positive Growth in Key Product Panels: Several product panels demonstrated resilience and reported growth in
 exports during FY 2023-24. Notable among these were consumer & houseware Products; plastic raw materials;
 medical items of plastics and FRP & composites. Additionally, packaging items flexible, rigid; floorcoverings,
 leathercloth & laminates; cordage, fishnets & monofilaments; plastic pipes and fittings and human hair and
 related products contributed to the overall upward trend.
- Challenges in Specific Segments: Despite the strong performance in several product panels, some segments faced challenges. plastic films and sheets; FIBC, woven sacks, woven fabrics, tarpaulin; writing instruments & stationery and miscellaneous products and items nes witnessed a decline in export growth.

Top 10 items of plastics export from Maharashtra

Maharashtra's top 10 plastics export items collectively highlight the state's strong position as a global leader in the plastics industry. These products, **valued at USD 687 million**, account for a significant share of the state's total plastics exports during FY 2023-24.

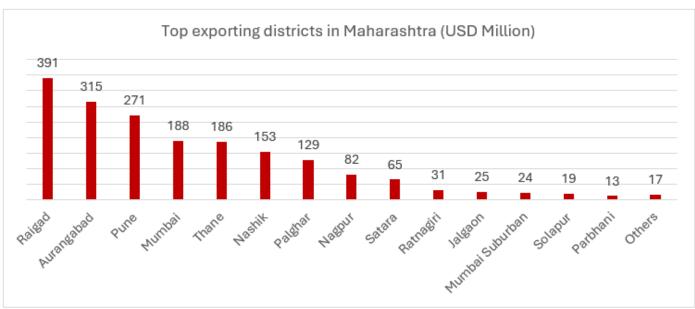
The highest export value was for **optical fibres and cables** (\$117.57M), essential for telecommunications and medical imaging. **Sunglasses** (\$86.51M) followed, serving both fashion and eye protection needs. Various **plastic films**, **sheets**, **and adhesives** contributed significantly, with applications in packaging, insulation, and industrial uses. Lastly, **polystyrene materials and fishing nets** were also key exports, supporting industries like consumer goods and aquaculture.

Product description (HS Code)	Value of Exports (US\$ Mn)
Optical fibres, optical fibre bundles and cables (90011000)	117.57
Sunglasses (90041000)	86.51
Films and sheets of non-cellular polymers of ethylene: Flexible, plain (39202020)	82.68
Self-adhesive film & sheets (39199090)	70.36
Films and sheets of non-cellular polyesters, not reinforced, laminated, (39206929)	65.02
Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s: Other (39269099)	56.57
Films and sheets of non-cellular polymers of vinyl chloride (39204900)	55.99
Other Films and sheets of polymers of propylene (39202090)	54.67
Polystyrene, in primary forms: Other (39031990)	53.21
Made up knotted fishing nets of man-made textile materials (56081190)	45.19

(Source: DGCIS, Plexconcil Research)

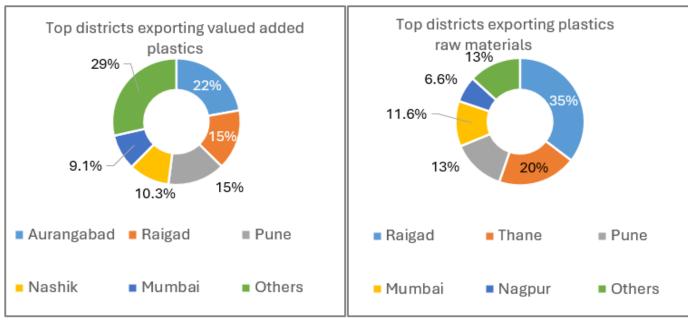
District wise, plastics exports

During 2023-24, Raigad, Aurangabad and Pune were the three major exporting districts of Maharashtra.



(Source: DGCIS 2023-24, Plexconcil Research)

Key districts leading the export of value-added plastic and Plastics raw materials in Maharashtra



(Source: DGCIS 2023-24, Plexconcil Research)

Boosting Maharashtra's Export Sector

Boosting Maharashtra's plastics export sector requires investment in advanced manufacturing, global quality standards, and sustainable practices. Streamlining regulations, reducing trade barriers, and offering incentives can enhance competitiveness. Expanding international trade partnerships and promoting biodegradable plastics will open new markets. Strengthening R&D and skill development will drive innovation and long-term growth. This will also help in

- Creating Employment Opportunities: The growth of exports generates direct and indirect jobs across industries, including manufacturing, logistics, and services, thus uplifting communities and improving livelihoods.
- Driving Industrial Development and Technological Innovation: Export growth promotes industrial expansion and incentivizes businesses to adopt advanced technologies, improving productivity, competitiveness, and sustainability.

Maharashtra's dynamic trade and export ecosystem fuels its economic strength, creating new opportunities across industries. With a forward-thinking approach, it continues to set benchmarks for growth and global competitiveness.

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Mr. Rishi Bubna

Director of Bubna Polysack Industries

In an industry as dynamic and competitive as plastics and packaging, the next generation of leaders is stepping up to not only sustain their family legacies but also drive innovation and sustainability. One such young achiever is **Rishi Bubna**, Director of **Bubna Polysack Industries**, a company renowned for its high-quality polypropylene woven sacks and flexible packaging solutions. At just over two years into his role, Rishi has already made significant strides in modernizing operations, fostering customer loyalty, and setting ambitious goals for the company's global presence.

In this candid interview, Rishi shares his journey from being a student to leading a thriving business, the lessons he's learned along the way, and his vision for the future of Bubna Polysack Industries. His story is a testament to the potential of young leaders in the plastic industry to balance tradition with innovation while staying true to their values.

You've been with Bubna Polysack Industries for over two years now. What was the biggest shift for you when you stepped into this role?



The biggest shift? My entire life changed, basically. I was a student before joining the company, so stepping from a student life to an entrepreneur's life was a very big change. Earlier, I used to study theoretically about being an entrepreneur and the administration of a business. But stepping into practical life was a whole different ballgame.

Theoretical knowledge gives you a foundation, but practical experience teaches you how to adapt and innovate. I had to learn how to make quick decisions, manage people, and handle the pressures of running a business. It was challenging, but it was also incredibly rewarding. Every day felt like a new lesson, and that's what kept me going.

Was there a moment in your journey so far that made you feel, "Yes, I truly belong here"?

Absolutely. There have been several moments, but I'd say it started happening roughly after a year of joining. In the initial year, I was learning things and wasn't able to manage anything independently. I was taking help from my seniors, my father, and everyone around me.

But after a year, when I was able to manage things independently and started loving what I was doing, every day felt like I truly belonged here. That sense of confidence and independence was a turning point for me. It's when I realized that I wasn't just filling a role—I was contributing to the growth of the company.

Every business comes with its ups and downs. What's been one of the most challenging situations you've faced, and how did you handle it?

Honestly, I haven't faced a big down until now. We've been on an upward trajectory, which is great. But with growth comes its own set of challenges. For me, the biggest challenge has been managing the workload.

As the business grows, so do the responsibilities. I'm constantly trying to find ways to manage my time better and prioritize tasks. It's a learning process, but I'm getting there. I think the key is to stay focused and adaptable. You have to be willing to adjust and find solutions as you go.

Have you brought any fresh ideas or changes to the company that you're particularly proud of?

Yes, definitely. One of the changes I'm most proud of is integrating technology into our operations. Earlier, a lot of our work in marketing and salesforce management was done manually. Now, we've implemented CRM software and automated many of our processes.

This shift has made us more efficient and tech-oriented. Everything is streamlined, and our productivity has increased significantly. I've also been diving deeper into the technical aspects of our products, which has helped me make more informed decisions and drive innovation.

Working in a family business often means learning from those before you. What's the most valuable lesson you've received from your family about running a business?

My family has taught me so much, but the most valuable lessons have been about integrity, ethics, and discipline. They've always emphasized the importance of maintaining integrity and working ethically.

They've also instilled in me the value of discipline and punctuality. These might seem like small things, but they make a big difference in how you run a business. They've become the foundation of my leadership style, and I try to embody these values in everything I do.



Bubna Polysack Industries serves a wide range of industries. What do you think is the key to keeping customers loyal in this space?

For us, customer loyalty comes down to a few key things: maintaining integrity, fulfilling our commitments, and providing high-quality products and services. But it's also about building strong relationships with our customers.

We make it a point to understand their needs and deliver solutions that add value to their businesses. Trust is everything in this industry, and we work hard to earn and maintain that trust. It's not just about selling a product—it's about creating a partnership.

Beyond strategy and numbers, what aspect of the business do you personally connect with the most?

Beyond the numbers, I really enjoy connecting with people. Since we work internationally, I get to interact with people from different cultures and backgrounds. I love learning about their working styles and perspectives.

It's not just about business—it's about building relationships and understanding the human side of things. That's what keeps me motivated and inspired. It's also what helps us adapt to different markets and stay ahead of the curve.

How do you balance preserving the company's legacy while also bringing in new ways of thinking and operating?

It's a delicate balance, but for us, the key is to stay true to our core values. The legacy of the company is built on those values, and we don't compromise on them.

At the same time, we're always looking for ways to innovate and improve. Whether it's adopting new technologies or exploring new markets, we make sure that our core values remain intact. It's about respecting the past while embracing the future.

Where do you see Bubna Polysack Industries in the next few years, and what role do you envision for yourself in that journey?

My vision is to see Bubna Polysack Industries become one of the top exporters of TPO1 and packaging materials from India. I want us to be a globally recognized name, known for our quality and innovation.

As for my role, I see myself leading the team towards achieving this goal. I want to take everyone along with me and create a culture of collaboration and excellence. It's not just about my success—it's about the success of the entire team.

Beyond business success, what keeps you motivated every day?

Business itself is a huge motivation for me, but I also find inspiration in other aspects of life. I love traveling, which often comes with the job. It's a great way to unwind and gain new perspectives.

I'm also passionate about sports, which keeps me energized and focused. And, of course, spending time with my family is incredibly important to me. They keep me grounded and remind me of what truly matters.





From Steel to Plastics: Japanese Partners Target Propylene Production from Steel By-product Gases

JFE Steel, Mitsubishi Gas Chemical, and Mitsubishi Chemical collaborate to develop a carbon recycling supply chain at the Mizushima Complex.

JFE Steel, Mitsubishi Gas Chemical, and Mitsubishi Chemical have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to undertake a demonstration project at the Mizushima Complex in Kurashiki City, Japan, targeting production of methanol from by-product gases containing CO2 emitted during steel manufacturing processes. The methanol will be utilized to produce propylene, a key raw material for plastics headed by polypropylene (PP). This resin is widely used in applications such as automotive, appliances, and packaging, all of which are targeting higher levels of sustainability through the adoption of plastics based on renewable and recycled feedstocks.

2026 kickoff

The demonstration project is slated to begin in the Japanese fiscal year of 2026, which starts in April. JFE Steel will supply by-product gases generated in the steel manufacturing process to Mitsubishi Gas Chemical, which will conduct demonstrations of methanol production using these gases as a raw material at a new demonstration plant to be constructed.



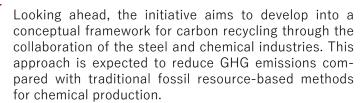
The roles of the three companies and material flow in the demonstration project. Image courtesy of Mitsubishi Chemical.

Further, Mitsubishi Chemical will utilize this methanol to evaluate compatibility with its DTP propylene production technology at its existing demonstration facilities and consider applications for other chemical products. DTP, or Dominant Technology for Propylene Production, was jointly developed by Mitsubishi Chemical and plant engineering firm JGC Corp. utilizing a catalyst that ensures high propylene selectivity and stable performance. The process produces propylene with high yield and low energy consumption.



CO2 utilization

The demonstration project represents a new initiative within the Mizushima Complex to promote collaboration among hard-to-abate industries, i.e. industries where greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions are difficult to reduce. By using CO_2 contained in by-product gases from steel manufacturing to produce valuable chemicals, the project provides a model for collaborative CO_2 utilization.



The Mizushima Complex, home to business operations of all three companies, is a high-density industrial area where diverse industries have concentrated. It is a promising region for cross-industry collaboration on $\rm CO_2$ utilization. As such, the three companies will explore broader opportunities for collaboration with other businesses within the Mizushima Complex.

Source: Plastics Today

Real-world, Al-driven Recycling Study Analyzes Food-grade PP



A groundbreaking three-month study led by Closed Loop Partners, in collaboration with AI firm Greyparrot and four U.S. recycling facilities (MRFs), used AI-powered vision systems to analyze nearly 45 million polypropylene (PP) and non-PP items, providing unprecedented insights into food-grade PP recycling. Published by Closed Loop Partners' Center for the Circular Economy, the study addresses a critical data gap in the availability of recycled food-grade PP, which is in high demand due to recycled content mandates, extended producer responsibility (EPR) policies, and corporate sustainability goals.

Key Findings:

- 1. Abundance of Clear and White Food-Grade PP
- Over 75% of captured PP was clear or white, with most presumed to be food grade.
- 30% of clear PP packaging consisted of beverage cups, highlighting a major opportunity to recycle foodservice packaging and meet growing market demand.

- 2. Al Enhances Recycling Accuracy and Efficiency
- Greyparrot's Al system (the Greyparrot Analyzer) reliably classified materials at scale, offering granular data on composition, color, and format.
- This technology helps MRFs improve sorting efficiency and recover more high-value food-grade PP, which is often mixed with non-food-grade PP.
- 3. Al Tracks MRF Performance in Real Time
- Upgrades to optical sorting systems at MRFs led to better material separation, with Al providing actionable analytics on these improvements.
- The study demonstrated Al's potential to optimize equipment performance and boost recovery rates.

Impact and Future Steps

- The AI system cut analysis time from four years to three months—manually sorting 1,000 pounds of material takes a day, whereas AI characterized 45 million objects in 90 days.
- Closed Loop Partners plans to leverage these insights to increase food-grade PP recovery and help brands meet recycled-content targets.
- Future research will explore downstream recycling opportunities to keep PP in circulation, supported by Al-driven transparency.

Quotes from Stakeholders

- Kate Daly (Closed Loop Partners): "This data shows how technology can enhance recycling transparency and recover high-quality materials for circular supply chains."
- Greyparrot's COO: "Al unlocks scalability—this study would take four years manually."

Why It Matters

The study underscores how Al-driven data can transform recycling systems, recover valuable materials like food-grade PP, and advance a circular economy for plastics. By bridging data gaps, Al empowers MRFs, brands, and policymakers to make smarter investments in recycling infrastructure.

Source: Plastics Today

Flo Group, NatureWorks Develop Compostable Coffee Pod



Flo Group, a European food packaging company, and NatureWorks, a leading producer of polylactic acid (PLA) biopolymers, have partnered to launch Keygea, a fully compostable single-serve coffee pod designed to reduce waste in the coffee industry. Made from Ingeo PLA, a plant-based biopolymer, the pod is industrially compostable, allowing both the packaging and coffee grounds to break down into nutrient-rich compost.

Key Innovations and Market Impact

1. Sustainable Design:

- The 2.6-gram thermoformed pod is lightweight yet maintains high-barrier properties to preserve coffee freshness.
- Certified for industrial composting, it diverts waste from landfills while supporting circularity.

2. Meeting Growing Demand:

- The global PLA market is projected to grow at 12% annually, reaching \$3 billion by 2032, driven by demand for sustainable packaging.
- Keygea targets North America, where half of consumers use pod-based coffee machines.

3. Performance and Cost Efficiency:

- Optimized for high-speed filling and sealing, the pod ensures consistent brewing quality.
- NatureWorks highlights its cost-effectiveness for roasters compared to conventional plastics or aluminum.

Industry Collaboration and Research

- Flo Group and NatureWorks began collaborating in 2018 to develop compostable capsules, with rigorous testing for quality and compostability.
- A 2023 Wageningen University study found PLAbased pods outperformed aluminum and plastic in sustainability, especially when composted.
- The partnership aligns with EPR regulations in the U.S. and EU, which incentivize compostable solutions for food-contact packaging.

Expanding Compostable Solutions

- In April 2024, NatureWorks and IMA Coffee introduced another compostable pod using a single-material PLA design for easier recycling.
- New England Coffee Co. adopted PurPod100, a compostable capsule made from PLA, cellulose, and coffee chaff, demonstrating industry momentum.

Environmental Benefits

- 73% lower carbon footprint vs. fossil-based plastics.
- Diverts food waste from landfills, reducing methane emissions.
- A Hydra Marine Sciences study confirmed PLA does not contribute to microplastic pollution.

Future Outlook

NatureWorks continues innovating, recently launching **Ingeo 3D300**, a PLA grade for **3D printing**, showcasing the material's versatility.

Conclusion: The Keygea pod represents a **major step toward circularity** in coffee packaging, combining sustainability, performance, and regulatory compliance. As compostable solutions gain traction, partnerships like Flo-NatureWorks are critical to scaling eco-friendly alternatives.

Source: Plastics Today

Nextek, Coveris Partner to Advance Film Recycling



New collaboration scales up waterless decontamination technology to produce food-grade recycled resins from flexible packaging waste.

Sustainability technology leader Nextek and flexible packaging specialist Coveris have partnered to shift the paradigm in the mechanical recycling of flexible films with the COtooCLEAN process.

According to the partners, the technology is designed to transform post-consumer polyolefin (PE and PP) packaging waste into high-quality, food-grade recycled resins and films.

Nextek said its partnership with Coveris builds on its recent recognition by the Alliance to End Plastic Waste (AEPW), which awarded the company the Circular Solutions for Flexibles honor. The AEPW is an independent global non-profit organization with a focus of ending plastic waste entering the environment and creating circular systems that keep materials and products in use for as long as possible.

The award spotlighted Nextek's COtooCLEAN technology, a waterless cleaning and decontamination process that enables the production of food-grade recycled materials from post-consumer plastic film.

Demonstration facility

As part of the collaboration, Nextek and Coveris are developing a demonstration plant in the UK to scale up the COtooCLEAN process for industrial use. The companies said the facility will undergo extensive trials to generate the data required for regulatory approval while showcasing the technology's capabilities to the industry. The long-term goal is to make this process available worldwide, addressing one of the most challenging aspects of plastic recycling.

Edward Kosior, CEO and founder of Nextek, pointed out that COtooCLEAN "has the potential to transform plastic film recycling."

"Since winning the AEPW award, we've moved from prototype development to food-grade compliance trials," he added. "Partnering with Coveris is the next big step. Together, we'll demonstrate this technology at scale and work toward a circular economy for plastic films."

The companies said COtooCLEAN solves a key issue in the recycling of PE and PP films, which can be difficult to decontaminate. By enabling food-grade recycling, the technology represents a major leap forward in creating a sustainable future for flexible packaging.

Kosior said his company's CotooCLEAN technology uses a supercritical CO2 process to extract contaminants from polyolefin films at high rates. According to the company, the process removes more than 99% of oils and chemical contaminants.

Christian Kolarik, CEO of Coveris, echoed Kosior's comments.

"We're really a frontrunner in this topic, and we are thrilled to collaborate with Nextek on this project — a breakthrough in food-grade mechanical recycling," Kolarik said. "Sustainability is at the heart of Coveris' 'No Waste' strategy, and this partnership is another milestone in ending plastic waste. Together with our ReCover recycling entity and our collaboration with Interzero, we are taking bold steps toward turning waste back into a valuable resource."

Source; Plastics Today

Compostable Butter Wrap Celebrates Two Milestones



Novolex continues to expand its compostable packaging solutions in the foodservice, delivery, and carryout markets.

On March 12, the company announced two major achievements for its new compostable butter wraps:

- The 2025 Gold Award for Sustainability from the Flexible Packaging Association (FPA)
- Certification as compostable in commercial facilities by the Biodegradable Products Institute (BPI)

Manufactured by Novolex subsidiary Shields, the new TerreGloss and Terrecote butter wraps seamlessly combine performance with sustainability, meeting the needs of both consumers and dairies.

"We are incredibly proud to earn FPA's Gold Award for Sustainability and BPI's certification for our butter wrap," says Adrianne Tipton, Chief Technology Officer at Novolex. "We are committed to creating exceptional products, advancing sustainability, and offering innovative packaging solutions. These achievements reaffirm our dedication to pioneering the best in packaging."

This year's FPA competition drew 226 entries for the Achievement Awards.

Addressing food safety concerns

The paper-based wraps feature a barrier polymer wax coating. This high-performance blend of wax is free of intentionally added per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Manufactured for 4-ounce butter sticks, the wrap is one of the first of its kind to earn BPI compostability certification. This certification ensures the wrap meets all requirements for industrial composting, unlike wraps made with paper-foil or paper-poly combinations. TerreGloss and Terrecote Butter Wrap Characteristics:

- Made from a renewable paper base;
- Protects the product with water and oxygen barriers:
- Available for custom printing using environmentally responsible inks;
- Easy product release when removing the wrapper;
- Available in roll sizes suitable for both Elgin (Eastern)-style and Western-style butter stick packaging;
- Offered in either a gloss or matte finish.

Novolex now offers more than 1,000 BPI-certified compostable items, including Hilex compostable produce bags, t-shirt bags, and a wide variety of foodservice products from Eco-Products.

Source: Plastics Today



Hindustan Unilever board okays acquiring 14.3% stake in Lucro Plastecycle



The board of directors of Hindustan Unilever (HUL), at its meeting on Thursday, approved the investment for acquiring a 14.3 per cent stake in Lucro Plastecycle (Lucro), a leading player in recycled flexible plastics, for an undisclosed amount, according to a press release.

Lucro is a waste management, recycling, and product manufacturing company working to create a circular plastics economy.

"HUL's investment is a step forward towards its sustainability goals to scale up the use of recycled flexible content in packaging, in line with the government's vision of a zero-plastic-waste future," HUL said in its release.

The investment aims to strengthen plastic circularity by increasing the availability of recycled content for flexibles, providing a roadmap for businesses to move towards sustainable plastic packaging, and addressing the challenge of hard-to-recycle flexible plastic.

Rohit Jawa, HUL chief executive officer and managing director, said, "This investment is a significant step in building capabilities in recycling and developing the cir-

cular economy model for plastic, which is in line with our firm belief that what is good for India is good for HUL."

Ujwal Desai, managing director at Lucro, said, "At Lucro, we turn the challenge of recycling post-consumer flexible plastics into an opportunity to create high-quality recycled plastics while driving the circular economy. This investment by HUL paves the way for increasing our recycling capacity, driving large-scale commercial adoption of post-consumer resin, and setting a new benchmark for sustainable plastics."

Source: Business Standard

Haldia Petrochemicals (HPL) exploring possibilities to invest Rs 8500 crore for polycarbonate production in West Bengal.

Kolkata: Haldia Petrochemicals is exploring possibilities to invest over Rs 8,500 crore for polycarbonate production in Bengal. This petrochemical compound, not in production in India, would be an import substitute. Polycarbonate is mainly used in the automotive industry which continues to grow in the country.



While not divulging the details of the investment, Haldia Petrochemicals Ltd WTD and CEO Navanit Narayan told TOI recently that polycarbonate was the logical conclusion and forward integration of phenol production

which the company had already undertaken, following a licence agreement with Lummus Technology.

Industry experts opined that a polycarbonate production project would need investment of at least a billion dollars or Rs 8.500 crore.

For the polycarbonate project, HPL is likely to join hands with a partner with the technological know-how, Narayan indicated. "However, very few companies have the technology for this," he added. "Since all polycarbonate in India is imported and considering the demand in the country, there is room for at least two big players. The idea is to add more value to our production line," Narayan said.

The CEO also indicated that there was additional land available in Haldia to implement the project.

Commenting on HPL's phenol projects, Narayan said that the new line would be ready by mid-2027. He also pointed out that the plywood industry — which has big presence in eastern India — was a big consumption sector for phenol.

Last year, HPL had announced its plans for phenol production at Haldia. The company had signed a licence agreement with Lummus Technology for the phenol and acetone plant. The agreement was signed by Narayan and Romain Lemoine, chief business officer of polymers and petrochemicals, Lummus Technology.

It was later scaled up to Rs 5,000 crore. "The proposed investment of Rs 3,000 crore was an early estimate of the hard cost before the detailed engineering of the project and didn't include GST, start-up costs, etc. The phenol project has also been integrated with the Olefin Conversion Unit (OCU) to ensure uninterrupted feedstock supply to the phenol unit. The revised project cost also includes utility and infrastructure augmentation, including pipelines needed for the OCU and phenol unit," a company source said.

HPL is one of the largest petrochemical companies in India with a total capacity equivalent to 7,00,000 TPA (tonne per annum) of ethylene.

Source: Times of India

Plastic recycling to attract fresh investments in Bengal amid circular economy push



West Bengal is aiming at ₹3,000 crore capex in the next few years in plastic processing units

Plastic recycling is expected to attract significant investments in West Bengal in the coming years, driven by stricter regulations on extended producer responsibility (EPR) and rising demand for sustainable solutions, industry officials said on Friday.

Indian Plastics Federation's (IPF) President Lalit Agarwal said the union government's EPR norms, which mandate the use of a minimum of 25 per cent recycled plastic in packaging from April 1, 2025, would accelerate investments in recycling projects to promote the circular economy and reduce environmental impact.

"With the push from the government, a fresh investment cycle is expected to begin in plastic recycling. It may even match the investment pipeline for plastic processing in the near future," Agarwal said.

West Bengal is aiming at ₹3,000 crore capex in the next few years in plastic processing units, he said.

Recycling-based projects worth ₹450 crore are already in the pipeline, according to IPF National Advisory Board Chairman Alok Tibrewal.

British International Investment (BII) had recently signed a memorandum of understanding with Magpet Polymers in Kolkata, committing ₹205 crore (\$24 million) in the form of a long-term loan for the expansion of Magpet's PET bottle recycling facility in Kharagpur.

The inauguration of the 10th edition of INDPLAS'25, the triennial flagship international plastics exhibition of IPF, began on Friday.

The four-day B2B event, the largest of its kind in eastern India, is expected to draw 400 exhibitors and one lakh visitors, including representatives from a dozen foreign companies from countries like China and the US.

West Bengal Industries Minister Shashi Panja and Principal Secretary Vandana Yadav inaugurated the event, underscoring the state's commitment to promoting the plastic industry and boosting investments.

"INDPLAS'25 is more than just an exhibition. It is a platform for collaboration, innovation and investment. With the rapid development of the plastics sector in eastern India, this event will catalyse new business opportunities and technological advancements," said Ashok Jajodia, Chairman of the INDPLAS'25 Organising Committee.

As part of the event, an Invest Bengal Seminar was held, highlighting the State's evolving industrial landscape, investor incentives and the government's vision to make West Bengal a hub for plastics manufacturing with infrastructure development and a skilled workforce.

Source: The Hindu Business Line

Minister warns of action against manufacture of banned plastic

Strict action will be taken against companies manufacturing banned plastic, Minister for Local Self-Government M.B. Rajesh has said.

The Minister praised Muvattupuzha municipal officials who raided and closed an illegal banned plastic bag manufacturing company there. An inspection by the municipality's health wing enforcement squad at Uravakuzhi found 33 tonnes of banned single-use plastic products and unprocessed materials. Following this, the company was formally closed down and sealed. Steps have also been taken to impose a fine.

More inspections and actions will be taken against such establishments, the Minister said in a statement.

Source: The Hindu

Why become a Plexconcil Member?

Established since 1955, the Plastics Export Promotion Council, PLEXCONCIL, is sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Commerce, Government of India. PLEXCONCIL is a non-profit organization representing exporters from the Indian plastics industry and is engaged in promoting the industry exports.

The Council is focused on achieving excellence in exports by undertaking various activities and initiatives to promote the industry. The Council undertakes activities such as participation at international trade fairs, sponsoring delegations to target markets, inviting foreign business delegations to India, organising buyer-seller meets both in India and the overseas etc.,

The Council also routinely undertakes research and surveys, organizes the Annual Awards to recognize top performing exporters, monitors the development of new technology and shares the same with members, facilitates joint ventures and collaboration with foreign companies and trade associations as well as represents the issues and concerns to the relevant Government bodies.

The Council represents a wide variety of plastics products including – Plastics Raw Materials, Packaging Materials, Films, Consumer Goods, Writing Instruments, Travel ware, Plastic Sheets, Leather Cloth, Vinyl Floor Coverings, Pipes and Fittings, Water Storage Tanks, Custom made plastic Items from a range of plastic materials including Engineered Plastics, Electrical Accessories, FRP/GRP Products, Sanitary Fittings, Tarpaulins, Laminates, Fishing Lines/Fishnets, Cordage/Ropes/Twines, Laboratory Ware; Eye Ware, Surgical/Medical Disposables.

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- Financial benefits to exporters, as available through Government of India
- Disseminating trade enquiries/trade leads
- Instituting Export Awards in recognition of outstanding export performance
- Assistance on export financing with various institutions and banks
- Networking opportunities within the plastics industry
- Special price for Dun & Bradstreet's DUNS Registered Solution, Global Profiler, and ESG Report
- Issuance of Certificate of Origin (COO) & Export turnover certificate.
- Advocating policy related issues.
- Organizing Buyer seller meets (BSM) in targeted markets / Reverse buyer seller meets (RBSM) in India.
- Addressing members' day-to-day export operation issues with relevant authorities and striving for resolution.
- Compiling, analysing plastics export data, and sharing insights with trade members.
- Any other activity based on the need of the member exporters.

The Plastics Export Promotion Council added the following companies/firms as new members during February-2025. We would like to welcome them aboard!

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17	Sacos And Rafias India Private Limite	14/485b, Aadimadhavam, Ponnakkudam Lane Tevakkal Kalamassery Ernakulam Kerala 682021	Kalamas- sery	682021	Kerala	sacosandrafiasin- dia@gmail.com
18	Shivaanya Global Private Limited	First Floor, Shop No. 12, Riviera Arcade, Plot No.1, Revenue Survey No. 523/Paiki-1, Opp Riviera Elegance, Varsamedi,	Anjar	370110	Gujarat	hr.vinyl@gmail. com
19	Shri Sadhi Krupa Polysacks Private Limited	Gidc, 1306/1, Phase Iv, Naroda,	Ahmedabad	382433	Gujarat	admn.toolasian@ gmail.com

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21	Sona Star Healthcare Llp	210,2nd Floor, Shivai Dongre Industrial Premises Co- Op Society, 89 Andheri Kurla, Sakinaka Andheri East,	Mumbai	400072	Maharas- htra	sunil.choksi@ sonastarhealthca- rellp.com
22	Supreme Plasto Containers	101 Nehru Nagar Kottivakkam Chennai, Tamilnadu Chennai Tamil Nadu 600041	Chennai	600041	Tamil Nadu	supremeplasto@ gmail.com
23	Vansh Plascom	Wework Galaxy 43, Residency Road, Ashok Nagar Bengaluru Bengaluru Urban Karnataka 560025	Bengaluru	560025	Karnataka	varun@eleva- tecompounds.com
24	Volante International Tradecon Llp	F.F14/23, Shakti Arcade, Opp. Auda Water Tank, Science City Road,Sola	Ahmedabad	380060	Gujarat	account@volan- teintl.com
25	Vsr Laminates Private Limited	Shop No-1, D 47/1, Gali No-6, Bhagirathi Vihar, Johripur,	North East Delhi	110094	Delhi	vsrlaminates@ gmail.com