



PLEXCONNECT

EDITION 83, SEPTEMBER 2026

PRODUCT OF THE MONTH Pg No. 27
Plates & Sheets of Polycarbonate

**INTERVIEW OF AN
INDUSTRY LEADER**

Pg No. 30

Mr. Surender Kumar Mehta,
Chairman and MD,
LAMTUF LTD.

STATE PROFILE

Pg No. 34

Kerala

COUNTRY PROFILE

Pg No. 38

Netherlands

Boost Your Business Growth With Impeccable Colours of Nature

Committed to enhance quality and performance through innovating various custom colour, special effects and sustainable masterbatches to provide genuine and vibrant solutions

APPLICATION AREAS FOR COLOUR MASTERBATCHES

- ◆ Caps Closures & FMCG ◆ Wires & Cables ◆ Non Woven ◆ Oil Containers
- ◆ Toys ◆ Household & Furniture
- ◆ Woven Sacks & Lamination
- ◆ Polyester Fibre ◆ PP BCF

- ◆ **Leading Manufacturer
& Exporter of Masterbatches,
Additives & Compounds**
- ◆ **Network spread over
60+ countries**

Exceeding Your Expectations

BLEND COLOURS

Powered by Innovation

Hear BLEND, Think #BLENDCOLOURS

Blend Colours Pvt.Ltd. Plot No: #35, IDA Kattedan, Hyderabad - 500077 (TS) India.
Ph: +91-40-24361499. Email: info@blendcolours.com

Connect us with :





THE PLASTICS EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

EDITORIAL ADVISORY BOARD

- Convener:**
Mr. Vikram Bhadauria,
ALOK Masterbatches
- Member:**
Mr. Manoj Agarwal,
Kanpur Plastipack
- Member:**
Mr. Sribash Dasmohapatra
- Plexconnect is published by:**
The Plastics Export Promotion Council
- Editor:**
Mr. Sribash Dasmohapatra,
Executive Director, Plexconcil
- Associate Editor:**
Mr. Arijit Ray
- Send in your feedback, comments,
suggestions to **editor@plexconcil.org** or
arijitray@theunlockcompany.in

HEAD OFFICE (Head Office)

B-Wing, Dynasty Business Park, Unit No. 2, Ground Floor,
Andheri-Kurla Road, Chakala, Andheri East, Mumbai -
400059, Maharashtra
Tel: 022 - 40170000
Email: office@plexconcil.org

DELHI - Northern Regional (Regional Office)

319, 3rd Floor, Block - E, International Trade Tower 99,
Nehru Place
New Delhi - 110019
Tel: 91-11-26478817 / 26478819
Fax: 91-11-26478821
Email: plexnr@plexconcil.org
ashutosh.kumar@plexconcil.org

CHENNAI - Southern (Regional Office)

Unit No. 503, 5th Floor, Sigma Wing, Raheja Towers,
177 Anna Salai (Mount Road), Chennai - 600 002,
Tamil Nadu, India
Tel: 044-28292620 | 044- 2829 1518
Mobile: +91 98400 53930
Email: ruban.hobday@plexconcil.org

KOLKATA - Eastern Regional (Regional Office)

Vanijya Bhavan, 1/1 Wood Street
Kolkata - 700016
Tel: 91-33-22834497 / 22834498
Fax: 91-33-22834289
Email: nilotpal@plexconcil.org

AHMEDABAD – Gujarat Region (Regional Office)

A-1001, Titanium Heights, Nr. Vodafone House,
Corporate Road, Prahladnagar, Makarba,
Ahmedabad- 380015 (Gujarat)
Tel: 079-48010103
Email: naman@plexconcil.org

 Plastics Export Promotion Council
(PLEXCONCIL)

 @officialplexconcil

 THE PLASTICS EXPORT
PROMOTION COUNCIL

 @plexconcil

 @officialplexconcil

To protect your harvest, mulch films need to last an entire season.

Adverse environmental conditions can lead to cracks and tears in mulch film over time. Our masterbatches can solve these problems.

We use a combination of silver, black, UV and Anti-Oxidant masterbatches for:



High Sunlight Reflectance



High Opacity



Chemical & Pesticide Resistance

Our high-quality masterbatches also offer smooth finish and high gloss, meaning your products look fantastic!

Contact us for Mulch Films or GeoSynthetics needs!

dhirendra@jjplastalloy.com : ✉

www.jjplastalloy.com : 🌐

+91 8808 736 600 : ☎

Bharuch (Gujarat) & : 📍
Chandauli (U.P), India.

1	➤	From the Chairman's Desk	4
2	➤	Council Activities (August) 2026)	5
3	➤	Export Performance of July 2026	14
4	➤	Government Notifications	24
5	➤	Product of The Month Plates & Sheets of Polycarbonate	27
6	➤	Interview of an Industry Leader Mr. Surender Kumar Mehta, Chairman and MD, LAMTUF LTD.	30
7	➤	State Profile Kerala	34
8	➤	Country Profile Netherlands	38
9	➤	Global Trends and Innovation	42
10	➤	India News	45
11	➤	Why Become a Plexconcil Member	47
12	➤	List of New Members	49



"I WOULD LIKE TO PLACE ON RECORD MY SINCERE APPRECIATION TO THE BOARD, THE LEADERSHIP TEAM, OUR COLLEAGUES, MEMBERS, PARTNERS AND EVERY INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS CONTRIBUTED TO PLEXCONCIL'S JOURNEY."

Dear Members,

As I come to the end of my tenure as Chairman of Plexconcil, I look back with a deep sense of gratitude and fulfilment. Serving as Chairman has been a privilege and a responsibility that I have cherished immensely. Over the years, I have had the opportunity to work alongside an incredibly committed team, engage with our members and stakeholders, and witness the organisation evolve through changing times and new opportunities.

It is a matter of immense pride and privilege that, during my tenure, the Council observed its 70th anniversary—a remarkable milestone in the journey of an institution that has, over seven decades, played an important role in shaping and strengthening India's plastics export industry. To be associated with the Council during such a significant chapter in its history is an honour that I will always cherish. Plexconcil has always been more than an organisation—it is a community built on collaboration, trust, shared purpose and the belief that we can achieve more together. I am proud of what we have accomplished collectively and, even more so, of the spirit in which we have pursued our goals.

During my tenure, I had the privilege of engaging closely with the Ministry of Commerce & Industry to help the industry navigate several significant trade challenges, including the imposition of punitive US tariffs and the shipping disruptions arising from the West Asia crisis. I also had the opportunity to work with the Ministry in representing the concerns and aspirations of the plastics industry during the India-EU Free Trade Agreement negotiations,

ensuring effective articulation of members' interests at the policy level. I also had the honour of leading several prestigious trade delegations to leading international exhibitions, including Chinaplas, ArabPlast and other prominent global trade fairs, strengthening the global presence of Indian plastics exporters. During my tenure, the Council successfully organised several flagship networking initiatives, including the Plexconnect Reverse Buyer Seller Meet (RBSM) and numerous Buyer-Seller Meets across key overseas markets, creating valuable business opportunities and fostering stronger global partnerships for our members.

I would like to place on record my sincere appreciation to the Board, the leadership team, our colleagues, members, partners and every individual who has contributed to Plexconcil's journey. Your support, ideas and commitment have been instrumental in shaping the organisation and making my tenure a truly rewarding experience.

To everyone who has been a part of this journey, thank you for your trust, your support and, most importantly, your companionship. While my formal role may come to an end, my association with and affection for Plexconcil will remain. I wish Plexconcil and the entire plastics export community continued success, sustained growth and many new milestones in the years ahead.

Warm regards,
Vikram Bhaduria
Chairman, PLEXCONCIL

EXHIBITION AND SHOWS

August 07-10, 2026:

Participation in HIPLEX 2026 Show - Hitex Convention Centre, Hyderabad | Southern Region

The Chennai office of the Council participated in the HIPLEX 2026 Show, organized by M/s Telangana and Andhra Plastics Manufacturers Association (TAAPMA), at the Hitex Convention Centre in Hyderabad, from August 07-10, 2026. This Show was a sourcing platform for plastics and its allied industries and to showcase the advancements, growth and opportunities for the plastic products particularly from Southern India.

The organizers allotted a complimentary booth of 09 sqmtr to the Council who had a promotional booth to disseminate information on the Council's services and on the export potential for plastic products from India.

Participation in this event also provided a platform for membership mobilization to encourage industry entrepreneurs to enrol in Council membership and thereafter to start their exports with Council's support and guidance, and the Secretariat is following up with these entrepreneurs to enrol them in Council membership.

The Council was represented by Mr. Ruban Hobday, Regional Director-South and Mr. R. Dayanidhi, Asst-Director at the show.



MEETINGS WITH VARIOUS STAKEHOLDERS

04th August 2026:

Plexconcil Showcases Plastic Export Potential at Nashik Export Awareness Camp | Western Region

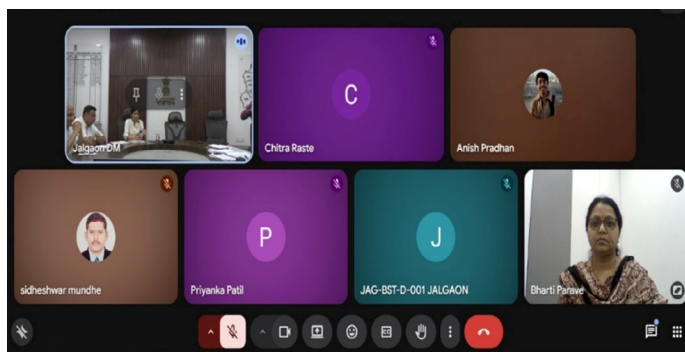
Plexconcil participated in the Nashik Export Awareness Camp organized by the Mumbai Regional Authority of DGFT at the Nashik Engineering Cluster on August 4, 2026. The programme aimed to create export awareness among MSMEs and strengthen the district's export ecosystem. It also featured a session on E-Commerce Exports and the 2nd District Export Promotion Committee (DEPC) Meeting. During the programme, Mr. Raja Narayanan, Senior Manager, Plexconcil, presented Nashik's plastics export potential, highlighting the district's export performance, untapped opportunities, and focus products for global markets.



05th August 2026:

Meeting with District Collector - Jalgaon | Western Region

Jalgaon collector office organized a meeting for Industry consultation on August 5, 2026 in virtual mode. Plexconcil participated in this meeting and shared inputs for facilitating and enhancing exports from these districts.



06th August 2026: **CIPET & Govt. of Tamil Nadu Regional Advisory Committee Meeting (RAC) | Southern Region**

The Regional Advisory Committee Meeting (RAC) of CIPET-H.O. was held under the Chairmanship of Dr. S. Vijayakumar, IAS, Addl. Chief Secretary to Government, Department of Industries, Investment Promotion & Commerce, Govt. of Tamil Nadu to discuss on the Infrastructure upgradation, Skill Development Programs and to monitor the performance of three CIPET centres catering to the development of the plastics & allied industries in the state. The Council was represented by Shri. R. Dayanidhi, Assistant Director – South.

06th August 2026: **Meeting to discuss on EUDR preparedness and 1st Quarter trade performance | Eastern Region**

The Council participated in the review meeting convened by EPCAP on EUDR preparedness and the 1st Quarter trade performance of Export Promotion Councils (EPCs). The relevant issues and updates were discussed.

Attendees: Mr Nilotpal Biswas (Regional Director, East), Mrs. Bharti Parave Deputy Director Trade & Policy.

07th August 2026: **Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Market Access under the Export Promotion Mission | Western Region**

The Council participated in the 12th Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Market Access under the Export Promotion Mission, held on 7th August 2026 at Vanijya Bhawan, wherein proposals recommended by the Commodity/Ministry of Textiles and Territorial Divisions, along with deferred proposals and representations, were reviewed under the co-chairmanship of Ms Kapil Chaudhary Joint Secretary, DoC and Shri Chandrakanth Mishra, Additional DGFT.

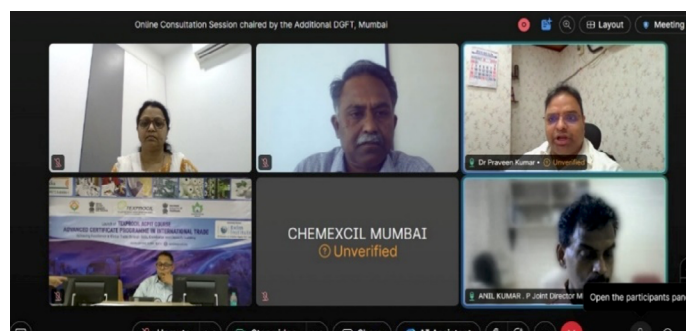
Attendees: Mr. Sribash Dasmohapatra Executive Director, Mr Nilotpal Biswas (Regional Director, East), Mrs. Bharti Parave Deputy Director Trade & Policy, Mr Nigel Rodrigues (Asst Manager, Exhibition Dept) and Mrs Kajal Guria (Senior Executive, Exhibition Dept)

07th August 2026: **Seminar on “Grow your Plastic Consumer Business with Walmart Vriddhi” | Eastern Region**

PLEXCONCIL, jointly with the Indian Plastics Federation (IPF), organized the seminar in Kolkata. Mr. Lalit Agarwal, COA Member, and Mr. Nilotpal Biswas, RD, along with Council Members, attended the program.

10th August 2026: **Meeting with DGFT-Mumbai | Western Region**

Plexconcil attended online consultation session organized by Office of the Additional Director General of Foreign Trade, Mumbai on 10th August 2026 to deliberate on the harmonisation of various Export Promotion Schemes and other schemes administered and implemented by DGFT, with a view to identifying any changes that may be required in the existing provisions. Plexconcil provided the required suggestions and comments to be implemented by DGFT.



12th August 2026: **Participation in Outreach Workshop Session with Banks and other stakeholders under the Export Promotion Mission | Western Region**

Export Promotion Mission Section, Directorate General of Foreign Trade (HQ) organized workshop on EPM Sub-Committee Members on Niryat Protsahan (Trade Finance), Export Promotion Councils (EPCs), Indian Banks' Association (IBA), participating banks and implementing agencies to discuss issues relating to the implementation of various interventions under Niryat Protsahan on 12th August 2026. The meeting was attended by officials of PLEXCONCIL.

★ COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Attendees: : Mr. Sribash Dasmohapatra Executive Director , Mr Nilotpal Biswas (Regional Director, East), Mrs. Bharti Parave Deputy Director Trade & Policy, Mr Ruban Hobday (Regional Director, South) Mr Dayanidhi (Asst Director), Mr Naman Marjadi (Asst Director).

13th August 2026: Meeting with MSME Department, Govt. of Tamil Nadu | Southern Region

Mr. G. Chandrasekar, Regional Chairman, PLEXCONCIL and R.O. Chennai officials met Shri. Pradeep Yadav, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to the Government, MSME Department, Govt of Tamil Nadu to thank him for his gracious presence at PLEXCONNECT – 2026 – AN INDUSTRY CONFERENCE with the theme of “India’s Future in Polymers, Innovation & Export Growth”, a premier one-day conference held on Tuesday, 30th July 2026, at Hotel ITC Grand Chola, Chennai.

Mr. G. Chandrasekar, Regional Chairman, PLEXCONCIL also emphasized on the importance of Tamil Nadu state pavilion at NPE 2027 Show at USA which provides potential opportunities for attracting investments and strengthening the plastics and polymer industry, particularly exports in the State.

13th August 2026: Meeting on EPCs Consultation on India-Israel FTA | Eastern Region

The above meeting was organized by the FT(WANA) Division of the Department of Commerce. The objective of the meeting was to get industry feedback on the India-Israel FTA. Mr Nilotpal Biswas, RD(East) joined the meeting online and represented the council.

13th August 2026: (VC Meeting) on District (Puri) District Level Export Promotion Committee Meeting | Eastern Region

The DLEP VC meeting was held virtually on 13th August 2026. Mr. Nilotpal Biswas, RD(East), joined the meeting online and represented the council.

13th August 2026: Meeting with the FT Europe-2 Division, DoC | Western Region

The Council participated in the interactive meeting with the Ambassador-Designate of India to Turkey, organised

by the FT Europe-2 Division on 13th August 2026, to discuss opportunities for expanding Indian exports to Turkey, addressing market access and non-tariff barriers, SPS issues, and investment-related matters.

Attendees: Mrs. Bharti Parave Deputy Director Trade & Policy and Mr. Raja Narayan (Senior Manager-Research and Statistics)

14th August 2026: Participation in Virtual Workshop on EPM Components INSIGHT and LIFT | Western Region

The Council participated in the virtual workshop organised by DGFT on the INSIGHT and LIFT components of the Export Promotion Mission (EPM) – Niryat Disha, covering the application procedure, required documentation, application process and use of the TradeConnect Portal for availing financial assistance.

Attendees: Mr. Sribash Dasmohapatra Executive Director , Mr Nilotpal Biswas (Regional Director, East), Mrs. Bharti Parave Deputy Director Trade & Policy, Mr Ruban Hobday (Regional Director, South) Mr Sanjay Singh (Deputy Director- North) Mr Naman Marjadi (Asst Director) and Mr Mukesh Bisht (Asst Director)

18th August 2026: Meeting with SICCI, Chennai | Southern Region

The R.O. Chennai officials met with Mr. Vinod Solomon, Secretary, SICCI-Chennai to thank the Chamber to be as an Knowledge Partner at the PLEXCONNECT – 2026 – AN INDUSTRY CONFERENCE with the theme of “India’s Future in Polymers, Innovation & Export Growth”, a premier one-day conference held on Tuesday, 30th July 2026, at Hotel ITC Grand Chola, Chennai. The R.O. officials also discussed on the possibility of jointly organising future programs in the state of Tamil Nadu. Attendees: Mr. Ruban Hobday, Regional Director-South and Mr. R. Dayanidhi, Asst. Director.

19th August 2026: Cuttack DEPC VC Meeting | Eastern Region

The DEPC meeting was held virtually on 19th August 2026. Mr Nilotpal Biswas, RD(East) joined the meeting online mode.

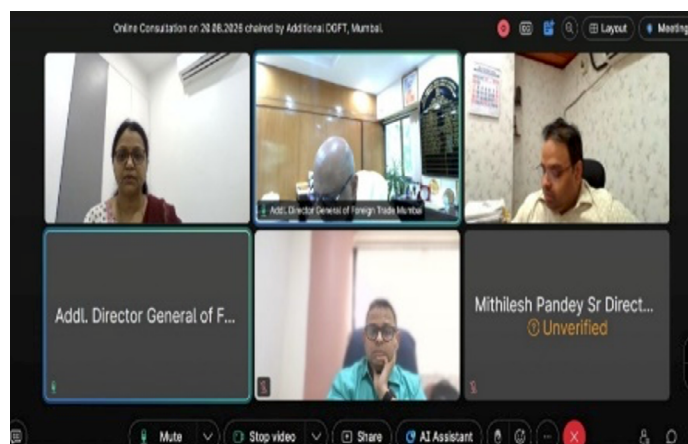
19th August 2026: Meeting with Joint DGFT, RA Chennai | Southern Region

★ COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

The R.O. Chennai officials met with Ms. Rajalakshmi Devaraj, IDAS., Joint DGFT, Chennai at Zonal DGFT HQ in Chennai to thank her for being the supporting partner at the PLEXCONNECT - 2026 - AN INDUSTRY CONFERENCE with the theme of "India's Future in Polymers, Innovation & Export Growth", a premier one-day conference held on Tuesday, 30th July 2026, at Hotel ITC Grand Chola, Chennai. The R.O. officials also discussed on the possibility of organising future programs in the state of Tamil Nadu. Attendees: Mr. Ruban Hobday, Regional Director-South and Mr. R. Dayanidhi, Asst. Director.

20th August 2026: **Meeting with DGFT-Mumbai | Western Region**

Plexconcil attended a follow-up online consultation on 20 August 2026, organised to deliberate on the harmonisation of various Export Promotion Schemes and other schemes administered and implemented by the DGFT, with a view to identifying any changes that may be required in the existing provisions.



20th August 2026: **Meeting with Chairman, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Govt. of Tamil Nadu | Southern Region**

The R.O. Chennai officials met with Mr. Anurag Mishra, IFS, Chairman (FAC) TNPCB, Govt of Tamil Nadu to thank him for being part of the PLEXCONNECT - 2026 - AN INDUSTRY CONFERENCE with the theme of "India's Future in Polymers, Innovation & Export Growth", a premier one-day conference held on Tuesday, 30th July 2026, at Hotel ITC Grand Chola, Chennai. The R.O. officials also discussed on the possibility of jointly organising EPR compliance programs in the state of Tamil Nadu. Attendees: Mr. Ruban Hobday, Regional Director-South and Mr. R. Dayanidhi, Asst. Director.

21st August 2026: **MSME Awareness Program - Standards, Quality & BIS certification | Eastern Region**

The MSME Awareness program organized by the Indian Plastics Federation (IPF). Mr Ashok Dinda, Hon'ble Minister of State, MSME & T, Government of West Bengal was the chief guest. Mr Lalit Agarwal, COA Member, and Mr. Nilotpal Biswas, RD along with Council Members attended the program.

21st August 2026: **Meeting with IIP-Chennai | Southern Region**

The R.O. Chennai officials met with R. Pon Kumar, Deputy Director & Regional Officer at Indian Institute of Packaging, Chennai to discuss on the possibility of organising Technical Conferences in the Southern Region. Attendees: Mr. Ruban Hobday, Regional Director-South and Mr. R. Dayanidhi, Asst. Director.

31st August 2026: **India-UK CETA Awareness Program | Eastern Region**

India-UK CETA Awareness program was organised by Commissionerate of Industries, Government of Maharashtra. Objective of the meeting was to promote exports from Maharashtra under India-UK CETA. Mr Nilotpal Biswas, RD(East) joined the meeting online mode.

31st August 2026: **Monthly meeting - FT(Europe-II) Division Department of Commerce, Govt. of India | Southern Region**

Department of Commerce, Govt. of India has convened a monthly meeting under the chairmanship of Shri Mohit Yadav, Joint Secretary (Department of Commerce) with Indian Missions, EPCs, Trade Bodies and State Governments to facilitate continuous coordination and alignment of trade promotion efforts in Europe Division. Attendees: Mr. Sribash Dasmohapatra, Executive Director and Mr Ruban Hobday, Regional Director, South

31st August 2026: **Review Meeting on Export performance with CIS countries | Western Region**

The Council participated in the review meeting on export performance with CIS countries, chaired by Shri Mohit

★ COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Yadav, Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce, held in hybrid mode. Discussions covered bilateral mechanisms, upcoming bilateral meetings, INNOPROM, market expansion and diversification, local regulations and standards, and utilisation of the Export Promotion Mission (EPM).

Attendees: Mr Nilotpal Biswas (Regional Director, East) and Mrs. Bharti Parave Deputy Director Trade & Policy

31st August 2026: Plexconcil Initiates Collaboration for Norway Market Access for Plastic Products | Western Region

Plexconcil participated in a preliminary interactive meeting with Ms. Beate Langset, Senior Adviser, Section for Circular Waste Management, Norwegian Environment Agency, on August 31, 2026, to explore collaboration in enhancing awareness among Indian exporters on Norway's plastic quality compliance requirements.

The meeting was co-hosted by Ms. Amandeep Kaur, Marketing Executive, Embassy of India, Oslo, Norway. During the discussions, Ms. Langset agreed in principle to conduct an awareness session for Indian exporters covering Norway's regulatory framework for plastic products, including quality certification, labelling requirements, product standards, recycling obligations, and other sustainability-related regulations applicable to the Norwegian market.

During the interaction, Mr. Dasmohapatra requested the Embassy of India in Norway to support Plexconcil in identifying potential buyers for India's top 15 exportable plastic products. He also proposed organizing a virtual Buyer-Seller Meet with these buyers to facilitate business networking and generate market opportunities for Indian exporters.

Mr. Dasmohapatra further requested Ms. Langset to facilitate connections with relevant Norwegian standard-setting and regulatory agencies to enable future online awareness sessions on plastic quality standards, compliance procedures, and sustainability regulations applicable to the Norwegian market.

As a follow-up to the meeting, Plexconcil agreed to share a list of India's top 15 exportable plastic products with Ms. Langset and Ms. Kaur to facilitate identification of the applicable regulatory and quality compliance requirements for each product, while also assisting in identifying prospective buyers in the Norwegian market.

The meeting was attended by Mr. Sribash Dasmohapatra, Executive Director, Plexconcil, Ms. Bharti Parave, Deputy Director, Plexconcil, and Mr. Raja Narayanan, Senior Manager, Plexconcil.

WEBINARS

24th August, 2026: Online Workshop on Export Credit Guarantee Scheme | Western Region

As part of the Export Promotion Mission, CGTMSE, in collaboration with the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT), Ministry of Commerce & Industry, has introduced the Special Credit Guarantee Scheme - Collateral Support for Export Credit.

In this regard, CGTMSE conducted an Awareness Programme on 24th August 2026 in virtual mode to familiarize participants with the key features, eligibility criteria, benefits, and operational aspects of the Scheme for MSMEs.

PLEXCONCIL promoted this webinar among members and invited them to attend this workshop.

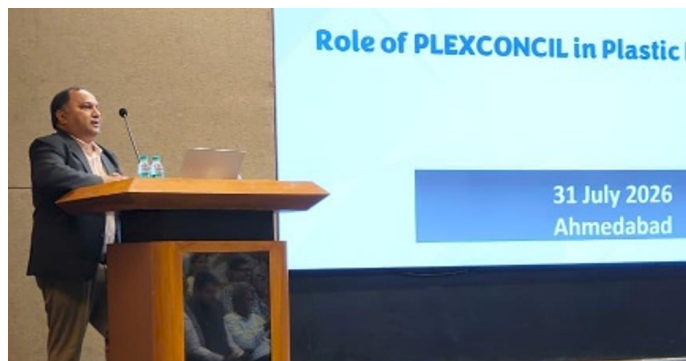


STATE OUTREACH INITIATIVES

31st July, 2026:

PLEXCONCIL's participation in "E-Commerce Export Summit 2026, Ahmedabad District, Gujarat | Western Region

As part of the District as Export Hub (DEH) Activation Drive, DGFT organized E-Commerce Export Summit 2026 in Ahmedabad on 31st July 2026 to promote e-commerce exports awareness among MSME exporters as well as facilitate onboarding of interested exporters on e-commerce export platforms. The summit provided a valuable platform for exporters to gain insights into the e-commerce export ecosystem and explore strategies for expanding into global markets through e-commerce. Plexconcil was provided an opportunity to present the role of Plexconcil in plastic exports during the program. The council was represented by Mr Mukesh Bisht, Assistant Director, PLEXCONCIL. PLEXCONCIL members were also invited to attend the program.



6th August, 2026:

PLEXCONCIL's participation in "Vendor Development Programme (VDP) on Public Procurement Policy for MSMEs" at Vadodara District, Gujarat | Western Region

MSME - Development & Facilitation Office, Ahmedabad, Ministry of MSME, Government of India, in association with Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) organized a "Vendor Development Programme (VDP) on Public Procurement Policy for MSMEs" at The Spandan Hall, IOCL Gujarat Refinery Township, Vadodara District to facilitate matchmaking between Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) and Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) from 10.30am to 6:30pm on 6 August 2026.

The program covered vendor registration process for CP-SUs, utilization of the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) platform, various Government schemes, and export opportunities. PLEXCONCIL was given an opportunity to present on Overview of Gujarat's Plastic Exports and Role of Plexconcil in Export Promotion. The Plexconcil was represented by Mr Naman Marjadi, Assistant Director, Plexconcil during this program. Efforts of Plexconcil were appreciated by MSME DFO Ahmedabad for the support and cooperation extended in organizing the program.



LIST OF REPRESENTATIONS MADE IN AUGUST 2026

1. Representation to DGFT regarding Inclusion of Plastic Industry under Interest Equalization Scheme or Pre and Post Shipment Export Credit scheme.
2. Representation to Director General of Shipping regarding requesting intervention for inefficient shipping routing from India to Cape Town via Colombo and Tema on behalf of Manjushree Spntek.
3. Representation to Department of Industrial Policy and Investment Promotion, Madhya Pradesh regarding proposal Madhya Pradesh State participation in international plastics exhibition.
4. Representation to Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs (CBIC) and Commercial Tax Department, Vallabh Bhanu, Mantralaya, M.P regarding Rationalisation of Stamp Duty on LUT Bonds Executed through ICEGATE under Advance Authorisation.
5. Representation to DGFT regarding Adverse Impact of MIP on PVC Resin on Exporters Operating under the Advance Authorisation Scheme.
6. Representation to NAFTA Division, Department of Commerce regarding the Adverse Impact of Mexico's Enhanced Import Tariffs and Security Deposit Requirements on Indian Plastic Exports.
7. Representation to Department of Revenue regarding request for Acceptance and Early Implementation of DGTR's Final Findings in Countervailing Duty Investigation concerning Imports of Calcium Carbonate Filler Masterbatch from Vietnam on behalf of CMMAL.
8. Representation to EP Cap, Department of Commerce regarding Expansion of Coverage under Component III of the ECGC RELIEF Scheme to Include Differential Ocean Freight Costs and further extension of Validity period.
9. Representation to O/o. DGFT regarding intervention and Appointment for Rectification of Deficiencies in DFIA submitted by M/s SDRP Global Pvt. Ltd.
10. Representation to DGFT regarding high ocean freight rates, port congestion and frequent vessel rollovers affecting Indian exporters.
11. Representation to Embassy of India, Vietnam regarding Request for Assistance in Recovery of Long Outstanding Export Dues from Vietnamese Importer - M/s Phu Truong Gia Co. Ltd., Hanoi.
12. Representation to EP Cap regarding decline in FIBC Exports (HS Code 63053200) on behalf of Indian Flexible Intermediate Bulk Container Association.
13. Submission of inputs O/o. DGFT regarding Online Consultation Session on DGFT Administered Schemes.
14. Submission of inputs to Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA) regarding Assess Challenges Faced by Indian Exporters in Meeting International Testing Requirements.
15. Submission of inputs to Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals regarding reviews of the Petrochemicals Product Specific Rules (PSR) for the ongoing India Canada CEPA negotiations.
16. Submission of inputs to FT(ASEAN) Division, Department of Commerce regarding Issues Faced by Exporters in Utilization of FTAs with ASEAN Member States.
17. Submission of inputs to DCPC regarding inverted duty Structure under the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime and/or the Basic Customs Duty (BCD) framework.
18. Submission of market entry notes for five districts (Mumbai, Thane, Raigad, Jalgaon & Nashik) to RA - Addl. DGFT, Mumbai under the District Export Promotion Council (DEPC).
19. Submission of proposal to RA - Addl. DGFT, Mumbai regarding Draft- Virtual Buyer Seller Meet planned by Plexconcil under DEH activity of DGFT for five districts.
20. Submission of Inputs to Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals (DCPC) of Market Access offer on 585 tariff lines under India Israel FTA.
21. Submission of Inputs to EP CAP Division, Department of Commerce on Memorandum for Union Budget 2027-28
22. Submission of Inputs to EP CAP Division, Department of Commerce on Draft Strategy Papers for exports to Vietnam
23. Submission of Inputs to FT(Europe-II) Section of Department of Commerce on potential product categories for EFTA countries
24. Submission of Inputs to FT(ASEAN) Division, Department of Commerce on Issues Faced by Exporters in FTA utilisation
25. Submission of Inputs to FT(ASEAN) Division, Department of Commerce for 5th India-Singapore Joint Working Group on Trade and Investment (JWGTI)
26. Submission of Inputs to FT(ASEAN) Division, Department of Commerce for 6th India-Vietnam Joint Trade Sub-Commission (JTSC) meeting
27. Submission of Inputs to FT-Europe I Division, Department of Commerce for 16th Session of the India-UK Joint Economic and Trade Committee
28. Submission of Inputs to FT(NEA) Division, Department of Commerce for 13th round of India-Korea CEPA upgrade negotiations
29. Submission of Inputs to TNM TBT Desk, Department of Commerce for the first session of India-Netherlands JTC
30. Submission of Inputs to FT(ASEAN) Division, Department of Commerce for 14th India-Thailand Joint Trade Committee (JTC) Meeting.

SUMMARY OF EXPORTS

India's plastic exports grew 14.9% from USD 1.15 billion in July 2025 to **USD 1.32 billion in July 2026**, marking the fourth successive month of export expansion in the current financial year.

Exports have been growing because of **diversification of shipments to South Asia and other Asian markets**, emerging **demand in certain African countries** and strong order inflows in certain product categories such as **Films & Sheets**.

Among the major product segments, value-added plastic products recorded a 16.1% increase in exports, while plastic raw materials posted an impressive 13.1% growth. **Exports of Human Hair & Related Products also rose by 8.3%**, reflecting sustained growth momentum and steady expansion in order inflows.

To view detailed reports for any of the previous months please visit: <https://plexconcil.org/statistics>





THE PLASTICS EXPORT
PROMOTION COUNCIL

**DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY IN THE
WORLD'S LARGEST CONSUMER MARKET - THE USA**

THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF INDIA IN NEW YORK PRESENTS

THE INDIA-US TRADE FACILITATION PORTAL

**A next-generation digital platform -
A joint initiative with the Embassy of India in Washington, DC,
and Indian Consulates across the United States.**

A POWERFUL ECOSYSTEM FOR

B2B Connections | Product Listings | Virtual Exhibitions | Market Discovery



The right platform to grow in the US market

- ★ **Connect directly** with verified US buyers
- ★ **Expand globally** without costly travel
- ★ Showcase your products to a **wider audience**
- ★ Participate in **immersive virtual trade events**

| We invite all active Plexconcil members to onboard on this portal
by clicking on the following [link](#).

(No registration charges)

| Registration Steps for onboarding on this portal can be accessed
from the following [link](#).

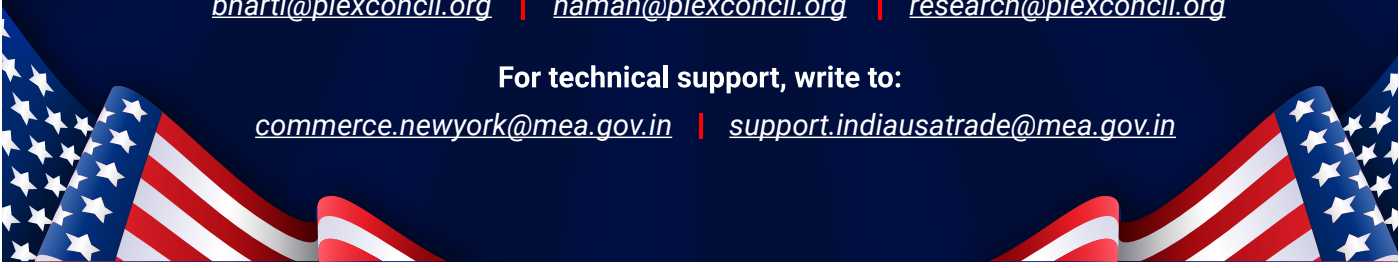
| Watch the video on How to Register as an Exporter on the [link](#).

For more queries, contact:

bharti@plexconcil.org | naman@plexconcil.org | research@plexconcil.org

For technical support, write to:

commerce.newyork@mea.gov.in | support.indiausatrade@mea.gov.in





ANALYSIS OF INDIA'S PLASTICS EXPORT

JULY 2026



KEY FINDINGS

India's Plastics and allied product exports grew 14.9%, marking the fourth consecutive month of double digit growth in this financial year.

Strong growth momentum reflects resilience of the industry amidst challenges such as elevated freight cost, skyrocketing raw material prices, stiff competition, industrial slowdown and non tariff barrier in certain markets.

Export of Cordage & Fishnets grew 14.6%, marking recovery after seven consecutive months of contraction.

There are signs of diversification of exports to certain European markets, Africa and Asian countries.

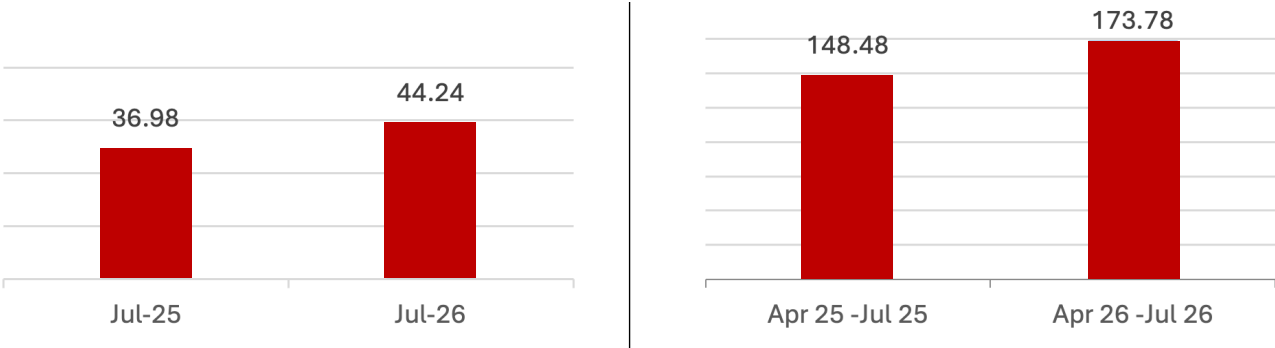
At the same time, exporters of Floor Covering, Consumer & Houseware Products and Writing Instruments continue to face adverse impact of high US tariff, slowdown in fresh orders and stiff competition.



TREND IN OVERALL EXPORTS

India’s merchandise exports posted 19.6% growth to USD 44.2 billion in July 2026 from USD 36.98 billion in the year ago month led by rise in shipment of petroleum products, electronic goods, Engineering Goods, Organic & Inorganic Chemicals, Meat, Dairy, Handicrafts and other products. Cumulative merchandise exports grew 17.04% to USD 173.78 billion in April-July 2026 from the year ago period.

Exhibit 1: Trend in overall merchandise exports from India (USD Billion)



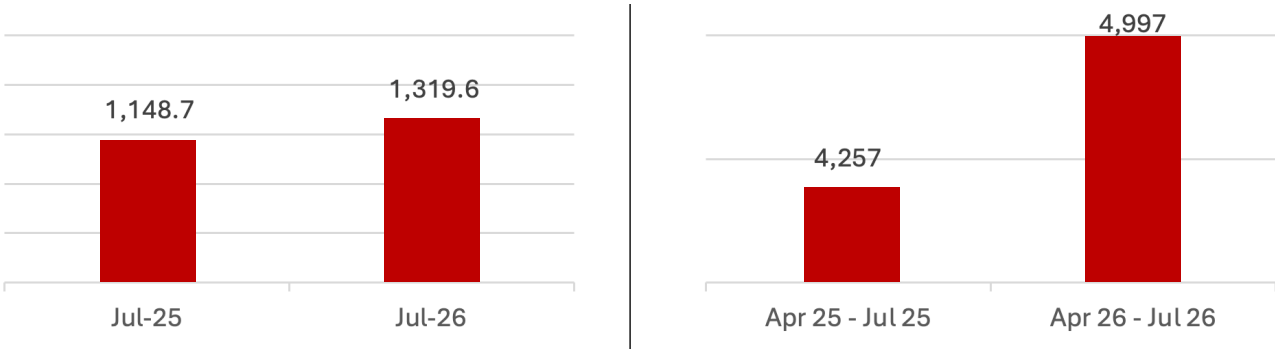
Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India

TREND IN PLASTICS EXPORT

India’s plastics and allied product exports posted 14.9% growth to USD 1319.6 million in July 2026 from USD 1148.7 million in the year ago month led by rise in shipment of Films & Sheets, FIBC, Woven Sacks, Human Hair, Raw Materials, Pipes & Fittings, FRP & Composites and other value added products.

Cumulative exports during April-July 2026 posted 17.4% growth to USD 4996.8 million from USD 4257.3 million in the year ago period.

Exhibit 2: Trend in plastics export by India (USD Million)



Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY PANEL

As mentioned earlier, export growth in July 2026 was led by rise in shipment of FIBC, Woven Sacks, Raw Materials, Films & Sheets, Human Hair, Pipes & Tubes and other value added products.

This growth was also aided by recovery in export of Cordage & Fishnets and Packaging items.

At the same time, there was notable decline in shipment of Consumer & Houseware products, Floor Coverings, Medical Items, and Writings Instruments.

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

Panel	Jul-25	Jul-26	Growth	Apr 25-Jul-25	Apr 26-Jul-26	Growth
	USD million	USD million	%	USD million	USD million	%
Consumer & houseware products	78.5	74.9	-4.5%	295.7	285.8	-3.4%
Cordage, fishnets & monofilaments	23.8	27.3	+14.6%	92.4	91.6	-0.8%
FIBC, Woven sacks, Woven fabrics, Tarpaulin	166.8	171.1	+2.5%	584.3	590.7	+1.1%
Floorcoverings, leathercloth & laminates	67.1	63.7	-5.1%	250.9	236.2	-5.9%
FRP & Composites	46.3	47.3	+2.1%	169.8	174.7	+2.9%
Human hair & related products	77.1	83.5	+8.3%	281.2	338.1	+20.2%
Medical items of plastics	52.2	43.7	-16.2%	188.0	177.5	-5.6%
Miscellaneous products and items nes	79.5	158.7	+99.5%	275.9	502.0	+81.9%
Packaging items - flexible, rigid	65.6	68.4	+4.3%	234.3	242.1	+3.3%
Plastic films and sheets	167.6	217.7	+29.9%	648.9	885.0	+36.4%
Plastic pipes & fittings	28.4	32.6	+14.7%	103.4	115.4	+11.6%
Plastic raw materials	273.0	308.6	+13.1%	1,045.6	1,270.9	+21.5%
Writing instruments & stationery	22.8	22.1	-3.1%	86.9	86.8	-0.1%
Grand Total	1,148.7	1,319.6	+14.9%	4,257.3	4,996.8	+17.4%

Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India



Exports of Consumer & Houseware Products declined by 4.5%, primarily due to lower shipments of Tableware and kitchenware (HS 39241090) and Building Elements (HS 39259090). The decline was mainly due to weak demand in the USA and higher freight costs caused by the prolonged West Asia crisis. In addition, rising raw material prices continued to reduce the cost competitiveness of Indian manufacturers, further impacting exports.

Exports of Cordage, Fishnets & Monofilaments increased 14.6%, primarily due to an increase in exports of Made-up knotted fishing nets of man-made textile materials (HS 56081110) and Knotted netting of twine, cordage, ropes or cables (HS 56081900). Exports to Oman and Malta also showed healthy growth, supporting the overall increase in exports.



Exports of FIBC, Woven Sacks, Woven Fabrics & Tarpaulin registered a steady growth of 2.5% driven by shipments of Woven fabrics (HS 54072090) valued at USD 13.9 million & Sacks and bags of plastics (HS 63053300) valued at 5.1 million. Recovery in demand across major export markets, coupled with improved order inflows and easing supply chain conditions, supported the growth in this product category.

Export of Floor Covering, Leather Cloth and Laminates contracted by 5.1%, mainly due to a fall in shipments of Floor coverings, whether or not self-adhesive (HS 39181090) and Textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with polyvinyl chloride (HS 59031090). The decline in exports was seen in key markets such as the USA, UAE, UK and other markets.

Export of FRP and Composites has grown 2.1% because of strong demand for Composite plastic articles (HS 39269099) in USA, Germany and other Markets.

Shipment of Human Hair & Related Products grew 8.3% because of rise in shipment of value added Human Hair (HS 67030010) to China, Bangladesh, Myanmar and other markets.

Exports of Medical Items of Plastics contracted by 16.2%, mainly due to a decline in exports of Needles, catheters, cannulae and the like (HS 90183100) and Syringes, with or without needles (HS 90183930). The decline in these key products contributed significantly to the overall fall in exports.

Miscellaneous plastic products and items (n.e.s.) grew 99.5% because of sharp rise in shipment of Optical Fibres, Bundles & Cables (HS 90011000) to USA, China, Poland and other countries. There is also increase in order inflows of Objective Lenses (HS 90021100) from Malaysia. There was also encouraging demand for Polypropylene Articles (HS 39269080) from USA.

Exports of Packaging Items - Flexible and Rigid registered 4.3% growth, led by rise in shipment of Other Packaging or Conveyance articles (HS 39239090) to France and UAE. Also, there was encouraging demand for Caps & Closures (HS 39235010) in Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Nepal. Exporters of Box, Case, Crates (HS 39231090) benefitted from rise in order inflows from China.

Export of Plastic Films and Sheets recorded healthy growth of 29.9% because of strong demand for Propylene Sheets (HS 39202020) in USA, UK, Brazil and other countries. There was also strong order inflows for Flexible PECT Plates & Sheets (HS 39206220) from USA, Spain, Nigeria, Bangladesh and Italy.

Exports of Plastic Pipes and Fittings grew 14.7% led by rise in shipment of Flexible, Tubes, Pipe & Hoses (HS 39173100) from Singapore, Sweden and Australia. There was also strong demand for Fittings of Tubes, Pipes & Hoses (HS 39174000) from Saudi Arabia, USA, UAE and other destinations. Exporters gained fresh orders for Other Tubes, Pipes & Hoses (HS 39173990) from USA and UAE.



Plastic Raw Material exports witnessed 13.1% growth led by rise in shipment of (Polyethylene terephthalate) (HS 39076190) to Bangladesh, Canada and other markets. Also, there was spike in demand for Acrylic Polymers (HS 39069090) in Nigeria, UAE and other countries.

Exporters also witnessed strong order inflows for Cellulose and its chemical derivatives (HS 39129090) from USA, Germany, Russia and other markets.

Exports of Writing Instruments and Stationery declined 3.1% because of weakness in demand for Ball Point Pens (HS 96081019) in UAE, Algeria and other countries. Export of Office or School Supplies also declined due to subdued order inflows from USA and Germany.

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

Code	Description	Apr 25- Jul-25	Apr 26- Jul 26	Growth
		Values in USD Mn		(%)
'63053200	Flexible intermediate bulk containers, for the packing of goods, of synthetic or man-made textile materials	354.20	348.25	-1.7%
'67030010	Human hair, dressed, thinned, bleached or otherwise worked; wool, other animal hair or other textile materials, prepared for use in making wigs or the like (excl. natural plaits of human hair, whether or not washed and degreased, but not otherwise processed): Human hair, dressed, thinned, bleached or	194.87	241.68	+24.0%
'90011000	Optical fibres, optical fibre bundles and cables (excl. made-up of individually sheathed fibres of heading 8544)	137.84	363.57	+163.8%
'39232990	Sacks and bags, incl. cones, of plastics (excl. those of polymers of ethylene): Other (Note that this HS Code has been replaced with HS 39232991 and HS 39232999 from this financial year)	173.27	168.43	-2.8%
'39269099	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s.: Other	168.05	172.65	+2.7%
'48239019	Paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding and webs of cellulose fibres, in strips or rolls of a width <= 36 cm, in rectangular or square sheets, of which no side > 36 cm in the unfolded state, or cut to shape other than rectangular or square, and articles of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres, n.e.s.: Decorative laminates	112.09	115.37	+2.9%
'05010010	Human hair, unworked; whether or not washed or scoured	84.52	94.94	+12.3%
'39069090	Acrylic polymers, in primary forms (excl. poly"methyl methacrylate"): Other	79.11	100.71	+27.3%
'39021000	Polypropylene, in primary forms	83.29	82.33	-1.2%
'39076190	Other primary form	91.25	184.86	+102.6%
'39269080	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s.: Polypropylene articles, not elsewhere	89.67	85.20	-5.0%
'39239090	Articles for the conveyance or packaging of goods, of plastics (excl. boxes, cases, crates and similar articles; sacks and bags, incl. cones; carboys, bottles, flasks and similar articles; sppols, spindles, bobbins and similar supports; stoppers, lids, caps and other closures): Other	71.67	78.62	+9.7%
'39232100	Sacks and bags, incl. cones, of polymers of ethylene	72.87	69.41	-4.8%
'39206220	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular poly"ethylene terephthalate", not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked or merely surface-worked or merely cut into squares or rectangles (excl. those of poly"methyl methacrylate", self-adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Flexible, plain	74.04	111.51	+50.6%
'39202020	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular polymers of ethylene, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked or merely surface-worked or merely cut into squares or rectangles (excl. self-adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Flexible, plain	67.28	151.49	+125.2%

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

Code	Description	Apr 25- Jul 25	Apr 26- Jul 26	Growth
		Values in USD Mn		(%)
'90015000	Spectacle lenses of materials other than glass	57.48	58.14	+1.2%
'90183930	Needles, catheters, cannulae and the like, used in medical, surgical, dental or veterinary sciences (excl. syringes, tubular metal needles and needles for sutures): Cannulae	54.64	50.01	-8.5%
'39202090	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular polymers of ethylene, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked or merely surface-worked or merely cut into squares or rectangles (excl. self-adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Other	53.37	69.92	+31.0%
'59039090	Textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with plastics other than poly"vinyl chloride" or polyurethane (excl. tyre cord fabric of high tenacity yarn of nylon or other polyamides, polyesters or viscose rayon; wall coverings of textile materials impregnated or covered with plastic; floor coverings consisting of a textile backing and a top layer or covering of plastics): Other	68.09	68.65	+0.8%
'39129090	Cellulose and chemical derivatives thereof, n.e.s., in primary forms (excl. cellulose acetates, cellulose nitrates and cellulose ethers): Other	45.88	51.19	+11.6%
'39046100	Polytetrafluoroethylene, in primary forms	46.40	50.51	+8.9%
'96081019	Ball-point pens (detailed label not available)	42.55	40.67	-4.4%
'39219099	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of plastics, reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, unworked or merely surface-worked or merely cut into squares or rectangles (excl. of cellular plastic; self-adhesive products, floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Other	43.73	48.44	+10.8%
'54072090	Woven fabrics of strip or the like, of synthetic filament, incl. monofilament of >= 67 decitex and with a cross sectional dimension of <= 1 mm: Other	40.91	52.67	+28.8%
'39076990	Other primary form	44.19	58.36	+32.1%
'39199090	Self-adhesive plates, sheets, film, foil, tape, strip and other flat shapes, of plastics, whether or not in rolls > 20 cm wide (excl. floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Other	35.11	39.39	+12.2%
'56074900	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables of polyethylene or polypropylene, whether or not plaited or braided and whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or sheathed with rubber or plastics (excl. binder or baler twine)	38.64	34.57	-10.5%
'39012000	Polyethylene with a specific gravity of >= 0,94, in primary forms	38.79	51.13	+31.8%
'39206919	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular polyesters, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, not worked or only surface-worked, or only cut to rectangular, incl. square, shapes (excl. polycarbonates, polythylene terephthalate and other unsaturated polyesters, self-adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings in heading 3918): Other	38.48	46.53	+20.9%

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

Code	Description	Apr 25- Jul-25	Apr 26- Jul 26	Growth
		Values in USD Mn		(%)
'39219094	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of plastics, reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, unworked or merely surface-worked or merely cut into squares or rectangles (excl. of cellular plastic; self-adhesive products, floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Flexible , metallised	34.79	54.77	+57.4%
'39046990	Fluoro-polymers of vinyl chloride or of other halogenated olefins, in primary forms (excl. polytetrafluoroethylene): Other	36.76	41.25	+12.2%
'39014010	Linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE), in which ethylene mono-mer unit contributes less than 95 % by weight of the total polymer content	45.20	44.72	-1.1%
'39073010	Epoxide resins, in primary forms: Epoxy resins	34.04	57.82	+69.8%
'39241090	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics: Other	35.01	26.93	-23.1%
'96032100	Tooth brushes, incl. dental-plate brushes	30.54	33.15	+8.5%
'39011090	Polyethylene with a specific gravity of < 0,94, in primary forms: Other	29.17	47.21	+61.9%
'39140020	Ion-exchangers based on polymers of heading 3901 to 3913, in primary forms: Ion exchangers of polymerisation or	27.09	31.56	+16.5%
'39201019	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular plastics, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked or merely surface-worked or merely cut into squares or rectangles (excl. self-adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Other	28.09	38.60	+37.4%
'39095000	Polyurethanes, in primary forms	28.21	33.85	+20.0%
'39206929	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular polyesters, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, not worked or only surface-worked, or only cut to rect-angular, incl. square, shapes (excl. polycarbonates, polythylene terephthalate and other unsaturated polyesters, self-adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings in heading 3918): Other	30.82	33.72	+9.4%
'39219096	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of plastics, reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, unworked or merely surface-worked or merely cut into squares or rectangles (excl. of cellular plastic; self-adhesive products, floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Flexible , laminated	28.71	32.05	+11.6%
'39204900	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, 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 or merely surface-worked or merely cut into squares or rectangles (excl. self-adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918)	26.41	33.04	+25.1%
'59031090	Textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with poly"vinyl chloride" (excl. wall coverings of textile materials impregnated or covered with poly"vinyl chloride"; floor cover-ings consisting of a textile backing and a top layer or covering of poly"vinyl chloride"): Other	26.63	25.88	-2.8%

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

Code	Description	Apr 25- Jul 25	Apr 26- Jul 26	Growth
		Values in USD Mn		(%)
'39241010	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics: Insulated ware	22.79	23.50	+3.1%
'39206290	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular poly"ethylene terephthalate", not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials, without backing, unworked or merely surface-worked or merely cut into squares or rectangles (excl. those of poly"methyl methacrylate", self-adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Other	29.37	41.33	+40.7%
'39259090	Building elements for the manufacture of floors, walls, partition walls, ceilings, roofs, etc., of plastic; gutters and accessories of plastic; railings, fences and similar barriers, of plastic; large shelves, for assembly and permanent installation in shops, workshops, etc., of plastic; architectural ornaments, e.g. friezes, of plastic; fittings and similar products for permanent mounting on buildings, of plastic: Other	25.59	21.14	-17.4%
'39119090	Polysulphides, polysulphones and other polymers and prepolymers produced by chemical synthesis, n.e.s., in primary forms: Other	30.38	16.98	-44.1%
'39172390	Rigid tubes, pipes and hoses, and fittings therefor, of polymers of vinyl chloride: Other	24.33	22.79	-6.3%
'39249090	Household articles and toilet articles, of plastics (excl. tableware, kitchenware, baths, shower-baths, wash-basins, bidets, lavatory pans, seats and covers, flushing cisterns and similar sanitary ware): Other	25.59	24.33	-4.9%
'39235010	Stoppers, lids, caps and other closures, of plastics: Caps and closures for bottles	22.63	26.83	+18.6%



Exhibit 5: Reasons for major decline in plastic products exports

HS Code	Description	Apr 25- Jul 25	Apr 26 - Jul 26	Reasons for decline
		(USD Mn)		
'39119090	Polysulphides, polysulphones and other polymers and prepolymers produced by chemical synthesis, n.e.s., in primary forms: Other	30.4	17.0	Exports have fallen because of domestic shortage of this raw material; India is a net importer of this product, which indicates lack of domestic production capacity to meet growing demand.
'39241090	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics: Other	35.0	26.9	Exports have declined because of subdued demand in USA, Australia, Germany, Italy and UAE
'63053200	Flexible intermediate bulk containers, for the packing of goods, of synthetic or man-made textile materials	354.2	348.3	Exports have fallen because of high freight cost, adverse currency movements vis a vis competing countries such as Viet Nam, China, Bangladesh, rising raw material cost and working capital issues. Manufacturers are also facing working capital issues because of delayed GST refunds and lack of cost competitiveness due to inadequate RoSCTL rates. Elevated ocean freight rates on key export lanes (particularly to Europe) have disproportionately impacted FIBC exporters, given the low value-to-volume ratio of the product.
'39232990	Sacks and bags, incl. cones, of plastics (excl. those of polymers of ethylene): Other <u>(Note that this HS Code has been replaced with HS 39232991 and HS 39232999 from this financial year)</u>	173.3	168.4	Exports have declined because of rising input cost, stiff competition from Italy, Germany, France and other countries;
'90183930	Needles, catheters, cannulae and the like, used in medical, surgical, dental or veterinary sciences (excl. syringes, tubular metal needles and needles for sutures): Cannulae	54.6	50.0	Exports have declined because of subdued demand in Egypt and weak order inflows from Brazil in recent months.
'39269080	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s: Polypropylene articles, not elsewhere	89.7	85.2	Exports have fallen because of high raw material cost; Also, high freight cost has affected shipments to Brazil, USA, Canada and other far-off destinations.



DCS INTERNATIONAL TRADING COMPANY

LEADING EXPORTER OF 100% INDIAN HUMAN HAIR



Awarded as Top Merchant Exporter in "Northern Region" by The PLEXCONCIL (Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India)
For consecutive 21 years



DCS International Trading Company is a leading manufacturer and exporter of premium 100% Indian human hair and hair products. We are fully committed to maintaining the highest standards of quality in our products, processes, and services. Our dedicated team, guided by experienced management, ensures smooth and efficient operations. We are proud to be a pioneer in this industry with over 56 years of experience.

We are specializing in :

- Non Remy Double Draw Natural Hair-black
- Non Remy Double Draw Natural Hair-white
- Non Remy Double Draw Natural Hair-grey
- Remy Single Draw Natural-black
- Bulk Hair

**We Are Honoured To Be Recognised As The Top Exporter For 21 Consecutive Years
& Twice Highest Foreign Exchange Earner**



Mr. Prem Kumar Solanki

Mr. Pushpender Kr. Solanki



Mr. Hitesh Kumar Solanki

Registered Office : 81-B, Sector-5, IMT Manesar, Gurugram, Haryana-122052 (INDIA)

☎ 0124 - 4068177, +91-9716035229 ✉ Email : dcs@dcshairs.com 🌐 www.dcshairs.com

★ ★ ★ **Three Star Export House**

RECOGNIZED BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRIES (GOVT. OF INDIA)



SCAN QR CODE FOR
MORE DETAILS

1. Implementation of SCMTR 2018

CBIC has issued notification regarding implementation of Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations (SC-MTR), 2018 with effect from 1st September 2026 across ports in a phased manner.

[Link to the PDF](#)

Conclusion:

Members may refer the schedule mentioned at Annexure A included in the relevant CBIC circular by visiting the above link.

2. DGFT introduces new features in Bank Guarantee (BG) Repository Module

DGFT has introduced new features in the Bank Guarantee Repository Module of DGFT Portal to streamline processing and facilitate proactive monitoring of Bank Guarantees.

[Link to the PDF](#)

Conclusion:

Members may take note of these new features for smooth processing of Bank Guarantees.

3. Automated Issuance of Free Sale and Commerce Certificates (FSC)

The DGFT has introduced system-driven workflow for seamless, paperless processing and automated issuance of Free Sale and Commerce Certificates (FSC).

[Link to the PDF](#)

Conclusion:

Members may refer to the DGFT notification to learn relevant process for auto-approval of these certificates.

4. Enhancement of Pre-Shipment Inspection Agency/ Certificate Process

DGFT has made certain changes in the Pre-Shipment Inspection Agencies (PSIAs) and the Pre-Shipment Inspection Certificates (PSICs) module of DGFT portal to reduce manual intervention, and enhance transparency in the process.

[Link to the PDF](#)

Conclusion:

Members may refer to the relevant trade notice from the above link and learn the key changes in the PSIAs/ PSICs portal.

5. DGFT amends Para 1.25 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2023

DGFT has allowed grant of One Star Export House Status, (other than Gems & Jewelry Sector) based on export performance in any two out of the three preceding financial years.

[Link to the PDF](#)

Conclusion:

Members may refer to the relevant Trade Notice and benefit from the relaxed condition for One Star Export House Status.

6. DGFT introduces Automated Facility for Export Obligation Extension

DGFT has introduced Automated Facility for Export Obligation Extension. Under this facility, if an exporter applies for EO extension in respect of an Advance Authorisation/ EPCG Authorisation through the PRC/EPCG Committee and the Committee decides to grant the EO extension, the approved EO extension will be processed through the system without requiring the exporter to file a separate EO extension application at concerned RA.

[Link to the PDF](#)

Conclusion:

Exporters may refer the relevant trade notice from the above link to learn the application process for EO extension under this facility.

7. Amendment in Para 2.52 and 2.53 of the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2023

DGFT has issued a notification to align the provisions relating to denomination of export contracts and eligibility for FTP benefits in respect of export realisations in Indian Rupees with the Foreign Exchange Management (Manner of Receipt and Payment) Regulations, 2023 with immediate effect.

[Link to the PDF](#)

Conclusion:

Members may refer to the notification from the above link and benefit from the relaxed rules on export proceed realisation

8. Extension of facilitative measures amidst maritime disruption

The CBIC has extended the facilitative measures for international transshipment of both FCL and LCL cargo affected by the ongoing crisis in West Asia till 31.10.2026.

[Link to the PDF](#)

Conclusion:

Members may go through the relevant trade notice from the above link and follow due procedure for smooth transshipment of affected cargoes.





THE PLASTICS EXPORT
PROMOTION COUNCIL

INDIA PAVILION AT

| **ArabPlast**



24th-26th MARCH, 2027
DUBAI WORLD TRADE CENTRE, UAE

THE ARABPLAST OPPORTUNITY

- The **NO.1 show** in the region for plastics, petrochemicals & rubber industry.
- An opportunity for Indian plastics exporters to **showcase products** (all plastic items including master batches, additives and other auxiliaries, machinery and moulds and dies) **in UAE, Middle East & African region.**
- ARABPLAST 2025 had **770 exhibitors & 27776 visitors from 141 countries** show.



PARTICIPATION CHARGES

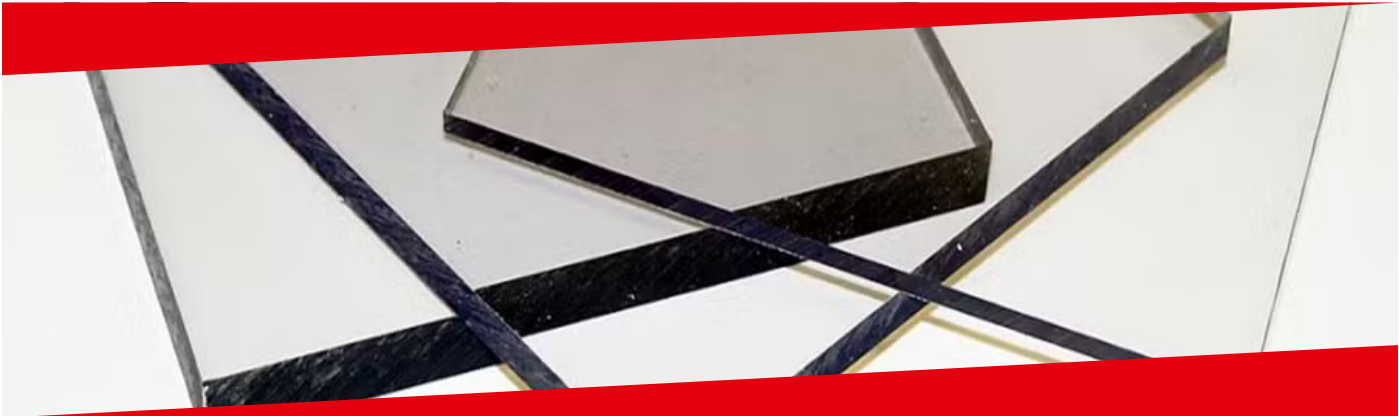
SPACE ONLY: Rs. 46,000/- Per sqm (Minimum bookable area is 36 sqm)

SHELL SCHEME: Rs. 55,400/- Per sqm (Minimum bookable area is 12 sqm)

PLEASE CONTACT:

kajal@plexconcil.org / nigel@plexconcil.org for further details if any.

PLATES & SHEETS OF POLYCARBONATE - HS 392061



Plates and Sheets of Polycarbonate (HS 392061) are high-performance engineering plastic products widely used across construction, automotive, electrical & electronics, signage, security, medical, and industrial sectors owing to their exceptional optical clarity, lightweight properties, and excellent weatherability. These products are extensively utilized in applications such as roofing and skylights, machine guards, safety glazing, greenhouse panels, noise barriers, illuminated signage, electrical enclosures, automotive components, and protective barriers, where durability and high mechanical strength are essential. Growing investments in infrastructure, rapid urbanization, increasing adoption of lightweight and energy-efficient materials, and rising demand for high-performance plastics across industrial and consumer applications continue to drive robust global demand for polycarbonate plates and sheets. Supported by a strong domestic petrochemical base, advanced extrusion and fabrication capabilities, and a well-established plastics processing industry, India is emerging as a competitive manufacturer of polycarbonate sheets catering to both domestic and international markets.

Backed by continuous investments in technology, product innovation, and compliance with international quality and performance standards, Indian manufacturers are well positioned to expand their global footprint and strengthen exports of polycarbonate plates and sheets to high-growth markets worldwide. India was a net exporter of this product till FY24; In the last two years, there has been moderation in exports to cater to growing demand in the domestic market. Last year (FY26), exports grew 15.7% to USD 29.3 million, signalling recovery in export performance. On the other hand, imports doubled to USD 53.8

million in FY26 because of growing local demand and cost competitiveness of foreign companies.

India is the 15th largest exporter of this product with a share of 1.7% in world exports and 7th largest importer with 3.1% share in world imports. (Calendar year 2025)

MARKET DYNAMICS

The world import demand for this product has grown at a CAGR of 0.9% from USD 1.44 billion in 2015 to USD 1.57 billion in 2025.

🔥 **The top five exporters of this product and their global market share are: China (22.5%), USA (8.7%), Germany (8.7%), UK (6.9%) and Japan (6.1%).**

🔥 **The top five importers of this product and their global import share are: Germany (8.2%), China (7.4%), USA (6.6%), France (4.4%) and South Korea (3.3%).**

INDIA'S PERFORMANCE (EXPORTS)

In the last 10 years ending 2025, India's exports have grown at a CAGR of 22.1%, reaching USD 28.4 million in 2025 from USD 3.8 million in 2015. (Source: ITC Trade-map, Calendar Year). In terms of financial year, exports have grown at a CAGR of 5.5%, from USD 20.1 million in 2018-19 to USD 29.3 million in 2025-26.

In quantity terms, exports have grown at a CAGR of 8.3%, from 5.0 thousand tonne in 2018-19 to 8.8 thousand tonne in 2025-26. In the last one year (2025-26), exports grew 15.7% in value terms and 20.5% in quantity terms.

The following table provides value-wise and quantity-wise exports of this product to top 10 countries in 2025-26.

Top 10 Destinations in value and quantity terms 2025-26

Sr. No	Destination Country	Value (USD Mn)	Share in total exports (%)	Destination Country	Qty. (million units)	Share in total exports (%)
1	USA	3.7	13%	Mexico	1.0	12%
2	Mexico	2.4	8%	USA	0.9	10%
3	South Africa	2.1	7%	Brazil	0.9	10%
4	Malaysia	2.0	7%	UAE	0.7	8%
5	Congo D. REP.	1.9	6%	South Africa	0.5	6%
6	Brazil	1.8	6%	Malaysia	0.5	6%
7	UAE	1.8	6%	Congo D. REP.	0.5	5%
8	UK	1.4	5%	UK	0.5	5%
9	Tanzania REP	1.2	4%	Ghana	0,3	4%
10	Ghana	1.1	4%	Nepal	0.3	3%
	Total of top 10 countries	19.3	66%	Total of top 10 countries	6.1	69%
	Total of all countries	29.3	100%	Total of all countries	8.8	100%

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

INDIA'S PERFORMANCE (IMPORTS)

India's imports have grown at a CAGR of 7.7%, from USD 22.9 million in 2015 to USD 48.08 million in 2025. (Source: ITC Trademap, Calendar Year). In terms of financial year, India's imports have grown at a CAGR of 14.4%, from USD 21.0 million in 2018-19 to USD 53.8 million in 2025-26.

In quantity terms, imports have grown at a CAGR of 1.2%, from 5.4 thousand tonne in 2018-19 to 5.8 thousand tonne in 2025-26. In the last one year (2025-26), imports have more than doubled (113.9%) in value terms but fallen 1.5% in quantity terms. The sharp rise in imports in value terms may be attributed to surge in domestic demand for specialty grade films and sheets used in advanced industrial applications.

The following table provides value-wise and quantity-wise imports of this product to top 10 countries in 2025-26.

Top 10 Sources in value and quantity terms 2025-26

Sr. No	Source Country	Value (USD Mn)	Share in total imports (%)	Source Country	Qty. (mn units)	Share in total imports (%)
1	China PR	36.2	67%	China PR	2.2	38%
2	Thailand	4.2	8%	USA	1.1	19%
3	Netherland	2.9	5%	South Korea	0.5	9%
4	USA	2.6	5%	Israel	0.5	8%
5	Israel	2.3	4%	Netherland	0.3	6%
6	South Korea	1.5	3%	Thailand	0.3	5%
7	Germany	0.8	2%	Germany	0.2	3%
8	Belgium	0.8	1%	Oman	0.2	3%
9	Hong Kong	0.6	1%	Belgium	0.1	2%
10	UK	0.5	1%	UK	0.1	2%
	Total of top 10 countries	52.3	97%	Total of top 10 countries	5.6	95%
	Total of all countries	53.8	100%	Total of all countries	5.8	100%

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

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIAN EXPORTERS

India currently caters to demand in USA, Mexico, South Africa, Malaysia, Brazil, Congo, UAE and other markets. In future, India can diversify exports to South Korea, Germany, Italy, Viet Nam, Netherland, Indonesia and Australia, which are leading importers of this product.

India may explore South Korea which is among top five importers of this product and which allows duty-free import under India-South Korea CEPA agreement.

EU countries such as Germany, Italy, Poland, Czech Republic are also major importers of this product; Currently, these countries impose 6.5% MFN duty; Once India-EU FTA is implemented, India may have zero duty market access in these countries (Source: India Trade Portal)

Exporters may also explore Viet Nam, where India can supply at zero duty under India-ASEAN trade agreement.

Indonesia is also a promising market as it allows imports from India at 5% concessional duty under India-ASEAN FTA as against 10% MFN tariff.

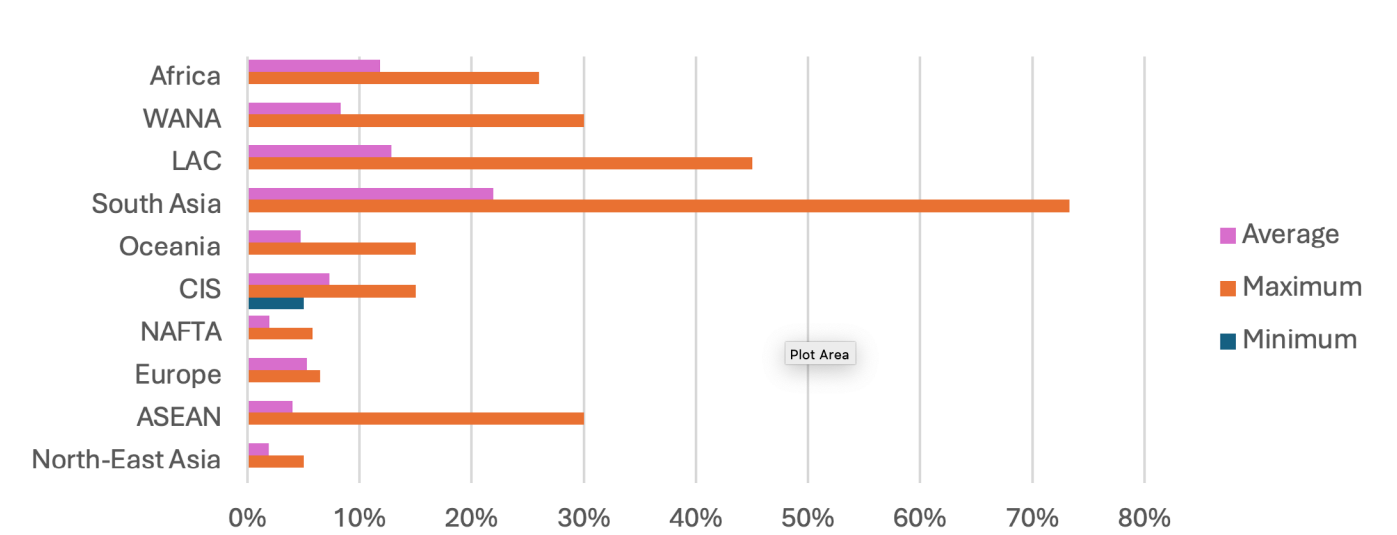
Indian exporters can benefit from zero duty market access in the Australian market under India-Australia ECTA.

In Latin America, Indian exporters may explore Colombia, Peru and Ecuador where the MFN duty is zero (Source: ITC MAC MAP)

Unfortunately, Indian exporters do not enjoy preferential duty benefit in most of the countries in Africa and CIS region, which makes these markets less promising compared to the above listed countries.



Effective tariff applied by various regions on import of Plates & Sheets of Polycarbonate from India



Source: Latest data from Market Access Map, Plexconcil Research



Mr. Surender Kumar Mehta
Chairman and Managing Director,
LAMTUF LIMITED

1. Growth Journey: Could you outline your company's growth journey since inception in 1976 as a moulding unit in Hyderabad.

“

Year	Milestone	Growth Story
1978	The Beginning	Lamtuf Plastics established
2015	Product Expansion	Entered Glass Epoxy Laminates
2018	Manufacturing Expansion	New facility commissioned at Pashamylaram, Hyderabad
2021	Diversification	Introduced Glass Polyester Laminates
2022	Corporate Evolution	Lamtuf Plastics Limited renamed as Lamtuf Limited

2. Milestones & Recognition: Through R&D your company has come out with many innovative in-house products like Shuttering Film, Void Free GPO & Multi Directional Densified wood. Could you highlight some of these key milestones and recognitions?

“

R&D has been one of the important pillars of Lamtuf's growth. We have developed several innovative products in-house, including Shuttering Film, Void-Free GPO and Multi-Directional Densified Wood. These products were developed to address specific customer requirements and demanding industrial applications. Our R&D journey has enabled us to move from conventional laminate products towards specialised, value-added engineered materials. The successful development and commercialisation of these products, along with the expansion of our product portfolio and manufacturing capabilities, are important milestones in Lamtuf's growth story.

The company's greatest recognition comes from the trust and confidence placed in us by our customers. Our consistent production standards and commitment to quality have enabled us to build long-standing customer relationships. The fact that we receive repeat orders from our customers is a strong testament to the reliability, consistency and quality of our products. ”

Manufacturing Excellence: At LAMTUF you have a fully integrated plant with in-house facilities like Resin Making, Impregnation, Pressing & Finishing operations. Please share some of the best practices adopted in manufacturing & operational excellence at your facilities.

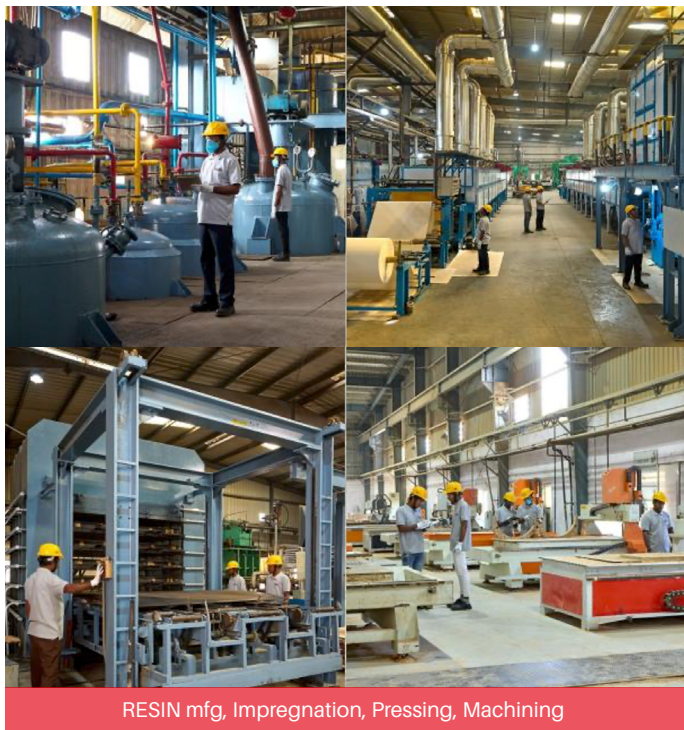
“



We give high priority to maintaining our machinery in optimal operating condition to ensure consistent production, product quality and operational efficiency. As part of our continuous improvement and development efforts, we regularly evaluate and introduce new additives and process improvements to enhance product performance and manufacturing efficiency. We also prepare and update working data sheets on a regular basis, documenting process parameters, performance data and operating

★ INTERVIEW OF INDUSTRY LEADER

practices. These initiatives help us maintain consistency, improve quality and continuously strengthen our manufacturing capabilities. //



Sustainability Benchmarks: What are some of the steps you are adopting to make your products and manufacturing more in line with evolving sustainability benchmarks.

// We place strong emphasis on safety, environmental responsibility and compliance across our operations. We conduct regular safety drills and training programmes to ensure that our employees are well prepared to respond to emergency situations.

The loading and unloading of chemicals are carried out strictly in accordance with established safety procedures and laid-down protocols.

We also regularly monitor emissions and effluent treatment processes to ensure that our operations remain within the prescribed environmental standards. These practices reflect our commitment to maintaining a safe workplace, protecting the environment and continuously improving our operational standards.

Our consistent focus on safety, environmental management, quality and compliance has enabled us to achieve and maintain our Integrated Management System (IMS) certification, which is an important recognition of our commitment to these standards. //

Focus Area and Future Expansion: Which is the product portfolio that is the focus area for the company now? Do you have any plans for any diversification in the future. Are you looking at any strategic or technology partnerships.

// Yes, we have plans to expand our product portfolio into advanced composite materials, and our R&D team is already actively working on the development of these products. The proposed composites are primarily intended for structural applications, where high strength, durability and performance are critical.



Cotton Phenolic Laminates, Densified Wood Laminates, Epoxy Glass



Phenolic Paper Laminates, Phenolic Epoxy – Rods & Tubes, Phenolic Epoxy – Rods & Tubes

As part of this initiative, we are also exploring a technical partnership with a European company to leverage its technical expertise and know-how. This collaboration is expected to support us in accelerating product development, strengthening our manufacturing capabilities and entering new and specialised applications.

Our objective is to build on our existing expertise in engineered materials and establish a strong presence in the advanced composites segment. //

Emerging Trends: What are the some of the emerging trends in the category? How do you see the outlook for domestic demand, production, and exports evolving in the near future?

// The energy sector is witnessing a significant surge in demand, particularly in areas such as transformers, power distribution and related electrical infrastructure. This growth is expected to remain strong over the next five years, driven by increasing power generation, grid expansion, electrification and infrastructure development.

★ INTERVIEW OF INDUSTRY LEADER

We are already well established in this sector and have the necessary product expertise, manufacturing capabilities and customer relationships to participate in this growth opportunity. To meet the anticipated increase in demand, we are enhancing our production capacities, upgrading technology and strengthening our manufacturing capabilities.

Our focus is to remain well prepared to support the growing requirements of the energy sector while maintaining our consistent standards of quality, reliability and delivery. This positions us strongly to capture the opportunities emerging from the continued expansion of the power and distribution. "

Global Presence & Export Strategy: Which are your strong export markets and strategic plan for global expansion?. Have you captured any new market in the recent past or planning to enter into any new FTA countries (such as Switzerland, Norway, New Zealand, Oman etc.?)

We have already submitted product samples to prospective customers in the UK and are currently working towards entering the UK market. Our efforts are focused on completing the necessary product evaluation, approvals and customer qualification processes to establish a presence in this market.



The anticipated India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA) is expected to create additional opportunities by improving market access and enhancing the competitiveness of Indian products in the UK. We are therefore positioning ourselves to take advantage of these opportunities and develop the UK as an important export market for the company. Our objective is to build a sustainable presence in the UK by combining our product quality, technical capabilities and manufacturing strengths with the opportunities arising from increased bilateral trade. "

Export Processes: In a very competitive market and highly volatile geopolitical environment, what are some of the challenges you are facing in your export business. Please mention some of the areas you would seek intervention from the government to make the export processes even more seamless.

We do face challenges arising from volatility in raw material and input costs, particularly due to the prevailing geopolitical situation and its impact on global supply chains, commodity prices and freight costs. These fluctuations can significantly affect the cost competitiveness and margins of exporters, especially when export orders are committed in advance at fixed or predetermined prices.

To mitigate these risks and provide greater stability to exporters, we believe that the Government should consider introducing a comprehensive insurance and risk-mitigation mechanism covering significant increases in raw material, input and logistics costs arising from unforeseen geopolitical or global economic disruptions.

Such a mechanism would provide exporters with greater confidence to undertake long-term export commitments, maintain competitive pricing and expand into new international markets, while strengthening the overall resilience and competitiveness of Indian exporters. "





THE PLASTICS EXPORT
PROMOTION COUNCIL

**JOIN THE
INDIA PAVILION
AT**

NPE2027

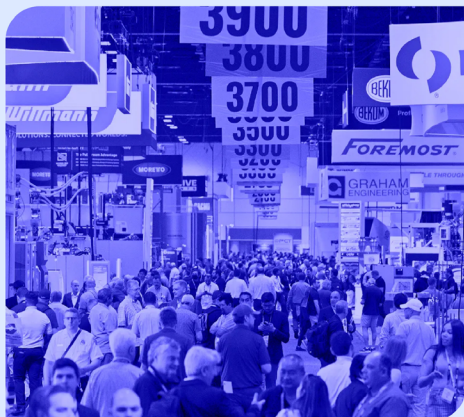
PRODUCED BY  **PLASTICS**
INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

3rd-7th MAY, 2027



ORLANDO, FLORIDA, USA

Showcase your capabilities, explore new markets & partnerships in the USA, the largest importers of plastics & polymer-based products.



The world's largest and most influential exhibitions for **plastics, machinery, materials, moulding technologies, automation, and allied sectors.**

Attracts **2,000+ exhibitors** and attendees from **120+ countries.**

Unmatched exposure to **global buyers, OEMs, distributors, and decision-makers** across **multiple industrial verticals.**

PARTICIPATION COST:

SHELL SCHEME:

Rs. 7,180/- Per sq. ft

For more **CONTACT:**

Kajal@plexconcil.org | Nigel@plexconcil.org

KERALA

POWERING EXPORTS, SHAPING THE FUTURE.

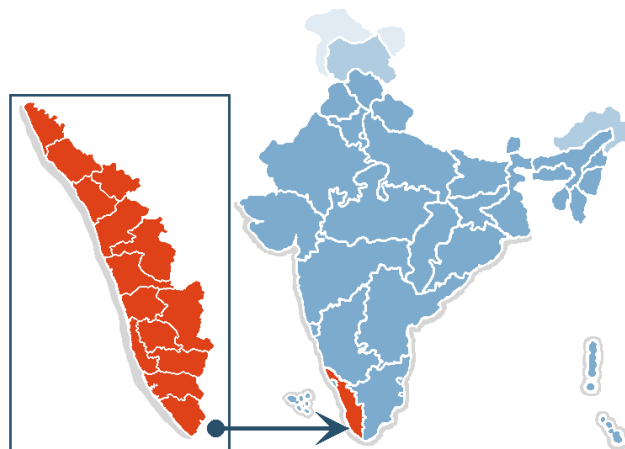
STATE PROFILE

Kerala is located in southern India, bordered by Karnataka to the north, Tamil Nadu to the east, and the Arabian Sea to the west. Spread across an area of approximately 38,852 sq. km., the state is characterized by its extensive coastline, tropical backwaters, and Western Ghats forest cover. Kerala comprises 14 districts and plays an important role in India's tourism, marine products, spices, natural rubber, and information technology sectors.

With around 2.5% of India's population, Kerala contributed nearly 3.8% to the country's GDP in 2023-24 and remains one of the most industrially diversified states in southern India. The state's economy is driven by tourism, information technology, marine and agricultural exports, remittances from its large expatriate workforce, and traditional industries such as coir, cashew, and rubber processing. Kerala has established itself as a prominent hub for medical device manufacturing, particularly in and around Thiruvananthapuram, supported by public sector enterprises and specialised industrial parks. The state is also a leading producer of spices, natural rubber, and marine products, owing to its favourable climate and extensive coastline.

Tourism remains a key pillar of Kerala's economy, with the state attracting millions of domestic and international visitors annually through backwater tourism, Ayurveda and wellness tourism, and hill-station eco-tourism. In addition, the state's information technology sector, anchored by Technopark in Thiruvananthapuram and Infopark in Kochi, has emerged as a major contributor to services exports and employment. Kerala also has a growing export base in medical items of plastics, marine products, spices, and natural polymer derivatives, supported by improving port and airport connectivity, including the Cochin Port and the upcoming Vizhinjam International Seaport.

Renowned for its human development indicators, natural resources, and services-led economy, Kerala continues to strengthen its contribution to India's economic landscape by leveraging its healthcare and medical device manufacturing base, tourism potential, and IT ecosystem to drive sustainable development across sectors.



Sources: Kerala Budget Analysis 2024-25 (PRS India); Kerala State Planning Board, Economic Review 2025; IBEF Kerala State Profile.



OVERVIEW OF THE PLASTICS INDUSTRY IN KERALA

Kerala ranks 17th in India's plastics exports, with total exports reaching USD 78.03 million in 2024-25. The state has demonstrated strong export performance, with exports growing by 15.6% over the last two years, reflecting sustained momentum and strengthening export competitiveness.

Panel wise, exports from Kerala for the past two years

Product Panels	2023 - 24 (USD Million)	2024 - 25 (USD Million)	Growth %
Consumer & Houseware Products	6.84	7.07	+3.4%
Cordage, Fishnets & Monofilaments	0.73	0.65	-10.4%
FIBC, Woven Sacks, Woven Fabrics, Tarpaulin	3.48	4.04	+16.3%
Floorcoverings, Leathercloth & Laminates	0.50	1.83	+262.7%
FRP & Composites	1.95	2.01	+3.3%
Human Hair & Related Products	0.14	0.05	-65.1%
Medical Items of Plastics	43.42	50.57	+16.5%
Miscellaneous Products and Items Nes	2.45	1.53	-37.7%
Packaging Items - Flexible, Rigid	1.55	2.43	+56.5%
Plastic Films and Sheets	1.21	2.36	+95.5%
Plastic Pipes & Fittings	1.05	1.44	+36.5%
Plastic Raw Materials	4.05	3.95	-2.5%
Writing Instruments & Stationery	0.10	0.11	+2.4%
Grand Total	67.48	78.03	+15.6%

Source: DGCIS, Plexconcil Research

🔴 **Kerala's plastics exports registered robust growth of 15.6%**, increasing from USD 67.48 million in 2023-24 to USD 78.03 million in 2024-25, driven primarily by strong performance in medical items of plastics.

🔴 **Medical Items of Plastics** remained by far the largest export segment, rising from USD 43.42 million to USD 50.57 million, registering growth of 16.5% and accounting for nearly two-thirds of the state's total plastics exports, reflecting Kerala's strength in medical device manufacturing.

🔴 **Floorcoverings, Leathercloth & Laminates and Plastic Films and Sheets** recorded the sharpest growth, expanding by 262.7% and 95.5% respectively, while Packaging Items - Flexible, Rigid grew by 56.5%, indicating rising demand for packaging and industrial applications.

🔴 **Consumer & Houseware Products**, the state's second-largest panel, grew modestly by 3.4% from USD 6.84 million to USD 7.07 million, while Plastic Pipes & Fittings rose by 36.5%.

🔴 However, certain segments witnessed decline, notably Human Hair & Related Products (-65.1%), Miscellaneous Products and Items Nes (-37.7%), Cordage, Fishnets & Monofilaments (-10.4%), and Plastic Raw Materials (-2.5%), indicating weaker demand in these product categories.

TOP 10 ITEMS OF PLASTICS EXPORT FROM KERALA

Kerala's top plastics export items reflect the state's strong presence in medical device manufacturing, industrial packaging, and natural polymer processing, with the leading products contributing a significant share to the state's overall plastics exports during FY 2024-25.

The export basket is overwhelmingly dominated by blood transfusion apparatus including plastic containers/bags, valued at USD 49.71 million, highlighting Kerala's globally recognised medical device manufacturing base, anchored by public sector and private healthcare product manufacturers in and around Thiruvananthapuram.

Flexible intermediate bulk containers (FIBCs) and sodium alginate also emerged as notable export categories, with sodium alginate exports rising sharply from USD 0.06 million to USD 1.24 million, reflecting Kerala's growing capabilities in processing natural polymers derived from its coastal seaweed resources.

Other tableware, kitchenware & household articles of plastics, along with other articles of plastics, reflect the state's established position in value-added consumer and household plastic product manufacturing.

Additionally, exports of furniture of plastics, phenolic resins, and plastic-coated fabrics demonstrate Kerala's diversifying capabilities across industrial, packaging, and consumer plastic applications.

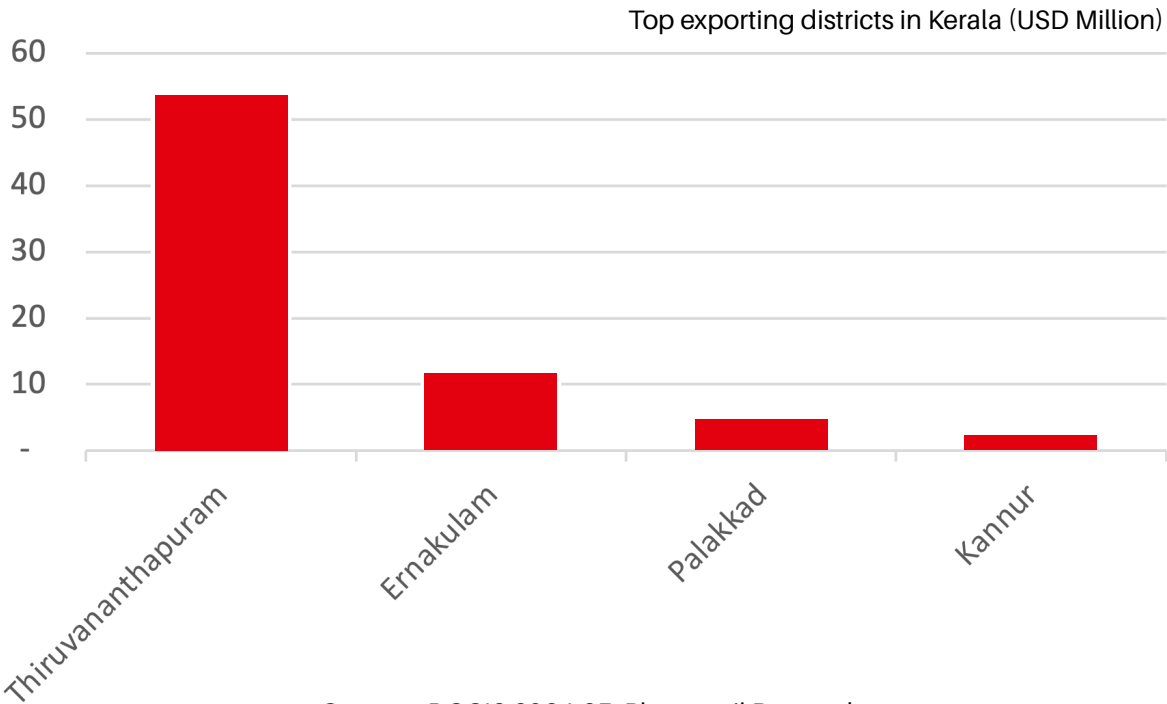
Top 10 items of plastics export from Kerala

HS Code	Product Description	Value of Exports (US\$ Mn)
90189032	Blood transfusion apparatus incl. plastic container/bags	49.71
63053200	Flexible intermediate bulk containers (FIBCs), of man-made textile materials	3.32
39249090	Other tableware, kitchenware & household articles of plastics	2.46
39269099	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914	1.86
39131010	Alginic acid, its salts and esters: Sodium alginate	1.24
59039020	Fabrics impregnated/coated with plastics: Other	1.21
94037000	Furniture of plastics	0.96
39094020	Phenolic resins, in primary forms: Other	0.96
39269069	Other articles of plastics: Other	0.94

Source: DGCIS, Plexconcil Research

DISTRICT WISE PLASTIC EXPORTS

During 2024-25, Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam, Palakkad, and Kannur emerged as the key exporting districts of Kerala, collectively contributing 93% to the state’s export performance and highlighting the concentration of medical device and industrial manufacturing activity across these major economic hubs.



Source: DGCIS 2024-25, Plexconcil Research

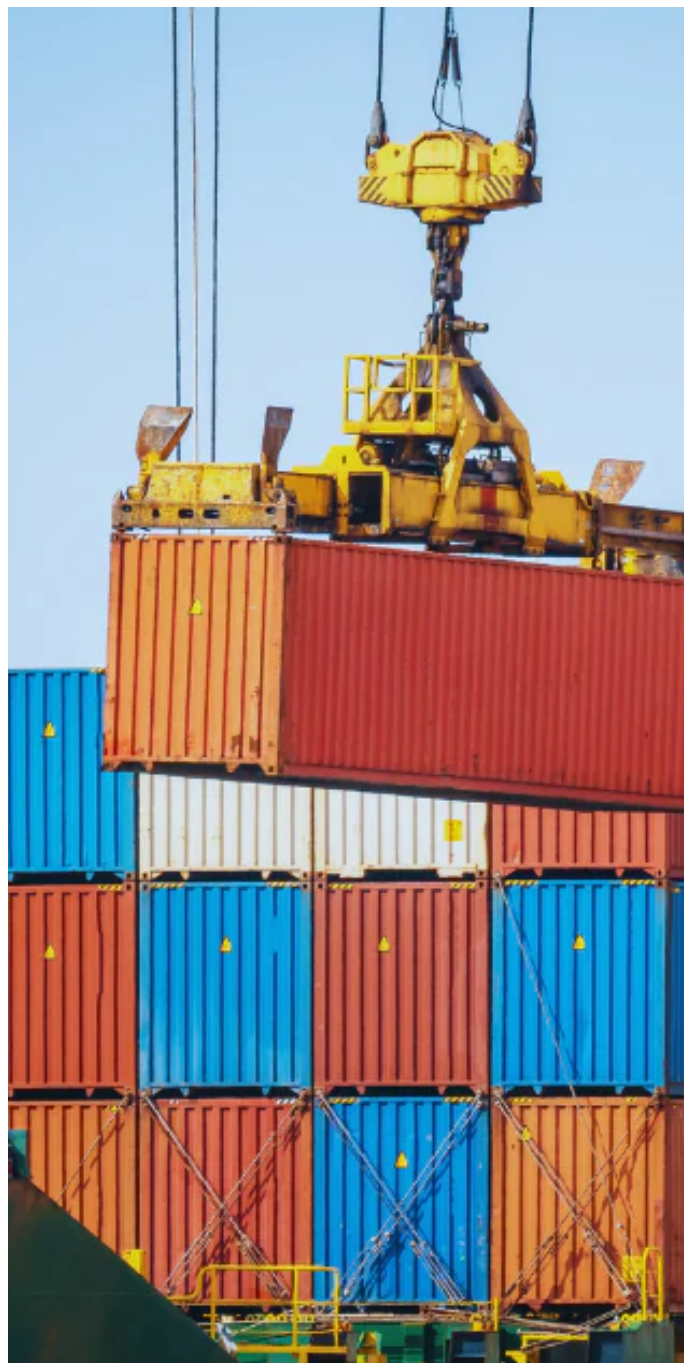
BOOSTING KERALA'S EXPORT SECTOR

The steady growth of Kerala's plastics export sector is strengthening the state's position as a diversified manufacturing and export hub in southern India.

Supported by its medical device manufacturing ecosystem, natural polymer processing capabilities, and expanding value-added manufacturing base, the state is creating new opportunities across domestic and global markets:

- **Strengthening Foreign Exchange Earnings:** Kerala's plastics exports reached USD 78.03 million in FY 2024-25, registering strong growth of 15.6% over the previous year, thereby contributing to India's foreign exchange earnings and export competitiveness.
- **Building a Diversified Export Basket:** The state's export profile reflects a mix of medical items of plastics, packaging materials, natural polymer derivatives, household products, and industrial plastic products, highlighting Kerala's diversified manufacturing capabilities and growing value-added production base.
- **Strengthening Medical Device and Polymer Manufacturing:** Large export volumes in Medical Items of Plastics and growing exports of natural polymer products such as sodium alginate demonstrate Kerala's strong presence in health-care-linked plastics and coastal bio-resource processing industries.
- **Generating Employment Opportunities:** Export growth is supporting industrial activity and employment generation across major manufacturing hubs such as Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam, Palakkad, and Kannur, which collectively account for the majority of the state's plastics exports.
- **Enhancing Industrial Competitiveness:** Kerala's coastal connectivity through the Cochin Port and the upcoming Vizhinjam International Seaport, along with its established medical device and IT manufacturing clusters, is enabling industries to scale production and improve competitiveness in international markets.

Kerala's overall export trajectory remains positive. With continued focus on value addition, diversification into natural polymer and packaging segments, and expansion of its medical device manufacturing base, the state is well-positioned to strengthen its role in India's plastics export growth story.



PLEXCONCIL'S Kerala Operations Are Coordinated Through Its Chennai (South) Regional Office

Unit No.503, 5th Floor, Sigma Wing, Raheja Towers, 177 Anna Salai, (next to LIC and close to Hotel Geetham), Chennai - 600 002, INDIA

Phone: +91-44-2829 2620 / 044-2829 1518

NETHERLANDS



ECONOMIC OVERVIEW

The Netherlands is a highly developed country in Western Europe, bordered by Germany, Belgium and the North Sea. Strategically located at the heart of Europe, it serves as a major gateway for international trade, investment, logistics and distribution, with excellent connectivity to major European markets through its advanced road, rail, waterways, ports and airports.

The Netherlands has a diversified, open and competitive economy, driven primarily by services, international trade, manufacturing, logistics, technology and high-value business activities. Services account for the largest share of economic activity, while manufacturing remains competitive in semiconductors, advanced electronics, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, machinery, food processing and high-technology systems. The country's strong integration into global value chains makes it an important international trading and re-export hub.

The Netherlands is also a major European logistics centre, with the Port of Rotterdam serving as one of Europe's most important ports and a key entry point for goods entering the continent. Its extensive transport infrastructure supports manufacturing, chemicals, food products, machinery, consumer goods and international supply chains.

Despite its limited geographical area, the Netherlands has a highly productive agricultural and agri-food sector, particularly in horticulture, greenhouse farming, dairy, floriculture and food processing. Advanced agricultural technology, research and innovation have made the country a major exporter of agricultural and horticultural products. The country is simultaneously investing in renewable energy, offshore wind, solar power, hydrogen and clean technologies as part of its energy transition.

The Netherlands has a highly urbanized population of approximately 18.1 million, with major economic centres including Amsterdam, Rotterdam, The Hague, Utrecht and Eindhoven. The Randstad region remains the country's principal concentration of population, business, finance, logistics and international services.

Key challenges include labour shortages, housing constraints, energy and electricity-grid bottlenecks, infrastructure capacity and exposure to global trade and geopolitical developments. Nevertheless, strong institutions, a skilled workforce, advanced infrastructure, innovation and EU integration continue to support the country's competitiveness.



The Netherlands maintains a strong sovereign credit profile, with Fitch, Moody's and S&P Global Ratings all assigning the country their highest 'AAA/Aaa' ratings with Stable Outlooks, reflecting its strong institutions, diversified economy, fiscal stability and resilience.

Sources: IMF; World Bank; OECD; Fitch Ratings; Moody's Ratings; S&P Global Ratings; Statistics Netherlands (CBS); Netherlands Enterprise Agency (RVO); Port of Rotterdam.

Economic Indicators		2023	2024	2025
Nominal GDP	USD Billion	1,136	1,215	1,332
Nominal GDP per capita	USD	63,769	67,690	73,833
Real GDP growth	%	0.1	1.1	1.9
Total Population	Million	17.81	17.95	18.04
Average inflation	%	4.1	3.2	3.3
Total merchandise exports	USD Billion	717	699	738
Total merchandise imports	USD Billion	647	621	658

Source: IMF, Trade Map

FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS AND TRADE FRAMEWORK

The Netherlands’ trade framework is primarily anchored by its membership of the European Union (EU) and the EU Customs Union, providing Dutch businesses access to the EU Single Market and the free movement of goods, services, capital and people. As an EU Member State, the Netherlands applies the common EU customs tariff, while trade agreements with non-EU countries are negotiated at the EU level.

Through the EU, the Netherlands benefits from an extensive network of Free Trade Agreements (FTAs), Economic Partnership Agreements and preferential trade arrangements. Key agreements include those with Canada (CETA), Japan, South Korea, Singapore, Vietnam, New Zealand, Chile and the United Kingdom. The Netherlands also benefits from trade arrangements with Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein, as well as agreements covering Ukraine, Türkiye, Israel, Mexico and the Western Balkan economies.

The EU’s trade network also extends to Africa, the Caribbean, Central America and Latin America through various preferential arrangements. The EU-Mercosur Interim Trade Agreement with Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay further expands market access.

Together, the EU Single Market, Customs Union and extensive network of trade agreements support the Netherlands’ export competitiveness, investment, logistics, re-export activity and integration into global supply chains, reinforcing its position as a leading European trading hub. Source: European Commission – EU Trade Agreements; Government of the Netherlands.



TRADE OVERVIEW

India and Netherlands share a strong and friendly relationship, marked by vibrant economic, commercial and business relations. Bilateral trade between Indian and Netherlands reached USD 23.8 Billion. During the year Indias export to Netherlands were valued at USD 18.0 Billion while India’s imports from Netherlands were valued at USD 5.8 Billion.

The major items of export (2-digit HS) from India to Netherlands are Mineral Fuels, Mineral Oils and Products of Their Distillation; Bituminous Substances; Mineral Waxes (USD 8.4 Billion) and Electrical Machinery and Equipment (USD 1.5 Billion). The major items of Import (2-digit HS) from Netherlands to India are Nuclear Reactors, Boilers, Machinery and Mechanical Appliances (USD 1.2 Billion) and Optical, Photographic Cinematographic Measuring, Checking Precision (USD 637 Million).

During FY 2025–26, for products falling under the purview of PLEXCONCIL, bilateral trade with the Netherlands was in the Netherlands favour. India’s exports to the Netherlands stood at USD 297 million, while imports from the Netherlands were higher at USD 379 million, resulting in a trade deficit of USD 82 million for India.

The major item of export to Netherlands are:
FIBC, Woven sacks, Woven fabrics, Tarpaulin (37.1%)
Plastic Raw Materials (13.1%)
Plastic Films and Sheets (12.9%)

Netherlands is a global transshipment hub. Its annual imports of plastics are valued at USD 38 Billion. Its plastics imports are largely catered by Germany (20.8%), USA (13.2%) and (China 10.9%). India’s market share in Netherlands imports of plastics stands at (0.7%)

EXPORT POTENTIAL

Based on our Internal research, India's export of PLEXCONCIL member products to Netherlands has the potential to grow by USD 9.2 billion. Details of product panels and their Export potential to the Netherlands is provided below.

(In USD Million)

Product Category	Netherland import from India	Netherland imports from world	India's export to world	Trade Potential
Consumer & houseware products	73.08	7,692.88	1,836.58	1,578.09
Cordage, fishnets & monofilaments	7.85	405.93	283.27	109.72
FIBC, Woven sacks, Woven fabrics, Tarpaulin	109.74	654.53	1,779.44	306.79
Floorcoverings, leathercloth & laminates	30.75	687.83	904.40	300.54
FRP & Composites	0.03	68.62	5.78	5.75
Human hair & related products	0.70	22.44	904.30	4.85
Medical items of plastics	24.23	11,648.73	1,293.26	1,269.04
Miscellaneous products and items nes	16.99	4,301.69	1,327.81	945.82
Packaging items - flexible, rigid	23.23	2,229.61	693.21	669.98
Plastic films and sheets	38.58	3,427.59	1,923.20	1,339.63
Plastic pipes & fittings (HSN 3917)	1.05	975.76	319.16	250.75
Plastic raw materials	34.93	6,442.69	3,051.06	2,333.27
Writing instruments & stationery	0.72	288.59	241.73	140.12

Source: Trade Map 2025, Plexconcil Research



Engineered Colours. Predictable Performance.



Precision-driven Colour & Additive Masterbatches for the world's most demanding applications.



Consistency

Exact colour match
and uniform results



Dispersion

Optimal dispersion
of pigments & additives



Process Stability

Enhanced efficiency
across processes



PACKAGING



AUTOMOTIVE



INFRASTRUCTURE

Your Colour & Additive Masterbatch Partner

✓ Advanced Formulation ✓ Global Standards ✓ Industry Expertise



MEHUL
COLOURS LIMITED





The plastics industry is evolving at a rapid clip. Driven by advancements in sustainability, automation, and material science. With an increasing demand for environment friendly productions, newer technology and innovations are reshaping how plastics are designed, produced, and utilized. Whether it is bio-degradable & recycled plastics, or smart data driven manufacturing or more and more stringent compliance requirements, or advancements in polymer chemistry, the industry is going through a process of transformation.

Here are a few of the cutting edge global trends and innovation that is shaping the future of the Plastics Industry.

DIGITAL TWINS AND PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS IN PLASTICS SUPPLY CHAINS

Source: plasticsengineering.org

1

Plastics supply chains are moving from fragmented visibility to predictive control through digital twins, AI, and traceability tools.

Plastics supply chains still struggle with fragmented data across production, planning, and distribution systems. Legacy ERP platforms and siloed plant data limit end-to-end visibility across multi-tier feedstock networks.

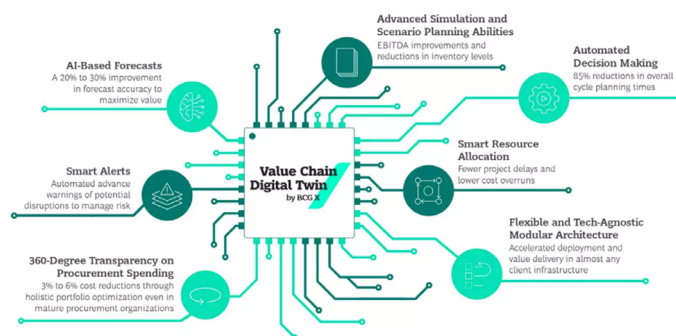
FROM FRAGMENTED VISIBILITY TO PREDICTIVE CONTROL

The industry now moves beyond visibility toward predictive capability. Companies deploy AI-driven demand sensing, ETA prediction, and disruption modeling to manage volatile resin markets. Analysis by Artificial Intelligence in Supply Chain Management shows that machine learning improves forecast accuracy and responsiveness.

This shift matters because plastics supply chains operate under unique constraints. Grade-level variability and tight processing windows increase uncertainty costs, especially in the form of delays and excess inventory.

Predictive tools reduce uncertainty and improve coordination across production and delivery. These tools enable more efficient operations and reduce costs in plastics supply chains.

Seven Key Benefits of Value Chain Digital Twin by BCG X



Digital twins deliver measurable gains across the value chain. BCG data points to 20–30% improvements in forecast accuracy and 85% reductions in overall cycle planning times for early adopters. Courtesy of BCG.

DIGITAL TWINS RESHAPE OPERATIONAL DECISION-MAKING

Digital supply chain twins have become an important innovation that brings together plant data, supply chain flows, and customer demand into a single simulation space.

Research from Digital Supply Chain Twin shows how real-time models can mimic disruptions and change flows in real time. Polymer producers increasingly evaluate these capabilities to manage feedstock swings and supply chain disruptions.

Major players such as BASF integrate production and supply chain data to strengthen resilience. They respond more effectively to disruptions and maintain consistent operations. Technology providers like SAP and Blue Yonder embed predictive analytics into planning platforms. With these tools, planners can go from fixing problems as they happen to making changes before they do. They also help ports deal with problems like traffic jams, not having enough containers, and political unrest more efficiently.

TRACEABILITY MOVES FROM OPTIONAL TO MANDATORY

Regulation now accelerates digital adoption. The European Commission advances the Digital Product Passport, which requires lifecycle data transparency across materials.

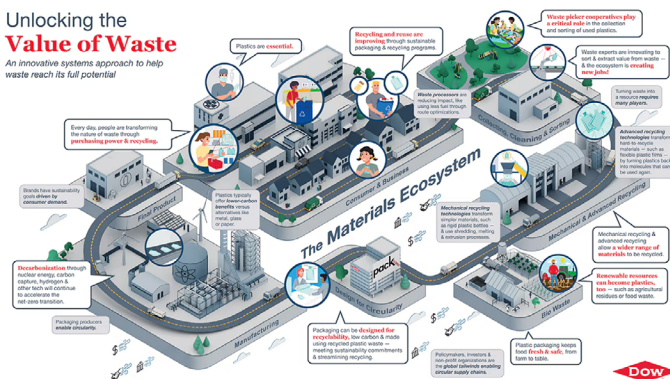
At the same time, standards such as ISO 22095 formalize Chain of Custody approaches for recycled plastics. These standards ensure companies document and trace the entire lifecycle from production to end-of-life. Analysis from the Journal of Cleaner Production highlights blockchain's potential to support auditable traceability, especially for circular feedstocks.

Companies like Dow pilot blockchain-based tracking systems to verify recycled content flows. These initiatives reflect growing scrutiny of mass-balance accounting and sustainability claims.

Traceability now goes beyond compliance. It supports customer trust and enables new circular business models. Companies ensure sustainable sourcing and make product lifecycles transparent to consumers.

Unlocking the Value of Waste

An innovative systems approach to help waste reach its full potential



Dow deploys blockchain-based tracking to verify recycled content flows across its materials ecosystem. The Ellen MacArthur Foundation estimates a fully circular plastics system could generate \$200 billion in annual savings and create 700,000 net jobs. Courtesy of Dow.

INVENTORY STRATEGIES AND THE ROAD AHEAD

Predictive visibility reshapes inventory management. Companies reduce buffer stocks and adopt dynamic safety stock strategies based on real-time signals. Data from industry platforms show improvements in lead-time reliability and working capital efficiency. Predictive systems maintain service levels while lowering inventory exposure. However, challenges remain.

Data standardization gaps and limited partner collaboration still constrain full visibility. These gaps hinder informed decisions and reduce supply chain efficiency. High upfront investment also complicates return-on-investment calculations.

The direction remains clear. Plastics supply chains will rely more on predictive intelligence than retrospective data. Companies that integrate data across production, coordination, and compliance gain resilience and agility. They respond faster to market changes and customer demands. Others risk operating with delayed insight in a real-time market.

MCLAREN, DELOITTE, AND FIA BRING CIRCULARITY TO FORMULA 1

Source: plasticsengineering.org

2

The F1 Constructors' Circularity Handbook helps teams measure material use, waste, and circularity in Formula 1 car manufacturing.

For decades, Formula 1 has represented the pinnacle of engineering performance, pushing the boundaries of aerodynamics, lightweighting, and advanced materials. Today, however, this sport faces a new challenge: integrating sustainability into one of the world's most technologically demanding environments without compromising competitiveness.

The collaboration between McLaren Racing, Deloitte UK, and FIA shows that sustainability and on-track performance are no longer mutually exclusive. The team has successfully maintained elite speed and safety while reducing its environmental footprint over the last year. A year ago, the organizations developed the F1 Constructors' Circularity Handbook, a framework designed to measure and improve circularity in the development and manufacturing of Formula 1 cars. With which they assured, "By embracing circular economy practices, teams can minimize their environmental impact and drive innovation in Formula 1".



The F1 Constructors' Circularity Handbook stands to improve sustainable practices in the development and manufacture of Formula 1 car. Courtesy of F1.

MEASURING CIRCULARITY IN HIGH-PERFORMANCE MANUFACTURING

The F1 Constructors' Circularity Handbook introduces a standardized methodology that enables teams to evaluate their material use, waste management, and the integration of circular practices into chassis manufacturing. Rather than relying on isolated sustainability initiatives, the framework establishes a measurable system to track circularity throughout the entire lifecycle of Formula 1 components.

The handbook includes:

A step-by-step methodology to identify and gather data, as well as estimate data to fill any gaps.

Definitions of how to apply circularity criteria to differentiate input materials and waste streams.

Guidance on how to use this information to calculate a single circularity metric.

In Formula 1, where teams optimize every gram of material and every production process, circularity now becomes another engineering parameter alongside performance, durability, and cost efficiency. The Formula One World Championship stands upon the desire for innovation, which drives not only the technical advancements for motorsport, but also shows the potential to influence the mobility world. With this, automotive manufacturing companies increasingly recognize that measurable sustainability metrics drive meaningful progress.

MCLAREN RACING AND DELOITTE UK PIONEER CIRCULARITY IN F1

McLaren Racing was the first organisation to achieve the FIA 3-star Environmental Accreditation and the first motorsport team to have its net-zero targets validated by the Science-Based Targets initiative. This efforts date back since when McLaren pioneered the use of recycled carbon fibre on its F1 cars. Later, McLaren teamed up with its Official Transformation Partner, Deloitte, and identified further circularity opportunities within F1 constructor activities. The FIA supported the initiative and reviewed the findings, which highlighted the urgent need for a standardized, practical methodology to help teams measure sustainability in car manufacturing.

FROM RECYCLED CARBON FIBER TO CIRCULAR DESIGN

In 2023 McLaren evaluated the use of innovative recycled carbon fibre (rCF) on the McLaren MCL60 during the United States Grand Prix. This was the teams first steps into the development of a fully circular F1 car by 2030 and the net zero target. Together with innovative composites organisation, V Carbon, McLaren reduced by 90% of the emissions throughout the life cycle compared to a standard carbon fibre. As they explained in statistics "If just 1% of the carbon fibre manufactured globally in 2022 was rCF, it would save 32,535 tonnes of carbon emissions - equivalent to half of McLaren Racing's total emissions in 2022."



McLaren collaboration with V Carbon represents a significant step towards enabling circular practices in the production of Formula 1 cars. Courtesy of McLaren Racing.



PUNE INC | COUPLE'S STARTUP FINDS WAY TO REUSE HARD-TO-RECYCLE MULTI-LAYERED PLASTIC

Source: *The Indian Express* (25th August, 2026)

Foods, beverages, and cosmetics generate 50 tonnes of MLP waste daily. Most MLP waste is either dumped in landfills or incinerated in cement kilns, causing severe pollution.

A few seemingly unrelated items were arranged on a table at a recent showcase of start-up innovations at the National Chemicals Laboratory in Pune. On one side were packets crammed with medicine wrappers and food packets, among other things. At the opposite end were soles of footwear such as one might see at a cobbler's. The packets are made from multi-layered plastic (MLP), a material that is among the most challenging to recycle.

According to Deepali Jadia and Harsh Jadia, both PhDs in environmental biotechnology from the University of Mumbai, the footwear on display is also made from MLP, which was first converted to PVC. The couple—Deepali is a former assistant professor at the university and Harsh is a senior scientist at a UK-based multinational company—have been working on transforming MLP into industrial-grade pellets since 2023, when they put their savings into a bootstrapped startup, Ismclimatech.

The startup's achievement is the ability to extract aluminium from MLP without using heat, allowing the remaining mixed plastic to be moulded into durable pellets without cracking or smelling. Backed by a grant from IIT Madras and incubated at NSRCEL, IIM Bengaluru, these pellets serve as a direct, recyclable substitute for virgin PVC and PP-PE resins. This early-stage startup is now incubated at Pune's Venture Center.

Their current breakthrough, though hard-earned, marks a small step in the company's process to help India tackle its MLP waste. "We have developed a biochemical upcycling process that transforms notoriously non-recyclable MLP into high-value plastic pellets," says Harsh.



Deepali Jadia and Harsh Jadia are both PhDs in environmental biotechnology from the University of Mumbai. (Photo by special arrangement)

India generates around 3.8 million tonnes of MLP waste annually. Foods, beverages, and cosmetics generate 50 tonnes per day. A leading manufacturer the couple earlier worked with had 50 million tonnes of MLP waste annually in its factories.

A LEAP OF FAITH AFTER PANDEMIC

Because MLP contains bonded layers of plastic and aluminium, it is extremely difficult to recycle; most of it is either dumped in landfills or incinerated in cement kilns, causing severe pollution. "Recognising this massive gap during the COVID-19 pandemic, we took a leap of faith," says Deepali. The company is now focusing its commercial efforts on the footwear sector.

Deepali believes this technology will revolutionise the waste management ecosystem by incentivising waste collection from sources and other industries and integrating these into recycling streams.

"This shift could divert tonnes of waste from landfills, reduce carbon emissions, and create a robust green job market that elevates the livelihoods of local waste pickers," she says.

HOW A WEDDING ROLEX EXPOSED THE ECONOMICS OF PLASTIC RECYCLING

Source: *The Economic Times* (23rd August, 2026)

A viral X post has highlighted the economics of a plastic recycling business that buys waste at around Rs.13 per kg and sells processed granules for up to Rs. 90 per kg. With monthly output of about 50 tonnes, the operation can generate roughly Rs. 40 lakh in sales, before costs. The story has resonated because it shows how waste-to-wealth businesses can hide behind plain descriptions and still produce strong industrial-scale revenues.



A luxury watch at a family wedding is not the kind of clue most people expect to unlock a manufacturing story. Yet that is exactly what set off an online conversation about a plastic recycling operation whose economics look far more lucrative than the label “plastic business” suggests. What began as a casual question about a cousin’s work turned into a lesson in India’s waste economy, where discarded bottles and scrap can be transformed into industrial raw material with a far higher resale value. The episode, shared on X by a user named Pratham, has drawn attention because it shows how little everyday language captures the scale of some recycling businesses.

FROM A WEDDING CONVERSATION TO A BUSINESS MODEL

Pratham said he met his cousin at a family wedding and noticed a limited-edition Rolex on his wrist. Curious about how the business was doing, he asked what line of work he was in. The reply was simple enough: plastic business.

That answer initially suggested a conventional trading set-up, the sort of bulk buying and selling operation common in industrial clusters. But the follow-up conversation revealed something more specialised. The business does not merely move plastic around. It collects waste plastic, sorts it, cleans it and converts it into recycled plastic gran-

ules, the basic feedstock used by manufacturers across several sectors.

WHY WASTE PLASTIC CAN BECOME A HIGH-VALUE PRODUCT

The pricing gap is what makes the model stand out. According to the account shared by Pratham, waste plastic is purchased at around Rs.13 per kilogram. After processing, the output is sold for roughly Rs. 80 to Rs. 90 per kilogram.

That jump is possible because the material is no longer treated as rubbish once it has been separated by type and cleaned properly. Different plastics behave differently when melted, and contamination can ruin an entire batch.

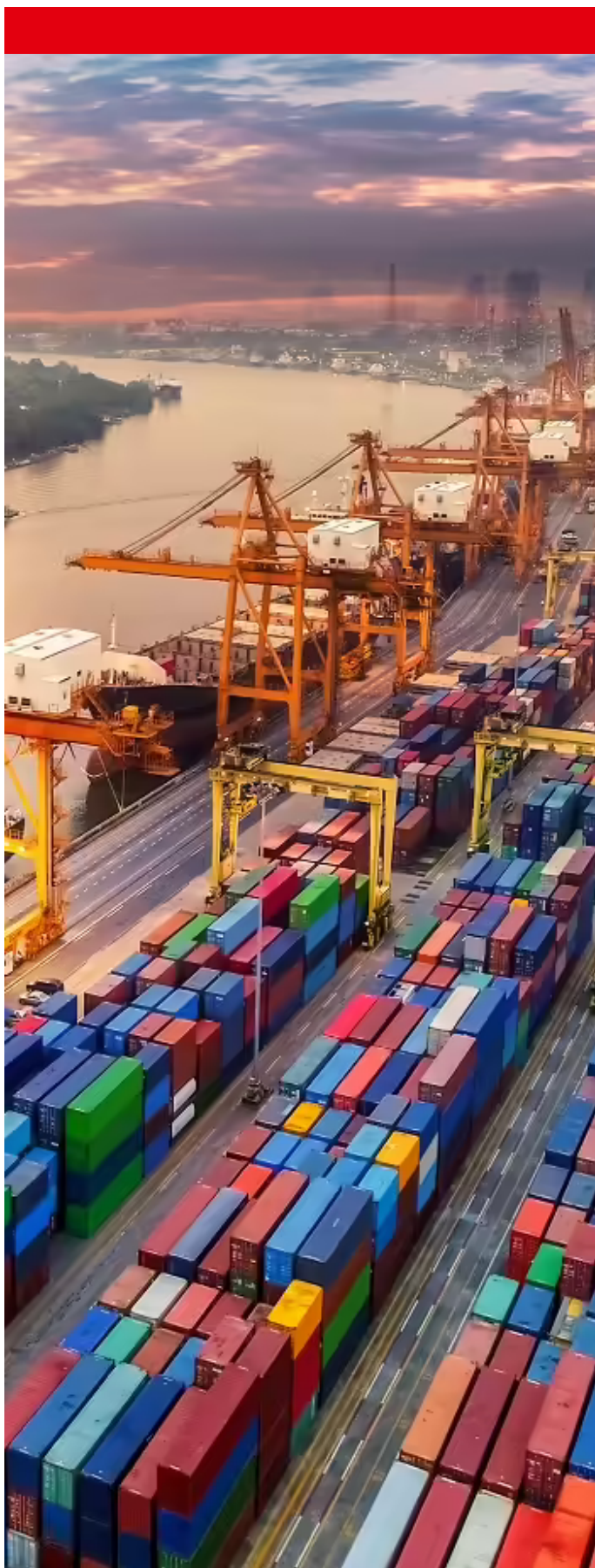
The business logic is straightforward, even if the work behind it is not. What looks like low-value scrap at the collection stage becomes a reusable industrial input after cleaning and conversion. In that sense, the operation sits somewhere between waste management and light manufacturing, with margins shaped by efficiency, scale and the ability to source material consistently.

THE NUMBERS BEHIND THE MONTHLY SALES FIGURE

Pratham’s post suggested that the unit produces about 50 tonnes of granules every month. At the lower end of the quoted selling range, that translates into sales of around Rs. 40 lakh a month. That figure is revenue, not profit, and the distinction matters. Transport, labour, sorting, washing, machine maintenance, electricity and other processing costs would all reduce the amount left after expenses.

Even so, the topline number helps explain why a business built on discarded plastic can support a lifestyle that might surprise outsiders. For many readers, the revelation was not just the scale of the operation but the disconnect between perception and reality. In practice, the activity is closer to a circular-economy enterprise that monetises waste at industrial scale.

Recycling is often discussed in environmental terms, but the economics can be just as compelling. When waste becomes a dependable input, the business is no longer defined by what is thrown away. It is defined by what can be recovered, processed and sold again.



THE PLASTICS EXPORT
PROMOTION COUNCIL

Established in 1955, the Plastics Export Promotion Council (PLEXCONCIL), sponsored by the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India, is the apex body dedicated to promoting India's plastics exports. As a leading non-profit organization representing exporters across the plastics industry, PLEXCONCIL plays a critical role in strengthening India's global trade presence and enhancing export competitiveness.

Driven by a strong commitment to excellence, the Council delivers actionable trade intelligence through in-depth analysis of export trends, evolving global regulations, and emerging market opportunities—enabling Indian exporters to remain competitive in an increasingly dynamic international landscape. It also plays a pivotal role in shaping a balanced and growth-oriented policy framework by consistently representing industry concerns and engaging with the Government to promote domestic competitiveness, strengthen the Make in India initiative, and boost exports.



It actively promotes the industry by facilitating participation in major international trade fairs, organizing business delegations to key global markets, hosting foreign buyer delegations in India, and conducting buyer-seller meets both domestically and overseas.

★ WHY BECOME A PLEXCONCIL MEMBER? ★

The Council also strongly supports MSMEs, as well as aspiring and existing exporters, through high-impact capacity building programs, knowledge sessions, and specialized workshops on emerging trade regulations, free trade agreements, quality standards, and non-tariff barriers, equipping them to compete effectively in global markets.

Beyond trade promotion, PLEXCONCIL honours excellence through its prestigious Annual Export Awards. It also actively monitors emerging technologies to keep its members informed and future-ready. The Council also plays a vital role in fostering global collaborations, joint ventures, and strategic partnerships with international companies and trade associations. Through its multifaceted initiatives, PLEXCONCIL serves as a catalyst for growth, driving innovation, enabling global connections, and positioning India as a strong and reliable player in the global plastics trade.



The Council represents a wide variety of plastics products including - Plastics Raw Materials, Masterbatch, 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.



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- **Subsidised rates** at International Trade Fairs and Exhibitions
- **Organizing Buyer Seller Meets (BSM)** in targeted markets / **Reverse Buyer Seller Meets (RBSM)** in India
- Compiling, analysing **plastics export data**, and sharing insights with trade members
- Addressing members' **day-to-day export operation issues** with relevant authorities and striving for resolution
- **Financial benefits** to exporters, as available through Government of India
- Issuance of Certificate of Origin (COO) & Export turn-over certificate for getting **customs duty exemption**
- Access to **India-US Trade Facilitation Portal**
- **Disseminating trade enquiries/trade leads**
- **Free Webinars** & Capacity Building Programs
- 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
- Advocating **policy related issues**
- Any other activity based on the need of the member exporters



★ NEW MEMBERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2026

Sr. No	Name of the Company	Address	City	Pin	State	Email
1	A D Enterprises	Industrial Shed No. - A-66 And A-67 HSIIDC, Industrial Estate, Sector 31,	Faridabad	121003	Haryana	adenterprises.2009@ gmail.com
2	Aadherav Industries	Survey No.115/2, Ponnankuppam Village, Karakadu Panchayat, Cuddalore Tamil Nadu 607005	Cuddalore	607005	Tamil Nadu	sekarelakkiya@gmail.com
3	Anagh Geotex Private Limited	Plot No 7c Soham Industrial Park, Bareja Dholka Road Mahijada, Ahmedabad	Ahmedabad	382425	Gujarat	anaghgeotex@gmail.com
4	Devarshee Geosynthetics And Infrastructure Private Limited	D/12, Kamalanjali Complex, Above Hdfe Bank, Near Radha Krishna Park Crossing, Akota Vadodara	Vadodara	390020	Gujarat	maharshee1@gmail.com
5	Eeternal Industries	D/85, Pushpak City Near Nayan Rmya Club, Mahemdabad Road, Hathijan Ahmedabad	Ahmedabad	382445	Gujarat	eeternalindustries@gmail.com
6	Enoventive Decorations Llp	6, 601, Dev Plaza, S.V. Road, Opp. Andheri Fire Brigade, Andheri West Mumbai	Mumbai	400058	Maharashtra	hdgandhi@enoventive.com
7	Evolvepack Private Limited	Office No. Dsm-515, Dlf Tower, Shivaji Marg	Delhi	110015	Delhi	csmohit@chamariagroup.com
8	Global Engineering Service	Plot No.5, 2nd Floor, 3rd Street, Nagalkeni, Sripuram, Chromepet, Chennai CHENNAI KANCHIPURAM TAMIL NADU 600044	Chennai	600044	Tamil Nadu	globalengineeringservice76@gmail.com
9	Global Plast	Plot No 23 Survey No 168 23, Dabhel Industrial Co Op Soc Ltd Dabhel, Nani Daman, Daman, Daman And Diu,	Daman	396210	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	globalplast@gmail.com
10	Hair Fashion India	Hydle Colony, Vill Faizullahpur Seohara, Bijnor,	Bijnor	246746	Uttar Pradesh	hairfashionindia@gmail.com
11	Jewelry Wholesale	18 Janakpuri First Imliwala Phatak,	Jaipur	302005	Rajasthan	vireshgjan@gmail.com
12	Khushi Hair (Opc) Private Limited	Fatepuri Gate Road Jamat Khana, Jamat Khana, C/O Kishor, Goma Ram Khariya Talab, Khushi Hair Opc Private Limited, Fatepuri Gate Road, Didwana Nagaur	Fatepuri	341303	Rajasthan	khushihairopcpvtltd@gmail.com
13	Luvia Plast	Survey No 117, Luvia Plast Latipar Road, Sahkar Cotton Hirapar,	Morbi	363650	Gujarat	luviaexim@gmail.com
14	Narayan Polymers	Near Radha Swami Satsang Ghar, Vpo Mandi Ladhuka	Fazilka	152020	Punjab	info.narayanpolymers@gmail.com
15	Ostern Pvt Ltd	Landmark Buliding, 5th Floor,228a Ajc Bose Road Ps- Bhowanipure	Kolkata	700020	West Bengal	export@ostern.co.in
16	Pavan Flexipack Industries	Sy No 316a Dambergidda Road Chevella Mandal, Hyderabad, Rangareddy, Telangana, 501503	Hyderabad	501503	Telangana	pavanflexipack@gmail.com
17	Rajeed Industries And Exports Llp	Surveyno189/2, 189/3, 190/3, Panakkad Village Oorakam Melmuri Malappuram Kerala 676519	Malappuram	676519	Kerala	sujeshsruthi@gmail.com
18	Ratnaflow Ventures Private Limited	18, Rajmugat Society, Naranpura Char Rasta, Naranpura,Ahmedabad,	Ahmedabad	380013	Gujarat	vidit.sanghvi@ratnaflow.in

★ NEW MEMBERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2026

Sr. No	Name of the Company	Address	City	Pin	State	Email
19	Rawji Industries Llp	Survey No 139 Paiki, Opp. Holy Mary High School, Village Rehna,	Bhiwandi	421302	Maharashtra	kumar@rawji.com
20	Rohini Enterprise	309, 3rd Floor, Block - H, Tps -14, Sumel Business Park - 6 Old Jupiter, Nr. Dudheshwar Circle, Dudheshwar Ahmedabad,	Ahmadabad	380004	Gujarat	ajay@rohinienterprise.com
21	Royal Exim Hub	Door No-204,205(106/107) Prakasam Salai Broadway Chennai CHENNAI TAMIL NADU 600001	Chennai	600001	Tamil Nadu	vhorahussain948@gmail.com
22	Samakk Solutions Private Limited	20th 2002 Panchshill Towers, Panchshill Towers Road Eon IT Park, Kharadi Pune,	Pune	411014	Maharashtra	accounts@samakk.com
23	Satyam Nxtgen Industries Private Limited	Shardanand, Opp. Telephone Bhanvan, Ajab Nagar, Kranti Chowk,	Aurangabad	431001	Maharashtra	sales@satyamgroup.info
24	Shree Ganpati Granules	Plot No. F-10 Industrial Area Sikan-darpur Bihta Bihta Patna,Bihar	Patna	801103	Bihar	shreeganpartigranules@gmail.com
25	Shreeji Polypack	Ground Floor, Pl No.112,113,114, Balaji Industrial Park - 2 New Bl No.415, Mangrol, Pipodara Surat,	Surat	394110	Gujarat	dipakghetiya99137@gmail.com
26	Shri Rs Bharat Llp	Gala 110, 1st FLR, B-5, Radhe Krishna Ind. Park, Shantinagar E.D., Bhiwandi City Police Station, Bhiwandi, Kalyan,	Thane	421302	Maharashtra	smartbangalore50@gmail.com
27	Skv Craft Llp	1201, Yeshomangal Chs Ltd, Lallubhai Shamaldas Road, Andheri (W)	Mumbai	400058	Maharashtra	mihir.dave@mkglobalco.com
28	Sree Gayathri Hair Impex	D.No.12-8-24, Opp. State Bank Of India Railway Station Road Kovvur West Godavari Andhra Pradesh 534350	Kovvur	534350	Andhra Pradesh (New)	sreegayathrihairimpex@hotmail.com
29	Ssm Export Import Llp	Ground Floor, A-8-384 And A-8-364h, Multani Colony, Shah Gunj,Bidar, Bidar, Karnataka, 585401	Bidar	585401	Karnataka	khalidabegum9014@gmail.com
30	Tenet Poly Plast	Survey No 269 Paiki 1, Khanpar Road At Thorala Morbi,	Morbi	363641	Gujarat	tenetpolyplast@gmail.com
31	Thomson Industries	483/1 Kottamangalam Udumalpet Udumalpet Coimbatore Tamil Nadu 642201	Coimbatore	642201	Tamil Nadu	mail@thomsonindustries.in
32	Ultramar Holdings	16 Strand Road Diamond Heritage, 6 Th Floor, Romm No. N612	Kolkata	700001	West Bengal	naman@pocforge.com
33	Venkateshwar Technopack Industries	Khata No. 236, Khasra No. 515, Chajjarsi Kulechnagar, Dhaulana, Hapur,	Ghaziabad	245304	Uttar Pradesh	bhanugupta1505@gmail.com