

ANALYSIS OF INDIA'S PLASTICS EXPORT
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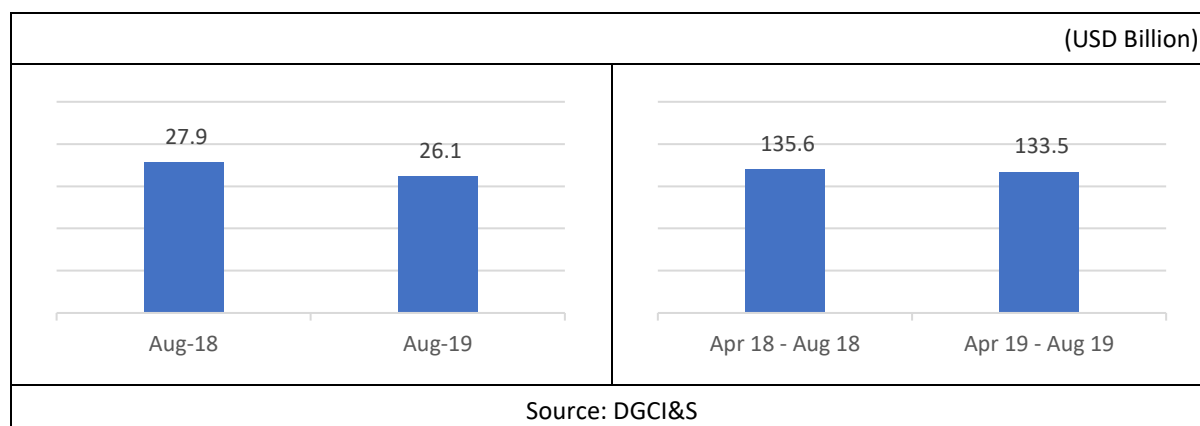
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TREND IN OVERALL EXPORTS

India reported merchandise exports of USD 26.1 billion in August 2019, down 6.3% from USD 27.9 billion in August 2018. Cumulative value of merchandise exports during April 2019 – August 2019 was USD 133.5 billion as against USD 135.6 billion during the same period last year, reflecting a decline of 1.5%.

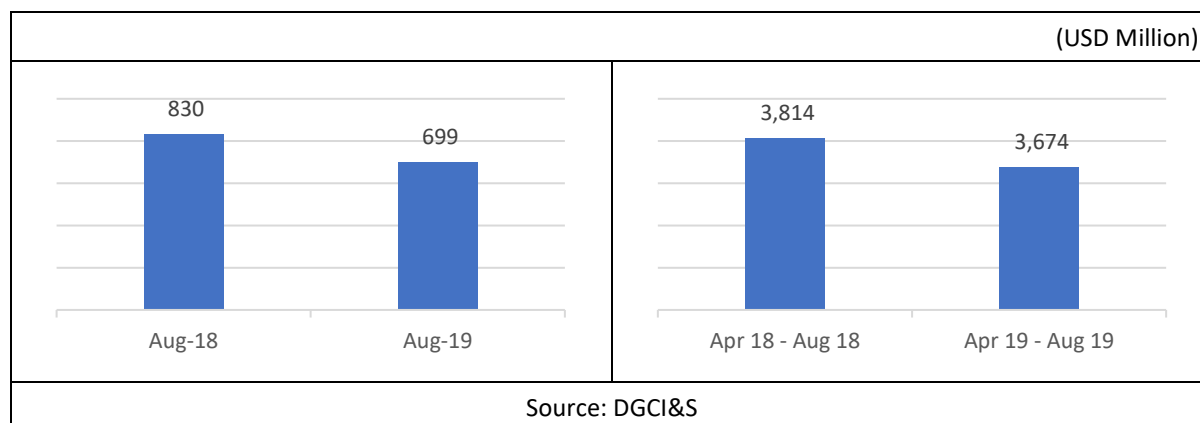
Exhibit 1: Trend in overall merchandise exports from India



TREND IN PLASTICS EXPORT

During August 2019, India exported plastics worth USD 699 million, down 15.7% from USD 830 million in August 2018. Cumulative value of plastics export during April 2019 – August 2019 was USD 3,674 million as against USD 3,814 million during the same period last year, registering a negative growth of 3.7%.

Exhibit 2: Trend in plastics export by India



- Plastics formed 2.75% of India's overall merchandise exports in April 2019 – August 2019
- India exported plastics to 207 countries in April 2019 – August 2019
- United States, China and United Arab Emirates were the top three buyers of plastics from India in April 2019 – August 2019

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY PANEL

In August 2019, most of the product panels witnessed a decline in exports. Plastic raw materials witnessed year-on-year decline of 26.8%; followed by stationery/office/school supply (-13.8%); packaging materials (-8.1%); plastic sheet, film, plates etc (-7.9%); other plastic items (-7.2%); moulded & extruded goods (-2.8%); and optical items (-2.7%). Only human hair products reported a 28.8% year-on-year growth in August 2019.

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

Panel	Aug-18	Aug-19	Growth	Apr 18- Aug 18	Apr 19- Aug 19	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Plastic raw materials	403.54	295.46	-26.8%	1,848.15	1,544.94	-16.4%
Plastic sheet, film, plates etc	134.63	123.98	-7.9%	616.18	634.49	3.0%
Moulded & extruded goods	101.60	98.73	-2.8%	451.42	542.40	20.2%
Packaging materials	81.81	75.22	-8.1%	346.11	351.59	1.6%
Optical items (incl. lens etc)	38.38	37.36	-2.7%	199.55	199.66	0.1%
Other plastic items	35.55	33.01	-7.2%	154.83	189.70	22.5%
Stationery/Office/School Supply	20.71	17.84	-13.8%	107.36	101.53	-5.4%
Human hair, products thereof	13.82	17.80	28.8%	90.32	110.06	21.9%
	830.05	699.40	-15.7%	3,813.91	3,674.37	-3.7%

Note: Plastics are segregated under eight panels by DGCI&S

Source: DGCI&S

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY REGION

India's plastics export in August 2019 was negative across all territories including, Latin America & Caribbean (-37.9% year-on-year); ASEAN + 2 (-33.0%); Africa (-17.4%); European Union (-16.9%); Middle East (-15.7%); South Asia (-10.6%); North-East Asia (-8.6%); Commonwealth of Independent States (-3.8%); and North America (-3.0%).

Exhibit 4: Region-wise trend in plastics export by India

Region	Aug-18	Aug-19	Growth	Apr 18- Aug 18	Apr 19- Aug 19	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
European Union (EU)	163.71	136.10	-16.9%	766.04	725.15	-5.3%
Middle East	121.29	102.19	-15.7%	601.66	578.36	-3.9%
North-East Asia	117.64	107.47	-8.6%	529.52	551.57	4.2%
North America	113.29	109.85	-3.0%	508.20	583.67	14.9%
Africa	106.10	87.66	-17.4%	480.67	448.23	-6.7%
South Asia	71.18	63.64	-10.6%	360.71	326.50	-9.5%
ASEAN + 2	76.84	51.46	-33.0%	296.67	250.75	-15.5%
Latin America & Caribbean (LAC)	46.83	29.06	-37.9%	215.36	152.17	-29.3%
CIS	9.99	9.61	-3.8%	35.51	45.61	28.4%
Others	3.17	2.36	-25.8%	19.57	12.37	-36.8%
	830.05	699.40	-15.7%	3,813.91	3,674.37	-3.7%

Source: DGCI&S

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY DESTINATION COUNTRY

During August 2019, four out of the top 25 destination countries recorded year-on-year growth in plastics export from India. Exports to Nepal witnessed a high growth rate of 17.2% during the period.

On a cumulative basis, during April 2019 – August 2019, nine out of the top 25 destination countries recorded year-on-year growth in plastics export from India. Exports to South Africa, Saudi Arabia and Canada, witnessed high growth rates ranging between 20-50%, during the above period.

Exhibit 5: Top 25 destinations of plastics exported by India

Country	Aug-18	Aug-19	Growth	Apr 18- Aug 18	Apr 19- Aug 19	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
China	93.36	85.95	-7.9%	427.90	448.82	4.9%
United States	94.44	90.60	-4.1%	411.79	482.80	17.2%
United Arab Emirates	38.72	30.79	-20.5%	186.90	200.87	7.5%
Italy	31.87	19.64	-38.4%	160.71	124.76	-22.4%
Germany	30.16	24.63	-18.4%	134.76	128.00	-5.0%
Bangladesh	29.36	21.54	-26.6%	146.50	116.96	-20.2%
Turkey	21.12	15.77	-25.3%	130.53	90.90	-30.4%
United Kingdom	23.91	22.34	-6.6%	105.24	114.83	9.1%
Nepal	20.50	24.03	17.2%	95.93	108.97	13.6%
Vietnam	23.82	10.26	-56.9%	82.60	60.54	-26.7%
France	14.51	14.05	-3.1%	75.82	79.12	4.4%
Indonesia	18.65	9.80	-47.5%	68.99	41.18	-40.3%
Egypt	15.70	9.05	-42.3%	69.08	43.36	-37.2%
Belgium	11.32	7.39	-34.7%	56.32	50.77	-9.9%
Japan	14.92	11.69	-21.6%	57.33	46.90	-18.2%
Nigeria	13.39	12.49	-6.7%	70.82	46.16	-34.8%
Pakistan	7.89	5.89	-25.3%	52.99	40.07	-24.4%
South Africa	11.04	11.85	7.4%	46.48	67.08	44.3%
Israel	12.19	12.02	-1.4%	49.12	45.44	-7.5%
Mexico	8.77	9.24	5.4%	54.10	48.93	-9.6%
Kenya	15.11	10.18	-32.7%	57.90	55.68	-3.8%
Spain	10.75	9.48	-11.8%	50.31	48.25	-4.1%
Sri Lanka	9.61	8.58	-10.7%	47.59	40.79	-14.3%
Canada	10.08	10.01	-0.7%	42.31	51.94	22.8%
Saudi Arabia	6.96	7.60	9.2%	38.15	50.06	31.2%

Note: Top 25 destinations based on 2018-19 plastic exports by India

Source: DGCI&S

India exported plastics to 182 countries in August 2019 as compared to 186 countries in August 2018.

Exhibit 6: Panels with details of % growth seen in top 10 export destinations

Panel	Country	Apr 18- Aug 18	Apr 19- Aug 19	Growth
		(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Plastic raw materials	China	342.88	341.58	-0.4%
	Italy	114.04	73.93	-35.2%
	Turkey	111.14	78.64	-29.2%
	Bangladesh	106.54	78.10	-26.7%
	United Arab Emirates	88.90	73.02	-17.9%
	United States	68.09	62.24	-8.6%
	Vietnam	72.61	50.67	-30.2%
	Nepal	57.79	69.34	20.0%
	Indonesia	54.68	25.28	-53.8%
	Pakistan	48.92	36.83	-24.7%
Plastic sheet, film, plates etc	United States	94.13	112.92	20.0%
	United Arab Emirates	24.95	27.83	11.6%
	Germany	30.99	29.20	-5.8%
	South Africa	27.67	28.86	4.3%
	Nigeria	32.41	15.38	-52.5%
	Italy	23.07	21.12	-8.5%
	United Kingdom	19.24	23.83	23.9%
	Bangladesh	19.16	14.48	-24.4%
	Mexico	18.90	16.71	-11.6%
	Spain	16.56	17.39	5.0%
Moulded & extruded goods	United States	101.56	155.71	53.3%
	United Arab Emirates	27.50	45.17	64.2%
	United Kingdom	23.37	25.31	8.3%
	Germany	23.49	20.81	-11.4%
	Canada	17.96	26.05	45.0%
	Sri Lanka	10.16	5.32	-47.6%
	Spain	9.95	8.58	-13.7%
	Nigeria	8.22	7.79	-5.3%
	Saudi Arabia	6.63	9.45	42.6%
	Brazil	7.12	10.50	47.5%
Packaging materials	United States	63.01	75.68	20.1%
	United Kingdom	29.26	27.96	-4.4%
	United Arab Emirates	17.70	21.05	18.9%
	Netherland	13.47	11.76	-12.7%
	Germany	10.81	8.72	-19.3%
	Belgium	9.85	3.86	-60.8%
	France	8.62	7.77	-9.9%
	Spain	7.37	7.29	-1.1%
	Djibouti	8.26	7.13	-13.7%
	Nepal	7.05	5.92	-16.0%

Note: Top 10 destinations based on India's 2018-19 exports under the eight plastic product panels

Source: DGCI&S

Panel	Country	Apr 18- Aug 18	Apr 19- Aug 19	Growth
		(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Optical items (incl. lens etc)	France	47.61	55.27	16.1%
	Germany	21.26	20.48	-3.7%
	United Kingdom	16.51	17.79	7.8%
	United States	14.17	4.63	-67.4%
	United Arab Emirates	6.48	9.00	39.0%
	Netherland	9.25	9.89	6.9%
	Poland	7.97	8.59	7.8%
	Italy	3.99	10.17	155.1%
	Russia	2.09	5.57	166.5%
	Israel	2.94	3.37	14.7%
Other plastic items	United States	35.98	37.60	4.5%
	Belgium	15.63	10.91	-30.2%
	United Arab Emirates	13.73	18.56	35.2%
	South Africa	4.19	17.94	328.0%
	United Kingdom	3.66	7.28	99.2%
	Italy	4.66	6.47	38.7%
	Germany	5.02	7.10	41.6%
	Poland	2.69	3.75	39.2%
	Nepal	3.61	3.71	3.0%
	Saudi Arabia	3.77	4.18	10.9%
Human hair, products thereof	China	52.09	73.12	40.4%
	Myanmar	7.75	4.47	-42.3%
	United States	6.71	6.67	-0.5%
	Tunisia	4.32	5.92	37.1%
	Hong Kong	3.43	5.88	71.4%
	Bangladesh	2.98	2.11	-29.1%
	United Arab Emirates	2.34	1.57	-32.9%
	Vietnam	0.94	1.97	108.4%
	Indonesia	1.45	0.92	-36.5%
	Italy	1.64	1.28	-21.8%
Stationery/Office/School Supply	United States	28.13	27.35	-2.8%
	United Arab Emirates	5.29	4.65	-12.1%
	United Kingdom	6.37	5.48	-14.0%
	Thailand	4.96	4.18	-15.8%
	Algeria	2.22	3.19	43.9%
	Bangladesh	2.26	2.94	30.5%
	Germany	2.56	2.34	-8.9%
	Mexico	2.28	1.52	-33.3%
	Latvia	2.31	1.23	-46.9%
	Nepal	2.19	2.27	3.8%

Note: Top 10 destinations based on India's 2018-19 exports under the eight plastic product panels

Source: DGCI&S

ANNEXURE-I

Trend in overall exports by India

Month	2018-19	2019-20	Growth
	(USD Bn)	(USD Bn)	(%)
April	25.95	26.07	0.5%
May	28.78	30.01	4.3%
June	27.15	25.01	-7.9%
July	25.89	26.32	1.7%
August	27.87	26.13	-6.3%
	135.64	133.54	-1.5%

Source: DGCI&S

ANNEXURE-II

Trend in plastics export by India

Month	2018-19	2019-20	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
April	742.66	702.53	-5.4%
May	741.65	830.55	12.0%
June	769.08	732.57	-4.7%
July	730.46	709.33	-2.9%
August	830.05	699.40	-15.7%
	3,813.91	3,674.37	-3.7%

Source: DGCI&S

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