

ANALYSIS OF INDIA'S PLASTICS EXPORT

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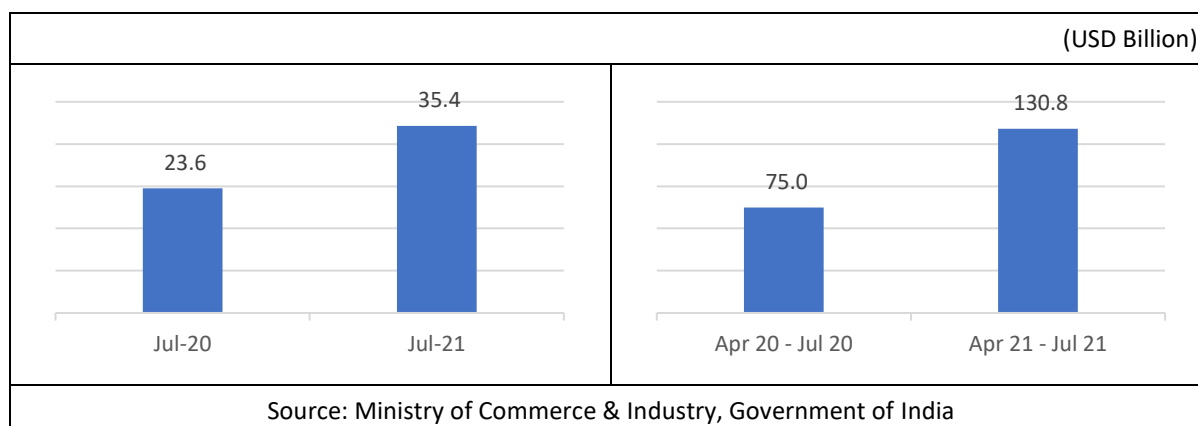
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TREND IN OVERALL EXPORTS

India reported merchandise exports of USD 35.4 billion in July 2021, up 49.9% from USD 23.6 billion in July 2020. Cumulative value of merchandise exports during April 2021 – July 2021 was USD 130.8 billion as against USD 75.0 billion during the same period last year, reflecting a growth of 74.5%.

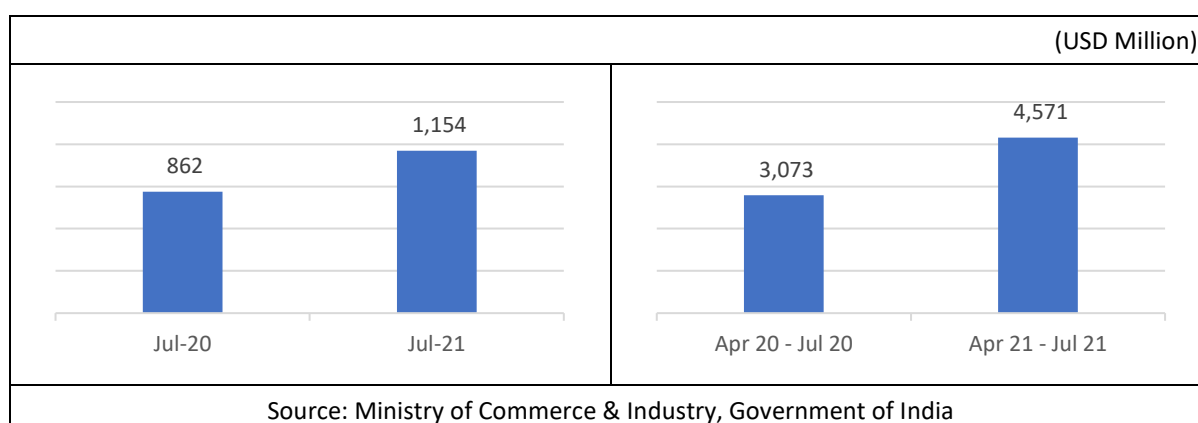
Exhibit 1: Trend in overall merchandise exports from India



TREND IN PLASTICS EXPORT

During July 2021, India exported plastics worth USD 1,154 million, up 33.8% from USD 862 million in July 2020. Cumulative value of plastics export during April 2021 – July 2021 was USD 4,571 million as against USD 3,073 million during the same period last year, registering a positive growth of 48.7%.

Exhibit 2: Trend in plastics export by India



PLASTICS EXPORT, BY PANEL

In July 2021, all the product panels especially Floor coverings, leathercloth & laminates; Woven sacks / FIBCs; Composites / FRP products; and Human hair products, reported high growth. In terms of absolute growth, strong gains were registered by Plastic raw materials; Miscellaneous products; Woven sacks / FIBCs; and Human hair products.

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

Panel	Jul-20	Jul-21	Growth	Apr 20- Jul 20	Apr 21- Jul 21	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Consumer & House ware	44.7	66.6	+49.0%	113.4	228.9	+101.8%
Cordage & Fishnets	16.0	16.6	+3.7%	45.2	63.5	+40.6%
Composites / FRP products	25.9	39.4	+52.3%	72.0	139.8	+94.2%
Floor Coverings, Leather cloth & Laminates	36.8	56.7	+54.1%	109.1	214.0	+96.2%
Human Hair & Related Products	26.1	93.1	+256.5%	74.2	312.3	+321.0%
Miscellaneous Products	128.3	178.1	+38.9%	387.8	665.7	+71.7%
Pipes & Fittings	17.8	24.4	+37.0%	44.4	83.8	+89.0%
Polyester Films	142.2	166.1	+16.9%	526.1	683.3	+29.9%
Plastics Raw Materials	307.4	358.4	+16.6%	1,368.8	1,598.9	+16.8%
Rigid Packaging & PET Preforms	32.0	32.3	+1.0%	95.9	129.7	+35.3%
Woven Sacks / FIBCs	68.4	104.3	+52.5%	196.8	392.9	+99.6%
Writing Instruments	16.8	18.0	+7.2%	39.9	58.2	+45.8%
	862.4	1,154.2	+33.8%	3,073.4	4,570.9	+48.7%

Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India

Export of **Consumer & house ware** products increased by 49.0% in July 2021 due to higher shipment of Toys of plastics (HS code 95030030); Tableware and kitchenware of plastics (HS code 392410); and Electrical switches of plastics (HS code 85365020).

Cordage & fishnets export were also up by 3.7% in July 2021 aided by improved sales of Other binder or baler twine of polyethylene or polypropylene (HS code 560749).

Export of **Composites** was up by 52.3% due to increased sales of Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s (HS code 39269099).

In case of **Floor coverings, leather cloth & laminates**, exports in July 2021 were up 54.1% as Indian exporters reported higher sales of Textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with plastics other than PVC or PU: Other (HS code 59039090); and Decorative laminates (HS code 48239019). Exports under HS code 59039090 have been witnessing strong export growth from India to the United States of America.

Export of **Human hair & related products** clocked an impressive 256.5% growth due to strong sales of Human hair, dressed, thinned, bleached or otherwise worked (HS code 67030010); and Human hair, unworked, whether or not washed and scoured (HS code 05010010). India's export of human hair, unworked, have zoomed to USD 30.5 million in July 2021.

Miscellaneous products export increased by 38.9% in July 2021 due to higher sales of Optical fibres, optical fibres bundles and cables (HS code 90011000); Other sacks and bags of plastics (HS code 39232990); and Polypropylene articles, n.e.s (HS code 39269080).

Export of **Pipes & fittings** witnessed a growth of 37.0% due to improved sales of Tubes, pipes, and hoses of polymers of vinyl chloride (HS code 391723); and Flexible tubes, pipes and hoses, having a minimum burst pressure of 27.6 MPa (HS code 391731).

Polyester films witnessed an increase of 16.9% in exports during July 2021 due to higher shipments of Sheets and films of polymers of propylene (HS code 392020); Flexible films and sheets of polyethylene terephthalate (HS code 39206220); and Self-adhesive sheets and films (HS code 39191000).

Plastics raw materials export was up 16.6% in July 2021 due to higher sales of Other acrylic polymers in primary form (HS Code 39069090); Other primary form of Polyethylene terephthalate (HS Code 39076190); Polytetrafluoroethylene (HS Code 39046100); Linear low-density polyethylene (HS Code 39011010); and Epoxy resins (HS Code 39073010).

Rigid packaging & PET performs export were up 1.0% on higher sales of Insulated ware of plastics (HS code 39231030); Spools, cops, bobbins and similar supports (HS code 39234000); and Caps and closures of plastics (HS Code 39235010).

Export of **Woven sacks and FIBCs** gained 52.5% during July 2021 as sales of Flexible Intermediate Bulk Containers or FIBCs (HS code 63053200) further strengthened. India is a significant exporter of FIBC to Europe and North America.

Export of **Writing instruments** witnessed an increase of 7.2% in July 2021 and have reached the pre-covid levels as were seen in February 2020.

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

HS Code	Description	Apr 20 - Jul 20	Apr 21 - Jul 21	Growth
		(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
63053200	Flexible intermediate bulk containers, for the packing of goods, of synthetic or man-made textile materials	161.2	316.2	+96.2%
39021000	Polypropylene, in primary forms	324.9	249.8	-23.1%
39076190	Polyethylene terephthalate: Other primary form	221.5	299.4	+35.2%
39232990	Sacks and bags, incl. cones, of plastics (excl. those of polymers of ethylene): Other	93.4	161.3	+72.6%
67030010	Human hair, dressed, thinned, bleached	71.2	250.3	+251.6%
39269099	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s: Other	71.0	138.2	+94.6%
39012000	Polyethylene with a specific gravity of >= 0,94, in primary forms	150.6	101.3	-32.7%
39014010	Linear low-density polyethylene, in which ethylene monomer unit contributes less than 95 % by weight of the total polymer content	108.5	109.1	+0.6%
90011000	Optical fibres, optical fibre bundles and cables (excl. made-up of individually sheathed fibres of heading 8544)	58.7	126.2	+114.8%
48239019	Decorative laminates	49.7	88.7	+78.4%
39206220	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular polyethylene 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: Flexible, plain	81.3	86.9	+6.8%
39269080	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s: Polypropylene articles, not elsewhere	48.3	94.3	+95.2%
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: Flexible, plain	80.3	123.2	+53.3%
39232100	Sacks and bags, incl. cones, of polymers of ethylene	41.6	66.9	+60.8%
39076990	Polyethylene terephthalate: Other primary form	51.3	100.1	+95.0%
59039090	Textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with plastics other than polyvinyl chloride or polyurethane: Other	31.6	76.4	+142.2%
39239090	Articles for the conveyance or packaging of goods, of plastics: Other	44.1	56.9	+29.1%
39069090	Acrylic polymers, in primary forms (excl. polymethyl methacrylate): Other	24.9	126.8	+409.4%
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: Other	37.1	64.9	+75.1%
90015000	Spectacle lenses of materials other than glass	30.3	43.5	+43.3%
39011010	Linear low-density polyethylene, in which ethylene monomer unit contributes 95 % or more by weight of	50.9	35.0	-31.3%

HS Code	Description	Apr 20 - Jul 20	Apr 21 - Jul 21	Growth
		(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
	the total polymer content			
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	24.9	48.6	+95.3%
39206290	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular polyethylene 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: Other	36.4	47.2	+29.6%
39046100	Polytetrafluoroethylene, in primary forms	31.6	52.8	+66.8%
90183930	Cannulae	28.5	29.2	+2.6%
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: Other	36.0	37.4	+4.0%
39011020	Low density polyethylene	48.2	45.8	-5.0%
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): Flexible, laminated	35.3	28.9	-18.1%
96081019	Ball-point pens	24.2	30.9	+27.9%
39241090	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics: Other	17.8	34.2	+92.2%
39072090	Polyethers in primary forms (excl. polyacetals): Other	28.2	14.9	-47.2%
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	20.7	37.3	+80.6%
95030030	Tricycles, scooters, pedal cars and similar wheeled toys; dolls' carriages; dolls; other toys: of plastics	17.6	33.4	+89.9%
39199090	Self-adhesive plates, sheets, film, foil, tape, strip and other flat shapes, of plastics, whether or not in rolls > 20 cm wide: Other	24.7	29.0	+17.6%
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: Flexible, metallised	27.3	31.3	+14.8%
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: Other	24.6	31.0	+26.1%
96032100	Tooth brushes, incl. dental-plate brushes	18.5	28.6	+54.9%
59031090	Textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with polyvinyl chloride: Other	13.0	23.6	+80.7%
39023000	Propylene copolymers, in primary forms	41.1	24.4	-40.6%
39140020	Ion-exchangers based on polymers of heading 3901 to 3913, in primary forms: Ion exchangers of polymerisation or	21.2	24.0	+13.1%
39119090	Polysulphides, polysulphones and other polymers	15.6	20.7	+32.6%

HS Code	Description	Apr 20 - Jul 20	Apr 21 - Jul 21	Growth
		(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
	and prepolymers produced by chemical synthesis, n.e.s., in primary forms: Other			
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	18.1	21.7	+20.1%
39241010	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics: Insulated ware	9.2	22.2	+140.3%
39129090	Cellulose and chemical derivatives thereof, n.e.s., in primary forms (excl. cellulose acetates, cellulose nitrates and cellulose ethers): Other	17.9	22.1	+23.9%
39095000	Polyurethanes, in primary forms	18.1	24.5	+35.5%
39235010	Stoppers, lids, caps and other closures, of plastics: Caps and closures for bottles	14.9	23.3	+56.4%
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 rectangular, incl. square, shapes: Other	12.7	24.3	+92.3%
54072030	Woven fabrics of strip or the like, of synthetic filament, incl. monofilament of >= 67 decitex and with a cross sectional dimension of <= 1 mm: Dyed	5.2	18.3	+254.1%
39073010	Epoxy resins	10.4	34.6	+232.9%
39011090	Polyethylene with a specific gravity of < 0,94, in primary forms: Other	16.1	25.5	+58.8%

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