

ANALYSIS OF INDIA'S PLASTICS EXPORT

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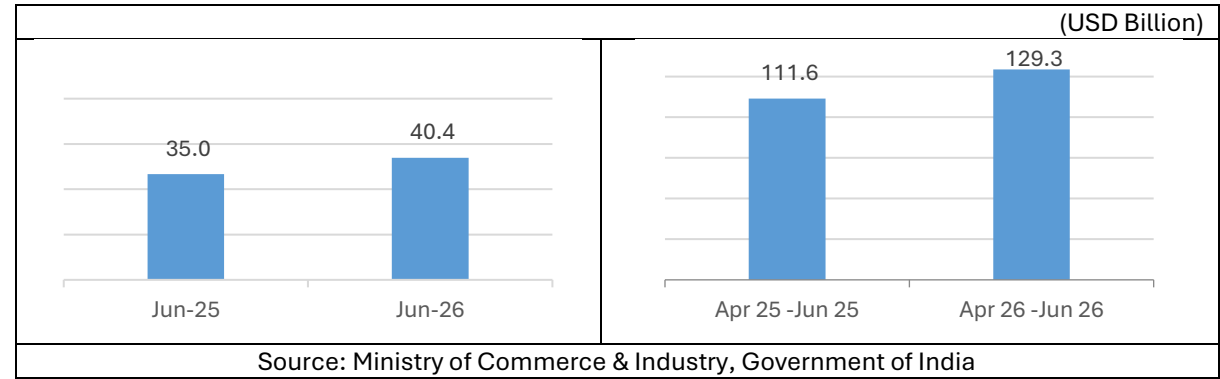
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Key Findings
India's Plastic Exports maintained strong growth momentum in June 2026, marking third consecutive monthly growth in the current financial year
Plastic exports have grown 21.4% in June 2026, higher than overall merchandise export growth of 15% in this month
Growth was led by strong order inflows for FIBC, Woven Sacks, Films & Sheets, Raw Materials and other segments
Export value has grown largely because of sharp rise in raw material prices, which inflated overall value of the consignment; Exports have also been supported by improving competitiveness from rupee depreciation in recent months.
Exports of FIBC and Woven Sacks grew 7.3%, marking the first monthly growth in the current financial year after registering negative growth in the previous two months
Preliminary data shows exports to UAE and Saudi Arabia posted growth, indicating rebound in shipments to the West Asian market

TREND IN OVERALL EXPORTS

India's merchandise exports posted 15% growth to USD 40.4 billion in June 2026 from USD 34.9 billion in the year ago month led by rise in shipment of Engineering goods, Petroleum Products, Cotton Textile, Gems & Jewellery, Plastics, Drugs & Pharmaceuticals and other products.

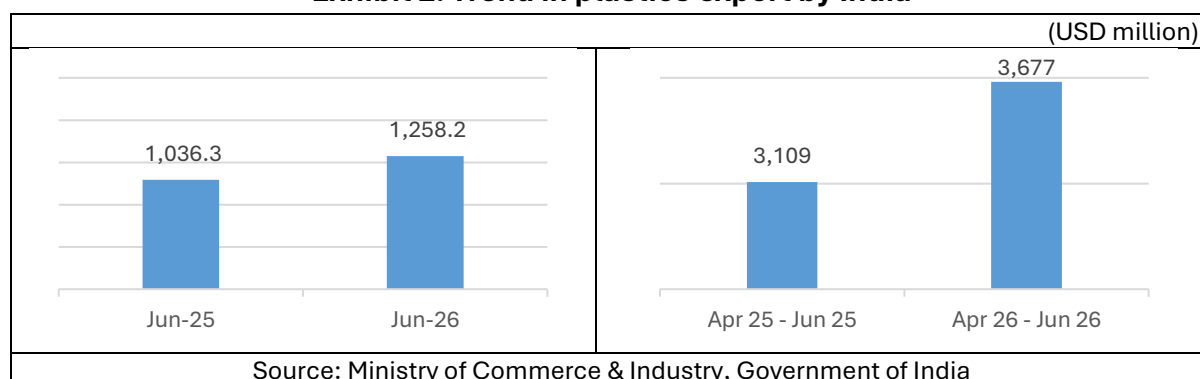
Exhibit 1: Trend in overall merchandise exports from India



TREND IN PLASTICS EXPORT

India's plastics and allied product exports posted 21.4% growth to USD 1258.2 million in June 2026 from USD 1036.3 million in the year ago month led by rise in shipment of Raw Materials, Films & Sheets, FIBC, Woven Sacks, Human Hair, Packaging items, Medical Items and so on.

Cumulative exports during April-June 2026 posted 18.3% growth to USD 3676.8 million from USD 3108.7 million in the year ago period.

Exhibit 2: Trend in plastics export by India**PLASTICS EXPORT, BY PANEL**

As mentioned earlier, shipment of Raw Materials, FIBC, Woven Sacks, Films & Sheets, Human Hair, Packaging Goods, Medical items and Miscellaneous products led growth in plastic exports during June 2026.

This growth was also aided by strong export performance in FRP & Composites and Pipes & Fittings.

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

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

Panel	Jun-25	Jun -26	Growth	Apr 25- Jun -25	Apr 26- Jun -26	Growth
	USD million		%	USD million		%
Consumer & houseware products	72.3	67.8	-6.2%	217.2	210.0	-3.3%
Cordage, fishnets & monofilaments	23.3	20.3	-12.9%	68.6	64.3	-6.2%
FIBC, Woven sacks, Woven fabrics, Tarpaulin	135.8	145.7	+7.3%	417.5	419.2	+0.4%
Floorcoverings, leathercloth & laminates	60.9	57.9	-4.9%	183.8	172.5	-6.2%
FRP & Composites	41.1	43.2	+5.1%	123.5	127.1	+2.9%
Human hair & related products	75.6	79.5	+5.3%	204.1	254.6	+24.7%
Medical items of plastics	42.4	46.2	+9.1%	135.8	133.9	-1.4%
Miscellaneous products and items nes	70.0	130.2	+86.0%	196.4	343.2	+74.8%
Packaging items - flexible, rigid	57.0	60.5	+6.2%	168.7	174.8	+3.6%
Plastic films and sheets	153.7	212.4	+38.2%	481.4	667.4	+38.7%
Plastic pipes & fittings	25.1	30.9	+22.8%	75.0	82.8	+10.4%
Plastic raw materials	259.7	344.7	+32.7%	772.6	962.3	+24.5%
Writing instruments & stationery	19.4	18.9	-2.7%	64.1	64.7	+0.9%
Grand Total	1,036.3	1,258.2	+21.4%	3,108.7	3,676.8	+18.3%

Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India

Exports of **Consumer & Houseware Products** declined by 6.2%, primarily due to lower shipments of Tableware & Kitchenware (HS 39241090), Building Elements (HS 39259090), Travelling Bags (HS 42029200), and Switches of Plastics (HS 85365020). Weak demand in key export markets such as the USA and Germany, coupled with elevated freight costs to the UAE and other Middle East destinations, adversely impacted exports in this category. Additionally, higher raw material prices continued to affect the cost competitiveness of Indian manufacturers, further contributing to the decline.

Shipment of **Cordage, Fishnets & Monofilaments** declined 12.9%, primarily due to lower demand for Twine & Cordage (HS 56074900) and Made-up Knotted Fishing Nets (HS 56081190). Weak demand in the USA, coupled with disruptions in shipments to the UAE due to heightened geopolitical tensions in the Middle East and elevated freight costs, adversely impacted exports in this product category.

Exports of **FIBC, Woven Sacks, Woven Fabrics & Tarpaulin** registered a healthy growth of 7.3%, driven by higher shipments of Flexible Intermediate Bulk Containers (FIBC) (HS 63053200) valued at USD 84.7 million, Sacks & Bags (HS 39232999) worth USD 42.6 million, and Woven Fabrics of Strip (HS 54072090). 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 4.9% because of fall in shipment of Decorative Laminates (HS 48239019) to Israel, Saudi Arabia, Thailand, Singapore and other countries. There was also subdued demand for Other PVC Floor Covering (HS 39181090) in USA, UAE and other markets.

Export of **FRP and Composites** has grown 5.1% because of strong demand for Composite plastic articles (HS 39269099) in Netherland, Oman, Canada, UK and other markets. There was also robust order inflows for Plastic Hammers (HS 39269079) from China, UK, Australia and other countries.

Shipment of **Human Hair & Related Products** grew 5.3% because of rise in shipment of value added Human Hair (HS 67030010) to China, Tunisia, Hong Kong, Singapore and other markets. There was also robust demand for raw Human Hair (HS 05010010) in Myanmar, Bangladesh, Viet Nam and other markets.

Export of **Medical Items of Plastics** recorded 9.1% growth led by strong recovery in demand in USA, China and some European countries. Exports of Spectacle & Lenses (HS 90015000) have grown to Germany, UK, UAE and other prominent markets. Exporters have benefitted from buoyant demand for Syringes (HS 90183100) in Brazil, Canada and South Korea.

Miscellaneous plastic products and items (n.e.s.) recorded 86% growth led by more than doubling of shipment of Optical Fibres (HS 90011000) to USA and China. Also, there is remarkable growth in shipments to Poland and Morocco for this product. There is also strong demand for Objective lenses (HS 90021100) in Hong Kong, UAE, Russia, UK and other prominent markets.

Exports of **Packaging Items – Flexible and Rigid** registered 6.2% growth, led by rise in shipment of Other Packaging or Conveyance articles (HS 39239090) to USA, UK, UAE and other countries. There is also spurt in demand for this product from Liberia, Thailand and Sri Lanka. Exporters also benefitted from rising demand for Caps and Closures (HS 39235010) in Nepal, Sri Lanka and Kenya.

Export of **Plastic Films and Sheets** recorded a robust growth of 38.2% led by rise in shipment of Plain, Flexible Propylene Plates and Sheets (HS 39202020) to Italy, Brazil, Spain and other markets. There is also increase in export orders for Flexible Plain PET Sheets (HS 39206220) from Russia, Belgium, Nigeria and Poland, besides major markets such as Netherlands, Spain and Bangladesh.

Exporters also received strong orders for Propylene Plates (HS 39202090) from Belgium, UK, Saudi Arabia, Turkey and Brazil.

Exports of **Plastic Pipes and Fittings** grew 22.8% led by growth in shipment of Fittings of Tubes and Pipes (HS 39174000) to Oman, USA, Tanzania and Ireland. There was also spurt in demand for Flexible Tubes and Pipes (HS 39173100) from USA, Singapore, UAE and other markets.

Exporters also benefitted from growth in demand for Polyethylene Tubes (HS 39172110) from Thailand, Germany, USA and other markets.

Plastic Raw Material exports registered a growth of 32.7% led by rise in shipment of Poly (ethylene terephthalate) (HS 39076190) to Saudi Arabia, UAE, Bangladesh, Canada, Oman and Nepal. Export of Othe Acrylic Polymers (HS 39069090) rose to Canada, South Africa, Kenya, Ethiopia and Russia. Exporters also received strong order inflows for Polytetrafluorethylene (HS 39046100) from USA, Italy, France, Romania, China, Netherland and other markets.

Exports of **Writing Instruments and Stationery** declined 2.7% because of slowdown in demand for Ball-Point Pens (HS 96081019) in USA and UAE. Also, exporters faced subdued demand for Office or School Supplies (HS 39261099) in the single largest market, USA.

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

Code	Description	Apr 25- Jun-25	Apr 26- Jun 26	Growth
		Values in USD Mn		(%)
'63053200	Flexible intermediate bulk containers, for the packing of goods, of synthetic or man-made textile materials	251.8	246.6	-2.1%
'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	146.4	185.0	+26.4%
'90011000	Optical fibres, optical fibre bundles and cables (excl. made-up of individually sheathed fibres of heading 8544)	92.7	242.8	+161.9%
'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)	123.3	-	-100.0%
'39269099	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s: Other	122.4	126.0	+3.0%

Code	Description	Apr 25- Jun-25	Apr 26- Jun 26	Growth
		Values in USD Mn		(%)
'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	80.1	84.3	+5.2%
'05010010	Human hair, unworked; whether or not washed or scoured	56.6	68.5	+21.0%
'39069090	Acrylic polymers, in primary forms (excl. poly"methyl methacrylate"): Other	58.2	74.2	+27.5%
'39021000	Polypropylene, in primary forms	70.8	70.0	-1.1%
'39076190	Other primary form	72.1	142.5	+97.7%
'39269080	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s: Polypropylene articles , not elsewhere	66.7	60.1	-9.9%
'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	51.1	55.5	+8.7%
'39232100	Sacks and bags, incl. cones, of polymers of ethylene	52.2	50.0	-4.2%
'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	57.1	86.1	+50.9%
'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	52.1	115.1	+120.8%
'90015000	Spectacle lenses of materials other than glass	42.2	43.9	+4.0%
'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	39.2	37.4	-4.6%
'39202090	Plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of non-cellular polymers of ethylene, not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials,	39.5	54.0	+36.7%

Code	Description	Apr 25- Jun-25	Apr 26- Jun 26	Growth
		Values in USD Mn		(%)
	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			
'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	52.6	49.8	-5.3%
'39129090	Cellulose and chemical derivatives thereof, n.e.s., in primary forms (excl. cellulose acetates, cellulose nitrates and cellulose ethers): Other	33.8	37.6	+11.3%
'39046100	Polytetrafluoroethylene, in primary forms	32.4	36.0	+11.2%
'96081019	Ball-point pens (detailed label not available)	30.4	28.8	-5.4%
'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	32.0	37.5	+17.2%
'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	30.0	38.8	+29.0%
'39076990	Other primary form	30.6	45.3	+48.2%
'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	27.0	28.9	+6.8%
'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)	28.7	24.6	-14.1%
'39012000	Polyethylene with a specific gravity of $\geq 0,94$, in primary forms	28.0	39.1	+39.5%
'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-	28.1	33.2	+18.2%

Code	Description	Apr 25- Jun-25	Apr 26- Jun 26	Growth
		Values in USD Mn		(%)
	adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings in heading 3918): Other			
'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	25.5	41.6	+62.8%
'39046990	Fluoro-polymers of vinyl chloride or of other halogenated olefins, in primary forms (excl. polytetrafluoroethylene): Other	25.5	30.7	+20.3%
'39014010	Linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE), in which ethylene monomer unit contributes less than 95 % by weight of the total polymer content	28.4	37.9	+33.8%
'39073010	Epoxide resins, in primary forms: Epoxy resins	21.6	45.7	+111.6%
'39241090	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics: Other	27.0	20.1	-25.6%
'96032100	Tooth brushes, incl. dental-plate brushes	22.4	24.2	+7.9%
'39011090	Polyethylene with a specific gravity of < 0,94, in primary forms: Other	21.9	35.7	+62.7%
'39140020	Ion-exchangers based on polymers of heading 3901 to 3913, in primary forms: Ion exchangers of polymerisation or	18.9	24.2	+28.1%
'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	19.9	28.7	+44.4%
'39095000	Polyurethanes, in primary forms	20.6	25.4	+23.4%
'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 (excl. polycarbonates, polyethylene terephthalate and other unsaturated polyesters, self-adhesive products, and floor, wall and ceiling coverings in heading 3918): Other	23.0	26.2	+13.8%
'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	20.6	24.8	+20.3%

Code	Description	Apr 25- Jun-25	Apr 26- Jun 26	Growth
		Values in USD Mn		(%)
	products, floor, wall and ceiling coverings of heading 3918): Flexible , laminated			
'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)	19.4	24.1	+24.4%
'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 coverings consisting of a textile backing and a top layer or covering of poly"vinyl chloride"): Other	20.1	20.5	+2.1%
'39241010	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics: Insulated ware	16.3	17.2	+5.6%
'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	21.3	32.8	+54.3%
'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	17.9	16.2	-9.5%
'39119090	Polysulphides, polysulphones and other polymers and prepolymers produced by chemical synthesis, n.e.s., in primary forms: Other	25.2	11.7	-53.6%
'39172390	Rigid tubes, pipes and hoses, and fittings therefor, of polymers of vinyl chloride: Other	17.0	16.8	-1.3%
'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	18.9	18.0	-4.8%
'39235010	Stoppers, lids, caps and other closures, of plastics: Caps and closures for bottles	16.8	19.3	+14.7%

Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India

Exhibit 5: Reasons for major decline in plastic products exports

HS Code	Description	Apr 25- Jun 25	Apr 26 – Jun 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	25.2	11.7	Exports have fallen largely due to domestic shortage as India is a net importer of this product. Also, high freight cost discouraged exports to distant markets such as Belgium and Japan.
'39241090	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics: Other	27.0	20.1	Exports have declined due to slowdown in demand in key Western markets such as USA, UK and Germany.
'39269080	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s: Polypropylene articles , not elsewhere	66.7	60.1	Exports have fallen due to high tariff (10% temporary import surcharge) in USA, which is the single largest market for this product. Also, shipment to Canada has declined due to high freight cost.
'63053200	Flexible intermediate bulk containers, for the packing of goods, of synthetic or man-made textile materials	251.8	246.6	Exports have fallen due to a combination of factors such as high tariff in USA, elevated freight cost and high raw material prices. There is a sharp escalation in prices of critical raw materials since the onset of the Iran conflict in March 2026. This eroded competitiveness of Indian exporters, vis a vis suppliers from China and ASEAN countries who have affordable access to raw materials.
'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)	28.7	24.6	Exports have declined largely to USA due to high tariff and elevated freight cost. Also, there is demand slowdown in Ghana, which is a prominent market for this product.
'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	52.6	49.8	Exports have fallen because of weak demand in USA and Canada which are the prominent markets for this product. Shipments to USA remains low due to high tariff and stiff competition from Germany, China and South Korea

HS Code	Description	Apr 25- Jun 25	Apr 26 – Jun 26	Reasons for decline
		(USD Mn)		
	covered with plastic; floor coverings consisting of a textile backing and a top layer or covering of plastics): Other			

Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India, Plexconcil Research

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