

The Export Processing Zone and Pioneer Status Enterprises

4th Quarter and Year 2006

1. Introduction

The Central Statistics Office conducts a "Quarterly Survey of Employment" among the EPZ and Pioneer Status Enterprises since 1985 to provide up-to-date data on the evolution of the workforce in the different industry sub-groups.

Following the 2006 Budget Speech and the promulgation of the Finance Act 2006 whereby incentive certificate schemes such as EPZ and Pioneer Status have been abolished, no distinction is now being made between the EPZ, Pioneer Status and other manufacturing enterprises.

In that respect, CSO will be reviewing its publications on EPZ and Pioneer Status Enterprises. However, during a transitional period extending to 30 June 2007, it will continue to provide data on these enterprises.

This issue of the "Economic and Social Indicators" presents the results of the survey carried out at the end of December 2006 among enterprises previously operating with EPZ or Pioneer Status Certificates. Figures are given separately for the Export Processing Zone and Pioneer Status Enterprises, the latter being "small and medium" enterprises engaged mainly in activities involving the application of high technology.

The Indicator also includes provisional figures on EPZ imports and exports for the fourth quarter and year 2006 as well as revised figures for previous years. Table 1.1 shows the main indicators of the EPZ sector for the period 1996 to 2006.

2. The Export Processing Zone (EPZ)

2.1 Number of enterprises

During the 4th quarter 2006, 29 enterprises closed down bringing the number of EPZ enterprises to 434 compared to 463 at the end of September 2006 and 506 a year ago.

During the whole year, 81 enterprises closed down and 9 new ones came into operation resulting in a net loss of 72 enterprises. In "Wearing apparel", the most important group, 39 enterprises closed down and 5 new ones came into operation bringing the number of enterprises to 183 compared to 217 a year ago. The distribution of enterprises by product group is given in Table 1.2.

2.2 Employment evolution, 4th quarter 2006

At the end of December 2006, employment in the EPZ decreased by 903 from 65,512 (24,472 males and 41,040 females) at the end of September 2006 to 64,609 (24,571 males and 40,038 females). Female employment fell by 1,002 whilst male employment went up by 99 (Table 1.4).

A total of 1,698 jobs was created through expansion in existing enterprises. On the other hand, 2,601 jobs were lost: 2,377 through reduction in existing enterprises and 224 following the closure of 29 enterprises (Table 1.5).

Employment in the "Wearing apparel" group decreased by 921 from 48,654 at the end of the previous quarter to 47,733 at the end of December 2006 whilst employment in the "Textile yarn and fabrics" group went up by 118 from 5,457 to 5,575. Within the "Wearing

apparel" group, employment decreased by 1,081 in "Pullovers", but increased by 160 in "Other garments". Details of employment by product group are shown in Tables 1.6 and 1.7.

Foreign workers increased by 288 from 14,781 at the end of September 2006 to 15,069 at the end of December 2006 (Table 1.4). Employment went up by 283 among males and by 5 among females. Nearly 84% of foreign workers were engaged in the "Wearing apparel" group. Table 1.8 shows expatriate employment by product group and sex.

2.3 Employment evolution, Year 2006

During 2006, employment in the EPZ fell by 2,322 from 66,931 at the end of 2005 to 64,609 at the end of 2006. Employment fell by 1,494 among males and 828 among females. Expatriate employment went up by 650 (Tables 1.4 and 1.8).

Employment in the "Wearing apparel" group declined by 1,935 from 49,668 to 47,733; within the group, employment fell by 455 in "Other garments" and by 1,480 in "Pullovers". An increase was however noted in "Textile yarn and fabrics" group which grew by 436 from 5,139 to 5,575. Details of changes in employment by product group are given in Table 1.7.

2.4 Exports and Imports, 4th quarter 2006

Statistics on imports and exports are compiled from declarations lodged at Customs by importers and exporters. Some of these declarations are, at times, revised at a later period and corrections made accordingly on the computerised database of the Customs Department. Thus while figures for 2004 and 2005 are final, those for the year 2006 are subject to revision as and when the Customs Department submits latest amendments to the Central Statistics Office.

Provisional figures show that EPZ exports during the 4th quarter of 2006 amounted to Rs. 9,628 million, that is, 12.1% and 25.2% higher compared to the 3rd quarter 2006 and the corresponding quarter of 2005 respectively (Table 1.12).

EPZ imports for the 4th quarter of 2006 were estimated at Rs 5,175 million. This represents an increase of 6.1% over the previous quarter and an increase of 43.8% compared to the corresponding quarter of 2005.

2.5 Exports and Imports, Year 2006

Total exports for 2006 amounted to Rs. 33,707 million representing an increase of 16.4% or Rs. 4,753 million compared to the figure of Rs. 28,954 million for 2005.

Exports of manufactured articles of apparel and clothing increased significantly by 13.4% or Rs 2,580 million in 2006 to reach Rs. 21,774 million. Other significant increases were registered in: "Fish and fish preparations" (+Rs. 1,817 million or 57.8%) and "Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles" (+Rs. 229 million or 16.3%). Other details of EPZ exports by section are shown in Table 1.13.

The United Kingdom, the United States of America and France remain our principal EPZ markets, accounting for Rs. 22,441 million or around 67% of total exports. Compared to the year 2005, exports to the United Kingdom increased by Rs. 2,228 million (+24.2%) and that to France by Rs. 548 million (+9.1%). On the other hand, exports to the United States of America declined by Rs. 718 million (-14.0%). During the same period, exports towards the Republic of South Africa increased by Rs. 595 million (+127.7%) from Rs.

466 million to Rs. 1,061 million and exports to the Malagasy Republic by Rs. 278 million (+36.0%) from Rs. 773 million to Rs. 1,051 million (Table 1.15).

EPZ imports for 2006 amounted to Rs. 19,044 million compared to Rs. 15,518 million a year ago, representing an increase of Rs 3,526 million or 22.7%. Imports of raw materials increased by Rs. 3,151 million (+23.1%) from Rs. 13,658 million to Rs. 16,809 million and that of machinery and equipment by Rs. 375 million (+20.2%) from Rs. 1,860 million to Rs. 2,235 million.

Net exports, i.e. exports minus imports, amounted to Rs. 14,663 million and its ratio to total exports works out to around 44% compared to 46% in 2005 (Table 1.12).

It is to be noted that the above figures do not include transactions of the EPZ with the Freeport. EPZ sales to the Freeport are considered as local sales. It was valued at Rs. 2,337 million in 2006 compared to Rs. 2,056 million in 2005. These sales are included in exports of Freeport, as and when the goods leave the country.

3. The Pioneer Status Enterprises (PSE)

3.1 Number of enterprises

During the 4th quarter 2006, one enterprise closed down bringing the number of enterprises to 263 compared to 264 at the end of the previous quarter and 261 a year ago. Among the enterprises, 79 were "large", that is, having 10 or more employees. The highest number of enterprises was in "Other support services" (61), followed by "Light engineering" (47) and "Informatics" (43). Further details are given in Table 2.1.

3.2 Employment

The total workforce in the PSE sector at the end of December 2006 was 3,539 (2,691 males and 848 females) showing an increase of 8 (+0.2%) over the previous quarter and a decrease of 24 when compared to December 2005. The "large" enterprises employed 2,990 against 2,989 at the end of September 2006.

Table 2.4 shows that during the 4th quarter of 2006, a total of 149 jobs was created following expansion in 49 existing enterprises. On the other hand, 141 jobs were lost: 92 through reduction in 29 enterprises and 49 following the closure of one enterprise.

The number of expatriates employed in the PSE decreased by 6 during the 4th quarter 2006 to reach 215 at the end of 2006 compared to 229 a year ago.

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Table 1.1:- Main economic indicators: 1996 - 2006, EPZ Sector

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u> ¹	<u>2005</u> ²	<u>2006</u> ²
1. No of enterprises as at December	481	480	495	512	518	522	506	506	501	506	434
- New	43	26	48	37	34	24	9	23	20	24	9
- Closures	43	27	33	20	28	20	25	23	25	19	81
2. Employment as at December	79,793	83,391	90,116	91,374	90,682	87,607	87,204	77,623	68,022	66,931	64,609
- Net change	-673	+3,598	+6,725	+1,258	-692	-3,075	-403	-9,581	-9,601	-1,091	-2,322
- Growth rate (%)	-0.8	+4.5	+8.1	+1.4	-0.8	-3.4	-0.5	-11.0	-12.4	-1.6	-3.6
3. Exports (f.o.b, Rs Million)	21,001	23,049	26,075	29,131	30,961	33,695	32,683	31,444	32,046	28,954	33,707
4. Imports (c.i.f, Rs Million) :	12,077	13,880	16,179	15,735	16,399	17,140	16,909	15,579	17,195	15,518	19,044
- Raw materials	(10,960)	(12,442)	(14,693)	(13,891)	(14,700)	(15,637)	(15,251)	(14,079)	(14,734)	(13,658)	(16,809)
- Machinery & spare parts	(1,117)	(1,438)	(1,486)	(1,844)	(1,699)	(1,503)	(1,658)	(1,500)	(2,461)	(1,860)	(2,235)
5. Net Exports (Rs Million)	8,924	9,169	9,896	13,396	14,562	16,555	15,774	15,865	14,851	13,436	14,663
6. Net Exports to Exports (%)	42.5	39.8	38.0	46.0	47.0	49.1	48.3	50.4	46.3	46.4	43.5
7. Value added¹ at basic prices (Rs Million)	8,202	9,179	10,510	11,697	12,523	13,681	13,603	13,171	13,134	12,100	13,515
- Share in Manufacturing(%)	49.6	49.8	50.4	52.1	50.7	49.9	48.2	44.5	41.2	37.7	37.9
- Share in GDP(%)	12.0	12.1	11.9	12.5	12.0	11.6	10.8	9.6	8.6	7.5	7.5
8. Annual Growth rate of Value added (%)	+7.0	+6.0	+6.9	+6.0	+6.0	+4.4	-6.0	-6.0	-6.8	-12.3	+3.0
9. Investment (Rs Million)	930	1,245	1,445	1,755	1,702	1,758	1,468	1,418	2,508	2,391	2,134
- Machinery	(915)	(1,200)	(1,355)	(1,635)	(1,557)	(1,444)	(1,445)	(1,342)	(1,888)	(1,624)	(1,790)

¹ revised

² provisional

Table 1.2: - Net change in number of enterprises by product group: December 2005 - December 2006, EPZ Sector

Product group	No. of enterprises			Net change from	
	Dec. 2005	Sept. 2006	Dec. 2006	Sept. 06 to Dec. 06	Dec. 05 to Dec. 06
1. Food	13	13	13	0	0
2. Flowers	37	32	31	-1	-6
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	46	43	39	-4	-7
4. Wearing apparel :	217	197	183	-14	-34
Pullovers	(28)	(26)	(20)	(-6)	(-8)
Other garments	(189)	(171)	(163)	(-8)	(-26)
5. Leather products and footwear	9	6	6	0	-3
6. Wood and paper products	26	23	19	-4	-7
7. Optical goods	5	4	3	-1	-2
8. Electronic watches and clocks	5	5	5	0	0
9. Electric and electronic products	9	9	7	-2	-2
10. Jewellery and related articles	36	37	35	-2	-1
11. Toys and carnival articles	6	4	4	0	-2
12. Other	97	90	89	-1	-8
TOTAL	506	463	434	-29	-72

Table 1.3:- New enterprises and closures, 2005 - 2006, EPZ Sector

Product group	Year 2005				Year 2006			
	New projects		Closures		New projects		Closures	
	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment
1. Food	1	1,539	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Flowers	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	54
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	4	379	1	1	-	-	7	31
4. Wearing apparel :	6	428	12	6,400	5	823	39	1,853
Pullovers	(0)	(0)	(2)	(561)	(0)	(0)	(8)	(3)
Other garments	(6)	(428)	(10)	(5,839)	(5)	(823)	(31)	(1,850)
5. Leather products and footwear	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	42
6. Wood and paper products	-	-	3	12	-	-	7	67
7. Optical goods	-	-	1	28	-	-	2	57
8. Electronic watches and clocks	-	-	1	1	1	11	1	57
9. Electric and electronic products	3	28	-	-	-	-	2	32
10. Jewellery and related articles	4	78	1	1	1	3	2	21
11. Toys and carnival articles	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	197
12. Other	6	86	-	-	2	21	10	122
TOTAL	24	2,538	19	6,443	9	858	81	2,533

Table 1.4:- Employment by size and sex: December 2005 - December 2006, EPZ Sector

Category	Enterprise			Employment (end of period)								
	Number as at			December 05			September 06			December 06		
	Dec. 05	Sept. 06	Dec. 06	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Enterprises with less than 10 employees	149	156	135	318	244	562	233	175	408	202	139	341
Enterprises with 10 or more employees	357	307	299	25,689	40,303	65,992	24,172	40,589	64,761	24,302	39,653	63,955
Outworkers	–	–	–	58	319	377	67	276	343	67	246	313
TOTAL	506	463	434	26,065	40,866	66,931	24,472	41,040	65,512	24,571	40,038	64,609
<i>of which, expatriates</i>	–	–	–	7,222	7,197	14,419	6,967	7,814	14,781	7,250	7,819	15,069

Table 1.5:- Analysis of net change in EPZ employment, 4th Quarter and Year 2006

	Evolution 4th quarter 2006		Evolution year 2006	
	Enterprises	Employment	Enterprises	Employment
A. Total employment creation :	...	1,698	...	5,563
Expansion in existing enterprises ¹	11	1,698	37	4,705
New enterprises	9	858
B. Total employment loss :	...	2,601	...	7,885
Reduction in existing enterprises ¹	13	2,377	34	5,352
Closures	29	224	81	2,533
C. Net change (A-B)	...	-903	...	-2,322
Male	...	99	...	-1,494
Female	...	-1,002	...	-828

¹No. of enterprises relates to those reporting expansion/reduction in their workforce by more than 25 while employment is total expansion/reduction

Table 1.6:- Employment by product group and sex: December 2005 - December 2006, EPZ Sector

Product group	December 2005				December 2006			
	No of Enterprises	Employment			No of Enterprises	Employment		
		Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total
1. Food	13	1,246	2,723	3,969	13	1,136	2,671	3,807
2. Flowers	37	189	280	469	31	112	176	288
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	46	3,526	1,613	5,139	39	3,661	1,914	5,575
4. Wearing apparel :	217	18,014	31,654	49,668	183	16,600	31,133	47,733
Pullovers	(28)	(2,244)	(4,817)	(7,061)	(20)	(2,092)	(3,489)	(5,581)
Other garments	(189)	(15,770)	(26,837)	(42,607)	(163)	(14,508)	(27,644)	(42,152)
5. Leather products and footwear	9	151	533	684	6	103	424	527
6. Wood and paper products	26	568	194	762	19	429	166	595
7. Optical goods	5	189	187	376	3	166	157	323
8. Electronic watches and clocks	5	264	436	700	5	287	396	683
9. Electric and electronic products	9	115	332	447	7	98	319	417
10. Jewellery and related articles	36	637	1,065	1,702	35	695	1,035	1,730
11. Toys and carnival articles	6	71	513	584	4	29	321	350
12. Other	97	1,095	1,336	2,431	89	1,255	1,326	2,581
TOTAL	506	26,065	40,866	66,931	434	24,571	40,038	64,609

Table 1.7:- Net change in employment by product group: December 2005 - December 2006, EPZ Sector

Product group	Employment			Net change from	
	Dec. 05	Sept. 06	Dec. 06	Sept. 06 to Dec. 06	Dec. 05 to Dec. 06
1. Food	3,969	3,809	3,807	-2	-162
2. Flowers	469	301	288	-13	-181
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	5,139	5,457	5,575	118	436
4. Wearing apparel :	49,668	48,654	47,733	-921	-1,935
Pullovers	(7,061)	(6,662)	(5,581)	(-1,081)	(-1,480)
Other garments	(42,607)	(41,992)	(42,152)	(160)	(-455)
5. Leather products and footwear	684	598	527	-71	-157
6. Wood and paper products	762	610	595	-15	-167
7. Optical goods	376	338	323	-15	-53
8. Electronic watches and clocks	700	679	683	4	-17
9. Electric and electronic products	447	423	417	-6	-30
10. Jewellery and related articles	1,702	1,697	1,730	33	28
11. Toys and carnival articles	584	377	350	-27	-234
12. Other	2,431	2,569	2,581	12	150
TOTAL	66,931	65,512	64,609	-903	-2,322

Table 1.8:- Expatriate employment by product group and sex: December 2005 - December 2006, EPZ Sector

Product group	December 2005			December 2006		
	Employment			Employment		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Food	128	721	849	190	769	959
2. Flowers	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	881	359	1,240	1,029	370	1,399
4. Wearing apparel :	6,058	6,091	12,149	5,879	6,671	12,550
Pullovers	(545)	(671)	(1,216)	(677)	(443)	(1,120)
Other garments	(5,513)	(5,420)	(10,933)	(5,202)	(6,228)	(11,430)
5. Leather products and footwear	2	2	4	0	1	1
6. Wood and paper products	15	1	16	10	0	10
7. Optical goods	2	2	4	1	1	2
8. Electronic watches and clocks	1	0	1	4	0	4
9. Electric and electronic products	7	1	8	3	1	4
10. Jewellery and related articles	47	3	50	57	3	60
11. Toys and carnival articles	1	1	2	0	0	0
12. Other	80	16	96	77	3	80
TOTAL	7,222	7,197	14,419	7,250	7,819	15,069

Table 1.9:- Distribution of EPZ enterprises and employment by employment size as at December 2006

Employment size (including outworkers)	Enterprise			Employment		
	Number	Percentage	Cum. %	Number	Percentage	Cum. %
Under 10	135	31	31	344	1	1
10 - 50	147	34	65	3,749	6	7
51 - 100	54	12	77	3,934	6	13
101 - 300	53	12	89	8,907	14	27
301 - 500	18	4	93	6,689	10	37
501 - 1000	11	3	96	7,854	12	49
More than 1000	16	4	100	33,132	51	100
TOTAL	434	100		64,609	100	

Table 1.10:- Geographical distribution of EPZ establishments* and employment - December 2006

District / Locality	Establishments			Total Employment
	Textile	Non-Textile	Total	
Port Louis	53	53	106	8,753
Plaine Lauzun	35	7	42	3,337
Port louis city	13	35	48	4,814
Pamplemousses	32	24	56	5,236
Terre Rouge & Riche Terre	7	7	14	2,149
Tombeau Bay	8	1	9	992
Triolet	7	5	12	578
Rivière du Rempart	19	21	40	8,870
St. Antoine & Goodlands	9	1	10	4,276
Rivière du Rempart & Ile d'Ambre	7	1	8	4,248
Flacq	22	12	34	1,560
Central Flacq	8	4	12	704
Bel Air	1	1	2	178
Grand Port	11	3	14	975
Rose Belle & New Grove	4	0	4	107
Mahebourg	0	0	0	0
Savanne	7	4	11	643
Surinam	3	0	3	77
Rivière des Anguilles	0	2	2	266
Plaine Wilhems	122	65	187	32,811
Coromandel	23	16	39	1,425
Beau Bassin & Rose Hill	24	10	34	6,939
Vacoas & Phoenix	36	10	46	16,239
Quatre Bornes	11	11	22	4,546
Curepipe, Floreal & Forest Side	26	17	43	5,319
Moka	27	24	51	4,709
Pailles	7	5	12	344
St. Pierre & Moka	7	15	22	2,393
Black River	5	15	20	1,052
Medine & Bambous	0	3	3	136
T O T A L	298	221	519	64,609

* The number of establishments is greater than number of enterprises as an enterprise can have one or more establishments.

Table 1.11: - EPZ enterprises and employment, quarterly series (1994 - 2006)

Y E A R	Enterprise				Employment			
	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
1994	520	509	502	494	83,882	83,862	83,382	82,176
1995	490	477	477	481	83,160	81,823	80,698	80,466
1996	480	475	477	481	81,048	79,269	79,447	79,793
1997	483	478	480	480	81,572	81,915	82,083	83,391
1998	485	485	480	495	86,069	87,057	87,902	90,116
1999	500	505	508	512	91,559	90,812	90,452	91,374
2000	517	519	523	518	90,861	90,765	89,869	90,682
2001	527	524	522	522	93,218	92,966	90,894	87,607
2002	514	509	506	506	86,865	86,987	86,949	87,204
2003	508	513	507	506	84,638	83,609	77,038	77,623
2004	497	497	499	501	76,496	70,097	67,619	68,022
2005	499	498	497	506	66,797	67,402	65,888	66,931
2006	484	477	463	434	65,551	65,209	65,512	64,609

Table 1.12 - Net EPZ exports, 2005 - 2006

Value: Million Rupees

	2005 ¹	2006 ²	2005 ¹				2006 ²			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
A. Total exports (f.o.b)	28,954	33,707	6,500	7,616	7,145	7,693	6,629	8,861	8,589	9,628
B. Total imports (c.i.f)	15,518	19,044	3,442	4,485	3,993	3,598	4,075	4,915	4,879	5,175
<i>Raw materials</i>	<i>(13,658)</i>	<i>(16,809)</i>	<i>(2,904)</i>	<i>(3,852)</i>	<i>(3,617)</i>	<i>(3,285)</i>	<i>(3,667)</i>	<i>(4,219)</i>	<i>(4,319)</i>	<i>(4,604)</i>
<i>Machinery</i>	<i>(1,860)</i>	<i>(2,235)</i>	<i>(538)</i>	<i>(633)</i>	<i>(376)</i>	<i>(313)</i>	<i>(408)</i>	<i>(696)</i>	<i>(560)</i>	<i>(571)</i>
Net Exports (A - B)	13,436	14,663	3,058	3,131	3,152	4,095	2,554	3,946	3,710	4,453
Net Exports as % of total exports	46	44	47	41	44	53	39	45	43	46

¹ Revised

² Provisional

Table 1.13 - EPZ exports of selected commodities by section, 2005 - 2006

Value (f.o.b): Million Rupees

SITC section/description	2005 ¹	2006 ²	2005 ¹				2006 ²			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
Total EPZ Exports	28,954	33,707	6,500	7,616	7,145	7,693	6,629	8,861	8,589	9,628
0 - Food and live animals of which :	3,613	5,378	704	895	1,005	1,009	1,040	1,461	1,450	1,427
Fish & fish preparations	3,141	4,958	518	803	893	927	943	1,374	1,313	1,328
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	96	92	19	16	37	24	24	17	24	27
5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	123	151	35	15	36	37	23	41	44	43
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material of which :	3,191	3,434	699	876	806	810	776	910	906	842
Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles	1,404	1,633	307	380	360	357	365	444	420	404
Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones	1,394	1,375	303	390	355	346	312	356	376	331
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	200	139	32	70	65	33	25	35	24	55
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles of which :	21,710	24,439	5,009	5,740	5,184	5,777	4,719	6,371	6,128	7,221
Articles of apparel and clothing	19,194	21,774	4,439	5,097	4,576	5,082	4,141	5,719	5,515	6,399
Optical goods	147	203	33	31	37	46	50	59	35	59
Watches and clocks	415	404	119	113	94	89	103	125	93	83
Toys, games and sporting goods	137	126	31	41	32	33	23	34	32	37
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	852	834	187	215	193	257	178	188	192	276
Other sections	21	74	2	4	12	3	22	26	13	13

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Table 1.14 - EPZ imports of selected commodities by section, 2005 - 2006

Value (c.i.f): Million Rupees

SITC section/description	2005 ¹	2006 ²	2005 ¹				2006 ²			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
Total EPZ Imports	15,518	19,044	3,442	4,485	3,993	3,598	4,075	4,915	4,879	5,175
0 - Food and live animals	1,731	3,185	198	453	614	466	601	794	829	961
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1,160	1,691	334	368	223	235	541	394	401	355
of which :										
Cotton	729	1,108	210	231	129	159	462	224	202	220
Synthetic fibres suitable for spinning	22	38	9	6	3	4	3	13	18	4
Wool and other animal hair	318	437	93	116	65	44	59	136	131	111
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related products	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	628	699	135	161	160	172	155	189	157	198
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	8,444	9,357	1,877	2,446	2,200	1,921	1,955	2,395	2,437	2,570
of which :										
Leather	128	169	30	38	30	30	30	40	40	59
Textile yarn and fabrics	5,543	6,326	1,268	1,685	1,385	1,205	1,284	1,715	1,693	1,634
Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones	1,589	1,651	352	422	382	433	380	339	412	520
7 - Machinery & transport equipment	1,860	2,235	538	633	376	313	408	696	560	571
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,568	1,695	337	389	380	462	372	417	459	447
of which :										
Optical goods, watches & clocks	231	230	52	62	49	68	54	57	50	69
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	385	367	86	75	102	122	87	92	128	60
Other sections	126	181	23	35	40	28	43	29	36	73

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Table 1.15 - EPZ exports by country of destination, 2005 - 2006

Value (f.o.b): Million Rupees

Country of destination	2005 ¹	2006 ²	2005 ¹				2006 ²			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
Total EPZ Exports	28,954	33,707	6,500	7,616	7,145	7,693	6,629	8,861	8,589	9,628
Europe	21,351	26,015	4,662	5,719	4,999	5,971	5,075	6,876	6,500	7,564
Austria	133	83	26	38	33	36	26	17	24	16
Belgium	1,279	1,433	281	365	316	317	264	387	405	377
France	6,045	6,593	1,328	1,767	1,299	1,651	1,259	1,797	1,563	1,974
Germany	730	926	190	187	157	196	166	227	226	307
Italy	1,190	1,835	283	259	273	375	368	506	380	581
Netherlands	550	743	156	136	119	139	175	162	162	244
Portugal	188	142	62	20	71	35	26	35	31	50
Spain	898	1,749	102	141	227	428	310	458	466	515
Switzerland	552	551	145	159	121	127	144	163	131	113
United Kingdom	9,208	11,436	1,967	2,507	2,223	2,511	2,204	2,954	3,013	3,265
Other	578	524	122	140	160	156	133	170	99	122
Asia	342	255	97	79	91	75	59	52	52	92
China	22	45	-	3	7	12	9	4	13	19
Hong Kong (S.A.R) ³	53	71	13	9	16	15	12	12	16	31
India	25	21	5	5	7	8	4	6	8	3
Japan	80	34	27	26	12	15	16	6	6	6
Singapore	8	5	1	2	2	3	1	2	1	1
Other	154	79	51	34	47	22	17	22	8	32
Africa	1,847	2,657	383	467	476	521	611	614	724	708
Malagasy, Republic of	773	1,051	142	222	195	214	231	271	245	304
Reunion	329	305	66	82	100	81	62	79	80	84
South Africa, Republic of	466	1,061	101	96	126	143	260	224	326	251
Zimbabwe	12	20	3	6	3	-	5	-	8	7
Other	267	220	71	61	52	83	53	40	65	62
America	5,338	4,688	1,345	1,327	1,562	1,104	865	1,287	1,293	1,243
Canada	71	118	19	14	15	23	15	29	30	44
U.S.A	5,130	4,412	1,283	1,285	1,512	1,050	819	1,220	1,228	1,145
Other	137	158	43	28	35	31	31	38	35	54
Oceania	76	92	13	24	17	22	19	32	20	21
Australia	70	88	13	20	17	20	19	31	19	19
New Zealand	1	4	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	2
Other	5	-	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	-

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Table 1.16 - EPZ imports by country of origin, 2005 - 2006

Country of origin	Value (c.i.f): Million Rupees									
	2005 ¹	2006 ²	2005 ¹				2006 ²			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
Total EPZ Imports	15,518	19,044	3,442	4,485	3,993	3,598	4,075	4,915	4,879	5,175
Europe	6,977	8,433	1,246	1,999	1,988	1,744	1,665	2,255	2,090	2,423
Belgium	1,010	1,074	270	258	234	248	228	243	285	318
France	1,927	2,431	377	599	484	467	449	636	588	758
Germany	647	879	145	173	190	139	184	301	176	218
Italy	1,014	1,386	166	350	250	248	283	302	362	439
Netherlands	15	27	2	4	4	5	6	6	8	7
Spain	980	1,121	43	259	378	300	178	376	257	310
Sweden	41	36	1	33	1	6	1	31	2	2
Switzerland	562	673	115	147	138	162	156	168	180	169
United Kingdom	597	527	92	119	257	129	116	112	154	145
Other	184	279	35	57	52	40	64	80	78	57
Asia	6,375	7,111	1,740	1,933	1,423	1,279	1,687	1,891	1,763	1,770
China	2,011	2,146	572	593	414	432	485	578	524	559
Hong Kong (S.A.R) ³	429	388	70	160	101	98	99	117	87	85
India	2,063	2,784	574	654	447	388	726	783	682	593
Indonesia	383	424	101	110	96	76	83	102	105	134
Japan	187	139	58	47	45	37	27	30	22	60
Korea, Republic of	113	160	28	41	17	27	24	54	47	35
Malaysia	238	119	90	70	41	37	33	31	27	28
Pakistan	308	190	78	97	93	40	13	55	51	71
Singapore	102	87	28	38	20	16	17	24	24	22
Taiwan	223	374	68	41	53	61	114	61	128	71
Thailand	228	242	58	48	64	58	51	41	62	88
Other	90	58	15	34	32	9	15	15	4	24
Africa	1,268	2,438	222	329	366	351	546	484	729	679
Burkina Faso	11	26	-	11	-	-	-	17	9	-
Malagasy, Republic of	118	120	31	23	34	30	34	25	38	23
Mali	35	94	4	12	14	5	14	-	48	32
Seychelles	260	977	16	71	91	82	242	154	315	266
South Africa, Republic of	366	507	102	109	60	95	89	172	144	102
Zambia	241	358	36	39	60	106	79	66	100	113
Other	237	356	33	64	107	33	88	50	75	143
America	494	583	93	110	133	158	104	145	162	172
Brazil	38	28	17	4	1	16	19	-	-	9
U.S.A	448	383	75	102	130	141	80	75	69	159
Other	8	172	1	4	2	1	5	70	93	4
Oceania	403	479	141	114	82	66	73	140	135	131
Australia	311	445	65	107	73	66	62	134	123	126
Micronesia	41	-	41	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	51	34	35	7	9	-	11	6	12	5

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**Table 2.1:- Net change in number of enterprises by product group, Dec. 2005 - Dec. 2006,
Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Product group	No. of enterprises			Net change	
	Dec.05	Sept.06	Dec.06	Sept.06 to Dec.06	Dec.05 to Dec.06
Informatics	42	43	43	0	1
Electric and electronic products	35	36	36	0	1
Light engineering	46	48	47	-1	1
Support to jewellery	3	3	3	0	0
Support to printing and publishing	17	17	17	0	0
Other support services	62	61	61	0	-1
Plastic and rubber product	27	26	26	0	-1
Other	29	30	30	0	1
TOTAL	261	264	263	-1	2

**Table 2.2:- Net change in employment by product group, Dec. 2005 - Dec. 2006,
Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Product group	Employment			Net change	
	Dec.05	Sept.06	Dec.06	Sept.06 to Dec.05	Dec.05 to Dec.06
Informatics	319	435	441	6	122
Electric and electronic products	273	219	218	-1	-55
Light engineering	925	974	957	-17	32
Support to jewellery	43	46	46	0	3
Support to printing and publishing	342	347	356	9	14
Other support services	717	675	679	4	-38
Plastic and rubber products	535	438	447	9	-88
Other	409	397	395	-2	-14
TOTAL	3,563	3,531	3,539	8	-24

Table 2.3:- Employment by size and sex: December 2005 - December 2006, Pioneer Status Enterprises

Employment size	No. of enterprises			Employment								
				December 2005			September 2006			December 2006		
	Dec.05	Sept.06	Dec.06	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
25 and above	41	38	40	1,826	512	2,338	1,770	546	2,316	1,819	561	2,380
10 to < 25	43	42	39	508	185	693	520	153	673	465	145	610
Less than 10	177	184	184	406	126	532	403	139	542	407	142	549
TOTAL	261	264	263	2,740	823	3,563	2,693	838	3,531	2,691	848	3,539
<i>Of which, expatriates</i>	-	-	-	206	23	229	202	19	221	196	19	215

Table 2.4:- Analysis of net change in employment, 4th quarter 2006 and Year 2006, Pioneer Status Enterprises

	Evolution 4th quarter 2006		Evolution year 2006	
	Enterprises	Employment	Enterprises	Employment
A. Total employment creation :	...	149	...	392
Expansion in existing enterprises	49	149	66	361
New enterprises	5	31
B. Total employment loss :	...	141	...	416
Reduction in existing enterprises	29	92	68	345
Closures	1	49	3	71
C. Net change (A-B)	...	8	...	-24
Male	...	-2	...	-49
Female	...	10	...	25

Table 2.5:- Employment by product group and sex: December 2005 - December 2006, Pioneer Status Enterprises

Product group	December 2005				December 2006			
	No. of enterprises	Employment			No. of enterprises	Employment		
		Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total
Informatics	42	238	81	319	43	293	148	441
Electric and Electronic products	35	180	93	273	36	144	74	218
Light engineering	46	812	113	925	47	829	128	957
Support to jewellery	3	14	29	43	3	34	12	46
Support to printing and publishing	17	252	90	342	17	259	97	356
Other support services	62	453	264	717	61	436	243	679
Plastic and rubber products	27	468	67	535	26	393	54	447
Other	29	323	86	409	30	303	92	395
TOTAL	261	2,740	823	3,563	263	2,691	848	3,539

Table 2.6:- Pioneer Status Enterprises and employment, quarterly series (1999 - 2006)

Y E A R	Enterprise				Employment			
	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
1999	199	204	205	209	2,467	2,489	2,523	2,567
2000	216	222	232	236	2,546	2,556	2,723	2,839
2001	240	233	244	245	2,930	2,858	3,130	3,221
2002	248	252	256	256	3,103	3,236	3,326	3,303
2003	256	257	262	259	3,386	3,429	3,436	3,353
2004	258	258	260	261	3,457	3,586	3,723	3,705
2005	265	261	261	261	3,809	3,997	3,910	3,563
2006	265	265	264	263	3,625	3,550	3,531	3,539