

Monthly External Merchandise Trade Statistics - November 2021

1. Balance of Visible Trade

Balance of Visible Trade showed a deficit of Rs 17,213 million in November 2021, higher by 48.0% compared to the previous month and higher by 76.6% compared to the corresponding month of 2020.

Summary of External Merchandise Trade

Value: Rs Mn

	2020	2021	
	Nov ¹	Oct ²	Nov ²
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	5,588	7,348	7,579
Domestic exports	4,104	4,727	5,039
Re-exports	914	1,467	1,735
Ship's Stores and Bunkers	570	1,154	805
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	15,336	18,978	24,792
Total International Trade (A + B)	20,924	26,326	32,371
Trade Deficit (A - B)	-9,748	-11,630	-17,213

¹ Revised figures

² Provisional

2. Total Imports of goods by S.I.T.C section

C.I.F value: Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2020	2021	
	Nov ¹	Oct ²	Nov ²
0 - Food and live animals	2,598	3,114	4,004
1 - Beverages and tobacco	380	324	787
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	331	520	547
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1,936	2,937	5,305
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	81	267	360
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1,513	2,085	2,643
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2,663	3,801	4,153
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	3,853	3,779	4,498
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,957	2,070	2,387
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	24	81	108
TOTAL	15,336	18,978	24,792

¹ Revised figures

² Provisional

In November 2021, total imports increased by 30.6% compared to October 2021 and by 61.7% compared to November 2020.

3. Total Exports of goods by S.I.T.C section

F.O.B value: Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2020	2021	
	Nov ¹	Oct ²	Nov ²
0 - Food and live animals	1,763	2,062	2,396
1 - Beverages and tobacco	43	59	34
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	81	204	208
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1	1	11
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	24	24	5
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	233	275	406
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	743	936	1,255
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	237	136	188
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,893	2,497	2,268
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	-	-	3
Exports exclusive of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	5,018	6,194	6,774
Estimates of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	570	1,154	805
TOTAL	5,588	7,348	7,579

¹ Revised figures ² Provisional - Nil or Negligible

In November 2021, total exports increased by 3.1% compared to October 2021 and by 35.6% compared to November 2020.

4. Main trading partners in November 2021

Value: Rs Mn

Exports ¹ (F.O.B)				Imports (C.I.F)			
Country	2020	2021		Country	2020	2021	
	Nov ²	Oct ³	Nov ³		Nov ²	Oct ³	Nov ³
South Africa	691	1,090	904	India	1,458	3,143	4,888
United States	385	400	641	China	3,346	4,119	4,632
Madagascar	347	487	598	South Africa	1,206	451	2,117
United Kingdom	589	539	522	U.A.E	1,349	1,849	1,417
France	355	480	517	France	896	1,226	1,370
Viet Nam	131	144	435	United States	273	270	898
Other	2,520	3,054	3,157	Other	6,808	7,920	9,470
Total	5,018	6,194	6,774	Total	15,336	18,978	24,792

¹ Excluding Ship's Stores and Bunkers ² Revised figures ³ Provisional

In November 2021, South Africa (13.3%), United States (9.5%), Madagascar (8.8%), United Kingdom (7.7%), France (7.6%) and Viet Nam (6.4%) were our major exports destinations while our imports were mainly from India (19.7%), China (18.7%), South Africa (8.5%), U.A.E (5.7%), France (5.5%) and United States (3.6%).

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