# **Monthly External Merchandise Trade Statistics - July 2018**

### 1. Balance of visible trade

Balance of Visible Trade showed a deficit of Rs 12,479 million in July 2018, higher by 42.2% compared to the previous month and by 57.6% compared to the corresponding month of 2017.

# **Summary of External Merchandise Trade**

Value: Rs Mn

	2017	2018	
	Jul <sup>1</sup>	Jun 1	Jul <sup>2</sup>
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	6,730	7,115	6,807
Domestic exports	4,992	4,632	4,849
Re-exports	1,222	1,314	1,166
Ship's Stores and Bunkers	516	1,169	792
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	14,649	15,889	19,286
Total International Trade (A + B)	21,379	23,004	26,093
Trade Deficits (A - B)	-7,919	-8,774	-12,479

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised estimates

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

C.I.F value: Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2017	2018	
	Jul 1	Jun 1	Jul <sup>2</sup>
0 - Food and live animals	3,140	3,194	3,837
1 - Beverages and tobacco	265	325	312
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	460	268	397
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	2,457	3,359	3,858
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	41	59	56
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1,285	1,299	1,585
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2,432	2,490	2,997
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	3,165	3,269	4,658
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,218	1,529	1,472
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	186	97	114
TOTAL	14,649	15,889	19,286

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised estimates

In July 2018, total imports increased by 21.4% compared to June 2018 and 31.7% compared to July 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> First Estimates

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

F.O.B value: Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2017	2017 201	
	Jul <sup>1</sup>	Jun	Jul <sup>2</sup>
0 - Food and live animals	2,375	2,254	1,860
1 - Beverages and tobacco	62	59	33
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	67	60	64
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	63	47	56
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	18	17	15
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	326	191	286
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	636	604	832
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	273	191	294
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,341	2,517	2,573
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	53	6	2
Exports exclusive of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	6,214	5,946	6,015
Estimates of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	516	1,169	792
TOTAL	6,730	7,115	6,807

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised estimates <sup>2</sup> First estimates

In July 2018, total exports decreased by 4.3% compared to the previous month and increased by 1.1% compared to July 2017.

# 4. Main trading partners in July 2018

Value: Rs Mn

Exports <sup>1</sup> (F.O.B)			Imports (C.I.F)				
Country	2017	2018		G	2017	2017 2018	
	Jul <sup>2</sup>	Jun	Jul <sup>3</sup>	Country	Jul <sup>2</sup>	Jun <sup>2</sup>	Jul <sup>3</sup>
USA	585	848	742	India	2,698	2,464	3,874
United Kingdom	787	748	683	China	2,283	2,792	3,155
South Africa	598	535	663	France	1,116	1,458	1,506
France	771	623	607	South Africa	1,563	1,474	1,398
Spain	353	352	374	Australia	229	210	700
Madagascar	348	368	343	UAE	210	677	661
Other	2,772	2,472	2,603	Other	6,550	6,814	7,992
Total	6,214	5,946	6,015	Total	14,649	15,889	19,286

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Excluding Ship's Stores and Bunkers <sup>2</sup> Revised estimates <sup>3</sup> First Estimates

USA (12.3%), United Kingdom (11.4%), South Africa (11.0%) and France (10.1%) were our major exports destinations in July 2018 while our imports were mainly from India (20.1%), China (16.4%), France (7.8%) and South Africa (7.2%).