Monthly External Merchandise Trade Statistics - November 2019

1. Balance of Visible Trade

Balance of Visible Trade showed a deficit of Rs 12,018 million in November 2019, higher by 21.7% compared to the previous month and by 13.4% compared to the corresponding month of 2018.

Summary of External Merchandise Trade

Value: Rs Mn

	2018	2019	
	Nov 1	Oct ²	Nov ²
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	7,090	7,031	5,915
Domestic exports	4,460	4,905	3,936
Re-exports	1,451	1,272	1,126
Ship's Stores and Bunkers	1,179	854	853
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	17,692	16,905	17,933
Total International Trade (A + B)	24,782	23,936	23,848
Trade Deficits (A - B)	-10,602	-9,874	-12,018

¹Revised estimates

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

C.I.F value: Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION		20	19
		Oct ²	Nov ²
0 - Food and live animals	3,457	2,652	4,324
1 - Beverages and tobacco	471	430	416
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	413	382	483
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	2,238	2,684	2,130
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	100	89	211
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1,541	1,583	1,535
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2,872	2,610	2,695
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	4,409	4,508	4,087
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,143	1,902	2,013
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	48	65	39
TOTAL		16,905	17,933

¹Revised estimates

In November 2019, total imports increased by 6.1% compared to October 2019 and by 1.4% compared to November 2018.

² First Estimates

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

F.O.B value: Rs Mn

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SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Nov 1	Oct ²	Nov ²
0 - Food and live animals		2,327	1,697
1 - Beverages and tobacco	28	37	39
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	76	97	106
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	15	88	102
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	15	50	22
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	272	246	282
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	757	857	809
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	293	210	194
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,393	2,263	1,811
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	7	2	-
Exports exclusive of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	exclusive of Ship's Stores and Bunkers 5,911 6,177		5,062
Estimates of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	1,179	854	853
TOTAL		7,031	5,915

¹ Revised estimates
² First estimates
- Nil or Negligible

In November 2019, total exports decreased by 15.9% compared to previous month and by 16.6% compared to November 2018.

4. Main trading partners in November 2019

Value: Rs Mn

Exports ¹ (F.O.B)			Imports (C.I.F)				
Country	2018	2019		G	2018	2018 2019	
	Nov ²	Oct ³	Nov ³	Country	Nov ²	Oct ³	Nov ³
United Kingdom	576	727	612	China	3,503	3,119	3,092
South Africa	781	682	581	U.A.E	263	1,837	1,656
France	581	473	485	France	1,360	1,117	1,507
United States	694	673	387	India	2,246	1,423	1,413
Madagascar	420	439	348	South Africa	1,601	1,553	1,318
Italy	231	399	242	Germany	574	504	649
Other	2,628	2,784	2,407	Other	8,145	7,352	8,298
Total	5,911	6,177	5,062	Total	17,692	16,905	17,933

¹ Excluding Ship's Stores and Bunkers ² Revised estimates ³ First Estimates

In November 2019, United Kingdom (12.1%), South Africa (11.5%) and France (9.6%) were our major export destinations while our imports were mainly from China (17.2%), U.A.E (9.2%), France (8.4%) and India (7.9%).