

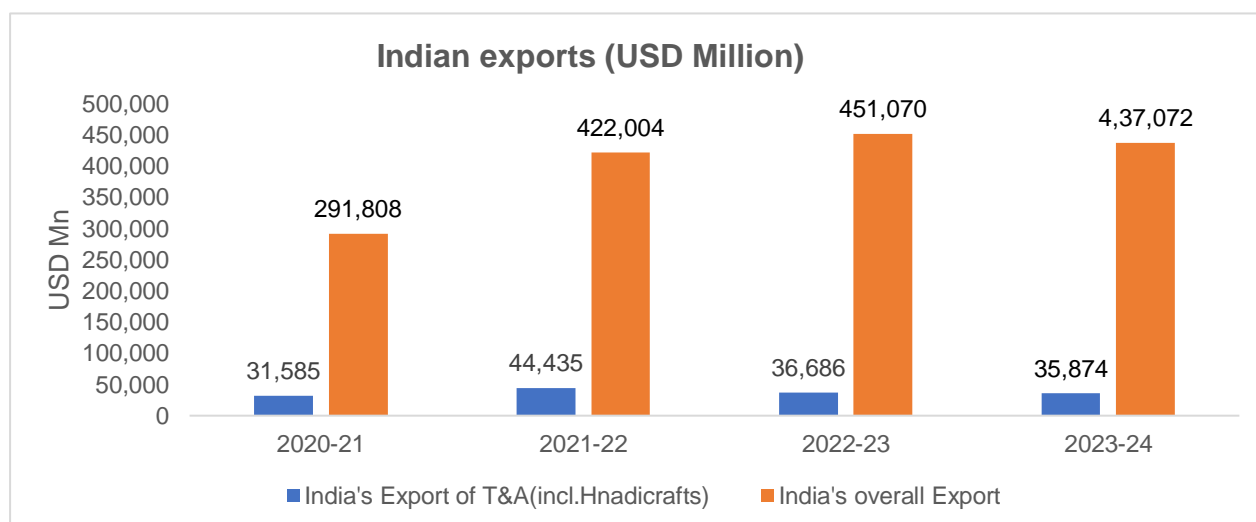
# EXPORT PROMOTION

## 1. Exports

India is the 6<sup>th</sup> largest exporter of Textiles & Apparel in the world. The share of textile and apparel (T&A) including handicrafts in India's total exports stands at a significant **8.21%** in 2023-24. India has a share of **3.91%** of the global trade in textiles and apparel. Major textile and apparel export destinations for India are USA and EU and with around **47%** share in total textile and apparel exports. The sector holds importance from the employment point of view as well. It provides direct employment of over 45 million people and source of livelihood for over 100 million people indirectly, including a large number of women and rural population. The sector has perfect alignment with Government's key initiatives of Make in India, Skill India, Women Empowerment and Rural Youth Employment. Export details of Textiles & Apparel are as under:

Values in USD Million	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
India's Export of Textile & Apparel	29,877	42,347	34,997	34,072
Export of Handicrafts	1,708	2,088	1,689	1,802
Total Export of T&A including Handicrafts	31,585	44,435	36,686	35,874
India's overall exports	2,91,808	4,22,004	4,51,070	4,37,072
% share of T&A Exports (incl. Handicrafts) of overall exports	10.82%	10.53%	8.13%	8.21%

Data Source: DGCI&S; \*Provisional



- The traditional markets viz. USA, UK and EU together accounts for 53% (USA 28%, UK 6% & EU 19%) of India's Textiles and apparel including handicrafts exports. Within EU,

Germany, France, Netherland accounts for 4%, 3%, 3% share respectively of India's textile and apparel including handicrafts global exports in FY:2023-24.

- Export of Textiles & Apparel (T&A) including Handicrafts decreased by 2%, from US\$ 36,686 million in FY 2022-23 to US\$ 35,874 million in FY 2023-24.

## 2. Imports

- India is a major textile and apparel exporting country and enjoys trade surplus. Bulk of import takes place for re-export or for industry requirement of raw material.
- Import of textiles and apparel products by India during FY 2023-24 has decreased by approx.15% in comparison to FY 2022-23.

Values in USD Million	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
T&A Imports including handicrafts	5,873	8,193	10,481	8,946

Data Source: DGCI&S; \*Provisional

## 3. Steps taken for enhancing exports

In view of the importance of exports for overall growth of Textile sector, several measures are being taken by Government to enhance export:

- **Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL):** On 7th March 2019, Government approved Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) Scheme to rebate all embedded State and Central taxes/levies on export of Apparel/Garments and Made-ups to provide support and enhance competitiveness of these sectors. Further, in order to make textiles products cost competitive, the Union Cabinet has given its approval for continuation of RoSCTL on exports of Apparel/Garments (Chapter-61 & 62) and Made-ups (Chapter-63) till 31st March 2026. Further, textiles products not covered under the RoSCTL are covered under Remissions of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) along with other products.

- **Free Trade Agreements:**

India has so far signed 14 Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) including recently concluded agreement with United Arab Emirates (UAE), Australia and TEPA with EFTA countries comprising Switzerland, Iceland, Norway & Liechtenstein. India has 6 Preferential Trade Agreements (PTAs) with various trading partners. India is presently engaged in FTA negotiations with some of its trading partners notable among these FTAs are India-UK Free Trade Agreement, India- EU Free Trade Agreement, and India-Oman FTA.

Further, Ministry of Textiles is engaged with various countries (e.g. Japan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan) through Joint Working Groups on textiles for development of the sector.

- **Quality Control Orders:**

The Ministry has actively taken up notification of standards for textile products in co-ordination with Bureau of Indian Standards and Quality Control Orders (QCOs) are issued to regulate quality and curb sub-standard imports.

- **Inputs for Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS)& Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) notifications**

The Ministry provided technical inputs on SPS and TBT notifications issued by WTO member countries to Department of Commerce in consultation with relevant departments and industry stakeholders.

**4. Export Promotion Councils:** There are eleven Exports Promotion Councils (EPCs) representing various segments of the textiles & apparel value chain from Fibre to finished goods as well as traditional sectors like handloom, handicrafts and carpets. These Councils work in close cooperation with the Ministry of Textiles and other Ministries to promote the growth and export of their respective sectors in global markets. The Councils participate in textiles and apparel fairs and exhibitions and standalone shows in India and in overseas markets to enhance exports and access new markets. SRTEPC has been entrusted with the mandate for export promotion of technical textiles, in addition to the man-made fibre textiles and they have rechristened themselves as MATEXIL to appropriately represent the sector.

Details of Export Promotion Councils under the Ministry of Textiles are as follows:

- i) Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC)
- ii) Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL)
- iii) Synthetic & Rayon Textiles Export Promotion Council (SRTEPC)/ Manmade And Technical Textiles Export Promotion Council (MATEXIL)
- iv) Wool & Woollens Export Promotion Council (W&WEPC)
- v) Wool Industry Export Promotion Council (WOOLTEXPRO)
- vi) Indian Silk Export Promotion Council (ISEPC)
- vii) Carpet Export Promotion Council (CEPC)
- viii) Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts (EPCH)
- ix) Powerloom Development & Export Promotion Council (PDEXCIL)
- x) Handloom Export Promotion Council (HEPC)
- xi) Jute Products Development Export Promotion Council (JPDEPC)

**Activities of EPCs:**

- Publishing Newsletter by respective EPCs.
- Providing latest information on various markets, policy developments, news relates to exports, Government Notifications, exports targets, overseas trade enquiries, fashion & technology developments.
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**5. Bharat Tex 2024**

Bharat Tex 2024 – A Global Textile Expo was successfully organized during 26th – 29th February, 2024 by the consortium of Textiles Export Promotion Councils with the support of Ministry of Textiles. This extra ordinary event succeeded to bringing together a diverse array of Industry Experts, Manufacturers, Sellers, Buyers, Designers and enthusiasts from across the globe. The exhibition also succeeded to showcase the entire

Textile Value Chain, Encompassing Apparel, Home Furnishings, Floor Coverings, Fibres, Yarns, Wool, Threads, Fabrics, Carpets, Silk, Textiles based Handicrafts, Handloom, Synthetic, Rayon, Cotton Textiles, Jute, Woollen Garments, Technical Textiles, and much more – all conveniently under one roof. The Indian Global event successfully demonstrated to the world the formidable strength of the Indian Textiles Sector and highlighted the latest advancements, innovations, and trends in the Textiles and Fashion Industry. It created a platform for networking opportunities and fostering valuable business collaborations between Indian and international business houses as well as amongst Indian players of different segments of Textile value chain.