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**Subject: Major Achievements of Department of Commerce for the month of November 2025.**

**I. Trade Performance**

- The cumulative exports (merchandise & services) during April-November 2025 is estimated at US\$ 562.13 Billion, as compared to US\$ 533.16 Billion in April-November 2024, an estimated growth of 5.43%.
- The cumulative value of merchandise exports during April-November 2025 was US\$ 292.07 Billion, as compared to US\$ 284.60 Billion during April-November 2024, registering a positive growth of 2.62%.
- The cumulative Non-Petroleum exports in April-November 2025 valued at US\$ 254.08 Billion registered an increase of 5.86% as compared to US\$ 240.02 Billion in April-November 2024.
- Major drivers of merchandise exports growth in November 2025 include Engineering Goods, Electronic Goods, Gems & Jewellery, Drugs & Pharmaceuticals and Petroleum Products.
- Engineering Goods exports increased by 23.76 % from US\$ 8.90 Billion in November 2024 to US\$ 11.01 Billion in November 2025.
- Electronic Goods exports increased by 38.96 % from US\$ 3.46 Billion in November 2024 to US\$ 4.81 Billion in November 2025.
- Gems & Jewellery exports increased by 27.80 % from US\$ 2.07 Billion in November 2024 to US\$ 2.64 Billion in November 2025.
- Drugs & Pharmaceuticals exports increased by 20.91 % from US\$ 2.16 Billion in November 2024 to US\$ 2.61 Billion in November 2025.
- Petroleum Products exports increased by 11.65 % from US\$ 3.52 Billion in November 2024 to US\$ 3.93 Billion in November 2025.

**II. Bilateral Trade**

- On 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> October 2025, Honourable Commerce and Industry Minister (HCIM) visited Brussels and held a high-level meeting with the EU Trade Commissioner to review progress on the proposed India–EU Free Trade Agreement (FTA) and to provide strategic direction for resolving key outstanding issues. A follow-up virtual meeting was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025.
- The 4<sup>th</sup> round of India–New Zealand FTA negotiations was held from 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> November 2025 in Auckland and Rotorua, where both sides held constructive, forward-looking discussions. Negotiators focused heavily on the services track, particularly trade in services and mobility/temporary employment entry, to narrow differences and advance towards a comprehensive agreement. HCIM and New

Zealand's Trade Minister noted the steady progress achieved and reaffirmed their commitment to a modern, comprehensive, and future-ready FTA. Delegations also engaged in detailed talks on trade in goods, services, rules of origin, and economic and trade cooperation, reflecting a shared ambition to deepen economic ties and support resilient, inclusive, and sustainable growth.

- At the invitation of HCIM, Canada's Minister of Export Promotion, International Trade and Economic Development, paid an official visit to India from 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> November 2025. During the visit, the 7<sup>th</sup> India–Canada Ministerial Dialogue on Trade and Investment was held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2025, where both Ministers reaffirmed the strength of the India–Canada economic partnership and emphasized their commitment to deepening bilateral cooperation through sustained dialogue and forward-looking initiatives. They also agreed to maintain regular ministerial engagement with the trade and investment communities in both countries to further enhance economic collaboration.
- From 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> November 2025, HCIM visited Israel, meeting with the Israeli Minister of Economy and Industry to explore ways to deepen the India-Israel strategic and economic partnership. The visit included meetings with other senior ministers and concluded with engagements with the President and the Prime Minister of Israel, during which the success of the India–Israel Business Forum and CEOs Forum was highlighted.
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> Joint Committee meeting with India-UAE Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) was held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2025, under the chairmanship of the Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce. The UAE delegation was led by the Assistant Under-Secretary for International Trade Affairs, while the Indian side included representatives from the MEA, MSME, DGFT and various other divisions of the Department of Commerce. The meeting undertook a comprehensive review of CEPA implementation-covering market access, data sharing, gold Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) allocation, anti-dumping issues, services, Rules of Origin and BIS-related matters.
- The 9<sup>th</sup> round of India-Peru Trade Agreement Negotiations was held in hybrid mode, in Kima, Peru, from 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 wherein both sides held detailed discussions across 14 chapters. The Indian side was represented by Ambassador of India to Peru and the Indian delegation led by the Joint Secretary and Chief Negotiator.

### III. **Export Infrastructure**

- During the month of November, 2025, following funds were sanctioned for projects under Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES):
  - i. Rs. 1.68 Crore (4<sup>th</sup> tranche of 1<sup>st</sup> installment of TIES Grant) released for the project 'Development of Mini Tidel Park in Melmanavur and Abdullapuram Villages, Vellore, Tamil Nadu' – being implemented by Tidel Neo Limited.
  - ii. Rs. 4.65 Crore (1<sup>st</sup> tranche of 2<sup>nd</sup> installment of TIES Grant) for the project 'Production of certified reference materials - Bhartiya Nrideshak Dravya (BND)' – being implemented by CSIR-NPL.

#### **IV. Special Economic Zone (SEZ)**

- During the month of November 2025, Development Commissioners of various SEZs approved the proposals of investment of Rs. 14,684.72 crores that is expected to provide employment to 8,880 persons.

#### **V. Export Promotion**

- The Indian Oilseeds and Produce Export Promotion Council (IOPEPC) successfully hosted the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of its flagship event, the IOPEPC Global Oilseeds Conference (IGOC 2025), from 31<sup>st</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November. Consul General of India in Dubai, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and commended IOPEPC for its significant contribution to promoting the global oilseeds industry. The inauguration also featured the release of IOPEPC's Souvenir 2025, a curated collection of expert articles and messages focusing on groundnut and sesame.
- The Tobacco Board participated in World Tobacco Middle East 2025, held in Dubai, UAE, from 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> November 2025 organized by Quartz Business Media Ltd. Showcasing India's tobacco industry, and exploring emerging opportunities in the global market.

#### **VI. Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)**

- The 1<sup>st</sup> Northeast India Organic Week and the 4<sup>th</sup> IFOAM World Organic Youth Summit, held in Shillong from 28<sup>th</sup> November to 1<sup>st</sup> December 2025, brought together a vibrant gathering of policymakers, youth leaders, FPOs, exporters, and global experts. Jointly organized by APEDA, DA&FW Meghalaya, IFOAM Organics Asia, and MEGNOLIA, the event aimed to advance sustainable, export-oriented organic agriculture. Over four impactful days, the program focused on market access, value chain development, youth engagement, certification, traceability, and international cooperation, alongside a dynamic exhibition showcasing Lakadong turmeric, organic ginger, pineapple, specialty teas, and premium orchids-celebrating the organic wealth of Northeast India.
- APEDA showcased India's rich range of agricultural and processed foods at Anuga Food Fair 2025 in Germany (4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> October 2025), strengthening the nation's global Agri-export presence. It also led India's participation in the Hong Kong International Wine & Spirits Fair 2025 (6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> November 2025), where the APEDA Pavilion-inaugurated by Consul General of India-featured 28 Indian wine exporters presenting premium wines and hosting tasting sessions that drew notable interest from international buyers.
- During the month of November 2025, APEDA flagged off following new product to new destinations:
  - i. APEDA organized a flag-off ceremony on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025 of 12 MT shipment for the export of Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) from Raipur, Chhattisgarh to Costa Rica.

- ii. APEDA organized a flag-off ceremony on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025 of 20 MT for the export of Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) from Raipur, Chhattisgarh to Papua New Guinea.

**VII. Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA)**

- During the month of November 2025, MPEDA issued certificates of registration to 14 exporters, 2 handling facilities, 2 storage facilities and 1 Peeling Shed. Currently, 529 EU-approved seafood processing establishments and 75 EU-approved cold storage facilities are present.
- MPEDA organized a HACCP Training Programme in Bhubaneswar from 17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> November 2025. A total of 25 participants attended and successfully completed the training. As part of the Programme, the team also carried out a HACCP compliance audit at M/s. Falcon Marine Exports Ltd. on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025.
- MPEDA organized 27 hands-on seafood value addition training programmes for the upskilling of 1,350 processing workers. During the training programmes, seafood processing workers acquired knowledge and practical skills in preparing value-added seafood products.

**VIII. Export Credit and Insurance (ECI)**

- During November 2025, Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India Limited (ECGC Ltd.) earned a premium of Rs. 114.04 Crore, issued 844 policies, added 1,404 new buyers and settled claims worth Rs. 179.18 Crore.

**IX. Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT)**

- The Regional Authorities of DGFT issued 19,943 authorizations and scrips under various FTP schemes, viz., 2,054 under Advance Authorizations, 0 under Service Export from India Scheme (SEIS), 16,350 under Importers and Exporters Code (IEC) and 1,539 under Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG) during November 2025.
- DGFT issued following Notifications during the month of November 2025: -
  - i. Corrigendum to Notification No. 47/2025 dated 04.11.2025 on Amendment in Export Policy of Red Sanders (*Pterocarpus Santalinus*)-reg.
  - ii. Corrigendum to Notifications No. 48/2025-26 dated 17.11.2025 on Amendment in Import Policy of ITC HS 71131921 covered under Chapter 71 of ITC (HS) 2022, Schedule-I (Import Policy) -reg.

**X. Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR)**

- Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR) has issued following Initiation notification(s) during the month November 2025:
  - i. Initiation of Anti-dumping Investigation Concerning Imports of “Polyester Textured Yarn” (PTY) originating in or exported from the People’s Republic of China.
- CBIC imposed duty on the recommendation of DGTR on the following product(s) during the month November 2025:

- i. Imposed anti-dumping duty on imports of “Flax or Linen fabric having flax content of more than 50%” originating in or exported from China and Hong Kong.
- ii. Imposed anti-dumping duty on Hot-rolled flat products of alloy or non-alloy steel originating in or exported from Vietnam.
- iii. Imposed ADD on “Liquid Epoxy Resins” falling under tariff item 3907 30 10 and 3907 30 90 when imported from China PR, Korea RP, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan and Thailand for a period of 5 years from date of notification.

**XI. Government e-Marketplace (GeM)**

- During November 2025, 304 training sessions and 17 events were conducted for various buyers and sellers’ organizations. 11,407 buyers and 2,886 sellers participated in these events.
- 25 bids have been awarded which are greater than Rs. 100 crores in November 2025.
- NLC India Limited has awarded a bid for “Mine Development and Operation Services-Lumpsum Based” for Rs. 16,700 crores.
- South Eastern Coalfields Limited Handling, Transport and other Mining Services-Percentage Quote Based for Rs. 1,767 crores.
- Uttar Pradesh has procured the most Goods and Services from GeM with a contribution of Rs. 1,586 crores in overall GMV in November 2025, followed by Gujarat with a contribution of RS. 1,108 crore and Maharashtra with Rs. 324 crores respectively.
- On 8<sup>th</sup> November 2025, Government e-Marketplace (GeM) signed an MoU with National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG) to strengthen collaboration in academic and policy research, promote transparent procurement and publish joint works. The MoU was signed by the CEO of GeM and the Director-General of NCGG.
- GeM signed an MoU with UN women, a UN Entity, on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2025 in New Delhi, to further strengthen the empowerment and integration of women entrepreneurs from the informal sector in India’s public procurement ecosystem.
- On 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025, the Government e-Marketplace (GeM)’s Chief Marketplace Officer-Services held a meeting with key stakeholders from Uttar Pradesh to reinforce state-level adoption and integration of the GeM portal. The discussions focused on strategies to accelerate full implementation of GeM across the State, with emphasis on enhancing efficiency, transparency and inclusivity in public procurement.

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