

ANALYSIS OF INDIA'S PLASTICS EXPORT

2017-18



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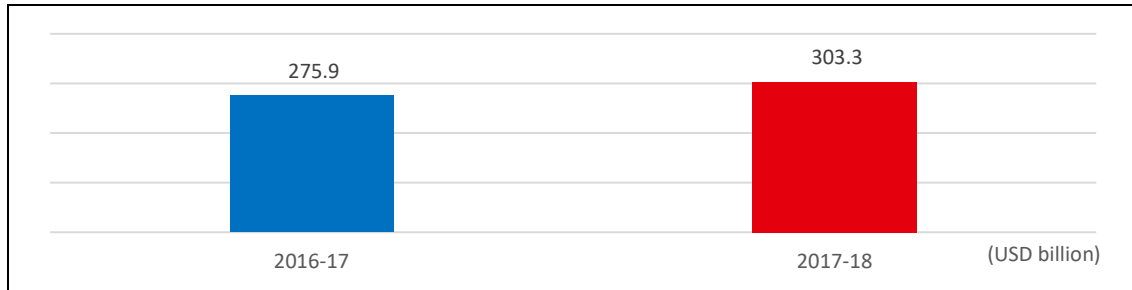
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TREND IN OVERALL EXPORTS

India reported merchandise exports of USD 303.27 billion in 2017-18, up 9.9% from USD 275.85 billion in 2016-17.

Exhibit 1: Trend in overall exports by India

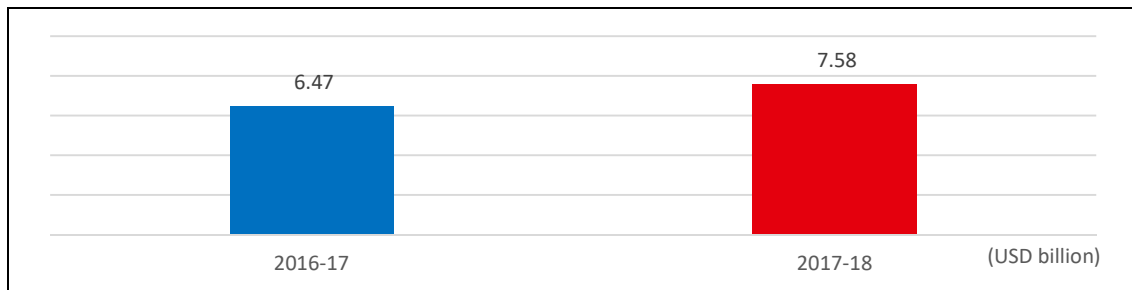


Source: DGCI&S

TREND IN PLASTICS EXPORT

Export of plastics from India grew at a quicker pace than the country's overall merchandise exports. During 2017-18, India exported plastics worth USD 7.58 billion as against USD 6.47 billion in 2016-17, registering a growth of 17.1%.

Exhibit 2: Trend in plastics export by India



Source: DGCI&S

- Plastics formed 2.50% of India's overall merchandise exports in 2017-18
- India exported plastics to 209 countries in 2017-18
- United States, China and the United Arab Emirates were the top three buyers of plastics from India in 2017-18

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY PANEL

In 2017-18, products grouped under plastic raw materials witnessed year-on-year growth of 29.0%; followed by optical items (+23.0%); plastic sheet, film, plates etc (+20.0%); packaging materials (+12.0%); and moulded & extruded goods (+4.0%).

Export of products grouped under human hair, products thereof; other plastic items; and stationery/office/school supply, registered decline of 10.3%, 3.8% and 2.8%, respectively, during the above period.

Exhibit 3: Panel-wise % growth in plastics export by India

Panel	2016-17	2017-18	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Plastic raw materials	2,508.93	3,235.83	29.0%
Plastic sheet, film, plates etc	1,020.56	1,245.34	22.0%
Moulded & extruded goods	1,032.33	1,073.17	4.0%
Packaging materials	657.96	736.99	12.0%
Optical items (incl. lens etc)	379.53	466.97	23.0%
Other plastic items	345.31	332.28	-3.8%
Human hair, products thereof	295.55	265.11	-10.3%
Stationery/Office/School Supply	231.37	224.91	-2.8%
	6,471.55	7,580.60	17.1%

Note: Plastics are segregated under eight panels by DGCI&S

Source: DGCI&S

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY REGION

India's plastics export in 2017-18 were primarily boosted by higher exports to Latin America & Caribbean (up 39.2% year-on-year), North-East Asia (+38.3%), European Union (+26.0%), North America (+14.2%), and Middle East (+11.0%).

Exhibit 4: Region-wise trend in plastics export by India

Region	2016-17	2017-18	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
European Union (EU)	1,320.96	1,664.46	26.0%
Middle East	1,167.82	1,296.44	11.0%
North America	897.59	1,024.68	14.2%
North-East Asia	646.34	893.86	38.3%
Africa	822.56	886.50	7.8%
South Asia	665.84	697.40	4.7%
ASEAN + 2	518.88	556.90	7.3%
Latin America & Caribbean (LAC)	326.49	454.42	39.2%
CIS	68.68	68.91	0.3%
Others	36.40	37.03	1.7%
	6,471.55	7,580.60	17.1%

Source: DGCI&S

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY DESTINATION COUNTRY

During 2017-18, twenty out of the top 25 destination countries recorded year-on-year growth in plastics export from India. Exports to Turkey, Italy and China witnessed high growth rates ranging between 42-51%, during the period.

Exhibit 5: Top 25 destinations of plastics exported by India

Country	2016-17	2017-18	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
United States	761.69	846.88	11.2%
China	509.25	725.30	42.4%
United Arab Emirates	364.48	385.70	5.8%
Italy	244.64	355.33	45.2%
Germany	243.25	293.77	20.8%
Bangladesh	234.35	247.45	5.6%
Turkey	213.85	323.75	51.4%
United Kingdom	210.71	241.25	14.5%
Nepal	175.65	193.48	10.1%
Egypt	146.22	138.36	-5.4%
Pakistan	128.03	115.15	-10.1%
Nigeria	118.07	114.56	-3.0%
France	117.39	133.99	14.1%
Sri Lanka	104.09	107.33	3.1%
Vietnam	103.08	143.38	39.1%
Indonesia	102.67	85.06	-17.2%
Belgium	94.63	126.80	34.0%
Israel	93.34	102.15	9.4%
Saudi Arabia	91.70	95.16	3.8%
Kenya	88.63	95.20	7.4%
Spain	86.46	111.24	28.7%
South Africa	84.17	101.25	20.3%
Netherlands	82.63	87.98	6.5%
Thailand	77.34	74.36	-3.9%
Poland	71.83	94.07	31.0%

Note: Top 25 destinations based on 2016-17 plastic exports by India

Source: DGCI&S

India exported plastics to 209 countries in 2017-18 as compared to 208 countries in 2016-17. During 2017-18, no plastics export were made from India to destination countries including Guam, Mayotte, Nauru and Montserrat. Plastics export from India to these countries were valued at USD 0.02 million in 2016-17.

New destination countries added by India for plastics export during 2017-18 included Micronesia, Anguilla, Andorra, Macao and Vatican City. Plastics export from India to these countries were valued at USD 0.41 million in 2017-18.

Exhibit 6: Panels with details of % growth seen in top 5 export destinations during 2017-18 over 2016-17

Panel	Country	2016-17	2017-18	Growth
		(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Plastic raw materials	China	244.68	494.87	102.3%
	Italy	165.12	232.88	41.0%
	Turkey	157.38	267.01	69.7%
	Bangladesh	153.25	165.71	8.1%
	United Arab Emirates	130.70	166.89	27.7%
Plastic sheet, film, plates etc	United States	149.18	198.92	33.3%
	United Arab Emirates	48.00	50.81	5.9%
	South Africa	43.60	53.44	22.6%
	Nigeria	40.68	40.30	-0.9%
	Italy	36.68	57.19	55.9%
Moulded & extruded goods	United States	254.67	261.28	2.6%
	United Kingdom	59.68	59.16	-0.9%
	United Arab Emirates	55.06	54.66	-0.7%
	Germany	43.06	51.21	18.9%
	Nigeria	30.61	27.63	-9.7%
Packaging materials	United States	119.31	133.12	11.6%
	United Kingdom	56.19	59.56	6.0%
	United Arab Emirates	40.79	46.61	14.3%
	Netherlands	32.08	28.97	-9.7%
	Germany	23.93	28.14	17.6%
Optical items (incl. lens etc)	France	51.68	72.93	41.1%
	Germany	46.10	56.84	23.3%
	China	33.14	12.39	-62.6%
	United States	30.95	26.88	-13.2%
	United Kingdom	21.01	40.09	90.8%
Other plastic items	United States	44.55	49.93	12.1%
	United Arab Emirates	40.06	34.88	-12.9%
	Saudi Arabia	14.51	10.31	-29.0%
	Turkey	13.64	9.71	-28.8%
	Belgium	13.38	22.50	68.1%
Human hair, products thereof	China	173.93	157.34	-9.5%
	Myanmar	30.15	30.84	2.3%
	United States	19.25	14.63	-24.0%
	Tunisia	12.45	9.54	-23.4%
	Hong Kong	11.13	7.25	-34.9%
Stationery/Office/School Supply	United States	37.00	38.70	4.6%
	United Arab Emirates	32.36	13.08	-59.6%
	United Kingdom	15.55	17.65	13.5%
	Thailand	12.27	12.45	1.4%
	Germany	6.27	7.87	25.5%

Note: Top 5 destinations based on India's 2016-17 exports under the eight plastic product panels

Source: DGCI&S

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