

ANALYSIS OF INDIA'S PLASTICS EXPORT

2018-19



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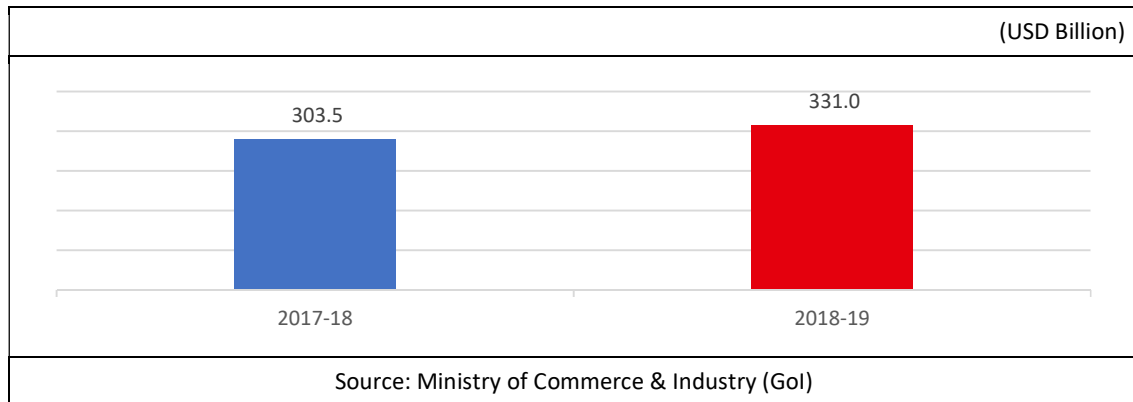
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TREND IN OVERALL EXPORTS

India reported merchandise exports of USD 331.0 billion in 2018–19, up 9.1% from USD 303.5 billion in 2017-18.

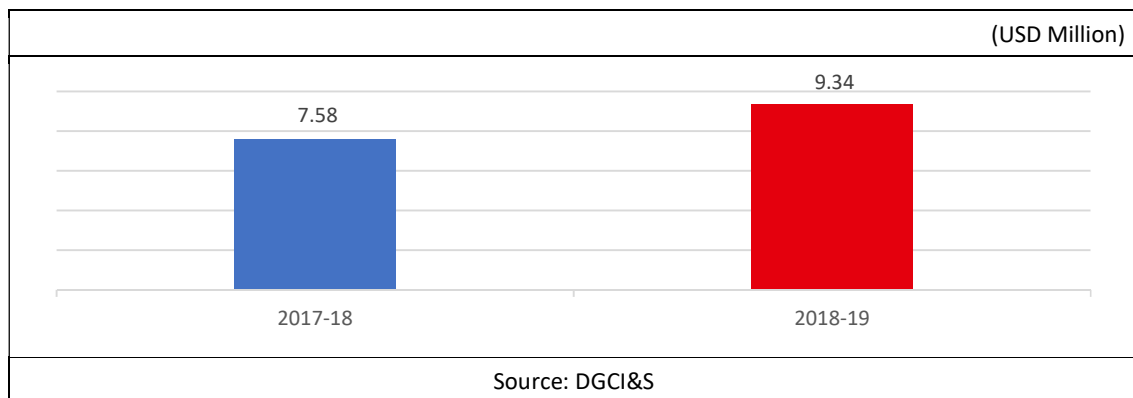
Exhibit 1: Trend in overall merchandise exports from India



TREND IN PLASTICS EXPORT

Export of plastics from India grew at a quicker pace than the country's overall merchandise exports. During 2018-19, India exported plastics worth USD 9.34 billion as against USD 7.58 billion in 2017-18, registering a growth of 23.1%.

Exhibit 2: Trend in plastics export by India



- Plastics formed 2.83% of India's overall merchandise exports in 2018-19
- India exported plastics to 211 countries in 2018-19
- China, United States, and United Arab Emirates were the top three buyers of plastics from India in 2018-19

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY PANEL

In 2018-19, products grouped under plastic raw materials witnessed year-on-year growth of 38.5%; followed by plastic sheet, film, plates etc (+19.2%); other plastic items (+15.5%); packaging materials (+14.4%); stationery/office/school supply (+10.0%); moulded & extruded goods (+8.9%); and optical items (+1.4%).

Export of products grouped under human hair, products thereof, registered a decline of 4.4% during the above period.

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

Panel	2017-18	2018-19	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Plastic raw materials	3,236.40	4,481.77	38.5%
Plastic sheet, film, plates etc	1,245.55	1,484.36	19.2%
Moulded & extruded goods	1,074.46	1,170.36	8.9%
Packaging materials	737.44	843.35	14.4%
Optical items (incl. lens etc)	466.92	473.42	1.4%
Other plastic items	332.33	383.93	15.5%
Human hair, products thereof	265.27	253.47	-4.4%
Stationery/Office/School Supply	224.94	247.40	10.0%
	7,583.33	9,338.06	23.1%

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

Source: DGCI&S

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY REGION

India's plastics export in 2018-19 were boosted by higher exports to North-East Asia (up 69.3% year-on-year), Commonwealth of Independent States (+31.1%), ASEAN + 2 (+29.7%), Africa (+23.7%), North America (+21.2%), South Asia (+20.8%), European Union (+13.7%), Middle East (+9.9%), and Latin America & Caribbean (+2.9%).

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

Region	2017-18	2018-19	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
European Union (EU)	1,664.71	1,892.88	13.7%
Middle East	1,296.58	1,425.23	9.9%
North America	1,024.96	1,241.91	21.2%
North-East Asia	894.67	1,514.89	69.3%
Africa	886.52	1,096.57	23.7%
South Asia	698.43	844.04	20.8%
ASEAN + 2	557.05	722.34	29.7%
Latin America & Caribbean (LAC)	454.45	467.45	2.9%
CIS	68.91	90.36	31.1%
Others	37.03	42.37	14.4%
	7,583.33	9,338.06	23.1%

Source: DGCI&S

PLASTICS EXPORT, BY DESTINATION COUNTRY

During 2018-19, 23 out of the top 25 destination countries recorded year-on-year growth in plastics export from India. Exports to China, Mexico and France witnessed high growth rates ranging between 40-75%, during the period.

Exhibit 5: Top 25 destinations of plastics exported by India

Country	2017-18	2018-19	Growth
	(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
United States	847.08	1,005.51	18.7%
China	725.39	1,265.31	74.4%
United Arab Emirates	385.77	475.39	23.2%
Italy	355.34	394.25	10.9%
Turkey	323.76	273.51	-15.5%
Germany	293.80	323.07	10.0%
Bangladesh	247.45	313.79	26.8%
United Kingdom	241.37	272.42	12.9%
Nepal	194.22	241.09	24.1%
Vietnam	143.38	194.77	35.8%
Egypt	138.38	149.92	8.3%
France	134.06	187.78	40.1%
Belgium	126.80	147.24	16.1%
Pakistan	115.15	133.22	15.7%
Nigeria	114.56	142.16	24.1%
Spain	111.25	124.42	11.8%
Sri Lanka	107.34	116.35	8.4%
Israel	102.18	127.04	24.3%
South Africa	101.25	132.30	30.7%
Kenya	95.20	126.41	32.8%
Saudi Arabia	95.17	104.62	9.9%
Poland	94.07	86.78	-7.8%
Canada	91.03	109.07	19.8%
Netherlands	87.99	98.56	12.0%
Mexico	86.85	127.33	46.6%

Note: Top 25 destinations based on 2017-18 plastic exports by India

Source: DGCI&S

India exported plastics to 211 countries in 2018-19 as compared to 209 countries in 2017-18. During 2018-19, no plastics export were made from India to destination countries including Turks and Caicos Islands, Anguilla, Wallis and Futuna, British Virgin Islands and US minor outlying islands. Plastics export from India to these countries were valued at USD 1.16 million in 2017-18.

New destination countries added by India for plastics export during 2018-19 included Mayotte, Monaco, Montserrat, State of Palestine, Palau, Nauru Republic and Guam. Plastics export from India to these countries were valued at USD 0.05 million in 2018-19.

Exhibit 6: Panels with details of % growth seen in top 10 export destinations

Panel	Country	2017-18	2018-19	Growth
		(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Plastic raw materials	China	494.87	1,043.35	110.8%
	Turkey	267.01	239.49	-10.3%
	Italy	232.86	278.80	19.7%
	United Arab Emirates	166.89	192.88	15.6%
	Bangladesh	165.71	217.94	31.5%
	United States	123.45	171.47	38.9%
	Vietnam	119.41	167.86	40.6%
	Egypt	109.83	103.18	-6.1%
	Pakistan	106.12	122.48	15.4%
	Nepal	105.62	148.10	40.2%
Plastic sheet, film, plates etc	United States	198.97	228.54	14.9%
	Italy	57.19	54.13	-5.4%
	South Africa	53.44	69.22	29.5%
	Germany	51.82	71.16	37.3%
	United Arab Emirates	50.83	78.31	54.1%
	United Kingdom	42.27	52.26	23.6%
	Nigeria	40.30	56.16	39.4%
	Nepal	37.64	39.57	5.1%
	Bangladesh	37.55	46.28	23.3%
	China	32.17	34.71	7.9%
Moulded & extruded goods	United States	261.31	268.50	2.8%
	United Kingdom	59.23	60.17	1.6%
	United Arab Emirates	54.72	86.79	58.6%
	Germany	51.23	57.14	11.5%
	Canada	40.30	46.83	16.2%
	Spain	28.99	22.24	-23.3%
	Nigeria	27.63	22.16	-19.8%
	Brazil	20.78	19.02	-8.5%
	Nepal	20.49	19.46	-5.0%
	Australia	17.94	18.78	4.7%
Packaging materials	United States	133.12	162.25	21.9%
	United Kingdom	59.56	70.23	17.9%
	United Arab Emirates	46.61	44.14	-5.3%
	Netherlands	28.97	32.38	11.8%
	Germany	28.15	25.11	-10.8%
	Belgium	19.53	21.20	8.6%
	France	17.66	19.82	12.2%
	Spain	17.08	19.23	12.5%
	Nepal	15.92	16.03	0.7%
	Italy	12.70	14.96	17.8%

Note: Top 10 destinations based on India's 2017-18 exports under the eight plastic product panels

Source: DGCI&S

Panel	Country	2017-18	2018-19	Growth
		(USD Mn)	(USD Mn)	(%)
Optical items (incl. lens etc)	France	72.92	124.16	70.3%
	Germany	56.84	48.56	-14.6%
	United Kingdom	40.10	44.64	11.3%
	Poland	31.36	15.20	-51.5%
	United States	26.87	24.03	-10.6%
	Italy	21.16	13.96	-34.0%
	Netherlands	17.86	18.26	2.2%
	Denmark	15.72	7.39	-53.0%
	Israel	12.95	9.08	-29.9%
	United Arab Emirates	12.58	22.89	82.0%
Other plastic items	United States	49.93	83.39	67.0%
	United Arab Emirates	34.88	28.56	-18.1%
	Belgium	22.50	33.57	49.2%
	South Africa	11.12	26.81	141.1%
	United Kingdom	10.90	13.02	19.4%
	Ethiopia	10.80	2.42	-77.6%
	Germany	10.32	11.77	14.1%
	Saudi Arabia	10.31	9.32	-9.6%
	Turkey	9.71	5.39	-44.4%
	Kenya	8.65	7.64	-11.7%
Human hair, products thereof	China	157.34	147.73	-6.1%
	Myanmar	30.84	25.93	-15.9%
	United States	14.75	16.07	9.0%
	Tunisia	9.54	11.70	22.6%
	Italy	7.74	3.59	-53.6%
	Hong Kong	7.25	9.99	37.9%
	United Arab Emirates	6.19	5.68	-8.1%
	Bangladesh	5.34	6.48	21.5%
	Vietnam	4.40	5.29	20.1%
	Paraguay	3.99	3.46	-13.3%
Stationery/Office/School Supply	United States	38.68	51.27	32.5%
	United Kingdom	17.65	14.92	-15.5%
	United Arab Emirates	13.08	16.14	23.3%
	Thailand	12.45	11.79	-5.3%
	Germany	7.87	6.34	-19.5%
	Bangladesh	6.31	6.44	2.1%
	Mexico	5.84	5.98	2.4%
	Myanmar	5.38	5.16	-4.0%
	Nepal	4.48	5.41	20.8%
	Saudi Arabia	4.47	4.48	0.3%

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