

## India-China Trade Brief

### Agriculture & Allied Trade between India and China

1. **Exports:** In the year 2018-19, India's total export of agricultural and allied commodities to China was of the order of US \$ 1999 million, approximately 117 % higher than the previous year. (Table -1)
  - a) **Major Exports:** raw cotton, other shrimp & prawn, castor oil, Capsicum-Pimenta etc.
  - b) **Minor Exports:** Cuttle Fish, Black Tea, Crabs, Ground Nut oil etc.
2. **Potential Items of Export:** Wheat and meslin, vegetable seeds, food Preparations for infant use, malt extracts, food preparations n.e.s., preparations of a kind used in animal feeding etc. (Table -3)
3. **Imports:** In the year 2018-19, India's total import of agricultural and allied commodities from China was of the order of US \$ 282 million, approximately 19 % lower than the previous year. (Table -2)
  - a) **Major Imports:** animal feeding, kidney beans, bamboos, wheat gluten etc.
  - b) **Minor Imports:** Apple juice(Other), Active yeast, Poppy seeds etc.

**Table 1- India's top Agri and Allied Export to China**

(Value in USD million)

S.No.	HS Code	Commodity	2017-18	2018-19
1	520100	COTTON, NOT CARDED OR COMBED	121.8	504.64
2	30617	OTHER SHRIMPS AND PRAWNS : FROZEN	79.92	379.41
3	151530	CASTOR OIL AND ITS FRACTIONS	422.92	372.67
4	30389	OTHER:	41.86	242.55
5	90421	FRUITS OF THE GENUS CAPSICUM OR OF THE GENUS PIMENTA	14.92	132.25
6	130232	MUCLGS AND THCKNRS W/N MODIFD DERIVD FROM LOCUST BEANS LOCUST BEAN SEEDS/GUAR SEEDS	46.04	99.92
7	30743	CUTTLE FISH AND SQUID FROZEN	2.12	29.06
8	90240	OTHER BLACK TEA (FERMENTED) AND OTHER PARTLY FERMENTED TEA :	22.74	25.56
9	30633	LIVE FRESH OR CHILLED CRABS	9.21	17.97
10	150890	OTHR REFND GRND NUT OIL AND ITS FRACTIONS	7.28	17.68
		<b>India's Agri and Allied Export To China</b>	<b>921.31</b>	<b>1999.00</b>

Source: Department of Commerce

**Table 2- India's top Agri and Allied Imports from China**

(Value in USD million)

S.No.	HS Code	Commodity	2017-18	2018-19
1	230990	OTHR PRPNS OF A KIND USED IN ANML FEEDING	54.99	53.89
2	71333	KIDNY BENS INCL WHITE PEA BENS DRIED AND SHLD	57.27	47.86
3	140110	BAMBOOS	27.54	29.9
4	110900	WHEAT GLUTEN , W/N DRIED	9.96	16.08
5	151800	ANML VEG FATS AND OILS AND THEIR FRCTNS,BOILD OXIDSD DEHYDRTD SULPHRSD BLOWN POLYMRS D EXCL HDG 1516	5.89	11.91
6	130219	OTHER : EXTRACTS :	11.6	11.27
7	200979	OTHER APPLE JUICE VAL.>20	7.94	10.59
8	210210	ACTIVE YEASTS	8.78	7.72
9	120791	POPPY SEEDS W/N BROKEN	7.93	6.76
10	150420	FATS AND OILS AND THEIR FRACTIONS OF FISH OTHR THAN LIVER OILS	5.01	6.53
		<b>India's Agri and allied Import from China</b>	<b>39.96</b>	<b>48.71</b>

Source: Department of Commerce

## 2) Potential agriculture items of India's export to China

China imports the following agriculture items from other countries in the world which India has also potential to export.

Chapter	Commodity Description	Analysis
8	Cashew nuts, tamarinds, lychees	For these items, India's global exports and China's global imports were more than US\$ 90 million in 2018. However, China imports of these items from India were either Nil or insignificant during the said year.
9	Coffee	
10	Maize and Broken Rice	
17	Cane Sugar	
19	Sweet Biscuits and Bread, Pastry, Cakes and Sweet Biscuits	

Source: Refer Table 3

China may explore the possibility of sourcing these agricultural items from India. Sanitary Phyto-sanitary (SPS) and other requirements in respect of these products may be sought from China.

**Table 3: India's potential agriculture exports to China**

Unit: US\$ million

Product code	Product label	India's exports to China		China's imports from world		India's exports to world	
		Value in 2017	Value in 2018	Value in 2017	Value in 2018	Value in 2017	Value in 2018
'081090	Fresh tamarinds, cashew apples, jackfruit, lychees, sapodillo plums, passion fruit, carambola, ...	0.002	0.013	887.615	857.481	109.186	99.225
'090111	Coffee (excluding roasted and decaffeinated)	0.862	0.323	128.486	136.305	636.192	517.109
'100590	Maize (excluding seed for sowing)	0	0	600.06	782.129	121.044	193.66
'100630	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	0.072	0.087	1460.556	1327.15	6640.907	6878.376
'100640	Broken rice	0	0.075	326.091	258.953	369.779	422.391
'120190	Soya beans, whether or not broken (excluding seed for sowing)	0	0	39638.141	38077.974	164.043	115.398
'120991	Vegetable seeds, for sowing	0.162	0.441	205.204	227.988	66.754	96.911
'210690	Food preparations, n.e.s.	0.562	0.174	1903.8	2717.012	215.809	275.654
'230120	Flours, meals and pellets of fish or crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates, ...	0	0	2224.181	2228.402	99.322	103.98
'230990	Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding (excluding dog or cat food put up for retail ...)	0	0.113	263.429	255.067	225.465	258.177
'240120	Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed or stripped, otherwise unmanufactured	0.658	0.574	1196.471	1050.283	566.418	530.263

Source: ITC Trade Map