

## **India-Saudi Arabia Trade Brief**

### **Agriculture & Allied Trade between India and Saudi Arabia**

(a) **Exports:** In the year 2021-22, India's total export of agricultural and allied commodities to Saudi Arabia was of order of US \$ **1550.54**million, approximately 4% lower than the previous year (Table -1).

- a) **Major Exports:**Rice –Basmati, Sugar, Buffalo Meat, Spices,Rice(Other Than Basmati)etc.
- b) **Minor Exports:** Mollases, Groundnut, Ayush and Herbal Products, Castor Oil,Guergam Meaetc.

#### **(b) Potential Items of Export:**

- a. **New Items:**Fresh or dried oranges, Tomatoes, fresh or chilled, Fresh or dried cashew nuts, in shell, Husked or brown rice, Bran, sharps and other residues of wheat, whether or not in the form of pelletsetc. (Table -3)
  - b. **Existing Items:** Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed, Cardamoms, neither crushed nor ground, Coffee (excluding roasted and decaffeinated), Oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, "Spices (excluding pepper of the genus Piper, fruit of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta, Maize (excluding seed for sowing)etc.
- (c) **Imports:** In the year 2021-22, India's total import of agricultural and allied commodities from Saudi Arabia was of the order of US \$ **20.06** million, approximately 47% higher than the previous year. (Table -2)
- a) **Major Imports:** Fresh Fruits, Vegetable Oils, Cocoa Products etc.
  - b) **Minor Imports:** Dairy Products, Cereal Preparations, Pulses, Processed Fruits and Juices,Ayushand Herbal Products etc.

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

(Value in USD million)

S. No.	Commodity	2020-21	2021-22	Growth (%)
1	RICE -BASMOTI	951.99	646.41	-32.10
2	SUGAR	29.81	247.52	730.40
3	BUFFALO MEAT	108.22	158.00	45.99
4	SPICES	73.52	77.41	5.29
5	RICE(OTHER THAN BASMOTI)	108.98	68.92	-36.76
6	PROCESSED FRUITS AND JUICES	60.20	61.22	1.70
7	CASHEW	50.64	38.39	-24.19
8	MARINE PRODUCTS	4.66	36.05	672.90
9	DAIRY PRODUCTS	21.66	35.78	65.18
10	FRESH FRUITS	28.31	23.41	-17.29
	<b>India's Agri and allied export to Saudi Arabia</b>	<b>1610.65</b>	<b>1550.54</b>	<b>-3.73</b>

Source: Department of Commerce.

**Table 2- India's top Agriand Allied Imports fromSaudi Arabia**

(Value in USD million)

S.No.	Commodity	2020-21	2021-22	Growth (%)
1	FRESH FRUITS	9.79	11.51	17.52
2	VEGETABLE OILS	2.96	5.57	87.98
3	COCOA PRODUCTS	0.03	2.08	7422.58
4	TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED	0.31	0.39	28.12
5	MISC PROCESSED ITEMS	0.13	0.24	85.42
6	MARINE PRODUCTS	0.08	0.15	92.74
7	DAIRY PRODUCTS	0.02	0.05	174.11
8	CEREAL PREPARATIONS	0.01	0.05	510.71
	<b>India's Agri and allied import from Saudi Arabia</b>	<b>13.64</b>	<b>20.06</b>	<b>47.05</b>

Source: Department of Commerce

- Agricultural growth in Saudi Arabia is limited by scarce water resources.

**(d) Potential agriculture items of India's export to Saudi Arabia**

**a. New Items Methodology**

- Items in which Saudi Arabia's imports of agricultural items from India were negligible during 2021.
- The global import of Saudi Arabia in these tariff lines and global exports of these commodities by India is over US \$ 15 million.
- Saudi Arabia 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 Saudi Arabia.

**b. Existing Items Methodology**

- To arrive at the potential items in existing agricultural items, share of India's exports in Saudi Arabia's import along with share of India's exports to Saudi Arabiaviz-a viz world has been studied.

**Table 3: India's potential in new agriculture items of exports to Saudi Arabia**

Unit: US\$ million

Product code	Product label	India's exports to Saudi Arabia		Saudi Arabia's imports from world		India's exports to world	
		Value in 2020	Value in 2021	Value in 2020	Value in 2021	Value in 2020	Value in 2021
'080510	Fresh or dried oranges	0.05	0.01	224.94	237.39	53.38	51.47
'070200	Tomatoes, fresh or chilled	0.27	0.00	126.70	159.57	35.57	27.47
'080131	Fresh or dried cashew nuts, in shell	0.00	0.00	23.94	13.95	20.28	33.89
'100620	Husked or brown rice	0.01	0.00	79.68	32.28	10.90	15.27
'230230	Bran, sharps and other residues of wheat, whether or not in the	0.00	0.00	62.21	71.44	0.44	38.96

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Source: ITC Trade Map

**Table 4: India's potential in existing agricultural items for exports to Saudi Arabia**

Unit: US\$ million

Product code	Product label	India's exports to Saudi Arabia		Saudi Arabia's imports from world		India's exports to world	
		Value in 2020	Value in 2021	Value in 2020	Value in 2021	Value in 2020	Value in 2021
'100630	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	1096.78	788.02	1311.37	1030.49	7484.14	8361.33
'080132	Fresh or dried cashew nuts, shelled	50.74	41.79	47.18	64.70	404.23	432.50
'090831	Cardamoms, neither crushed nor ground	12.85	29.70	248.63	210.35	114.64	193.50
'080450	Fresh or dried guavas, mangoes and mangosteens	24.42	22.35	61.20	70.33	137.46	185.24
'090111	Coffee (excluding roasted and decaffeinated)	8.85	18.29	163.55	228.95	461.43	622.91
'081190	Frozen fruit and nuts, uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling in water, whether or not sweetened ...	8.70	10.92	17.31	12.85	31.71	40.45
'080610	Fresh grapes	12.08	10.55	84.46	79.78	286.12	323.52
'090230	Black fermented tea and partly fermented tea, whether or not flavoured, in immediate packings ...	11.01	9.56	126.77	98.96	86.64	94.40
'090422	Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta,	8.32	9.25	7.79	13.73	200.06	232.96

	crushed or ground						
'090931	Cumin seeds, neither crushed nor ground	7.40	7.84	16.45	14.88	504.94	448.85
'090240	Black fermented tea and partly fermented tea, whether or not flavoured, in immediate packings ...	7.09	7.51	98.51	76.63	580.75	565.53
'071320	"Dried, shelled chickpeas ""garbanzos"", whether or not skinned or split"	6.15	6.91	40.23	46.78	140.66	89.10
'040900	Natural honey	5.78	6.48	105.07	86.23	83.41	136.66
'091091	Mixtures of different types of spices	7.81	5.66	46.20	40.22	82.64	82.38
'230400	Oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting ...	0.03	5.57	284.86	327.87	701.36	900.82
'120740	Sesamum seeds, whether or not broken	6.43	5.56	70.49	67.55	447.84	421.54
'070310	Fresh or chilled onions and shallots	13.47	5.31	96.36	89.09	346.64	449.46
'091030	"Turmeric ""curcuma"""	5.36	4.52	8.60	10.45	232.38	225.54
'070190	Fresh or chilled potatoes (excluding seed)	4.66	3.98	1.92	17.79	70.75	70.57
'091099	"Spices (excluding pepper of the genus Piper, fruit of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta, ...	2.85	3.34	100.80	97.25	122.67	138.75
'091011	Ginger, neither	1.45	2.70	43.90	31.95	78.23	109.89

	crushed nor ground						
'081090	"Fresh tamarinds, cashew apples, jackfruit, lychees, sapodillo plums, passion fruit, carambola, ...	5.62	2.66	188.30	125.38	89.88	95.81
'080620	Dried grapes	1.53	2.49	19.70	21.58	29.60	26.22
'070999	Fresh or chilled vegetables n.e.s.	4.29	2.48	8.68	11.25	92.06	95.19
'121190	Plants, parts of plants, incl. seeds and fruits, used primarily in perfumery, in pharmacy or ...	2.35	2.27	69.45	69.60	347.31	414.43
'071040	Sweetcorn, uncooked or cooked by steaming or by boiling in water, frozen	2.09	2.01	11.14	11.58	12.83	14.69
'120991	Vegetable seeds, for sowing	1.14	0.71	40.97	29.46	97.49	92.76
'080111	Desiccated coconuts	0.04	0.52	9.20	10.61	3.19	10.60
'140490	Vegetable products n.e.s	1.57	0.37	17.29	18.87	31.26	36.11
'100590	Maize (excluding seed for sowing)	0.27	0.36	653.87	799.42	352.84	882.53
'100640	Broken rice	0.10	0.14	2.80	20.59	348.67	1037.24
'071080	Vegetables, uncooked or cooked by steaming or by boiling in water, frozen (excluding potatoes, ...	0.03	0.09	12.57	10.67	19.58	19.42
'071390	Dried, shelled leguminous vegetables, whether or not skinned or split (excluding peas, chickpeas, ...	0.01	0.09	14.63	12.67	13.73	68.64

'120190	Soya beans, whether or not broken (excluding seed for sowing)	0.02	0.08	259.60	426.97	38.86	17.91
'090411	Pepper of the genus Piper, neither crushed nor ground	0.06	0.07	9.70	18.57	37.36	52.97
'080810	Fresh apples	0.05	0.05	185.41	179.34	14.07	14.35
'070960	Fresh or chilled fruits of the genus Capsicum or Pimenta	0.10	0.04	25.49	25.67	54.77	40.85
'090832	Cardamoms, crushed or ground	0.01	0.03	58.90	10.27	10.73	13.13
'100590	Maize (excluding seed for sowing)	0.27	0.36	653.87	799.42	352.84	882.53

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