

India-Bangladesh Trade Brief

Agriculture & Allied Trade between India and Bangladesh

1. Exports: In the year 2021-22, India's total export of agricultural and allied commodities to Bangladesh was of the order of US \$ **5541.78** million, approximately 94 % higher than the previous year. (Table -1)

a) **Major Exports:** Cotton, Wheat, Rice (other than Basmati), sugar etc.

b) **Minor Exports:** Floriculture Products, Guergam meals, Natural Rubber, Jute etc.

2. Potential Items of Export:

a. **New Items:** Mustard seeds, whether or not broken, Soya beans, whether or not broken (excluding seed for sowing) etc. (Table -3)

b. **Existing Items:** Cotton, neither carded nor combed, Wheat and meslin (excluding seed for sowing, and durum wheat), Wheat and meslin (excluding seed for sowing, and durum wheat), Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed, Maize (excluding seed for sowing), Fresh or chilled onions and shallots etc. etc.

3. Imports: In the year 2021-2022, India's total import of agricultural and allied commodities from Bangladesh was of the order of US \$ **558.12** million, approximately 74% higher than the previous year. (Table -2)

a) **Major Imports:** Spices, Oil Meals, Jute, Vegetable oils etc.

b) **Minor Imports:** Cashew, Fresh Vegetables, Floriculture, other oil seeds etc.

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

(Value in USD million)

| S.No. | Commodity | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | Growth (%) |
|-------|---|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| 1 | COTTON RAW INCLD. WASTE | 799.23 | 1642.03 | 105.45 |
| 2 | WHEAT | 310.31 | 1191.65 | 284.02 |
| 3 | RICE(OTHER THAN BASMOTI) | 350.97 | 613.95 | 74.93 |
| 4 | SUGAR | 74.73 | 565.97 | 657.34 |
| 5 | OTHER CEREALS | 339.90 | 434.87 | 27.94 |
| 6 | SPICES | 293.60 | 230.43 | -21.52 |
| 7 | FRESH VEGETABLES | 134.89 | 195.88 | 45.21 |
| 8 | FRESH FRUITS | 125.71 | 148.67 | 18.27 |
| 9 | OIL MEALS | 195.83 | 128.47 | -34.40 |
| 10 | MISC PROCESSED ITEMS | 13.68 | 73.92 | 440.21 |
| | India's Agri and allied export to Bangladesh | 2850.81 | 5541.78 | 94.39 |

Source: Department of Commerce

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

(Value in USD million)

| S.No. | Commodity | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | Growth (%) |
|-------|---|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1 | SPICES | 131.01 | 207.35 | 58.27 |
| 2 | OIL MEALS | 0.00 | 75.60 | - |
| 3 | JUTE, RAW | 24.32 | 60.15 | 147.37 |
| 4 | VEGETABLE OILS | 27.38 | 54.38 | 98.61 |
| 5 | MARINE PRODUCTS | 56.87 | 46.33 | -18.53 |
| 6 | MISC PROCESSED ITEMS | 29.83 | 42.01 | 40.82 |
| 7 | CEREAL PREPARATIONS | 25.31 | 37.60 | 48.57 |
| 8 | COTTON RAW INCLD. WASTE | 21.04 | 19.15 | -8.98 |
| 9 | NATURAL RUBBER | 2.67 | 6.90 | 158.44 |
| 10 | COCOA PRODUCTS | 2.22 | 3.96 | 78.56 |
| | India's Agri and allied import from Bangladesh | 321.04 | 558.12 | 73.85 |

Source: Department of Commerce

4. Potential agriculture items of India's export to Bangladesh

a. New Items Methodology

- Items in which Bangladesh's imports of agricultural items from India were negligible during 2021.
- The global import of Bangladesh in these tariff lines and global exports of these commodities by India is over US \$ 10 million.
- Bangladesh 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 Bangladesh.

b. Existing Items Methodology

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

Table 3: India's potential in new agriculture items of exports to Bangladesh

Unit: US\$ million

| Product code | Product label | India's exports to Bangladesh | | Bangladesh'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 |
| '120750 | Mustard seeds, whether or not broken | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8.58 | 27.57 | 27.58 | 29.85 |
| '120190 | Soya beans, whether or not broken (excluding seed for sowing) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 843.90 | 1045.52 | 38.86 | 17.91 |

Source: ITC Trade Map

Table 4: India's potential in existing agricultural items for exports to Bangladesh

Unit: US\$ million

| Product code | Product label | India's exports to Bangladesh | | Bangladesh'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 |
| '520100 | Cotton, neither carded nor combed | 699.51 | 1377.83 | 1895.54 | 2758.25 | 1448.52 | 2682.05 |
| '100199 | Wheat and meslin (excluding seed for sowing, and durum wheat) | 93.87 | 1031.43 | 1285.51 | 1957.86 | 241.89 | 1720.56 |
| '100630 | Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed | 3.34 | 912.22 | 6.36 | 948.49 | 7484.14 | 8361.33 |
| '100590 | Maize (excluding seed for sowing) | 224.34 | 329.02 | 398.28 | 448.51 | 352.84 | 882.53 |
| '170114 | Raw cane sugar, in solid form, not containing added flavouring or colouring matter (excluding ... | 50.50 | 200.60 | 678.34 | 775.93 | 532.95 | 1340.79 |
| '070310 | Fresh or chilled onions and shallots | 92.90 | 141.82 | 171.84 | 153.86 | 346.64 | 449.46 |
| '091011 | Ginger, neither crushed nor ground | 44.41 | 43.78 | 83.18 | 64.01 | 78.23 | 109.89 |
| '080610 | Fresh grapes | 16.42 | 42.38 | 130.43 | 113.05 | 286.12 | 323.52 |

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| '100510 | Maize seed for sowing | 13.82 | 26.03 | 18.01 | 32.34 | 36.44 | 53.08 |
| '090831 | Cardamoms, neither crushed nor ground | 7.42 | 11.68 | 125.96 | 56.41 | 114.64 | 193.50 |
| '120991 | Vegetable seeds, for sowing | 9.48 | 9.03 | 18.22 | 18.29 | 97.49 | 92.76 |
| '080810 | Fresh apples | 8.32 | 8.25 | 231.67 | 245.70 | 14.07 | 14.35 |
| '210690 | Food preparations, n.e.s. | 4.18 | 5.83 | 50.56 | 70.18 | 415.97 | 535.21 |
| '100640 | Broken rice | 0.05 | 4.69 | 0.05 | 14.37 | 348.67 | 1037.24 |

Source: ITC Trade Map