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## India's Foreign Trade: April 2019

India's overall exports (Merchandise and Services combined) in April2019* is estimated to be USD 44.06billion, exhibiting a positive growth of 1.34 per cent over the April 2018. Overall imports in April2019* is estimated to be USD 52.83billion, exhibiting a positive growth of 4.53per cent over April 2018.

*Note: The latest data for services sector released by RBI is for March 2019. The data for April 2019 is an estimation, which will be revised based on RBI's subsequent release.

## I. MERCHANDISE TRADE

## EXPORTS (including re-exports)

Exports inApril 2019 were USD26.07 billion, as compared to USD25.91billion in April 2018, exhibiting a positive growth of 0.64 per cent. In Rupee terms, exports were Rs. $1,81,021.34$ crore in April 2019, as compared to Rs. 1,70,052.96crore in April 2018, registering a positive growth of 6.45 per cent.

InApril 2019, major commodity groups of export showing positive growth over the corresponding month of last year are

## Blectronic Goods (27.78\%)

## Organic \& Inorganic Chemicals (15.06\%)

RMG of all Textiles (4.42\%)

## Drugs \& Pharmaceuticals (4.03\%)

Non-petroleum and Non Gems and Jewellery exports in April 2019 were USD19.54billion, as compared to USD19.80billion in April 2018, exhibiting a negative growth of 1.31per cent.

## IMPORTS

Imports in April 2019 were USD41.40billion (Rs. 2,87,432.93crore), which was 4.48per cent higher in dollar terms and 10.52per cent higher in Rupee terms over imports of USD39.63billion (Rs.2,60,084.67crore) in April 2018.

Major commodity groups of import showing negative growth in April 2019 over the corresponding month of last year are:


## CRUDE OIL AND NON-OIL IMPORTS:

Oil imports inApril 2019 were USD11.38billion (Rs. 78,989.46crore), which was 9.26percent higher in dollar terms (15.58percent higher in Rupee terms), compared to USD10.41billion (Rs. 68,344.24crore) in April 2018.

In this connection it is mentioned that the global Brent price ( $\$ / b b l$ ) has decreased by $0.60 \%$ in April 2019 vis-à-vis April 2018 as per data available from World Bank (Pink Sheet).

Non-oil imports inApril 2019 were estimated at USD30.02billion (Rs.2,08,443.47crore) which was 2.78 per cent higher in dollar terms (8.71percent higher in Rupee terms), compared to USD29.21billion (Rs. 1,91,740.43crore) in April 2018.

Non-Oil and Non-Gold imports wereUSD26.05billion in April 2019, recording a negative growth of 2.19per cent,compared to USD 26.63 billionin April 2018.

## II. TRADE IN SERVICES

## EXPORTS (Receipts)

As per the latest press release by RBI dated $15^{\text {th }}$ May 2019, exports inMarch2019 were USD17.94 billion (Rs.1,24,672.40crore) registering a positive growth of 6.59per cent in dollar terms, vis-à-vis March 2018.

## IMPORTS (Payments)

As per the latest press release by RBI dated $15^{\text {th }}$ May 2019,imports inMarch2019 were USD11.37billion (Rs.78,962.43crore) registering a positive growth of 10.55per cent in dollar terms,vis-à-vis March 2018.

## III.TRADE BALANCE

MERCHANDISE: The trade deficit for April 2019 was estimated at USD15.33billion as against the deficit of USD13.72billion inApril 2018.

SERVICES: As per RBI's Press Release dated 15th May 2019, the trade balance in Services (i.e. Net Services export) for March, 2019 is estimated at USD6.58billion.

OVERALL TRADE BALANCE: Taking merchandise and services together, overall trade deficit for April2019* is estimated at USD8.78 billion as compared to USD7.07billion in April2018.
*Note: The latest data for services sector released by RBI is for March 2019. The data for April 2019 is an estimation, which will be revised based on RBI's subsequent release.

## MERCHANDISE TRADE

| EXPORTS \& IMPORTS: (USD billion) |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| (PROVISIONAL) |  |
|  | APRIL |
|  |  |


| EXPORTS (including re-exports) |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2018-19 | 25.91 |
| 2019-20 | 26.07 |
| \%Growth 2019-20/ 2018-19 | 0.64 |
| IMPORTS |  |
| 2018-19 | 39.63 |
| 2019-20 | 41.40 |
| \%Growth 2019-20/ 2018-19 | 4.48 |
| TRADE BALANCE |  |
| 2018-19 | -13.72 |
| 2019-20 | -15.33 |
| EXPORTS \& IMPORTS: (Rs. crore) |  |
| (PROVISIONAL) |  |
|  | APRIL |
| EXPORTS(including re-exports) |  |
| 2018-19 | 1,70,052.96 |


| 2019-20 | $1,81,021.34$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| \%Growth 2019-20/ 2018-19 | 6.45 |
| IMPORTS |  |
| 2018-19 | $2,60,084.67$ |
| 2019-20 | $2,87,432.93$ |
| \%Growth 2019-20/ 2018-19 | 10.52 |
| TRADE BALANCE |  |
| 2018-19 | $-90,031.71$ |
| 2019-20 |  |

## SERVICES TRADE

## EXPORTS \& IMPORTS (SERVICES): (USD billion)

(Provisional)
MARCH 2019

EXPORTS (Receipts) 17.94

IMPORTS (Payments) 11.37
125.46

## EXPORTS \& IMPORTS (SERVICES): (Rs. crore)

| (Provisional) | MARCH 2019 | April-March 2018-19 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| EXPORTS (Receipts) | $1,24,672.40$ | $14,38,948.61$ |
| IMPORTS (Payments) | $78,962.43$ | $8,77,286.65$ |
| TRADE BALANCE | $45,709.97$ | $5,61,661.96$ |

Note:Services data pertains March 2019 as it is the latest data available as per RBI's Press Release dated 15th May 2019. April-March 2018-19 is arrived at by adding quarterly data of RBI for Q1, Q2 \& Q3 of 2018-19 with Month-wise QE dataof RBI's press release for January, February\& March 2018-19. This data is provisional and subject to revision by RBI.

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## QUICK ESTIMATES FOR SELECTED MAJOR COMMODITIES FOR APRIL 2019

TRADE: EXPORT

| Sl. <br> No. | Commodities | (Values in Rs. crores) |  | \% change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Apr'18 | Apr'19 | Apr'19 |
| 1 | Tea | 326.89 | 450.61 | 37.85 |
| 2 | Coffee | 550.57 | 508.20 | -7.70 |
| 3 | Rice | 4224.93 | 4092.27 | -3.14 |
| 4 | Other cereals | 201.92 | 118.10 | -41.51 |
| 5 | Tobacco | 454.86 | 559.07 | 22.91 |
| 6 | Spices | 1833.05 | 2064.93 | 12.65 |
| 7 | Cashew | 295.93 | 295.03 | -0.30 |
| 8 | Oil Meals | 527.73 | 443.25 | -16.01 |
| 9 | Oil seeds | 615.20 | 660.10 | 7.30 |
| 10 | Fruits \& Vegetables | 1389.71 | 1556.07 | 11.97 |
| 11 | Cereal preparations \& miscellaneous processed items | 796.77 | 804.75 | 1.00 |
| 12 | Marine Products | 3301.96 | 3275.05 | -0.81 |
| 13 | Meat, dairy \& poultry products | 2264.18 | 2429.32 | 7.29 |
| 14 | Iron Ore | 564.44 | 1377.82 | 144.10 |
| 15 | Mica, Coal \& Other Ores, Minerals including processed minerals | 2236.13 | 1976.51 | -11.61 |
| 16 | Leather \& leather products | 2562.73 | 2297.23 | -10.36 |
| 17 | Ceramic products \& glassware | 1209.90 | 1557.88 | 28.76 |
| 18 | Gems \& Jewellery | 21646.47 | 19832.50 | -8.38 |
| 19 | Drugs \& Pharmaceuticals | 9636.16 | 10603.06 | 10.03 |
| 20 | Organic \& Inorganic Chemicals | 11772.70 | 14327.77 | 21.70 |
| 21 | Engineering Goods | 47186.80 | 46385.42 | -1.70 |
| 22 | Electronic Goods | 3672.99 | 4964.50 | 35.16 |
| 23 | Cotton Yarn/Fabs./made-ups, Handloom Products etc. | 5884.30 | 5861.20 | -0.39 |
| 24 | Man-made Yarn/Fabs./made-ups etc. | 2743.64 | 2698.03 | -1.66 |
| 25 | RMG of all Textiles | 8859.67 | 9786.03 | 10.46 |
| 26 | Jute Mfg. including Floor Covering | 146.23 | 153.78 | 5.16 |
| 27 | Carpet | 729.69 | 744.67 | 2.05 |
| 28 | Handicrafts excl. handmade carpet | 908.78 | 980.98 | 7.94 |
| 29 | Petroleum Products | 18463.36 | 25534.60 | 38.30 |
| 30 | Plastic \& Linoleum | 4419.07 | 4450.25 | 0.71 |
|  | Sub Total | 159426.76 | 170788.98 | 7.13 |
|  | GRAND TOTAL | 170052.96 | 181021.34 | 6.45 |

Note 1: Grand total is inclusive of component 'Other'.
Note 2: The figures for APRIL'19 and APRIL'18 are provisional and subject to change

## TRADE: EXPORT

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sl. } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Commodities | (Values in Million USD) |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { \% change } \\ \hline \text { Apr'19 } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Apr' 18 | Apr'19 |  |
| 1 | Tea | 49.80 | 64.90 | 30.32 |
| 2 | Coffee | 83.88 | 73.20 | -12.73 |
| 3 | Rice | 643.69 | 589.43 | -8.43 |
| 4 | Other cereals | 30.76 | 17.01 | -44.70 |
| 5 | Tobacco | 69.30 | 80.53 | 16.20 |
| 6 | Spices | 279.27 | 297.42 | 6.50 |
| 7 | Cashew | 45.09 | 42.49 | -5.77 |
| 8 | Oil Meals | 80.40 | 63.84 | -20.60 |
| 9 | Oil seeds | 93.73 | 95.08 | 1.44 |
| 10 | Fruits \& Vegetables | 211.73 | 224.13 | 5.86 |
| 11 | Cereal preparations \& miscellaneous processed items | 121.39 | 115.91 | -4.51 |
| 12 | Marine Products | 503.07 | 471.72 | -6.23 |
| 13 | Meat, dairy \& poultry products | 344.96 | 349.91 | 1.43 |
| 14 | Iron Ore | 86.00 | 198.45 | 130.76 |
| 15 | Mica, Coal \& Other Ores, Minerals including processed minerals | 340.68 | 284.69 | -16.43 |
| 16 | Leather \& leather products | 390.44 | 330.88 | -15.25 |
| 17 | Ceramic products \& glassware | 184.33 | 224.39 | 21.73 |
| 18 | Gems \& Jewellery | 3297.94 | 2856.58 | -13.38 |
| 19 | Drugs \& Pharmaceuticals | 1468.11 | 1527.22 | 4.03 |
| 20 | Organic \& Inorganic Chemicals | 1793.63 | 2063.71 | 15.06 |
| 21 | Engineering Goods | 7189.13 | 6681.14 | -7.07 |
| 22 | Electronic Goods | 559.60 | 715.06 | 27.78 |
| 23 | Cotton Yarn/Fabs./made-ups, Handloom Products etc. | 896.50 | 844.22 | -5.83 |
| 24 | Man-made Yarn/Fabs./made-ups etc. | 418.01 | 388.61 | -7.03 |
| 25 | RMG of all Textiles | 1349.81 | 1409.53 | 4.42 |
| 26 | Jute Mfg. including Floor Covering | 22.28 | 22.15 | -0.58 |
| 27 | Carpet | 111.17 | 107.26 | -3.52 |
| 28 | Handicrafts excl. hand made carpet | 138.46 | 141.30 | 2.05 |
| 29 | Petroleum Products | 2812.98 | 3677.89 | 30.75 |
| 30 | Plastic \& Linoleum | 673.27 | 640.99 | -4.79 |
|  | Sub Total | 24289.41 | 24599.64 | 1.28 |
|  | GRAND TOTAL | 25908.37 | 26073.47 | 0.64 |

Note 1: Exports include Re-Exports.
Note 2: The figures for APRIL'19 and APRIL'18 are provisional and subject to change
Note 3: Grand total is inclusive of component 'Other'.

QUICK ESTIMATES FOR SELECTED MAJOR COMMODITIES FORAPRIL 2019

## TRADE: IMPORT

| SI. <br> No. | Commodities | (Values in Rs. crores) |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { \% change } \\ \hline \text { Apr'19 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Apr'18 | Apr'19 |  |
| 1 | Cotton Raw \& Waste | 532.17 | 464.27 | -12.76 |
| 2 | Vegetable Oil | 6027.44 | 5056.08 | -16.12 |
| 3 | Pulses | 289.51 | 717.07 | 147.68 |
| 4 | Fruits \& vegetables | 1066.44 | 1264.97 | 18.62 |
| 5 | Pulp and Waste paper | 537.71 | 791.90 | 47.27 |
| 6 | Textile yarn Fabric, made-up articles | 826.74 | 1007.33 | 21.84 |
| 7 | Fertilisers, Crude \& manufactured | 2704.55 | 2952.21 | 9.16 |
| 8 | Sulphur \& Unroasted Iron Pyrites | 117.80 | 102.95 | -12.61 |
| 9 | Metalliferous ores \& other minerals | 6160.10 | 3319.41 | -46.11 |
| 10 | Coal, Coke \& Briquettes, etc. | 14742.71 | 16215.99 | 9.99 |
| 11 | Petroleum, Crude \& products | 68344.24 | 78989.46 | 15.58 |
| 12 | Wood \& Wood products | 3270.28 | 3411.96 | 4.33 |
| 13 | Leather \& leather products | 495.79 | 554.88 | 11.92 |
| 14 | Organic \& Inorganic Chemicals | 13127.60 | 13876.81 | 5.71 |
| 15 | Dyeing/tanning/colouring materials | 1569.49 | 1907.50 | 21.54 |
| 16 | Artificial resins, plastic materials, etc. | 8240.90 | 9024.10 | 9.50 |
| 17 | Chemical material \& products | 3832.68 | 4354.65 | 13.62 |
| 18 | Newsprint | 442.58 | 398.17 | -10.03 |
| 19 | Pearls, precious \& Semi-precious stones | 15376.84 | 14816.94 | -3.64 |
| 20 | Iron \& Steel | 8506.23 | 9987.35 | 17.41 |
| 21 | Non-ferrous metals | 7526.70 | 8038.37 | 6.80 |
| 22 | Machine tools | 2198.84 | 2854.74 | 29.83 |
| 23 | Machinery, electrical \& non-electrical | 19025.66 | 21428.46 | 12.63 |
| 24 | Transport equipment | 10372.46 | 7494.44 | -27.75 |
| 25 | Project goods | 1329.09 | 1136.04 | -14.52 |
| 26 | Professional instrument, Optical goods, etc. | 2587.36 | 2925.97 | 13.09 |
| 27 | Electronic goods | 27263.57 | 29987.41 | 9.99 |
| 28 | Medicinal\& Pharmaceutical products | 3207.14 | 3811.27 | 18.84 |
| 29 | Gold | 16930.91 | 27578.49 | 62.89 |
| 30 | Silver | 3161.44 | 1735.71 | -45.10 |
|  | Sub Total | 249814.97 | 276204.90 | 10.56 |
|  | GRAND TOTAL | 260084.67 | 287432.93 | 10.52 |

Note 1: Grand total is inclusive of component 'Other'.
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## QUICK ESTIMATES FOR SELECTED MAJOR COMMODITIES FORAPRIL 2019

## TRADE: IMPORT

| Sl. No. | Commodities | (Values in Million USD) |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { \% change } \\ \hline \text { Apr'19 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Apr'18 | Apr' 19 |  |
| 1 | Cotton Raw \& Waste | 81.08 | 66.87 | -17.53 |
| 2 | Vegetable Oil | 918.31 | 728.25 | -20.70 |
| 3 | Pulses | 44.11 | 103.28 | 134.14 |
| 4 | Fruits \& vegetables | 162.48 | 182.20 | 12.14 |
| 5 | Pulp and Waste paper | 81.92 | 114.06 | 39.23 |
| 6 | Textile yarn Fabric, made-up articles | 125.96 | 145.09 | 15.19 |
| 7 | Fertilisers, Crude \& manufactured | 412.05 | 425.22 | 3.20 |
| 8 | Sulphur \& Unroasted Iron Pyrites | 17.95 | 14.83 | -17.38 |
| 9 | Metalliferous ores \& other minerals | 938.52 | 478.11 | -49.06 |
| 10 | Coal, Coke \& Briquettes, etc. | 2246.12 | 2335.68 | 3.99 |
| 11 | Petroleum, Crude \& products | 10412.57 | 11377.27 | 9.26 |
| 12 | Wood \& Wood products | 498.24 | 491.44 | -1.36 |
| 13 | Leather \& leather products | 75.54 | 79.92 | 5.80 |
| 14 | Organic \& Inorganic Chemicals | 2000.05 | 1998.75 | -0.06 |
| 15 | Dyeing/tanning/colouring materials | 239.12 | 274.75 | 14.90 |
| 16 | Artificial resins, plastic materials, etc. | 1255.54 | 1299.79 | 3.52 |
| 17 | Chemical material \& products | 583.93 | 627.22 | 7.41 |
| 18 | Newsprint | 67.43 | 57.35 | -14.95 |
| 19 | Pearls, precious \& Semi-precious stones | 2342.73 | 2134.16 | -8.90 |
| 20 | Iron \& Steel | 1295.96 | 1438.53 | 11.00 |
| 21 | Non-ferrous metals | 1146.73 | 1157.81 | 0.97 |
| 22 | Machine tools | 335.00 | 411.18 | 22.74 |
| 23 | Machinery, electrical \& non-electrical | 2898.65 | 3086.46 | 6.48 |
| 24 | Transport equipment | 1580.29 | 1079.46 | -31.69 |
| 25 | Project goods | 202.49 | 163.63 | -19.19 |
| 26 | Professional instrument, Optical goods, etc. | 394.20 | 421.44 | 6.91 |
| 27 | Electronic goods | 4153.73 | 4319.25 | 3.98 |
| 28 | Medicinal\& Pharmaceutical products | 488.62 | 548.96 | 12.35 |
| 29 | Gold | 2579.50 | 3972.28 | 53.99 |
| 30 | Silver | 481.66 | 250.00 | -48.10 |
|  | Sub Total | 38060.48 | 39783.24 | 4.53 |
|  | GRAND TOTAL | 39625.13 | 41400.50 | 4.48 |

Note 1: Imports include Re-Imports.
Note 2: The figures for APRIL'19 and APRIL'18 are provisional and subject to change.
Note 3: Grand total is inclusive of component 'Other'.

