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India's RMG Export to World (Value)

- January, 2025	: USD 1606.4 mn.
- January, 2024	: USD 1441.4 mn.
- Growth	: 11.5 %
- Apr – Jan 2024-25	: 12922.6 mn.
- Apr – Jan 2023-24	: 11583.0 mn.
- Growth	: 11.6 %

(Quantity)

- Nov, 2024	: 264627.1 Thousand Units
- Nov, 2023	: 252399.0 Thousand Units
- Growth	: 4.8 %
- Apr - Nov 2024-25	: 2452442.1 Thousand Units
- Apr - Nov 2023-24	: 2131976.5 Thousand Units
- Growth	: 15.0 %

AEPC News

Government support required to secure zero tariff access in USA for apparel export sector: AEPC Chairman

The new US administration under President Donald Trump has announced plans to impose "reciprocal tariffs" under the Fair and Reciprocal Plan (FRP). In response, India has taken a significant step to go for Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA) with the USA. This would not only mitigate the potential risk of proposed 'Reciprocal Tariffs' severely and adversely impacting our apparel trade to USA but also open a window of opportunity for enhancing apparel exports to USA.

Chairman AEPC Shri Sudhir Sekhri vide his letter dated 3rd March 2025 to Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of Commerce and Industry requested the support from the Government of India to navigate through this imminent threat of additional duties and convert it into an opportunity by negotiating a zero tariff for apparel export sector.

AEPC requested for the consideration of additional State-Level Taxes & Levies in RoSCTL rates on garments

The Government of India, Ministry of Finance, in its letter dated 25th February 2025, requested comments on the data format provided and the reference period for reviewing the RoSCTL Rates on Garments and Made Ups by the RoSCTL Committee.

In response, AEPC, through its letter dated 4th March 2025, requested the Drawback Division of the Ministry of Finance to continue using the data formats as previously used for collating industry data for RoSCTL rate determination, rather than adopting the format suggested in the letter. AEPC highlighted several reasons for this request. Additionally,

AEPC asked for the consideration of additional State-Level Taxes & Levies, such as Municipal Taxes, Stamp Duty on Rental Agreements, and Export Contracts.

AEPC further recommended that the period for submitting audited data be from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024, as the financial accounts for this period are already available and audited, ensuring accuracy and auditing the financial accounts for the current period (01.04.2024 to 30.09.2024) within the required timeframe would be challenging due to the annual financial closing cycle.

AEPC attended the initial Stakeholder Consultation meeting for review of RoSCTL rates

The Chairman AEPC, Chairman EP and SG-AEPC attended the stakeholder consultation meeting held on 6.3.2025 under the Chairmanship of Shri G.K. Pillai, Chairman, RoSCTL Committee with the representatives of EPCs, Export Units and Ministry of Textiles. After the meeting, it was agreed that the format circulated vide letter dated 25.03.2025 may be approved with the addition of an entry for indicating the major port(s) of import and export. The relevant year for submission of data would be FY 2023-24 (01.04.2023 to 31.03.2025).

The data has been required as per the format, at [Annexure](#).

AEPC has vide its [Circular No. 194](#) dated 6.3.2025 requested its member exporters to submit data on taxes/levies so that RoSCTL rates may be revised appropriately.

AEPC organized awareness generation workshop with Amazon Global Selling

AEPC, in collaboration with Amazon Global Selling, is organizing a Pan-India Awareness Generation Series. First program in this series was held on 7th March 2025 in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu. The event Export Connect brought together 600+ sellers from cities like Tirupur, Coimbatore, Karur and Erode.

Dr. A. Sakthivel, Vice Chairman, AEPC, while delivering his special address, emphasized that, "exports through E-commerce are going to play a pivotal role in the future growth of exports. Amazon is empowering our exporters, particularly those in key apparel hubs like Tirupur, Coimbatore and Erode to tap into new markets and bring Indian apparel to customers globally."

He further highlighted, "Quality goods and timely delivery create a win-win situation for both buyers and sellers. The Tamil Nadu Government is also very keen on e-commerce and similarly, all state governments are showing their interest."

Highlights included insightful sessions by Mr. Anand Mohan Mishra, Joint DGFT, Mr. K.M. Subramanian, President, TEA and Amazon team.

ATDC and SECL signed a MoU to provide vocational training to unemployed youth

The Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPCC) said its Apparel Training and Design Centre has inked a pact with South Eastern Coalfield Ltd (SECL) to impart skills to 400 candidates from economically weaker sections.

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Currency Trend

INR versus USD FY 2024-25	
Months	INR
April	83.41
May	83.35
June	83.48
July	83.59
August	83.88
September	83.80
October	84.03
November	84.38
December	84.97
January	86.23
February	86.96
7 th March	87.40

Source: x-rates.com

India's Textile & RMG update for Index for Industrial Production

Quick Estimates FY 2024-25		
Months	Textiles	Apparel
April	105.3	105.1
May	107.0	123.6
June	106.2	122.6
July	109.1	111.7
August	109.5	111.5
September	109.6	103.6
October	111.4	104.7

Source: CSO

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