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## India's RMG Export to World (Value)

- Dec, 2025	: USD 1504.1 mn.
- Dec, 2024	: USD 1461.9 mn.
- Growth	: 2.9 %
- Apr – Dec 2025-26	: USD 11584.3 mn.
- Apr – Dec 2024-25	: USD 11316.6 mn.
- Growth	: 2.4 %

## (Quantity)

- Nov, 2025	: 306268.1 Thousand Units
- Nov., 2024	: 265175.4 Thousand Units
- Growth	: 15.5 %
- Apr – Nov 2025-26	: 2553850.5 Thousand Units
- Apr - Nov 2024-25	: 2456993.2 Thousand Units
- Growth	: 3.9 %

## AEPC News

### Exporters' Meet 2026 Held in Jaipur

AEPC organized an Exporters' Meet on 6th February 2026 at Hotel InterContinental, Sitapura Industrial Area, Jaipur, to discuss challenges, opportunities, and the roadmap for Jaipur's garment exporters. The programme began with a welcome address by Shri K. M. Subramanian, Chairman, EP Committee, followed by the felicitation of the Chief Guest, Shri V. Srinivas, IAS, Chief Secretary, Government of Rajasthan.

Shri Premal Udani, Advisor, EP Committee delivered the keynote address on emerging opportunities in apparel exports. Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, Secretary General AEPC gave address on detailed export strategy for the growth of the sector.

This was followed by the address by Dr. A. Sakthivel, Chairman, AEPC, who provided strategic guidance and valuable insights to the garment exporters of Jaipur.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Shri Rakshit Poddar, President, GEAR.

### Visit to Kota for Development of Apparel Textile Park

On 7th February 2026, an AEPC delegation comprising Dr. A. Sakthivel, Chairman, Shri K.M. Subramanian, Chairman EP Committee, Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, Secretary General AEPC visited Kota along with Jaipur based exporters to explore the possibilities of setting up of Integrated Textile Park. The District Administration facilitated the visit and showed to the delegation some sites ready for development.

Dr. Sakthivel made a plea that a Plug-and-Play facility may be provided by the Kota Administration so the manufacturing and export of apparel could start on a fast track basis.

### AEPC attended the Meeting with Union Commerce and Industry Minister Shri Piyush Goyal

On 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2026, Dr. A. Sakthivel, Chairman AEPC and Shri Mithileshwar Thakur, SG AEPC attended the meeting chaired by Union Commerce and Industry Minister Shri Piyush Goyal, along with representatives of various other Export Promotion Councils and leading industry associations, to deliberate on leveraging recently signed Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) with developed nations. The Minister urged exporters to maximise market access, enhance competitiveness and drive job creation through these trade pacts.

Industry representatives welcomed the successful conclusion of trade agreements with the UK, EU and USA, and appreciated the removal of the additional 25% US tariff on Indian imports, restoring competitiveness for key sectors.

Sectors such as textiles and apparel, gems & jewellery, leather, carpets, engineering goods and marine products expressed confidence that the tariff relief would safeguard employment and boost exports.

### AEPC-Led 45-Member Textile Delegation Meets Union Commerce & Industry Ministers

A delegation led by Dr. A. Sakthivel, Chairman, AEPC, along with key representatives of the Tiruppur textile cluster and industry associations, met Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble

Minister of Commerce & Industry, and Shri Jitin Prasada, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Commerce & Industry, on 11 February 2026.

The delegation included key representatives from the Garment Exporters and Manufacturers Association, New Delhi; Delhi Exporters Association; Tiruppur Exporters Association; South India Hosiery Manufacturers Association; Southern India Mills Association, Tiruppur; and the Association of Garment Exporters, Sitapura, Jaipur.

Dr. A. Sakthivel, Chairman, AEPC, expressed his sincere gratitude to Shri Piyush Goyal for his proactive efforts in advancing India's trade agenda, including the successful conclusion of the India-EU FTA, described as the "mother of all deals," and the Interim Trade Deal with the United States, both of which are expected to significantly boost India's textile and apparel exports.

### **Webinar on RBI Trade Relief & Financial Support Measures for Exporters**

AEPC, in collaboration with the State Bank of India, organised a webinar on 12 February 2026 on RBI's Trade Relief Measures, Interest Subvention Scheme, Credit Guarantee Scheme for Exporters (CGSE), collateral support and other key financial measures.

The session offered detailed insights into the latest regulatory frameworks and banking facilities aimed at strengthening export financing and risk management. The keynote address by the Director & General Manager, State Bank Academy, SBI, highlighted the evolving financial landscape and the importance of banking support for exporters.

Senior representatives of SBI presented RBI-led relief measures, export credit mechanisms and risk mitigation tools. The webinar witnessed participation from over 195 exporters across the country, reflecting strong interest in current financial support frameworks and policy measures.

### **AEPC's participation in the "International Apparel and Textile Fair" in Dubai, UAE**

AEPC is going to participate in the "International Apparel and Textile Fair" in Dubai, UAE to be held from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2026, at Dubai World Trade Centre (DWTC)/Festival Arena in Dubai, UAE. AEPC circulated the details to the trade.

The last date for Early Bird Discount of Rs. 15,000/- has been extended from 06.02.2026 to 28.02.2026.

The detailed circular can be seen by clicking <http://www.aepcindia.com/sites/default/files/pdfs/Extension-of-Early-Bird-Discount-IATF-Dubai-UAE-%2818-20-May%2C2026%29.pdf>

The last date for submission of the application with payment is 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2026.

### **Relevant Government Notifications / PIB Releases**

- [UNITED STATES-INDIA JOINT STATEMENT](#)
- [Release of the new series of GDP, CPI and IIP is scheduled for 27th February 2026, 12th February 2026 and May 2026](#)
- [Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal urges Export Promotion Councils and Industry bodies to utilize FTAs to gain greater presence in world markets](#)

### **Top National News**

- [India-US Trade Deal a Win-Win For Both Textile Exporters And Importers: AEPC Chairman](#)
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- [Bangladesh-US zero-duty fears overstated; Indian cotton farmers safe: AEPC](#)
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### Currency Trend

INR versus USD FY 2025-26	
Months	INR
April	85.60
May	85.20
June	85.93
July	86.07
August	87.52
September	88.27
October	88.37
November	88.88
December	90.00
January	90.73
13 <sup>th</sup> February	90.74

Source: x-rates.com

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

Quick Estimates FY 2025-26		
Months	Textiles	Apparel
April	105.7	114.2
May	103.8	126.5
June	107.8	127.5
July	107.3	112.7
August	107.7	107.2
Sept.	110.7	100.6
Oct.	106.6	89.6
Nov.	110.0	105.3
Dec.	111.4	109.5

Source: CSO

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