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India's RMG Export to World (Value)

- Jan, 2026	: USD 1544.8 mn.
- Jan, 2025	: USD 1606.4 mn.
- Growth	: -3.8%
- Apr – Jan 2025-26	: USD 13129.8 mn.
- Apr – Jan 2024-25	: USD 12922.9 mn.
- Growth	: 1.6 %

(Quantity)

- Dec, 2025	: 365172.6 Thousand Units
- Dec., 2024	: 369212.9 Thousand Units
- Growth	: -1.1 %
- Apr – Dec 2025-26	: 2921697.1 Thousand Units
- Apr - Dec 2024-25	: 2828182.2 Thousand Units
- Growth	: 3.3 %

AEPC News

AEPC Hails Export Promotion Mission as Game-Changer for India's Apparel Exports

AEPC welcomed the Government's newly announced Export Promotion Mission, calling it a timely and transformative step to strengthen India's apparel exports. AEPC Chairman Dr. A. Sakthivel described the Mission as a "360-degree support" framework covering raw materials, compliance, logistics, branding, marketing, and financing—benefiting both MSMEs and large exporters.

AEPC Commemorates its 48th Foundation Day

On February 22, 2026, AEPC celebrated its 48th Foundation Day at Apparel House, Gurugram, reaffirming its nearly five-decade commitment to strengthening India's ready-made garment exports. Chairman Dr. A. Sakthivel highlighted AEPC's proactive policy advocacy and industry support, noting the positive impact of landmark FTAs such as the India-EU and India-US agreements.

Looking ahead, the Council aims to expand into new markets, promote sustainable practices, and enhance global competitiveness, positioning the coming decade as a defining era for India's apparel and textile exports.

India- Brazil trade relations to boost apparel exports: Chairman AEPC

AEPC has welcomed the renewed push to strengthen India-Brazil trade ties, calling it a major opportunity for India's apparel exports. The plan to expand bilateral trade beyond USD 20 billion over five years, along with deeper cooperation in technology and innovation, is expected to open new market access and boost opportunities for Indian exporters and MSMEs.

AEPC expressed confidence that the enhanced partnership will accelerate apparel exports, generate employment, and deliver broad-based economic benefits for both nations.

National Symposium on Customs Reforms, 2026

Mr. Mithileshwar Thakur, Secretary General AEPC attended the National Symposium on Customs Reforms and Trade Facilitation organised by CBIC on 26th February 2026 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. He participated as a panelist in the Breakout Session on Budget Reforms.

During the session, he shared perspectives on the need to carry out further reforms in customs to improve ease of doing business and trade facilitation.

Webinar with DG Systems on ICEGATE Issues – 13th March 2026

AEPC will be organizing an interactive webinar with the Directorate General of Systems (DG Systems) on 13th March 2026 to address members' issues related to ICEGATE, including scrip generation, scroll processing, account management, IGCR, and RoSCTL matters.

Senior officers from DG Systems and the ICEGATE technical team will be present to clarify queries and discuss recent system updates.

Members are requested to submit their specific issues through the Registration-cum-Feedback Form by 06th March 2026 (Friday), shared by AEPC vide its [Circular – 221](#) dated 25.02.2026.

Access WGSN at AEPC offices – Free of Cost

AEPC vide its communication dated 26.2.2026 has informed its member exporters that it has partnered with WGSN, a global leader in consumer fashion, design trends, and forecasting. This collaboration aims to revitalize the Indian apparel export market using WGSN's insights.

Under this initiative, AEPC members may access WGSN's services free of cost at designated AEPC offices. Members wishing to avail of this facility are requested to register via the following Google Form: [Click here for Registration](#).

AEPC seeks information on Non-Tariff Barriers (NTBs)

AEPC vide its circular dated 27.2.2026 requested its member exporters to provide inputs on Non-Tariff Barriers (NTBs) faced in key global markets to support ongoing trade negotiations by the Ministry of Textiles.

Exporters have been asked to report specific challenges in markets such as Japan, South Korea, UK, USA, EU, Russia, Mexico and Brazil. These may include technical barriers, SPS measures, quality and certification norms, ESG compliances, testing and inspection requirements, labelling rules, import licensing, quotas and other administrative restrictions.

Members may submit details via the Google Form: <https://forms.gle/2Evcb3JmCCTGe2UC7>

Timely and prompt feedback will help AEPC take up the issues effectively with the government.

Relevant Government Notifications / PIB Releases

- [DGFT Notification 60/2025-26: Rationalization of RoDTEP rates](#)
- [Corrigendum to Notification No. 60/2025-26 dated 23.02.2026 - Corrigendum on Rationalisation of RoDTEP rates](#)
- [DGFT Public Notice 50/2025-26 dated 24.02.2026 - Amendment to the Last date for submission of TRQ Application for various FTA's notified under Appendix-2A of the FTP, 2023 for FY-2026-27](#)
- [Export Promotion Mission: Building an Integrated Pathway for MSMEs in Global Trade](#)
- [Cabinet approves Minimum Support Prices for Raw Jute for 2026-27 Season](#)
- [Ministry of Corporate Affairs General Circular No. 01/2026 - Companies Compliance Facilitation Scheme, 2026 \(CCFS-2026\)](#)

- [Compliance Handbook for Employers Under the Four Labour Codes \(Central Government Sphere\)](#)
- [DGFT Policy Circular 10/2025-26 dated 26.2.2026 - EPCG Scheme - Relief in Average Eo in terms of the para 5.17\(a\) of Hand Book of procedures \(HBp\) of FTp,2023](#)

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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
27 th February	90.75

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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