

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4032
ANSWERED ON 17/03/2026

FOREIGN TRADE POLICY, 2023

4032. SHRI BAIJAYANT PANDA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be please to state:

- (a) the value of exports from India since the launch of the Foreign Trade Policy 2023, year-wise;
- (b) the export performance of Towns of Export Excellence notified under the Policy, year-wise;
- (c) the major sectors represented by the Towns of Export Excellence, and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to notify additional Towns of Export Excellence under the Foreign Trade Policy, 2023, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जितिन प्रसाद)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI
JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (d) The year wise value of exports from India since the launch of Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2023 are as below:

	FY 2023-24 (US\$ Billion)	FY 2024-25 (US\$ Billion)
Merchandise Exports (A)	437.1	437.4
Services Exports (B)	341.1	387.5
Total Exports (A+B)	778.2	824.9

While the Department of Commerce does not maintain the data on the export performance of Towns of Export Excellence (TEE) the recognition as TEE is granted to eligible industrial clusters with a view to maximize their potential and enable them to move up the value chain and also to tap new markets. The Towns of Export Excellence are notified based on their potential for export growth if they produce goods of Rs. 750 Crore or more. For specific sectors including Handloom, Handicraft, Agriculture, and Fisheries, a lower threshold of Rs. 150 Crore is applied for recognition. The Government notifies the Towns of Export Excellence based on proposals received.

The complete list of these notified towns is maintained in Appendix 1B of the Appendices

under Handbook of Procedures, 2023. It can be accessed on DGFT website at www.dgft.gov.in.

The major sectors represented by Towns of Export Excellence (TEE) include:

- Textiles & Clothing (including Handlooms, Carpets, Apparel)
- Handicrafts
- Marine/Seafood Products
- Leather & Footwear
- Agriculture & Agri-processing/Coir/Bamboo
- Pharmaceuticals
- Gems & Jewellery
- Ceramics & Sanitaryware
- Niche Industrial clusters.
