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Monthly Review of FOREIGN TRADE April, 2017

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SUMMARY April, 2017

Exports Imports Balance of Trade

(Rupees in Million) (U.S. Dollars in Million)

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				% Cha	ınge
April, 2017		March, 2017		April, 2017	
				March,	2017
Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$
188,385.88	1,798.48	187,921.84	1,794.15	0.25	0.24
519,814.42	4,962.50	521,302.38	4,977.03	-0.29	-0.29
-331,428.54	-3,164.02	-333,380.54	-2,293.46	-0.59	37.96
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Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$
188,385.88	1,798.48	179,622.05	1,716.02	4.88	4.81
519,814.42	4,962.50	399,929.33	3,820.72	29.98	29.88
-331,428.54	-3,164.02	-220,307.28	-2,104.70	50.44	50.33
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Jul-Apr;	2017	Jul-Apr;	2016		
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Rs.	\$	Rs.	·	Rs.	\$
1,768,744.86	16,895.54	1,803,448.76	17,313.51	-1.92	-2.41
4,536,372.88	43,331.75	3,777,821.30	36,265.39	16.25	19.49
-2,767,628.02	-26,436.21	-1,974,372.54	-18,951.88	40.18	39.49
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Note: *Balance of Trade does not include Re-exports & Re-imports.

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EXPORTS

The total Exports of Pakistan during April, 2017 amounted to Rs. 188,385.88 million as against Rs. 187,921.84 million in March, 2017 and Rs. 179,622.05 million during April, 2016 showing an increase of 0.25% over March, 2017 and by 4.88% over April, 2016.

Exports during July-April, 2017 totalled Rs. 1,768,744.86 million as against Rs. 1,803,448.76 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 1.92%.

In terms of U.S dollars, the exports during April, 2017 amounted to \$1,798.48 million as against \$ 1,794.15 million in March, 2017and \$ 1,716.02 million during April, 2016 showing an increase of 0.24 % over March, 2017, and by 4.81% over April, 2016.

In terms of U.S. dollars, the exports during July-April, 2017 totalled \$ 16,895.54 million as against \$ 17,313.51 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 2.41%.

IMPORTS

The total Imports of Pakistan during April, 2017 amounted to Rs. 519,814.42 million as against Rs. 521,302.38 million in March, 2017 and Rs. 399,929.33 million during April, 2016 showing a fall of 0.29% over March, 2017, whereas increased by 29.98 % over April, 2016.

Imports during July-April, 2017 amounted to Rs. 4,536,372.88 million as against Rs. 3,777,821.30 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 16.25%.

In terms of US dollars, the imports during April, 2017 amounted to \$4,962.50 million as against \$4,977.03 million in March, 2017 and \$3,820.72 million during April, 2016 showing decrease of 0.29% over March, 2017, but increased by 29.88% over April, 2016.

In term of U.S. dollars, the imports during July–April, 2017 amounted \$ 43,331.75 million as against \$ 36,265.39 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 19.49%.

Based on the above figures of exports & imports the balance of trade in April, 2017 was unfavorable for Pakistan to the tune of 331,428.54 million in rupees equal to US \$3,164.02 million and the balance of trade during July-April, 2017 was unfavorable to the tune of 2,767,628.02 million rupees equal to U.S. \$26,436.21 million.

I - Exports by Group/Commodities

Exports from Pakistan during April, 2017 amounted to Rs. 188,385.88 million as against the exports of Rs. 187,921.84 million in previous month and Rs. 179,622.05 million during the corresponding month of last year showing increase of 0.25% over previous month and by 4.88% over the corresponding month of last year.

Exports during July–April, 2017 totaled Rs. 1,768,744.86 million as against Rs. 1,803,448.76 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 1.92%.

Comparative figure of exports by group/commodities during April, 2017compared to March, 2017 and April, 2016 are given in table-1 and cumulative exports for the period July-April, 2017 of current financial year compared to the corresponding period of last year are given in table-2.

Primary Commodities

During April, 2017 the 6 selected primary commodities contributed 15.17% of total exports in which the share of rice, fruit, vegetables & preparations thereof, fish & fish preparations, raw cotton (excluding linters), tobacco un-manufactured and raw wool were 9.77%, 3.02%, 2.26%, 0.10%, 0.01% and 0.01% respectively.

During July-April, 2017 these 6 commodities contributed 13.18% of the total exports showing decrease of 8.18 % as against their combined share of 14.35% during the corresponding period of last year.

Textile Manufactures

During April, 2017 the 9 selected commodities of Textile Manufactures contributed 54.92% of total exports in which the share of articles of apparel & clothing accessories (excl. knitwear), cotton fabrics, knitwear, bed-wear, cotton yarn and towels were 10.63%, 10.57%, 10.35%, 9.84%, 5.61% and 4.06% respectively.

During July-April, 2017 these 9 commodities contributed 58.53% of the total exports showing an increase of 2.50% as against their combined share of 57.10% during the corresponding period of last year.

Other Manufactures

During April, 2017 the 7 selected commodities of other Manufactures contributed 7.75% of total exports in which the share of leather clothes & accessories, leather, sport goods (excl. toys), surgical instruments and petroleum products were 1.80%, 1.69 %, 1.55 %, 1.53% and 0.48 % respectively.

During July-April, 2017 these 7 commodities contributed 8.65% of the total exports showing decrease of 1.31% as against their combined share of 8.77% during the corresponding period of last year.

Table - 1 Monthly Exports by Major Commodities

					% Cl	nange
	Commodities	Apr, 2017	Mar, 2017	Apr, 2016	Apr, 2017	Apr, 2017
					Mar, 2017	Apr, 2016
Tot	tal	188,385.88	187,921.84	179,622.05	0.25	4.88
A . I	Primary Commodities	28,580.07	22,938.86	27,105.85	24.59	5.44
1	Rice	18,410.85	14,404.87	18,154.00	27.81	1.41
2	Fruits, vegetables & preparation thereof	5,688.97	4,420.05	5,433.83	28.71	4.70
3	Fish & fish preparation	4,259.28	3,772.67	3,209.39	12.90	32.71
4	Raw cotton (excl. linters)	182.87	90.55	35.63	101.95	413.25
5	Tobacco un-manufactured	28.18	240.37	243.54	-88.28	-88.43
6	Raw wool	9.92	10.35	29.46	-4.15	-66.33
B . 2	Textile Manufactures	103,458.42	106,523.25	103,791.37	-2.88	-0.32
1	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories (excl. knitwear)	20,029.93	21,486.72	19,799.86	-6.78	1.16
2	Cotton fabrics	19,917.75	19,762.11	20,324.99	0.79	-2.00
3	Knitwear	19,500.77	19,301.08	19,087.13	1.03	2.17
4	Bedwear	18,538.92	18,907.73	17,818.53	-1.95	4.04
5	Cotton yarn	10,563.49	10,206.19	9,718.50	3.50	8.69
6	Towels	7,648.97	7,368.71	7,847.90	3.80	-2.53
7	Textile made up (excl. towels & bed wear	5,428.60	6,137.86	6,009.88	-11.56	-9.67
8	Tarpaulin &other canvas goods	1,301.02	826.37	849.44	57.44	53.16
9	Synthetic textile fabrics	528.97	2,526.48	2,335.14	-79.06	-77.35
<i>C</i> . (Other Manufactures	14,606.93	14,977.88	17,141.89	-2.48	-14.79
1	Leather clothes & accessories	3,386.13	3,878.67	4,637.84	-12.70	-26.99
2	Leather	3,176.38	3,251.43	3,273.44	-2.31	-2.97
3	Sports goods (excl. toys)	2,920.42	2,817.91	3,325.85	3.64	-12.19
4	Surgical instruments	2,873.79	3,054.30	3,715.06	-5.91	-22.64
5	Petroleum products	902.29	603.81	239.28	49.43	277.09
6	Footwear	730.92	805.79	1,057.50	-9.29	-30.88
7	Carpets, carpeting, rugs & mats	617.00	565.97	892.92	9.02	-30.90
Otl	iers	41,740.46	43,481.85	31,582.94	-4.00	32.16

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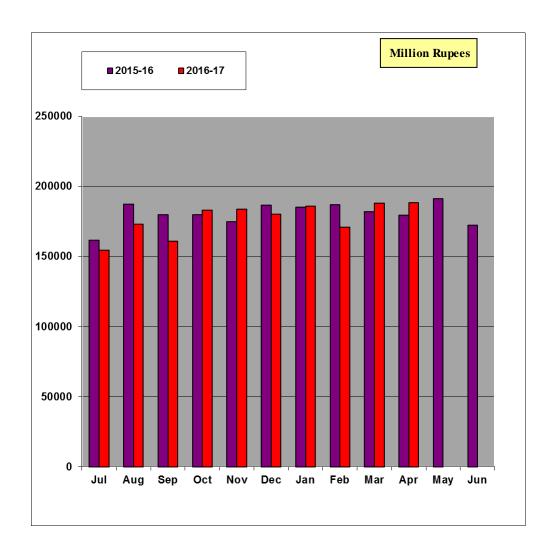


Table - 2
Cumulative Exports by Major Commodities

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				% Change
	Commodities	Jul-Apr; 2017	Jul-Apr; 2016	Jul-Apr; 2017
				Jul-Apr; 2016
	Total	1,768,744.86	1,803,448.76	-1.92
A .	Primary Commodities	233,106.99	258,855.78	-9.95
1	Rice	140,968.84	161,712.72	-12.83
2	Fruits, vegetables and preparations thereof	53,242.08	59,823.70	-11.00
3	Fish & fish preparation	33,127.91	28,249.74	17.27
4	Raw Cotton (excl. linters)	4,485.54	7,847.04	-42.84
5	Tobacco unmanufactured	1,177.39	961.22	22.49
6	Raw wool	105.23	261.36	-59.74
В.	Textile Manufactures	1,035,217.24	1,029,825.55	0.52
1	Knitwear	201,052.29	200,819.42	0.12
2	Articles of apparel & clothing & accessories	198,474.00	187,286.74	5.97
3	Cotton fabrics	188,898.31	195,764.20	-3.51
4	Bed-wear	185,397.51	174,854.22	6.03
5	Cotton yarn	109,107.31	112,548.18	-3.06
6	Towels	69,544.33	69,974.64	-0.61
7	Textile made up (excl. towels & bedwear	55,716.71	55,135.67	1.05
8	Synthetic textile fabrics	14,519.62	25,456.82	-42.96
9	Tarpaulin & other canvas goods	12,507.16	7,985.66	56.62
<i>C</i> .	Other Manufactures	153,075.77	158,157.62	-3.21
1	Leather clothes & accessories	42,644.42	45,888.51	-7.07
2	Leather	29,598.32	31,136.60	
3	Surgical instruments	29,145.69	31,066.14	-6.18
4	Sports goods (excl. toys)	26,865.69	27,754.14	-3.20
5	Petroleum Products	9,495.31	4,398.05	115.90
6	Footwear	8,303.48	9,311.05	-10.82
7	Carpets, carpeting rugs & mats	7,022.86	8,603.13	-18.37
Ot	hers	347,344.86	356,609.81	-2.60

II – Analysis of Selected Commodities of Export

Cotton Fabrics

Cotton fabrics maintained its second position on the exports list in its group for April, 2017 as same observed in the previous month. During this month its exports amounted to Rs. 19,917.75 million as against Rs. 19,762.11 million in March, 2017 and Rs. 20,324.99 million during April, 2016 showing increase by 0.79% over March, 2017 but decreased of 2.00 % over April, 2016.

During July-April, 2017 of current financial year 1,738,936 thousand sq. meters of cotton fabrics valued at Rs. 188,898.31 million were exported as against 1,843,056 thousand sq. meters valued at Rs. 195,764.20 million during the same period of last year showing a decrease of 5.65% in terms of quantity and in terms of value was lower by 3.51%. The average unit price of cotton fabrics increased to Rs. 108.63 per sq. meter from Rs. 106.22 per sq. meter during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 2.27%. Main buyers of cotton fabrics during July-April, 2017 of current financial year were Bangladesh (Rs. 40,107.67 million), Italy (Rs. 13,204.43 million), China (Rs. 11,554.81 million), Germany (Rs. 8,495.29 million), U.S.A. (Rs. 7,612.83 million), Spain (Rs. 7,490.27 million), Turkey (Rs. 7,314.54 million), Sri Lanka (Rs. 6,665.90 million), United Kingdom (Rs. 6,353.69 million) and Portugal (Rs. 6,133.08 million). Their total take-off accounted for 60.84% of total exports of cotton cloth as compared to their combined share of 62.45% during the same period of last year.

Variety-wise exports of cotton fabrics during July-April, 2017 of current financial year and the corresponding period of last year are given below.

(Quantity in '000' Sq. M.) (Value in million Rs.)

Common 414-	Jul-Apı	Jul-Apr;2017		r;2016
Commodity	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
TOTAL: (COTTON FABRICS)	1,738,936	188,898.31	1,843,056	195,764.20
COTTON FABRICS GREY (UNBLEACHED)	649,113	65,541.93	699,713	71,925.95
COTTON PRINTS	143,480	16,151.00	125,355	13,376.46
COTTON SHEETINGS (BLEACHED)	122,624	13,243.01	116,535	12,440.71
CANVAS CLOTH WATER PROOF (DYED)	363,495	40,293.17	368,342	38,747.43
DENIME	323,018	40,208.06	410,813	46,891.26
OTHER COTTON FABRICS	137,206	13,461.14	122,298	12,382.39

Cotton Yarn

Cotton yarn maintained its fifth position on the exports list in its group for April, 2017 as observed in the previous month. Its exports in this month amounted to Rs. 10,563.49 million as against Rs. 10,206.19 million in March, 2017 and Rs. 9,718.50 million in April, 2016 showing an increase of 3.50% over March, 2017 and by 8.69% over April, 2016.

During July–April, 2017 exports of cotton yarn amounted to Rs. 109,107.31 million as against Rs. 112,548.18 million in the corresponding period of last year depicting a fall of 3.06%. In terms of quantity 379,202 thousand kg of cotton yarn was exported during the July–April, 2017of current financial year as against 358,692 thousand kg exported during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 5.72%. The average unit price of cotton yarn for period July–April, 2017of current financial year was Rs. 287.73 per kg as against Rs. 313.77 per kg in the same period of last year showing a fall of 8.30%.

China (Rs. 71,952.39 million), Bangladesh (Rs. 7,188.52 million), Turkey (Rs. 4,824.91 million), Portugal (Rs. 3,985.71 million), Hong Kong (Rs. 3,163.15 million), Korea Rep. of (Rs. 2,632.55 million), Japan (Rs. 2,517.69 million), Italy (Rs. 1,769.37 million), U. S. A. (Rs. 1,149.95 million) and Viet Nam (Rs 937.3 million), were major buyers of cotton yarn during this period. Their combined share accounted for 91.76% of total exports of cotton yarn as compared to their combined share of 92.74% during the same period of last year.

Variety-wise exports of cotton yarn in terms of quantity and value during July-April, 2017 of the current financial year and corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Quantity in '000' Kg.) (Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	Jul-Apr;2017		Jul-Apr;2016	
Commodity	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
TOTAL	379,202	109,107.31	358,692	112,548.18
COTTON YARN SINGLE COMB/UNCOMB	329,450	94,063.33	304,406	96,555.54
COTTON YARN MULTIPLE COMB/UNCOMB	49,739	15,039.24	53,915	15,898.73
OTHER COTTON YARN	13	4.74	371	93.9

Rice

Rice maintained its first position on the exports list in its group during April, 2017 as observed in the previous month. In this month it fetched Rs. 18,410.85 million as against Rs. 14,404.87 million in March, 2017and Rs. 18,154.00 million in April, 2016 showing an increase of 27.81 % over March, 2017 and by 1.41 % over April, 2016.

During July–April, 2017 its exports amounted to Rs. 140,968.84 million as against the exports of Rs. 161,712.72 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 12.83%. Kenya was the leading buyer of rice during July–April, 2017 with its share of 13.03% in the total exports of this item. Other major buyers were United Arab Emirates (9.80%), Afghanistan (8.70%), China (7.41%), Tanzania (3.66%), Mozambique (3.60%) and Madagascar (3.43%). These seven countries accounted for 49.63% of total exports of rice during this period.

Exports of rice to major countries during July-April, 2017and the corresponding period of last year are given below.

(Quantity in tonnes.) (Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	July-Ma	r, 2017	July-Mar, 2016		
Commodity	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	
TOTAL	3,044,517	140,968.85	3,554,014	161,712.73	
Kenya	481,281	18,365.09	379,772	16,126.61	
United Arab Emirates	180,847	13,821.89	135,224	9,844.36	
Afghanistan	319,372	12,258.07	259,986	10,540.06	
China	307,104	10,444.27	691,895	25,863.84	
U.R.of Tanzania	141,367	5,161.85	162,966	5,977.29	
Mozambique	137,906	5,070.57	157,013	6,300.17	
Madagascar	131,699	4,839.03	102,466	3,897.13	
OTHER	1,344,941	71,008.08	1,664,692	83,163.27	

Unit price of rice basmati for April, 2017 was Rs. 102,324.20 per tonne as against Rs. 98,855.77 per tonne in April, 2016 showing a rise of 3.51%. Average unit price of this variety for July–April, 2017 of current financial year was Rs. 100,971.81 per tonne as against Rs. 96,867.40 per tonne for the same period of last year showing an increase of 4.24%

Unit price of rice "Other Verities" increased to Rs. 41,278.86 per tonne in April, 2017 from Rs. 37,142.73 in April, 2016 showing a rise of 11.14%. The average unit price of rice "Other Varities" for July–April, 2017 at Rs. 39,010.65 per tonne was lower by 0.57% compared to average unit price of Rs. 39,232.34 per tonne for the same period of last year.

Variety-wise exports of rice in terms of quantity and value are given below:-

(Quantity in tonnes.) (Value in million Rs.)

			Unit value
Variety/ period	Quantity	Value	(Rs. Per tonne)
RICE BASMATI			
Apr-17	55,954	5,725.45	102,324.20
Apr-16	45,463	4,494.28	98,855.77
JULY-2016 - APRIL-2017	358,293	36,177.49	100,971.81
JULY-2015 - APRIL-2016	386,578	37,446.81	96,867.40
RICE OTHER VARITIES			
Apr-17	307,310	12,685.41	41,278.86
Apr-16	367,763	13,659.72	37,142.73
JULY-2016 - APRIL-2017	2,686,224	104,791.35	39,010.65
JULY-2015 - APRIL-2016	3,167,436	124,265.91	39,232.34

Petroleum Products

Petroleum products moved up to fifth position on the exports list in its group during April, 2017 from sixth position in the previous month. In this month its exports amounted to Rs. 902.29 million as against Rs. 603.81 million in March, 2017 and Rs. 239.28 million in April, 2016 showing an increase of 49.43% over March, 2017 and by 277.09% over April, 2016.

Exports of this item for July-April, 2017 of current financial year stood at Rs. 9,495.31 million as against exports of Rs. 4,398.05 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 115.90%.

In terms of quantity 202,036 tonnes of petroleum products were exported during July–April, 2017 of current financial year as against 75,786 tonnes exported during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 166.59%.

The main buyers of petroleum products during July-April, 2017 were Afghanistan (Rs. 5,558.35 million), India (Rs. 1,871.11 million), Kazakstan (Rs. 1,017.06 million), China (369.79 million), Netherland (Rs. 269.22 million), Philippines (Rs. 186.50 million) and Bangladesh (Rs. 156.53 million). These seven countries accounted for 97.30% of total exports of petroleum products during July-April, 2017 against 97.92% exports during the same period of last year.

Quantity and value of exports of petroleum products during July-April, 2017and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Quantity in tonnes) (Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	Jul-Apr;2017		Jul-Apr;2016	
Commodity	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
TOTAL	202,036	9,495.31	75,786	4,398.05
PETROLEUM TOP-NEPTHA	95,779	3643.2	3080	111.08
OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS	106,257	5,852.12	72,706	4,286.97

Leather

Leather maintained second position on the exports list in its group for April, 2017 as similar observed in the previous month. Its exports in this month amounted to Rs. 3,176.38 million as against Rs. 3,251.43 million in March, 2017 and Rs. 3,273.44 million in April, 2016 showing decrease of 2.31% over March, 2017 and by 2.97% over April, 2016.

Exports of this item during July-April, 2017 totalled Rs. 29,598.32 million as against Rs. 31,136.60 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a fall of 4.94%. In terms of quantity 18,274,869 sq. meter of leather was exported during July-April, 2017 as against 14,106,526 sq. meters exported during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 29.55%.

The main buyers of leather during July–April, 2017 were Italy (Rs. 4,251.49 million), Hong Kong (Rs. 4,236.51 million), China (Rs. 3,690.28 million), India (Rs. 2,198.67 million), Viet Nam (Rs. 2,136.59 million), Bangladesh (Rs. 2,022.92 million), Korea Rep. of (Rs. 1,733.26 million), Spain (Rs. 1,441.74 million), Germany (Rs. 1,082.26 million), South Africa (Rs. 744.92 million) and Indonesia (Rs. 707.70 million) whose combined share in total exports of leather was 81.92% as against their combined share of 82.59% during the same period of last year.

Quantity and value of exports of leather during July-April, 2017 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Quantity in sq. meter.) (Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	Jul-Apr	Jul-Apr;2017		r;2016
Commodity	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
TOTAL	18,274,869	29,598.32	14,106,526	31,136.60
TANED/CURST HIDE/SKIN BOVINE ANI	932,707	1,089.95	953,992	1,404.69
TANED/CURST DRESSED BOVINE ANI.	9,863,608	14,925.66	7,367,778	15,702.27
TANED/CURST HIDE/SKIN SHEEP/LAMB	22,966	45.33	17,217	30.64
TANED/CURST DRESSED SHEEP/LAMBS	1,397,438	2,536.74	723,745	2,156.40
TANED/CURST HIDE/SKIN GOAT/KIDS	33,167	83.10	60,738	150.14
TANED/CURST DRESSED OF GOAT/KIDS	4,354,858	7,695.27	4,027,065	9,685.16
LEATHER N.S.	1,670,125	3,222.26	955,991	2,007.29

Carpets, Carpeting Rugs & Mats

Carpets, carpeting rugs and mats maintained seventh position on exports list in its group for April, 2017 same as in the previous month. Its exports in April, 2017amounted to Rs. 617.0 million as against Rs. 565.97 million in March, 2017 and Rs. 892.92 million in April, 2016 showing an increase of 9.02% over March, 2017 but decreased by 30.90% over April, 2016.

Exports of this item for the July-April, 2017 of current financial year amounted to Rs. 7,022.86 million as against Rs. 8,603.13 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a fall of 18.37%.

In terms of quantity 1,541,041 sq. meters of carpets, carpeting rugs and mats were exported during July–April, 2017 of current financial year as against 1,511,946 sq. meters exported during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 1.92%.

The average unit price of carpets of woolen hand knotted was Rs. 5,428.31 per sq. meter during July–April, 2017as against Rs. 6,413.13 per sq. meter in the corresponding period of last year showing a fall of 15.36%. U. S. A. (Rs. 3,536.69 million), Germany (Rs. 580.32 million), Italy (Rs. 377.76 million), France (Rs. 316.20 million), United Kingdom (Rs. 243.49 million), Kazakistan (Rs. 234.36 million), Sweden (Rs. 182.84 million), Spain (Rs. 175.38 million) and Canada (Rs. 172.58 million), were the main buyers of carpets, carpeting rugs and mats during July–April, 2017. They together accounted for 82.87% during July–April, 2017 as compared to their share of 83.04% during the same period of last year.

Quantity and value of exports of carpets, carpeting rugs and mats during July-April, 2017 and corresponding period of last year are given below.

(Quantity in sq. meter) (Value in million Rs.)

Commodite	Jul-Api	Jul-Apr;2017		r;2016
Commodity	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
TOTAL	1,541,041	7,022.86	1,511,946	8,603.13
CARPETS OF WOOL HAND KNOTTED	1,196,041	6,492.48	1,229,448	7,884.61
OTHER CARPETS, CARPETING	345,000	530.38	282,498	718.53

Raw Cotton

Raw Cotton moved up to fourth position on the exports list in it group for April, 2017 from fifth in the previous month. Its exports in this month amounted to Rs. 182.87 million as against Rs. 90.55 million in March, 2017 and Rs. 35.63 million in April, 2016 showing an increase of 101.95% over March, 2017 and by 413.25 % over April, 2016.

Exports of this item during July-April, 2017 amounted to Rs. 4,485.54 million as against Rs. 7,847.04 million showing a decrease of 42.84% compared to the same period of last year. In terms of quantity 25,067 tonnes of raw cotton was exported during July-April, 2017 as against 48,741 tonnes exported in the same period of last year showing a decrease of 48.57%.

The main buyers of raw cotton during July–April, 2017 were India (Rs. 1278.39 million), Viet Nam (Rs. 928.42 million), Bangladesh (Rs. 839.02 million), Indonesia (Rs. 831.96 million) and Thailand (Rs. 143.96 million). They together account for 89.66 % of total exports of raw cotton during July–April, 2017 as against their combined share of 98.30 % in the corresponding period of last year.

Quantity and value data of exports of raw cotton during July–April, 2017and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Quantity in `Tonnes'.) (Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	Jul-Apr;2017		Jul-Apr;2016	
Commodity	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
TOTAL:	25,067	4,485.54	48,741	7,847.04
COTTON AMERICAN				
COTTON EGYPTION				
OTHER	25,067	4,485.54	48,741	7,847.04

(-) Indicate nil.

III - Direction of Exports

Exports by Territories/Regions and Major countries during April, 2017compared with April, 2016 are given in table 3 & 4 and cumulative Exports by Territories/Regions and Major countries for the July-April, 2017 of the current financial year compared with the same period of last year are given in table 5 & 6 respectively.

During the month of April, 2017 (32.33%) of total exports went to European Union. The share of North America during April, 2017 was 16.01% as against 18.45% in April, 2016. The share of Middle East during April, 2017 was 10.84% as against 10.55% in April, 2017. Country-wise, U.S.A. was at the top of the exports list for April, 2017 followed by Afghanistan, United Kingdom, China, Germany, and United Arab Emirates. The share of these six countries in total exports of April, 2017was 47.73% as against their share of 48.87% in April, 2016.

During July-April, 2017 the share of European Union in total exports was 33.56%. The share of North America decreased to 17.73% from 17.75% during the same period of last year. The share of Middle East decreased to 10.19% from 10.78% during the same period of last year.

Country-wise, U.S.A. was at the top of the exports list for July-April, 2017 followed by United Kingdom, China, Afghanistan, Germany and Spain. The share of these six countries in total exports for July-April, 2017 of the current financial year was 47.71% as against 48.85% in the same period of last year.

Table - 3

Monthly Exports by Territories/Regions

Territories/Regions		April, 2	017	April, 2016	
	Territories/Regions	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	TOTAL	188,385.88	100.00	179,622.05	100.00
1	Latin & Central America	1,523.74	0.81	1,498.86	0.83
2	South America	2,175.51	1.15	2,343.07	1.30
3	North America	30,168.12	16.01	33,147.88	18.45
4	Eastern Europe	1,528.03	0.81	1,398.30	0.78
5	European Union	60,906.56	32.33	58,673.84	32.67
6	E.F.T.A	477.17	0.25	479.72	0.27
7	Other Europe	238.46	0.13	284.33	0.16
8	Middle East	20,424.52	10.84	18,943.82	10.55
	Asian Countries	18,904.75	10.04	16,763.94	9.33
	African Countries	1,519.77	0.81	2,179.88	1.21
9	Other Asia	57,235.37	30.38	50,813.97	28.29
10	Other Africa	11,724.68	6.22	9,886.79	5.50
11	Oceania	1,983.73	1.05	2,151.46	1.20

Table - 4 Monthly Export to Major Countries

		April, 2	017	April, 20	016
	Countries	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	* TOTAL	188,385.88	100.00	179,622.05	100.00
1	U.S.America	27,721.94	14.72	31,024.19	17.27
2	Afghanistan	17,317.85	9.19	11,297.93	6.29
3	United Kingdom	14,311.49	7.60	12,484.46	6.95
4	China	11,622.93	6.17	15,098.38	8.41
5	Germany	11,257.66	5.98	11,055.71	6.15
6	United Arab Emirates	7,682.82	4.08	6,823.01	3.80
7	Spain	6,604.22	3.51	6,643.98	3.70
8	Bangladesh	6,304.79	3.35	7,072.46	3.94
9	Netherlands	5,735.25	3.04	4,937.48	2.75
10	Italy	5,469.52	2.90	5,842.36	3.25
11	Belgium	5,270.19	2.80	6,181.03	3.44
12	Korea, Republic of	4,631.64	2.46	1,215.56	0.68
13	France	3,499.81	1.86	3,343.16	1.86
14	Kenya	3,355.85	1.78	1,619.72	0.90
15	Saudi Arabia	3,020.44	1.60	3,129.34	1.74
16	Turkey	2,992.29	1.59	1,972.42	1.10
17	India	2,677.15	1.42	2,869.60	1.60
18	Canada	2,445.54	1.30	2,122.77	1.18
19	Viet Nam	2,389.40	1.27	2,031.12	1.13
20	Sri Lanka	2,067.42	1.10	1,728.29	0.96
	* OTHERS	42,007.65	22.30	41,129.10	22.90

Table - 5
Cumulative Export by Territories/Regions

Territories/Regions		Jul-Apr; 2	2017	Jul-Apr; 2	016
	Territories/Regions	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	TOTAL	1,768,744.85	100.00	1,803,448.76	100.00
1	Latin & Central America	13,932.87	0.79	15,570.08	0.86
2	South America	20,965.14	1.19	21,392.64	1.19
3	North America	313,676.46	17.73	320,030.23	17.75
4	Eastern Europe	18,622.78	1.05	19,977.98	1.11
5	European Union	593,514.86	33.56	570,401.00	31.63
6	E.F.T.A	4,840.85	0.27	4,749.61	0.26
7	Other Europe	3650.63	0.21	1573.12	0.09
8	Middle East	180,178.48	10.19	194,388.98	10.78
	Asian Countries	162,828.66	9.21	174,365.17	9.67
	African Countries	17,349.82	0.98	20,023.81	1.11
9	Other Asia	496,825.70	28.09	525,699.95	29.15
10	Other Africa	97,016.07	5.49	106,207.95	5.89
11	Oceania	25,521.01	1.44	23,457.22	1.30

Table - 6
Cumulative Export to Major Countries

	G 4.	Jul-Apr;	2017	Jul-Apr;	2016
	Countries	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	* TOTAL	1,768,744.85	100.00	1,803,448.76	100.00
1	U.S.America	293,959.02	16.62	301,485.31	16.72
2	United Kingdom	135,876.65	7.68	136,409.24	7.56
3	China	132,066.97	7.47	149,104.46	8.27
4	Afghanistan	108,297.86	6.12	127,340.94	7.06
5	Germany	103,795.00	5.87	98,031.03	5.44
6	Spain	69,896.84	3.95	68,647.66	3.81
7	United Arab Emirates	66,002.81	3.73	70,681.90	3.92
8	Netherlands	58,451.36	3.30	55,388.83	3.07
9	Bangladesh	55,984.49	3.17	62,725.22	3.48
10	Italy	55,878.25	3.16	54,458.91	3.02
11	Belgium	54,840.19	3.10	51,717.47	2.87
12	India	32,223.86	1.82	26,376.56	1.46
13	France	31,410.80	1.78	28,798.20	1.60
14	Saudi Arabia	30,358.07	1.72	36,032.87	2.00
15	Korea, Republic of	28,674.80	1.62	20,832.18	1.16
16	Kenya	26,137.08	1.48	21,821.95	1.21
17	Turkey	23,796.19	1.35	18,975.08	1.05
18	Viet Nam	23,578.65	1.33	22,855.01	1.27
19	Sri Lanka	21,761.58	1.23	21627.7	1.20
20	Australia	19,746.82	1.12	18388.12	1.02
	* OTHERS	396,007.55	22.39	411,750.12	22.83

IV - Exports by Economic Categories

Performance of export by economic categories during April, 2017 and July-April, 2017 of the current financial year compared to the same period of last year are shown in table-7.

During April, 2017 exports of primary commodities, semi-manufactures goods and manufactured goods increased by 8.17%, 27.66% and 1.11% respectively during the current month as compared to the same month of last year.

During July-April, 2017 exports of primary commodities and semi manufactures were lower by 7.34% and 6.70% but manufactured goods was higher by 0.14% compared to the same period of last year.

Table - 7
Exports by Economic Categories

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Economic Category	April, 2017	April, 2016	Jul-Apr; 2017	Jul-Apr; 2016
* TOTAL	188,385.88	179,622.05	1,768,744.85	1,803,448.76
1. PRIMARY COMMODITIES.	32,962.54	30,472.28	277,034.18	298,991.41
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	17.50	16.96	15.66	16.58
2. SEMI-MANUFACTURES.	22,217.85	17,403.89	202,496.88	217,027.35
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	11.79	9.69	11.45	12.03
3. MANUFACTURED GOODS.	133,205.50	131,745.88	1,289,213.79	1,287,430.00
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	70.71	73.35	72.89	71.39

I – Import by Groups/Commodities

Imports into Pakistan during April, 2017 amounted to Rs. 519,814.42 million as against the imports of Rs. 521,302.38 million in the previous month and Rs. 399,929.33 million during the corresponding month of last year showing decrease of 0.29% over previous month but increase by 29.98% over the corresponding month of last year.

Imports during July-April, 2017amounted to Rs. 4,536,372.88 million as against Rs. 3,777,821.30 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 20.08%.

Comparative figures of imports by groups/commodities during April, 2017, March, 2017 and April, 2016 are given in Table-8 and cumulative imports for July-April, 2017 of current financial year and the previous year are given in Table-9.

Food Group

During April, 2017 the 5 selected commodities of Food Groups contributed 6.97% of total imports in which the share of palm oil, pulses and tea were 3.36%, 2.27% and 0.82% respectively.

During July-April, 2017 this group contributed 7.15% of total imports showing a decrease of 2.32% as against their combined share of 7.32% during the corresponding period of last year.

Machinery & Transport Group

During April, 2017 Machinery & Transport Group contributed 27.81% of total imports in which the share of machinery and transport equipment were 20.60% and 7.21% respectively.

During July-March, 2017 this Group contributed 28.72% of the total imports showing an increase of 13.32% as against their combined share of 25.34% during the corresponding period of last year.

Petroleum Group

During April, 2017 Petroleum Groups contributed 17.82% of total imports in which the share of Petroleum Products and Petroleum Crude were 13.05% and 4.77% respectively.

During July-April, 2017 this group contributed 17.48% of total imports showing an increase of 4.19% as against their combined share of 16.77% during the corresponding period of last year.

Textile Group

During April, 2017 Textile Groups contributed 1.81% of total imports in which the share of Synthetic fiber and Synthetic & artificial silk yarn were 0.92% and 0.89% respectively.

During July-April, 2017 this group contributed 2.13% of total imports showing a decrease of 16.69% as against their combined share of 2.56% during the corresponding period of last year.

Chemical Group

During April, 2017 the Chemical Groups contributed 13.99% of total imports in which the share of Chemical (excl. fertilizer, medicines & insecticide) (10.93%), Medicinal products (2.02%), Fertilizer manufactured (0.67%), and Insecticide (0.37%).

During July– April, 2017 Chemical group contributed 14.44% of the total imports showing a decrease of 12.69% as against their combined share of 16.53% during the corresponding period of last year.

Metal Group

During April, 2017the Metal Groups contributed 6.30% of total imports in which the share of Iron & steel and Iron & steel scrap were 3.97% and 2.33% respectively.

During July-April, 2017 this group contributed 6.03% of total imports showing a decrease of 13.54% as against their combined share of 6.97% during the corresponding period of last year.

Miscellaneous Group

During April, 2017 the Miscellaneous Group contributed 1.67% of total imports in which the share of Paper & paper product and Tyres & tubes were 1.04% and 0.62% respectively.

During July-April, 2017 this group contributed 1.69% of total imports showing a decrease of 6.92% as against their combined share of 1.82% during the corresponding period of last year.

Table - 8

Monthly Import by Groups/Commodities

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					% Cl	nange
	Commodities	Apr, 2017	Mar, 2017	Apr, 2016	Apr, 2017	Apr, 2017
					Mar, 2017	Apr, 2016
	Total	519,814.42	521,302.38	399,929.33	-0.29	29.98
A-I	Food Group	36,248.85	54,540.72	24,688.59	-33.54	46.82
1	Palm oil	17,471.17	20,739.99	14,112.04	-15.76	23.80
2	Pulses	11,799.56	12,833.80	4,257.45	-8.06	177.15
3	Tea	4,282.25	5,230.67	3,705.70	-18.13	15.56
4	Milk & milk food for infants	1,741.83	792.13	1,790.92	119.89	-2.74
5	Soyabean oil	954.04	14,944.13	822.48	-93.62	16.00
B-A	Aachinery & Trans. Group	144,582.56	137,378.91	114,243.52	5.24	26.56
1	Machinery	107,094.68	106,700.43	90,516.79	0.37	18.31
2	Transport equipment	37,487.88	30,678.48	23,726.73	22.20	58.00
C-I	Petroleum Group	92,618.86	95,446.20	53,341.41	-2.96	73.63
1	Petroleum products	67,839.59	68,572.12	41,433.36	-1.07	63.73
2	Petroleum crude	24,779.27	26,874.08	11,908.05	-7.79	108.09
D-7	Textile Group	9,428.09	10,968.90	8,810.79	-14.05	7.01
1	Synthetic fibre	4,796.56	5,355.35	3,138.76	-10.43	52.82
2	Synthetic & artificial silk yarn	4,631.53	5,613.55	6,314.22	-17.49	-26.65
E-0	Chemical Group	72,738.22	73,332.22	67,739.85	-0.81	7.38
1	Chemicals (excl. 2, 3 & 4)	56,826.59	60,287.11	53,394.75	-5.74	6.43
2	Medicinal products	10,480.74	10,825.15	9,206.66	-3.18	13.84
3	Fertilizer manufactured	3,489.01	779.86	3,737.80	347.39	-6.66
4	Insecticide	1,941.88	1,440.10	1,400.64	34.84	38.64
F-A	Aetal Group	32,732.48	34,144.05	32,164.80	-4.13	1.76
1	Iron & steel	20,644.72	21,851.10	22,279.60	-5.52	-7.34
2	Iron & steel scrap	12,087.76	12,292.95	9,885.20	-1.67	22.28
G-A	Aiscellaneous Group	8,661.43	8,329.04	7,686.79	3.99	12.68
1	Paper & paper products	5,425.07	5,497.94	4,831.49	-1.33	12.29
2	Tyres & tubes	3,236.36	2,831.10	2,855.30	14.31	13.35
Otl	ners	122,803.93	119,667.16	90,611.39	2.62	35.53

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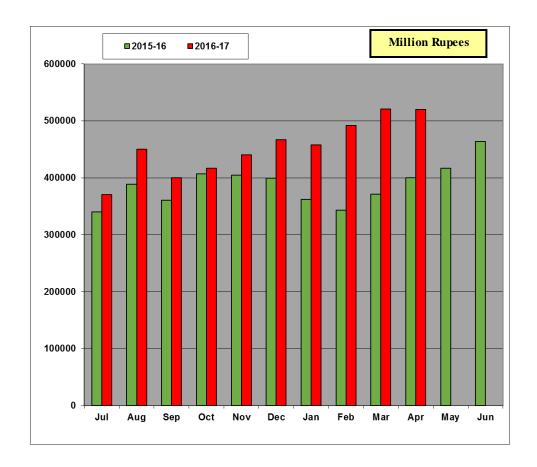


Table - 9 Cumulative Import by Groups/Commodities

				% Change
	Commodities	Jul-Apr; 2017	Jul-Apr; 2016	Jul-Apr; 2017
Total				Jul-Apr; 2016
	Total	4,536,372.88	3,777,821.30	20.08
A-I	Food Group	324,281.29	276,457.09	17.30
1	Palm oil	162,362.82	143,306.15	13.30
2	Pulses	87,458.08	50,546.63	73.02
3	Tea	47,331.02	45,781.13	3.39
4	Milk & milk food for infants	18,590.76	20,274.82	-8.31
5	Soya-bean oil	8,538.61	16,548.36	-48.40
B-A	Machinery & Transport Group	1,302,628.72	957,314.73	36.07
1	Machinery	1,036,988.51	742,431.28	39.67
2	Transport equipment	265,640.21	214,883.45	23.62
C-I	Petroleum Group	792,807.03	633,714.85	25.10
1	Petroleum products	575,339.10	431,437.53	33.35
2	Petroleum crude	217,467.93	202,277.32	7.51
D-7	Textile Group	96,571.64	96,535.05	0.04
1	Synthetic & artificial silk yarn	55,546.35	55,069.47	0.87
2	Synthetic fibre	41,025.29	41,465.58	-1.06
E-0	Chemical Group	654,859.85	624,596.32	4.85
1	Chemicals (excl. 2, 3 & 4)	500,649.46	461,582.43	8.46
2	Fertilizer manufactured	53,573.16	70,340.18	-23.84
3	Medicinal products	87,086.05	79,184.34	9.98
4	Insecticide	13,551.18	13,489.37	0.46
F-A	Metal Group	273,324.84	263,261.32	3.82
1	Iron & steel	180,886.97	172,463.22	4.88
2	Iron & steel scrap	92,437.87	90,798.10	1.81
G-A	Miscellaneous Group	76,741.07	68,661.77	11.77
1	Paper & paper products	45,944.75	42,464.84	8.19
2	Tyres & tubes	30,796.32	26,196.93	17.56
Otl	ners	1,015,158.44	857,280.22	18.42

II – Analysis of Selected Commodities of Import POL

Imports of POL during April, 2017 valued at Rs. 92,618.86 million was lower by 2.96% compared to March, 2017 Rs. 95,446.20 million but higher by 73.63% compared to April, 2016 Rs. 53,341.41 million. Cumulative imports of POL during the period July–April, 2017 amounted to Rs. 792,807.03 million as against Rs. 633,714.85 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 25.10%.

The share of POL in total imports in April, 2017 was 17.82% as against 18.31% in March, 2017and by 13.34% in April, 2016. During July-April, 2017 its share was 17.48% as against 16.77% in the corresponding period of last year.

Variety wise details of imports of POL during July-April, 2017and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Million Rs.)

Commodity	Jul-Apr;2017	Jul-Apr;2016
TOTAL: (PETROLEUM PRODUCTS)	792,807.04	633,714.86
PETROLEUM CRUDE	217,467.93	202,277.32
MOTOR SPIRIT	219,082.57	176,136.95
KEROSENE	6,558.05	4,535.28
DIESEL OIL	0.24	0.42
LUBRICATING OILS,GREASES	14,711.44	15,923.32
MINERAL JELLY, WAX	625.64	903.85
OTHER PETROL. & PETROL. PRODUCTS	334,361.16	233,937.72

Chemicals (Excluding fertilizer, insecticides & medicines)

Imports of chemicals during April, 2017 valued at Rs. 56,826.59 million was lower by 5.74% compared to March, 2017 Rs. 60,287.11 million but higher by 6.43% compared to April, 2016 Rs. 53,394.75 million. During July–April, 2017 its imports amounted to Rs. 500,649.46 million which was higher by 8.46% compared to imports of Rs. 461,582.43 million during the corresponding period of last year.

The share of chemicals in total imports in April, 2017 was 10.93% as against 11.56% in March, 2017 and 13.35% in April, 2016. During July–April, 2017 its share was 11.04% as against 12.22% in the corresponding period of last year.

Details of imports of chemicals by type during July-April, 2017 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

Commodity	Jul-Apr;2017	Jul-Apr;2016
TOTAL	500,649.46	461,582.43
ORGANIC CHEMICALS	170,834.33	147,901.93
INORGANIC CHEMICALS	38,982.68	43,637.77
DYING, TANNIG & COLOURING	38,552.72	34,815.46
ESSENTIAL OIL, PERFUME & FLAVOUR	30,368.28	27,839.19
ARTIFICAL RESINS, PLASTIC	166,038.33	155,053.23
OTHER CHEMICAL MATERIAL	55,873.12	52,334.86

Machinery

Imports of machinery during April, 2017 valued at Rs. 107,094.68 million higher by 0.37% compared to March, 2017 Rs. 106,700.43 million and by 18.31% compared to April, 2016, Rs. 90,516.79 million. Cumulative imports of machinery during the period July–April, 2017 amounted to Rs. 1,036,988.51 million as against Rs. 742,431.28 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 39.67.%.

The share of machinery in total imports in April, 2017 was 20.60% as against 20.47% in March, 2017 and 22.63% in April, 2016. During July–April, 2017 its share was 22.86% as against 19.65% in the corresponding period of last year.

Details of imports of machinery during July-April, 2017and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

Commodity	Jul-Apr;2017	Jul-Apr;2016
TOTAL	1,036,988.51	742,431.28
POWER GENERATING MACH. & EQUIP.	274,819.50	160,913.16
AGRI. MACHINERY & IMPLEMENTS	5,888.18	5,760.41
TRACTORS ALL SORTS	3,976.56	1,226.18
TEXTILE AND LEATHER MACHINERY	52,389.75	42,738.35
CONSTRUCTION & MINING MACHINERY	43,767.12	25,748.60
METAL WORKING MACHINERY	11,662.12	8,024.64
OFFICE MACHINES & AUTOMATIC	43,564.84	28,676.13
EQUIPMENT FOR DISTRIBUTING ELECT	16,667.25	13,859.45
TELECOMMUNICATION APPRATUS	4,515.27	5,968.20
OTHER MACHINERY & APPRATUS	579,737.93	449,516.16

Transport Equipment

Transport equipment was Rs. 37,487.88 million was imported during April, 2017 as against its imports of Rs. 30,678.48 million in March, 2017and Rs. 23,726.73 million in April, 2016 showing increase of 22.20% over March, 2017, and by 58.00% over April, 2016. The imports of this item during July–April, 2017 totaled Rs. 265,640.21 million which was higher by 23.62% as compared to its imports of Rs. 214,883.45 million during the corresponding period of last year.

The share of transport equipment in total imports in April, 2017 was 7.21% as against 5.88% in March, 2017 and 5.93% in April, 2016. During July-April, 2017 its share was 5.86% as against the share of 5.69% in the corresponding period of last year.

Details of imports of transport equipment during July-April, 2017 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

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Commodity	Jul-Apr;2017	Jul-Apr;2016
TOTAL	265,640.21	214,883.45
PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLES	100,306.36	79,591.14
BUSES & THEIR CHASIS WITH ENGINE	9,202.96	6,993.46
LORRIES & TRUCKS INCL. SPECIAL	9,324.40	3,346.25
AIRCRAFTS	6,799.67	28,924.27
SHIPS & BOATS	34,253.62	26,935.85
RAILWAY VEHICLES	23,115.62	4,577.06
MOTORCYCLES, SCOOTERS	7,920.28	8,890.56
OTHERS	74,717.30	55,624.86

III - Direction of Imports

Imports by Territories/Regions and major countries during April, 2017and July-April, 2017of current financial year compared with the corresponding period of last year are given in table 10, 11, 12 and 13 respectively.

During April, 2017 (12.24%) of total imports were from European Union. The share of imports of Middle East was 24.16% and North America was 8.12%. Country-wise, China was at the top of imports list during April, 2017 followed by United Arab Emirates, U.S.A, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia and Japan. The combined share of these six countries during April, 2017 was 57.73% as against their combined share of 57.81% during April, 2016.

During July–April, 2017 imports from European Union 11.01%. Imports from Middle East were 25.24% and from North America 6.44% of total imports during this period. Country-wise China was on the top of the imports list followed by United Arab Emirates, U.S.A., Indonesia, Saudi Arabia and Japan during July–April, 2017. The combined share of these six countries in total imports during this period was 59.90% as against their combined share of 57.52% during the corresponding period of last year.

Table - 10

Monthly Imports by Territories/Regions

Countries		April, 20	17	April, 20	16
	Countries	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	TOTAL	519,814.42	100.00	399,929.33	100.00
1	Latin & Central America	1,194.02	0.23	543.93	0.14
2	South America	5,810.43	1.12	6,717.70	1.68
3	North America	42,215.83	8.12	22,181.43	5.55
4	Eastern Europe	6,107.69	1.17	3,173.50	0.79
5	European Union	63,613.50	12.24	40,834.97	10.21
6	E.F.T.A	2,127.65	0.41	3,574.19	0.89
7	Other Europe	42.03	0.01	1,436.59	0.36
8	Middle East	125,593.15	24.16	83,820.53	20.96
	Asian Countries	124,174.26	23.89	82,315.18	20.58
	African Countries	1,418.89	0.27	1,505.35	0.38
9	Other Asia	243,553.62	46.85	220,072.89	55.03
10	Other Africa	20,234.81	3.89	13,203.42	3.30
11	Oceania	9,321.69	1.79	4,370.19	1.09

Table - 11

Monthly Imports by Major Countries

	Corretrios	April , 2017		April, 2016	
	Countries	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	* TOTAL	519,814.42	100.00	399,929.33	100.00
1	China	135,785.37	26.12	124,684.96	31.16
2	United Arab Emirates	65,414.02	12.58	38,543.29	9.64
3	U.S.America	30,799.37	5.93	13,992.20	3.50
4	Saudi Arabia	24,074.97	4.63	16,221.06	4.06
5	Indonesia	22,869.64	4.40	19,968.35	4.99
6	Japan	21,161.52	4.07	17,771.12	4.44
7	India	15,793.71	3.04	15,838.17	3.96
8	Kuwait	12,965.68	2.49	11,309.46	2.83
9	Qatar	11,869.27	2.28	8,500.62	2.13
10	Germany	11,861.67	2.28	7,029.33	1.76
11	Canada	11,416.47	2.20	8,189.18	2.05
12	Thailand	11,091.21	2.13	8,479.45	2.12
13	South Africa	10,945.41	2.11	3,801.15	0.95
14	Netherlands	10,419.99	2.00	5,109.90	1.28
15	Singapore	9,564.17	1.84	5,509.89	1.38
16	France	8,808.22	1.69	3,175.58	0.79
17	Australia	8,388.37	1.61	3,842.05	0.96
18	Malaysia	7,997.97	1.54	7,259.76	1.82
19	Korea, Republic of	6,632.80	1.28	9,098.43	2.28
20	United Kingdom	5,869.18	1.13	5,467.65	1.37
	*OTHERS	76,085.41	14.64	66,137.71	16.54

Table-12 Cumulative Import by Territories/Regions

Territories/Regions		Jul-Apr; 2017		Jul-Apr; 2016	
		Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	TOTAL	4,536,372.88	100.00	3,777,821.35	100.00
1	Latin & Central America	8,056.97	0.18	10,163.76	0.27
2	South America	53,040.35	1.17	78,609.26	2.08
3	North America	292,006.94	6.44	204,167.50	5.40
4	Eastern Europe	49,397.59	1.09	34,059.87	0.90
5	European Union	499,497.82	11.01	432,259.50	11.44
6	E.F.T.A	23,365.88	0.52	22,874.61	0.61
7	Other Europe	2436.75	0.05	4471.7	0.12
8	Middle East	1,144,980.56	25.24	887,189.80	23.48
	Asian Countries	1,125,590.47	24.81	869,471.63	23.02
	African Countries	19,390.09	0.43	17,718.17	0.47
9	Other Asia	2,257,913.08	49.77	1,918,133.81	50.77
10	Other Africa	147,469.52	3.25	130,384.79	3.45
11	Oceania	58,207.41	1.28	55,506.73	1.47

Table - 13
Cumulative Import from Major Countries

	~	Jul-Apr; 2017		Jul-Apr; 2016		
Countries		Value	% Share	Value	% Share	
	* TOTAL	4,536,373.28	100.00	3,777,821.38	100.00	
1	China	1,301,699.33	28.69	1,033,617.85	27.36	
2	United Arab Emirates	628,599.48	13.86	446,491.48	11.82	
3	U.S.America	224,680.76	4.95	149,606.07	3.96	
4	Indonesia	196,286.65	4.33	183,980.34	4.87	
5	Saudi Arabia	186,977.95	4.12	203,329.46	5.38	
6	Japan	179,194.16	3.95	155,999.48	4.13	
7	India	152,057.72	3.35	155,066.79	4.10	
8	Kuwait	118,031.01	2.60	112,799.22	2.99	
9	Qatar	101,001.24	2.23	30,967.59	0.82	
10	Germany	97,635.95	2.15	81,682.17	2.16	
11	Thailand	93,349.27	2.06	71,073.77	1.88	
12	Malaysia	81,445.53	1.80	77,049.29	2.04	
13	Canada	67,326.17	1.48	54,557.71	1.44	
14	Singapore	65,452.36	1.44	51,303.41	1.36	
15	Korea, Republic of	64,181.41	1.41	64,429.92	1.71	
16	South Africa	63,432.80	1.40	40,296.44	1.07	
17	Europien Union	62,854.83	1.39	53,390.25	1.41	
18	France	57,864.95	1.28	33,735.39	0.89	
19	United Kingdom	57,064.39	1.26	51,685.79	1.37	
20	Australia	53,265.08	1.17	50,166.66	1.33	
	*OTHERS	683,972.23	15.08	676,592.30	17.91	

IV - Imports by Economic Categories

During April, 2017 imports of consumer goods increased by 36.25% and of raw material for consumer goods by 35.54% compared to April, 2016. Imports of capital goods during April, 2017 increased by 21.83% and of raw materials for capital goods increased by 26.25% compared to the same month of last year.

During the ten months of current financial year July–April, 2017 imports of consumer goods was higher by 16.58%, and raw material for consumer goods by 15.74% compared to July–April, 2016. Imports of capital goods during July–April, 2017increased by 30.29% and of raw material for capital goods increased by 10.82% compared to the corresponding period of last year.

Performance of imports by economic categories is shown in table-14.

Table - 14

Imports by Economic Categories

Economic Category	April, 2017	April, 2016	Jul-Apr; 2017	Jul-Apr; 2016
* TOTAL	519,814.42	399,929.33	4,536,372.88	3,777,821.35
1. CONSUMER GOODS.	92,105.37	67,599.54	827,565.52	709,855.71
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	17.72	16.90	18.24	18.79
2. RAW MATERIAL FOR CONSUMER GOODS.	209,892.57	154,855.93	1,770,810.83	1,529,945.56
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	40.38	38.72	39.04	40.50
3. RAW MATERIAL FOR CAPITAL GOODS.	45,754.48	36,239.83	374,820.74	338,228.02
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	8.80	9.06	8.26	8.95
4. CAPITAL GOODS.	172,062.00	141,234.03	1,563,175.78	1,199,792.06
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	33.10	35.31	34.46	31.76