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# **REVIEW OF FOREIGN TRADE**

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#### **EXPORTS**

The total exports of Pakistan during September, 2018 amounted to Rs. 213,771.06 million showing a decrease of 14.23% over August, 2018 but increased by 21.66% over September, 2017.

In terms of US dollar the export during September, 2018 amounted to \$1,722.83 million showing a decrease of 14.23% over August, 2018 but increased by 3.26% over September, 2017.

Export during July-September, 2018 totaled Rs. 666,663.17 million showing an increase of 22.74% over the corresponding period of last year. In terms of US dollars, exports during July-September, 2018 amounted to \$5,373.93 million showing an increase of 4.24%.

#### **IMPORTS**

The total imports of Pakistan during September, 2018 amounted to Rs. 545,495.84 million showing a decrease of 11.18% over August, 2018 but increased by 16.69% over September, 2017.

In terms of US dollar the import during September, 2018 amounted to \$4,396.26 million showing a decrease of 11.38% over August, 2018 and by 0.95% over September, 2017.

Import during July-September, 2018 totaled Rs. 1,757,449.15 million showing an increase of 17.73% over the corresponding period of last year. In terms of US dollars, exports during July-September, 2018 amounted to \$14,164.80 million showing a decrease of 0.04%.

#### TOTAL TRADE

The total trade of Pakistan during September, 2018 amounted to Rs. 759,266.90 million showing a decrease of 12.06% over August, 2018 but increased by 18.05% over September, 2017.

In terms of US dollar the total trade during September, 2018 amounted to \$6,119.09 million showing a decrease of 12.26% over August, 2018 but increased by 0.20% over September, 2017.

Total trade during July-September, 18 totaled Rs. 2,424,112.32 million showing an increase of 19.06% over the corresponding period of last year. In terms of US dollars, total trade during July-September, 2018 amounted to \$19,528.73 million showing an increase of 1.10%.

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#### **BALANCE OF TRADE**

Balance of trade in September, 2018 was unfavorable to Pakistan to the tune of 331,724.78 million in rupees equal to US \$2,673.43 million, whereas during the period of July-September, 2018 it was unfavorable to the tune of 1,090,785.98 million rupees equal to US \$8,790.87 million.

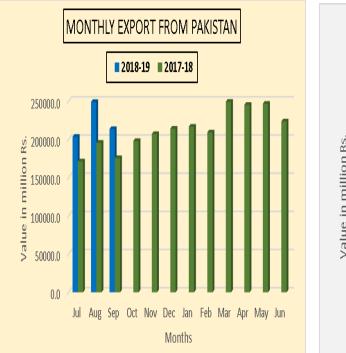
#### Table 1: Trade Summary

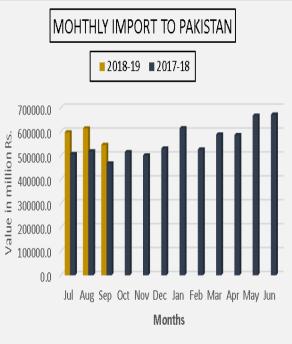
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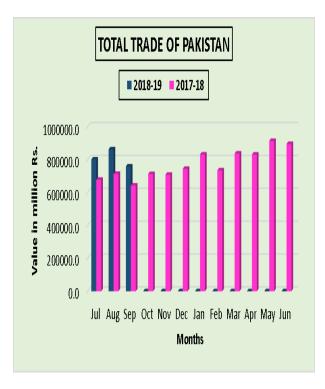
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			VALU	JES				% CHANGE			
DESCRIPTION	SEPTEMB	ER-2018	AUGUS	Г-2018	SEPTEM	3ER-2017	SEP-2018 OV	ER AUG-2018	SEP-2018 OV	ER SEP-2017	
	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	
Export	213,771.06	1,722.83	249,239.60	2,013.41	175,714.90	1,668.38	-14.23	-14.43	21.66	3.26	
Import	545,495.84	4,396.26	614,125.71	4,961.04	467,454.35	4,438.39	-11.18	-11.38	16.69	-0.95	
Total Trade	759,266.90	6,119.09	863,365.31	6,974.45	643,169.25	6,106.77	-12.06	-12.26	18.05	0.20	
Balance of Trade	-331,724.78	-2,673.43	-364,886.11	-2,947.63	-291,739.45	-2,770.01	-9.09	-9.30	13.71	-3.49	

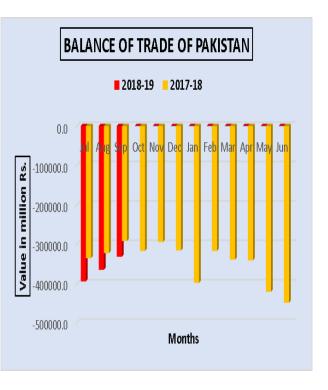
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		VAL	UES	% CHANGE				
DESCRIPTION	JUL-SEP;	2018-19	JUL-SEP;	2017-18	JUL-SEP, 20	18-19 OVER		
	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$		
Export	666,663.17	5,373.93	543,129.04	5,155.52	22.74	4.24		
Import	1,757,449.15	14,164.80	1,492,829.05	14,169.96	17.73	-0.04		
Total Trade	2,424,112.32	19,538.73	2,035,958.09	19,325.48	19.06	1.10		
Balance of Trade	-1,090,785.98	-8,790.87	-949,700.01	-9,014.44	14.86	-2.48		









#### I – EXPORTS BY GROUP/COMMODITIES

#### Food Group

During September, 2018 export of goods belonging to Food Group decreased by 1.60% over August, 2018 but increased by 25.86% over September, 2017. Food Group contributed 10.15% of total exports in September, 2018.

The export of food group during July-September, 2018 increased by 22.40% compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 9.65% of total export during July-September, 2018.

#### Textile Group

During September, 2018 export of Textile goods decreased by 18.74% over August, 2018 but increased by 11.73% over September, 2017. Textile Group contributed 57.40% of total exports in September, 2018.

The export of textile group increased by 18.79% for the period of July-September, 2018 compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 58.95% of total export during July-September, 18.

#### **Manufactures Group**

During September, 2018 export of manufactured goods decreased by 21.26% over August, 2018 but increased by 8.68% over September, 2017. Manufacture Group contributed 7.95% of total exports in September, 2018.

Export for manufacturer group during July-September, 2018 increased by 17.71% compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 8.56% of total export during July-September, 18.

### Monthly Exports by Group/Commodities

					% Cha	ange
	Commodities	Sep, 2018	Aug, 2018	Sep, 2017	Sep, 2018	Sep, 2018
					Aug, 2018	Sep, 2017
То	tal	213,771.06	249,239.60	175,714.90	-14.23	21.66
A.	Food Group	21,690.87	22,044.43	17,234.24	-1.60	25.86
1	Rice	10,947.70	13,978.12	10,143.11	-21.68	7.93
2	Fruits,vegetables & preparation thereof	6,037.39	5,836.81	2,802.00	3.44	115.47
3	Fish & fish preparation	4,681.48	2,193.68	4,229.69	113.41	10.68
4		24.30	35.82	59.44	-32.16	-59.12
В.	Textile Group	122,702.84	150,991.15	109,820.34	-18.74	11.73
1		27,486.05	34,553.20	21,862.48	-20.45	25.72
2	Bedwear	23,423.76	28,522.26	19,242.35	-17.88	21.73
3	Cotton fabrics	22,618.79	25,075.76	18,897.52	-9.80	19.69
4	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories (excl. knitwear)	20,303.63	27,794.21	20,064.26	-26.95	1.19
5	Cotton yarn	11,112.55	13,220.96	11,640.51	-15.95	-4.54
6	Towels	7,330.48	9,112.81	7,189.26	-19.56	1.96
7	Textile made up (excl. towels & bed wear	6,168.66	8,119.14	5,562.97	-24.02	10.89
8	Synthetic textile fabrics	3,037.19	3,511.89	2,582.03	-13.52	17.63
9	Tarpaulin &other canvas goods	742.75	756.94	569.33	-1.87	30.46
10	Raw cotton (excl. linters)	466.33	296.13	2,204.14	57.47	-78.84
11	Raw wool	12.65	27.85	5.49	-54.58	130.42
С.	Manufacture Grooup	17,004.81	21,595.68	15,647.06	-21.26	8.68
1	Leather clothes & accessories	4,157.66	5,671.36	4,592.39	-26.69	-9.47
2	Surgical instruments	3,480.75	3,757.12	3,149.09	-7.36	10.53
3	Sports goods (excl. toys)	2,748.70	3,190.71	2,403.07	-13.85	14.38
4	Leather	2,566.87	2,780.20	2,424.82	-7.67	5.86
5	Petroleum products	2,719.34	4,050.25	1,755.76	-32.86	54.88
6	Footwear	876.12	1,486.61	573.06	-41.07	52.88
7	Carpets, carpeting, rugs & mats	455.37	659.43	748.87	-30.94	-39.19
Ot	hers	52,372.54	54,608.34	33,013.26	-4.09	58.64

### <u> TABLE – 3</u>

### Cumulative Exports by Group/Commodities

				% Change
	Commodities	Jul-Sep, 2018-19	Jul-Sep, 2017-18	Jul-Sep, 2018-19
				Jul-Sep <i>,</i> 2017-18
Tot	tal	666,663.17	543,129.04	22.74
А.	Food Group	64,300.82	52,532.70	22.40
1	Rice	38,728.94	33,751.99	14.75
2	Fruits, vegetables & preparation thereof	17,157.95	10,681.55	60.63
3	Fish & fish preparation	8,347.99	7,976.18	4.66
4	Tobacco un-manufactured	65.94	122.98	-46.38
<b>B.</b> 1	Textile Group	393,022.91	330,842.02	18.79
1	Knitwear	87,006.74	68,138.94	27.69
2	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories (excl. knitwear)	74,270.89	64,126.89	15.82
3	Bedwear	72,434.82	59,755.54	21.22
4	Cotton fabrics	65,625.82	55,689.44	17.84
5	Cotton yarn	38,925.98	33,811.91	15.13
6	Towels	22,877.02	19,513.98	17.23
7	Textile made up (excl. towels & bed wear	19,864.91	17,067.36	16.39
8	Synthetic textile fabrics	9,001.38	7,894.42	14.02
9	Tarpaulin & other canvas goods	2,073.70	1,700.20	21.97
10	Raw cotton (excl. linters)	873.99	3,119.93	-71.99
11	Raw wool	67.66	23.41	189.02
C. I	Manufacture Grooup	57,048.93	48,465.22	17.71
1	Leather clothes & accessories	14,765.44	13,981.67	5.61
2	Surgical instruments	10,794.05	9,657.27	11.77
3	Sports goods (excl. toys)	9,687.93	7,900.96	22.62
4	Petroleum products	8,629.39	4,306.33	100.39
5	Leather	7,642.76	7,910.45	-3.38
6	Footwear	3,640.34	2,690.69	35.29
7	Carpets, carpeting, rugs & mats	1,889.02	2,017.85	-6.38
Ot	hers	152,290.51	111,289.10	36.84

#### **II – DIRECTION OF EXPORTS**

During the month of September, 2018 the share of European Union in total exports was 31.60% as against 33.82% in September, 2017. The share of North America during September, 2018 was 18.32% as against 19.46% in September, 2017. The share of Middle East during September, 2018 was 9.87% as against 9.02% in September, 2017.

Country-wise U. S. A. was at the top of the export list for September, 2018 followed by United Kingdom, China, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, and Germany. The share of these six countries in total exports for September, 2018 was 46.76% as against 47.87% in September, 2017.

During July-September, 2018 the share of European Union in total export was 33.15%. The share of North America increased to 18.84% from 18.27% during the same period of last year. The share of Middle East increased to 10.17% from 9.64% during the same period of last year.

Country-wise, U.S.A. was at the top of the export list for July-September, 2018 followed by United Kingdom, China, Germany, Afghanistan and Netherlands. The share of these six countries in total export for July-September, 2018 was 47.57% as against 47.65% in the same period of last year.

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#### **MONTHLY & CUMMULATIVE EXPORTS BY TERRITORIES/REGIONS**

	Touritorios /Dogiona	Sep, 20	)18	Sep, 20	)17	Jul-Sep, 2	018-19	Jul-Sep, 2	017-18
	Territories/Regions	Value	% Share						
	TOTAL	213,771.06	100.00	175,714.90	100.00	666,663.17	100.00	543,129.04	100.00
1	Latin & Central America	1,628.31	0.76	1,400.01	0.80	5,212.50	0.78	4,184.02	0.77
2	South America	2,580.79	1.21	1,954.43	1.11	8,061.43	1.21	6,366.73	1.17
3	North America	39,153.35	18.32	34,198.20	19.46	125,604.93	18.84	99,236.92	18.27
4	Eastern Europe	3,809.47	1.78	3,631.69	2.07	14,155.00	2.12	11,354.60	2.09
5	European Union	67,545.77	31.60	59,433.32	33.82	220,970.38	33.15	190,957.68	35.16
6	E.F.T.A	645.91	0.30	534.33	0.30	2,191.60	0.33	1690.05	0.31
7	Other Europe	227.79	0.11	212.02	0.12	2019.04	0.30	677.04	0.12
8	Middle East	21,102.70	9.87	15,846.01	9.02	67,780.24	10.17	52,345.25	9.64
	Asian Countries	19,275.17	9.02	14,397.48	8.19	62,262.91	9.34	47,745.58	8.79
	African Countries	1,827.53	0.85	1,448.53	0.82	5,517.33	0.83	4,599.67	0.85
9	Other Asia	62,068.61	29.04	45,637.48	25.97	179,785.09	26.97	138,100.33	25.43
10	Other Africa	12,683.68	5.93	9,153.52	5.21	33,626.34	5.04	28,796.87	5.30
11	Oceania	2,324.68	1.09	3,713.88	2.11	7,256.61	1.09	9,419.56	1.73

#### MONTHLY EXPORTS TO MAJOR COUNTRIES

Sep, 2018 Sep, 2017 Countries % Share % Share Value Value TOTAL 100.00 175,714.90 213,771.06 100.00 17.13 18.35 1 U.S.America 36,608.38 32,237.56 2 United Kingdom 16,078.22 7.52 13,348.70 7.60 3 China 15,410.95 7.21 12,929.46 7.36 5.07 4.80 4 Afghanistan 10,840.29 8,435.78 3.37 5 Bangladesh 10,720.01 5.01 5,925.78 4.82 6.39 6 Germany 10,306.34 11,232.95 Netherlands 7 8,791.83 4.11 6,270.65 3.57 **United Arab Emirates** 8 7,491.67 3.50 5,584.95 3.18 9 Spain 7,377.65 3.45 4.22 7,415.74 10 Italy 6,587.70 3.08 5,629.73 3.20 11 Belgium 2.87 3.25 6,142.49 5,708.52 12 India 4,538.06 2.12 2,990.75 1.70 13 France 4,465.37 2.09 3,136.02 1.78 14 Sri Lanka 4,444.08 2.08 1,992.58 1.13 15 Guinea 3,341.12 1.56 10.85 0.01 16 Saudi Arabia 3,126.46 1.46 2,419.94 1.38 17 Viet Nam 3,001.14 1.40 3,219.78 1.83 18 Turkey 2,951.66 1.38 2,639.68 1.50 19 Canada 2,542.38 1.19 1,959.43 1.12 20 Japan 2,463.16 1.15 1,704.13 0.97 \* OTHERS 46,542.10 21.77 40,921.92 23.29

### **CUMMULATIVE EXPORTS TO MAJOR COUNTRIES**

	Countries	Jul-Sep, 201	L8-19	Jul-Sep, 20	)17-18
	Countries	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	ΤΟΤΑΙ	666,663.17	100.00	543,129.04	100.00
1	U.S.America	117,056.51	17.56	93,113.91	17.03
2	United Kingdom	51,820.06	7.77	43,061.15	7.70
3	China	48,451.46	7.27	33,866.41	8.14
4	Germany	36,733.31	5.51	33,996.77	6.38
5	Afghanistan	33,949.31	5.09	33,604.30	5.96
6	Netherlands	29,099.39	4.36	21,134.97	4.07
7	United Arab Emirates	28,542.54	4.28	19,494.95	3.32
8	Spain	26,623.93	3.99	24,920.12	3.59
9	Bangladesh	24,020.30	3.60	15,805.51	3.33
10	Italy	20,763.56	3.11	18,109.37	3.04
11	Belgium	18,956.42	2.84	18,577.13	3.11
12	Sri Lanka	12,731.02	1.91	7,177.67	1.85
13	France	12,583.62	1.89	9,832.70	2.06
14	India	11,563.25	1.73	8,890.25	1.18
15	Turkey	8,841.34	1.33	9,198.50	1.41
16	Saudi Arabia	8,644.78	1.30	7,362.18	1.39
17	Canada	8,543.48	1.28	6,119.42	1.62
18	Viet Nam	7,171.58	1.08	6,840.91	1.30
19	Poland	7,053.21	1.06	5,588.18	1.18
20	Kenya	6,605.42	0.99	7,891.71	1.25
	* O T H E R S	146,908.66	22.04	18,542.92	21.09

#### **III – EXPORT BY ECONOMIC CATEGORIES**

Export of Primary Commodities during September, 2018 increased by 41.61%, Semi-Manufactures by 9.16% and Manufactured Goods by 19.57%. Whereas, their share in total export stands at 16.76%, 9.38% and 73.86% respectively.

During July-September, 2018 export of Primary Commodities increased by 40.74%, Semi-Manufactures by 18.66% and Manufactured Goods by 20.31% over the corresponding period of last year. Whereas the share of primary commodities in total export for the period of July-September, 2018 stood at 14.72%, for semi-manufacturer 10.62% and for manufactured goods 74.66%.

#### Table - 6

**Export by Economic Categories** 

Economic Category	Sep, 2018	Sep, 2017	Jul-Sep, 2018-19	Jul-Sep, 2017-18
TOTAL	213,771.06	175,714.90	666,663.17	543,129.04
1. PRIMARY COMMODITIES.	35,825.12	25,299.21	98,152.46	69,739.54
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	16.76	14.40	14.72	12.84
2. SEMI-MANUFACTURES.	20,045.21	18,363.76	70,832.12	59,694.16
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	9.38	10.45	10.62	10.99
3. MANUFACTURED GOODS.	157,900.73	132,051.93	497,698.59	413,695.35
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	73.86	75.15	74.66	76.17

#### I – IMPORTS BY GROUP/COMMODITIES

#### Food Group

During September, 2018 import of goods belonging to Food Group increased by 11.01% over August, 2018 and by 37.97% over September, 2017. This group contributed 6.60% of total imports in September, 2018.

The import of food group during July-September, 2018 increased by 11.71% compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 5.93% of total imports during July-September, 2018.

#### Machinery & Transport Group

During September, 2018 import of Machinery & Transport items decreased by 5.86% over August, 2018 but increased by 15.43% over September, 2017. This group contributed 22.34% of total imports in September, 2018.

The import of machinery & transport group during July-September, 2018 increased by 4.60% compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 21.58% of total imports during July-September, 2018.

#### Petroleum Group

During September, 2018 import of Petroleum and its products decreased by 17.63% over August, 2018 but increased by 2.01% over September, 2017. This group contributed 19.18% of total imports in September, 2018.

The import of petroleum group during July-September, 2018 increased by 22.21% compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 19.75% of total imports during July-September, 2018.

#### Textile Group

During September, 2018 import of textile products increased by 1.33% over August, 2018 and by 43.37% over September, 2017. This group contributed 2.32% of total imports in September, 2018.

The import of textile group during July-September, 2018 increased by 18.00% compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 2.11% of total imports during July-September, 2018.

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#### Chemical Group

During September, 2018 import of Chemical goods decreased by 16.35% over August, 2018 but increased by 24.15% over September, 2017. This group contributed 16.37% of total imports in September, 2018.

The import of chemical group during July-September, 2018 increased by 30.46% compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 16.39% of total imports during July-September, 2018.

#### Metal Group

During September, 2018 export of Metal products decreased by 17.65% over August, 2018 but increased by 16.59% over September, 2017. This group contributed 6.73% of total imports in September, 2018.

The import of metal group during July-September, 2018 increased by 15.07% compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 6.96% of total imports during July-September, 2018.

#### Miscellaneous Group

During September, 2018 exports of miscellaneous commodities decreased by 15.03% over August, 2018 and by 16.96% over September, 2017. This group contributed 1.29% of total imports in September, 2018.

The import of miscellaneous group during July-September, 2018 decreased by 9.07% compared to the same period of last year. This group contributed 1.36% of total imports during July-September, 2018.

### Monthly Imports by Group/Commodities

					% Cha	ange
	Commodities	Sep, 2018	Aug, 2018	Sep, 2017	Sep, 2018	Sep, 2018
					Aug, 2018	Sep, 2017
	Total	545,495.84	614,125.71	467,454.35	-11.18	16.69
A-	Food Group	36,004.72	32,432.76	26,096.62	11.01	37.97
1	Palm oil	21,087.92	18,258.79	15,870.62	15.49	32.87
2	Pulses	5,964.68	6,067.31	3,643.79	-1.69	63.69
3	Теа	5,871.08	6,101.23	4,241.86	-3.77	38.41
4	Milk & milk food for infants	1,548.53	1,335.13	583.65	15.98	165.32
5	Soyabean oil	1,532.51	670.30	1,756.70	128.63	-12.76
B-I	Machinery & Trans. Group	121,837.96	129,424.50	105,547.01	-5.86	15.43
1	Machinery	87,557.08	100,498.73	77,965.70	-12.88	12.30
2	Transport equipment	34,280.88	28,925.77	27,581.31	18.51	24.29
C-F	Petroleum Group	104,631.25	127,025.65	102,571.29	-17.63	2.01
1	Petroleum products	64,702.01	64,058.96	72,732.76	1.00	-11.04
2	Petroleum crude	39,929.24	62,966.69	29,838.53	-36.59	33.82
D-	Textile Group	12,655.61	12,489.00	8,827.18	1.33	43.37
1	Synthetic & artificial silk yarn	6,117.27	6,868.82	4,513.44	-10.94	35.53
2	Synthetic fibre	6,538.34	5,620.18	4,313.74	16.34	51.57
E-(	Chemical Group	89,323.41	106,785.90	71,946.51	-16.35	24.15
1	Chemicals (excl. 2, 3 & 4)	63,079.92	71,877.60	52,909.60	-12.24	19.22
2	Fertilizer manufactured	12,608.72	20,737.06	8,026.44	-39.20	57.09
3	Medicinal products	12,197.38	12,413.61	8,866.44	-1.74	37.57
4	Insecticide	1,437.39	1,757.63	2,144.03	-18.22	-32.96
F-1	Metal Group	36,691.20	44,557.16	31,470.72	-17.65	16.59
1	Iron & steel	21,855.71	26,584.63	19,036.18	-17.79	14.81
2	Iron & steel scrap	14,835.49	17,972.53	12,434.54	-17.45	19.31
G-I	Miscellaneous Group	7,020.22	8,262.14	8,454.21	-15.03	-16.96
1	Paper & paper products	5,173.18	6,270.99	4,970.24	-17.51	4.08
2	Tyres & tubes	1,847.04	1,991.15	3,483.97	-7.24	-46.98
Ot	hers	137,331.47	153,148.60	112,540.81	-10.33	22.03

### Cumulative Imports by Group/Commodities

				% Change
	Commodities	Jul-Sep, 2018-19	Jul-Sep, 2017-18	Jul-Sep, 2018-19
				Jul-Sep, 2017-18
	Total	1,757,449.15	1,492,829.05	17.73
A-Food	•	104,232.35	93,307.31	11.71
1 Palm		60,270.94	53,761.54	12.11
2 Pulse	es	18,975.34	14,454.76	31.27
3 Tea		18,397.27	14,400.15	27.76
4 Milk	& milk food for infants	3,764.39	2,565.09	46.75
5 Soya	bean oil	2,824.41	8,125.77	-65.24
B-Mac	hinery & Trans. Group	379,214.86	362,554.79	4.60
1 Mac	hinery	286,925.42	267,140.16	7.41
2 Tran	sport equipment	92,289.44	95,414.63	-3.28
C-Petro	oleum Group	347,039.98	283,963.50	22.21
1 Petro	pleum products	197,922.31	198,534.83	-0.31
2 Petro	bleum crude	149,117.67	85,428.67	74.55
D-Text	ile Group	37,027.54	31,378.16	18.00
1 Syntl	netic & artificial silk yarn	19,028.38	16,944.87	12.30
2 Syntl	netic fibre	17,999.16	14,433.29	24.71
E-Chen	nical Group	288,007.13	220,765.17	30.46
1 Cher	nicals (excl. 2, 3 & 4)	203,612.60	166,873.65	22.02
2 Ferti	lizer manufactured	42,676.49	24,236.46	76.08
3 Med	icinal products	36,317.29	25,193.78	44.15
4 Inse	cticide	5,400.75	4,461.28	21.06
F-Meta	al Group	122,331.02	106,313.59	15.07
1 Iron	& steel	71,149.41	62,706.28	13.46
2 Iron	& steel scrap	51,181.61	43,607.31	
G-Misc	ellaneous Group	23,938.12	26,324.84	-9.07
1 Pap	er & paper products	17,522.51	15,611.41	12.24
2 Tyre	s & tubes	6,415.61	10,713.43	
Others		455,658.15		

#### **II – DIRECTION OF IMPORTS**

During the month of September, 2018 the share of European Union in total imports was 10.44% as against 11.08% in September, 2017. The share of North America during September, 2018 was 3.80% as against 3.80% in September, 2017. The share of Middle East during September, 2018 was 29.48% as against 28.05% in September, 2017. Country-wise China was at the top of the import list for September, 2018 followed by United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Qatar and Japan. The share of these six countries in total exports for September, 2018 was 54.27% as against 56.60% in September, 2017.

During July-September, 2018 the share of European Union in total imports was 10.06%. The share of North America decreased to 4.42% from 5.08% during the same period of last year. The share of Middle East increased to 29.97% from 26.31% during the same period of last year. Country-wise China was top on the import list followed by United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Indonesia and U.S.A. during July-September, 2018. The combined share of these six countries in total imports during this period was 63.10% as against their combined share of 63.86% during the same period of last year.

#### TABLE – 9

							(	Value in m	illion Rs.)
	Countries	Sep, 20	018	Sep, 20	)17	Jul-Dec,	2017	July-Dec	, 2016
	Countries	Value	% Share	Value	% Share	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	TOTAL	545,495.84	100.00	467,454.35	100.00	1,757,449.15	100.00	1,492,829.05	100.00
1	Latin & Central America	1,072.71	0.20	533.59	0.11	3,768.97	0.21	2,232.20	0.15
2	South America	7,023.46	1.29	8,308.95	1.78	18,424.11	1.05	35,106.64	2.35
3	North America	20,718.18	3.80	17,785.35	3.80	77,764.37	4.42	75,819.47	5.08
4	Eastern Europe	9,895.36	1.81	8,254.91	1.77	27,541.60	1.57	20,635.37	1.38
5	European Union	56,970.72	10.44	51,787.74	11.08	176,792.23	10.06	157,016.73	10.52
6	E.F.T.A	3045.94	0.56	4222.21	0.90	13207.99	0.75	9,099.25	0.61
7	Other Europe	111.72	0.02	42.11	0.01	186.84	0.01	127.74	0.01
8	Middle East	160,816.51	29.48	131,113.04	28.05	526,740.21	29.97	392,773.27	26.31
	Asian Countries	158,190.27	29.00	129,024.14	27.60	519,656.96	29.57	387,229.26	25.94
	African Countries	2,626.24	0.48	2,088.90	0.45	7,083.25	0.40	5,544.01	0.37
9	Other Asia	250,458.81	45.91	224,791.86	48.09	791,057.28	45.01	728,920.08	48.83
10	Other Africa	32,456.00	5.95	15,046.29	3.22	103,910.72	5.91	51,838.18	3.47
11	Oceania	2,926.41	0.54	5,568.29	1.19	18,054.83	1.03	19,260.10	1.29

#### MONTHLY & CUMMULATIVE IMPORTS BY TERRITORIES/REGIONS

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### **MONTHLY IMPORTS FROM MAJOR COUNTRIES**

		Sep, 201	8	Sep, 20	17
	Countries	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	TOTAL	545,495.84	100.00	467,454.35	100.00
1	China	127,672.82	23.40	118,468.51	25.34
2	United Arab Emirates	71,152.51	13.04	63,846.07	13.66
3	Saudi Arabia	27,385.44	5.02	25,278.91	5.41
4	Indonesia	27,123.74	4.97	22,379.43	4.79
5	Qatar	22,411.10	4.11	13,176.68	2.82
6	Japan	20,310.14	3.72	21,447.08	4.59
7	U.S.America	18,158.69	3.33	15,032.46	3.22
8	India	16,592.95	3.04	11,349.50	2.43
9	Kuwait	14,255.18	2.61	11,968.21	2.56
10	Thailand	14,205.56	2.60	10,243.51	2.19
11	Oman	12,539.04	2.30	7,342.85	1.57
12	Germany	12,109.95	2.22	9,332.70	2.00
13	South Africa	11,206.47	2.05	8,128.79	1.74
14	Nigeria	10,458.21	1.92	5.47	0.00
15	Afghanistan	8,993.66	1.65	6,563.86	1.40
16	Malaysia	8,661.05	1.59	7,985.06	1.71
17	United Kingdom	8,349.85	1.53	6,271.33	1.34
18	Korea, Republic of	7,888.96	1.45	6,552.57	1.40
19	Netherlands	7,242.10	1.33	13,066.24	2.80
20	Europien Union	6,437.81	1.18	5,747.91	1.23
	* O T H E R S	92,323.46	16.92	82,958.10	17.75

### **CUMMULATIVE IMPORTS FROM MAJOR COUNTRIES**

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	Countries	Jul-Sep, 201	8-19	Jul-Sep, 20	17-18									
	Countries	Value	% Share	Value	% Share									
	ΤΟΤΑΙ	1,757,449.15	100.00	1,492,829.05	100.00									
1	China	536,138.59	30.51	511,413.91	34.26									
2	United Arab Emirates	249,977.35	14.22	196,511.32	13.16									
3	Saudi Arabia	91,698.05	5.22	73,526.57	4.93									
4	Qatar	83,634.81	4.76	41,573.72	2.78									
5	Indonesia	77,722.11	4.42	67,480.21	4.52									
6	U.S.America	69,784.86	3.97	62,842.16	4.21									
7	Japan	68,431.67	3.89	63,736.39	4.27									
8	India	47,534.32	2.70	33,230.17	2.23									
9	Thailand	42,786.94	2.43	33,151.04	2.22									
10	Kuwait	38,481.73	2.19	33,045.69	2.21									
11	South Africa	37,935.88	2.16	27,229.97	1.82									
12	Malaysia	35,055.87	1.99	31,519.75	2.11									
13	Germany	34,572.01	1.97	29,339.07	1.97									
14	United Kingdom	32,622.45	1.86	21,844.11	1.46									
15	Oman	28,391.72	1.62	18,327.50	1.23									
16	Korea, Republic of	27,829.54	1.58	22,494.88	1.51									
17	Europien Union	21,392.81	1.22	19,335.57	1.30									
18	Afghanistan	20,146.39	1.15	14,855.95	1.00									
19	Nigeria	17,625.98	1.00	13.06	0.00									
20	O.Asia(Tai.For.Pe.Ki	17,063.87	0.97	11,649.19	0.78									
	* O T H E R S	297,726.14	16.94	280,064.74	18.76									

#### **III – IMPORTS BY ECONOMIC CATEGORIES**

Imports of Consumer Goods during September, 2018 increased by 17.28%, Raw Material for Consumer Goods by 22.12%, Capital Goods by 6.23% and Raw Material for Capital Goods by 25.27% over September, 2017. Their respective share in total imports were 19.60%, 43.19%, 27.33 and 9.88% respectively for September, 2018.

During July-September, 2018 Imports of Consumer Goods increased by 21.08%, Raw Material for Consumer Good by 27.56% and Raw Material Goods for Capital Goods by 29.48% but Capital Goods remain unchaged over the corresponding period of last year. Meanwhile the share of Consumer Goods in total imports for the period July-September, 2018 stood at 17.89%, Raw Material for Consumer Good at 43.66%, Capital Goods at 27.43% and Raw Material for Capital Goods at 11.02%.

#### TABLE – 11

#### **Import by Economic Categories**

Economic Category	Sep, 2018	Sep, 2017	Jul-Sep, 2018-19	Jul-Sep, 2017-18
TOTAL	545,495.84	467,454.35	1,757,449.15	1,492,829.05
1. CONSUMER GOODS	106,902.65	91,151.92	314,488.19	259,729.26
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	19.60	19.50	17.89	17.40
2. RAW MATERIAL FOR CONSUMER GOODS	235,590.37	192,914.05	767,247.92	601,460.14
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	43.19	41.27	43.66	40.29
3. RAW MATERIAL FOR CAPITAL GOODS	53,902.72	43,030.47	193,652.92	149,566.12
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	9.88	9.21	11.02	10.02
4. CAPITAL GOODS	149,100.09	140,357.90	482,060.13	482,073.54
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	27.33	30.03	27.43	32.29