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ENGINEERING TRADE ANALYSIS FOR AUGUST 2025

Engineering exports from India recorded growth for the third straight month to August 2025 but moderated over the month

Trade Flow	Exp	Export figures (in \$ billion)				% Growth	
	Aug- 2024	Aug- 2025	Apr - Aug 2024-25	Apr - Aug 2025- 26	Aug 2025 over Aug 2024	Apr-Aug 2025 over Apr-Aug 2024	
Engineering Exports	9.44	9.90	46.52	49.24	4.91%	5.86%	
Overall Merchandise Exports	32.89	35.10	179.60	184.13	6.73%	2.52%	
Share of engineering	28.69%	28.20%	25.90%	26.74%			
Service Exports	30.36	34.06	149.43	165.22	12.19%	10.57%	

Source: Compiled from data by DGCI&S and Quick Estimates published by the Government of India.

Engineering exports continued its growth run for the third straight month to August 2025 but with a moderated growth of 4.91 percent as against a high double digit growth of 13.86 percent in July 2025. Engineering exports in August 2025 was recorded at USD 9.9 billion as against USD 9.4 billion in the same month last year. On a month-on-month basis, engineering exports declined by around 5 percent as the previous month saw engineering shipment crossed USD 10 billion to reach USD 10.4 billion. This over the month decline in export may be considered as the early sign of stress given the tariff escalation imposed by the USA. On a cumulative basis, engineering exports recorded 5.86 percent year-on-year growth during the first five months of fiscal 2025-26 as it went up to USD 49.24 billion in Apr – Aug 2025-26 from USD 46.52 billion during the same period last fiscal. The share of engineering in total merchandise exports rose to 28.2 percent in August 2025 from 28 percent in July 2025. The share was recorded at 26.74% on a cumulative basis during April – August 2025-26. This growth in August 2025 was basically attributed to growth in shipment of Automobile and Auto component, Industrial machinery, and some basic metals namely Iron and steel, Aluminium and Copper along with their products. Region-wise analysis revealed that top export destinations for India's engineering exports namely North America and EU recorded noticeable growth on both monthly as well as on cumulative basis while WANA, ASEAN and CIS conceded decline in exports in August 2025 among the prominent regions. Exports to Saudi Arabia and Singapore declined in August 2025 among the major export destination countries.

HIGHLIGHTS

- ♣ Engineering exports continued its growth run for the third straight month to August 2025 but with a moderated growth of 4.91 percent as against a high double digit growth of 13.86 percent in July 2025.
- ♣ Engineering exports in August 2025 was recorded at USD 9.9 billion as against USD 9.4 billion in the same month last year, registering 4.91 percent growth.
- ♣ On a month-on-month basis, engineering exports declined by around 5 percent as the previous month saw engineering shipment crossed USD 10 billion to reach USD 10.4 billion.
- ♣ On a cumulative basis, engineering exports recorded 5.86 percent year-on-year growth during the first five months of fiscal 2025-26 as it went up to USD 49.24 billion in Apr Aug 2025-26 from USD 46.52 billion during the same period last fiscal.
- → The share of engineering in total merchandise exports rose to 28.2 percent in August 2025 from 28 percent in July 2025. The share was recorded at 26.74% on a cumulative basis during April August 2025-26.
- ♣ In August 2025, 27 out of 34 engineering panels witnessed positive year-on-year growth. While 7 engineering panels including mainly Nickel and product, Electrical Machinery and Equipment, Aircrafts and Spacecrafts, Ship and Boats, Medical and Scientific Instruments and Hand Tools and Cutting Tools, etc. witnessed decline in exports during August 2025 vis-à-vis August 2024.
- ♣ On a cumulative basis, 28 out of 34 engineering panels recorded positive growth and remaining 6 engineering panels including Non-ferrous sectors including Aluminium products, Zinc products and Nickel, Aircraft and Spacecrafts and Ships, boats and floating products, etc. recorded negative growth during April-August 2025-26..
- Region wise, North America maintained its spot as the number one export destination with a share of 21% followed by EU (18%) and WANA (14%) in April-August 2025.
- ♣ Country-wise, USA remained the top destinations followed by UAE and Germany in August 2025 while maximum increase was noted in South Africa (74.1%), Belgium (48.9%), Spain (41.7%) and Italy (38.7%)

ENGINEERING EXPORTS: MONTHLY TREND

The monthly engineering export figures for 2025-26 vis-à-vis 2024-25 are shown below as per the latest DGCI&S estimates:

Table 1: Engineering Exports: Monthly Trend in 2025-26

Values in US\$ million

Month	2024-25	2025-26	Growth (%)
April	8557.11	9512.81	11.17
May	9974.13	9889.10	-0.85

Month	2024-25	2025-26	Growth (%)
June	9386.21	9506.66	1.28
April-June	27917.46	28908.56	3.55
July	9162.17	10432.40	13.86
August	9437.14	9900.90	4.91
April-August	46516.78	49241.86	5.86

Source: DGCIS, Govt. of India

TOP 25 ENGINEERING EXPORT DESTINATIONS IN AUGUST 2025

We now look at the export scenario of the top 25 nations that had highest demand for Indian engineering products during August 2025 over August 2024 as well as in cumulative terms during April-August 2025-26 vis-à-vis April-August 2024-25. The data clearly shows that top 25 countries contribute 75 % of total engineering exports.

Table 2: Engineering exports country-wise

US\$ Mn.

Countries	August 2024	August 2025	Growth (%)	April- August 2023-24	April- August 2024-25	Growth (%)
USA	1566.8	1679.4	7.2%	7741.4	8634.1	11.5%
UAE	613.6	649.2	5.8%	3236.8	3076.4	-5.0%
GERMANY	387.1	412.3	6.5%	1731.0	2029.8	17.3%
UK	331.8	382.9	15.4%	1619.5	1922.6	18.7%
SAUDI ARABIA	405.0	358.9	-11.4%	2224.6	1836.9	-17.4%
SINGAPORE	306.0	190.0	-37.9%	1672.7	1780.4	6.4%
MEXICO	322.9	309.5	-4.1%	1592.7	1385.9	-13.0%
ITALY	218.2	302.7	38.7%	1287.5	1379.1	7.1%
KOREA RP	245.4	220.9	-10.0%	1093.9	1172.7	7.2%
SOUTH AFRICA	177.9	309.8	74.1%	895.4	1157.0	29.2%
CHINA	261.9	242.5	-7.4%	1078.9	1087.7	0.8%
BRAZIL	186.6	216.0	15.8%	913.5	1075.0	17.7%
JAPAN	201.7	164.6	-18.4%	909.6	1057.9	16.3%
NEPAL	184.0	212.0	15.2%	903.7	1008.3	11.6%
FRANCE	158.9	190.5	19.9%	773.1	930.2	20.3%

Countries	August 2024	August 2025	Growth (%)	April- August 2023-24	April- August 2024-25	Growth (%)
NETHERLAND	148.1	194.9	31.6%	801.2	927.9	15.8%
THAILAND	184.0	174.8	-5.0%	822.0	904.1	10.0%
BANGLADESH	152.4	174.8	14.7%	848.9	862.2	1.6%
TURKEY	280.6	162.0	-42.3%	1510.0	862.1	-42.9%
BELGIUM	114.2	170.0	48.9%	577.9	764.8	32.3%
INDONESIA	301.7	103.6	-65.6%	944.8	675.6	-28.5%
SPAIN	103.1	146.1	41.7%	546.1	629.6	15.3%
VIETNAM	113.3	142.5	25.7%	582.7	615.0	5.5%
AUSTRALIA	108.0	127.1	17.7%	496.8	612.0	23.2%
CANADA	95.0	128.8	35.6%	510.8	557.4	9.1%
Total engineering exports to top 25 countries	7168.4	7365.9	2.8%	35315.57	36944.73	4.6%
Total engineering exports	9437.1	9900.9	4.9%	46516.8	49241.9	5.9%

REGION WISE INDIA'S ENGINEERING EXPORTS

The following table depicts region wise India's engineering exports for April-August 2025 as compared to April-August 2024

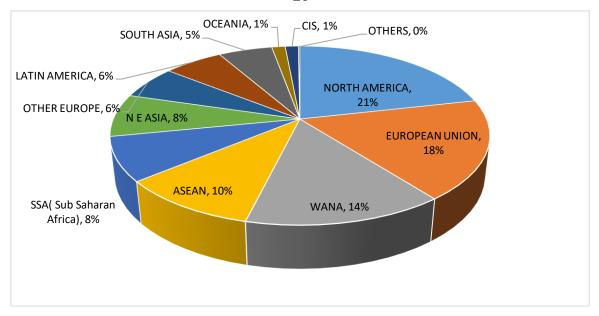
Table 3: Region wise engineering exports in April-August 2025-26 vis-à-vis April-August 2024-25 US\$ Mn

Region	August-24	August- 25	Growth (%)	Apr'23 - August'24	Apr'24 - August'25	Growt h (%)
NORTH AMERICA	1984.8	2117.8	6.7%	9844.9	10577.3	7.4%
EUROPEAN UNION	1458.0	1839.5	26.2%	7815.6	8843.8	13.2%
WANA	1493.6	1450.2	-2.9%	7505.1	7088.9	-5.5%
ASEAN	1100.3	840.5	-23.6%	5088.4	4997.7	-1.8%
SSA(Sub Saharan Africa)	680.4	888.4	30.6%	3153.4	3882.4	23.1%

Region	August-24	August- 25	Growth (%)	Apr'23 - August'24	Apr'24 - August'25	Growt h (%)
N E ASIA	778.5	714.7	-8.2%	3515.0	3807.8	8.3%
OTHER EUROPE	638.1	584.2	-8.4%	3336.0	2978.9	-10.7%
LATIN AMERICA	496.2	565.9	14.0%	2426.7	2966.6	22.2%
SOUTH ASIA	506.1	567.3	12.1%	2528.8	2692.7	6.5%
OCEANIA	129.6	139.3	7.4%	572.1	673.1	17.7%
CIS	168.6	169.1	0.3%	720.5	659.4	-8.5%
OTHERS	3.0	24.0	697.7%	10.4	73.0	600.9%
Grand Total	9437.1	9900.9	4.9%	46516.8	49241.9	5.9%

Note: Myanmar has been included in ASEAN and not in South Asia, since ASEAN is a formal economic grouping.

Figure 1: Region-wise shares of India's engineering exports during April-August 2025-26



Source: DGCI&S

PANEL WISE INDIA'S ENGINEERING EXPORTS

In this section we look at the Engineering Panel wise exports for the month of August 2025 vis-à-vis August 2024 as well as the cumulative exports for **April-August 2025-26 vis-à-vis April-August 2024-25**. These are indicated in the tables below.

Table 4: Panel-wise Export Analysis for April-August 2025-26 vis-à-vis April-August 2024-25

		Aprıı-August	2024 25			
Product panels	August 2024	August 2025	Growth (%)	April- August 2024-25	April- August 2025-26	Growth (%)
		Ferro	ous			
Iron and Steel	792.8	841.5	6%	3874.0	4036.7	4.2%
Products of Iron and Steel	865.1	890.6	3%	3980.6	4375.7	10%
Sub Total	1657.9	1732.2	4%	7854.6	8412.4	7%
		Non-fer	rous			
Copper and products	182.2	226.8	24%	805.8	1024.9	27%
Aluminium and products	519.7	543.9	5%	2784.6	2571.7	-8%
Zinc and products	40.8	58.0	42%	289.3	257.9	-11%
Nickel and products	16.4	15.9	-3%	72.5	70.8	-2%
Lead and products	58.1	96.2	66%	357.1	442.1	24%
Tin and products	1.5	2.8	82%	8.3	12.5	50%
Other Non-Ferrous Metals	76.0	85.0	12%	347.0	436.7	26%
Sub Total	894.9	1028.5	15%	4664.8	4816.5	3.3%
		Industrial M	I achinery			
Industrial Machinery like Boilers, parts, etc.	71.4	86.2	21%	319.4	394.2	23%
IC Engines and Parts	316.7	350.7	11%	1522.3	1767.6	16%
Pumps of all types	129.2	133.1	3%	623.7	656.8	5%
Air condition and Refrigerators	163.4	180.3	10%	739.2	925.2	25%
Industrial Machinery for dairy, food processing, textiles etc.	678.3	760.9	12%	3366.5	3714.5	10%
Machine Tools	68.4	85.3	25%	331.9	389.7	17%
Machinery for Injecting moulding, valves and ATMs	231.6	260.2	12%	1121.8	1288.5	15%
Sub Total	1659.0	1856.5	12%	8024.8	9136.4	14%
		Electrical M	lachinery			
Electrical Machinery	1156.9	1151.2	0%	5700.2	6380.6	12%
	Auto	mobile and a	uto compon	ent		
Motor Vehicle/cars	775.9	1017.9	31%	3609.1	4354.2	21%
Two and Three Wheelers	260.1	347.2	33%	1279.2	1561.9	22%
Auto Components/Part	701.1	766.0	9%	3404.2	3646.6	7%
Auto Tyres and Tubes	242.1	254.2	5%	1256.7	1328.3	6%
Sub Total	1979.2	2385.3	21%	9549.1	10890.9	14.1%
	Air	crafts and rel	ated produc	ets		

Product panels	August 2024	August 2025	Growth (%)	April- August 2024-25	April- August 2025-26	Growth (%)
Aircrafts and Spacecraft parts and products	439.3	134.3	-69%	2273.3	669.9	-71%
	Ships Boat	ts and Floatin	g products a	and parts		
Ships Boats and Floating products and parts	275.1	94.7	-66%	2001.4	1707.1	-15%
	Misce	llaneous engi	neering prod	ducts		
Medical and Scientific instruments	244.5	239.2	-2%	1084.5	1190.6	10%
Railway Transport	28.6	52.6	84%	131.4	190.9	45%
Hand Tools & Cutting Tools	90.3	89.0	-1%	414.8	444.9	7%
Bicycle & Parts	33.9	42.7	26%	154.2	195.7	27%
Cranes Lifts & Winches	88.3	94.2	7%	454.9	469.4	3%
Office Equipment	29.2	34.5	18%	118.5	159.6	35%
Other Construction Machinery	265.0	297.6	12%	1258.1	1415.9	13%
Prime Mica & Mica Products	2.8	2.9	3%	12.4	13.7	11%
Project Goods	0.2	0.1	-33%	0.9	0.6	-37%
Other Rubber Product Except Footwear	156.0	165.6	6%	733.3	797.2	9%
Other Misc. Items	436.2	499.8	15%	2085.6	2349.6	13%
Sub total	1218.7	1352.4	11%	5714.4	6430.2	13%
Total engineering exports	9437.1	9900.9	4.9%	46516.8	49241.9	5.86%

Reasons for Decline (As per April-August 2025-26):

Aluminium

- While cumulative aluminium exports have remained negative, it recorded slight growth in August 2025, first time in the current fiscal
- Massive decline noted in Turkey (80%) mainly due to ongoing geo-political tensions. Decline was also noted in Mexico, Netherlands, Bangladesh, Canada and Spain
- Increase in domestic demand is also a reason behind declining exports

Zinc

• As per the London Metal Exchange the global zinc market is facing significant downturn due to international trade tensions and weak macroeconomic conditions

Nickel

• The decline in India's Nickel exports is mainly due to rising domestic demand especially in the EV and renewable sector

Table 5: Panel-wise shares in India's total engineering exports during April-August 2025-26

S. No	Product Panels	Apr'24 - August'24 (Share%)	Apr'25 - August'25 (Share %)			
	1. Iron and Steel and Produ	<u> </u>	l Steel			
A	Iron and Steel	8.3%	8.2%			
В	Products of Iron and Steel	8.6%	8.9%			
	Sub Total 16.9% 17.1%					
	2. Non-Ferrous Metals and Produ	icts made of Non-Fei	rrous Metals			
A	Copper and products	1.7%	2.1%			
В	Aluminium and products	6.0%	5.2%			
C	Zinc and products	0.6%	0.5%			
D	Nickel and products	0.2%	0.1%			
Е	Lead and products	0.8%	0.9%			
F	Tin and products	0%	0%			
G	Other Non-Ferrous Metals	0.7%	0.9%			
	Sub Total	10.0%	9.8%			
	3. Industrial	Machinery				
A	Industrial Machinery like Boilers, parts,					
	etc	1%	1%			
В	IC Engines and Parts	3.3%	3.6%			
С	Pumps of all types	1%	1%			
D	Air condition and Refrigerators	1.6%	1.9%			
Е	Industrial Machinery for dairy, food					
	processing, textiles etc	7%	8%			
F	Machine Tools	0.7%	0.8%			
G	Machinery for Injecting moulding,					
	valves and ATMs	2%	3%			
	Sub Total	17.3%	18.6%			
4.	Electrical Machinery	12%	13%			
	5. Autor	nobiles				
A	Motor Vehicle/cars	8%	9%			
В	Two and Three Wheelers	3%	3%			
С	Auto Components/Part	7%	7%			
D	Auto Tyres and Tubes	3%	3%			
	Sub Total	21%	22%			
6	Aircrafts and Spacecraft parts and products	5%	1%			
7	Ships Boats and Floating products and parts	4%	3%			
	10. Other engine	eering products				
A	Medical and Scientific instruments	2%	2%			
В	Railway Transport	0%	0%			
С	Hand Tools & Cutting Tools	1%	1%			
D	Bicycle & Parts	0%	0%			
Е	Cranes Lifts & Winches	1%	1%			
F	Office Equipments	0%	0%			
G	Other Construction Machinery	3%	3%			

S. No	Product Panels	Apr'24 - August'24 (Share%)	Apr'25 - August'25 (Share %)
Н	Prime Mica & Mica Products	0%	0%
I	Other Misc. Items	4%	5%
8	Project Goods	0%	0%
9	Other Rubber Product Except Footwear	2%	2%
	Sub total	12%	13%
·	Total engineering exports	100%	100%

ENGINEERING EXPORTS – STATE-WISE ANALYSIS

State wise engineering export performance- Data as on 2024-25

(Note: Current fiscal 2025-26 data not yet updated in Niryat Portal)

The table below indicates the exports from top Indian states. It is evident from the table that almost 91.5% of India's exports is contributed by the listed 12 states. Within this almost 50 percent of exports is done by Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Gujarat together.

Table 6:Top state wise engineering export performance – April-March 2024-25

US\$ Million

Top States	2023-24	2024-25	Growth %	%Share in India's Eng Export	Remark
Maharashtra	22992.9	22546.4	-1.9%	19.7%	
Tamil Nadu	16844.6	18108.6	7.5%	15.8%	
Gujarat	14753.3	16590.5	12.5%	14.5%	
Telangana	3458.0	7536.2	117.9%	6.6%	04.50/
Karnataka	6709.1	7277.3	8.5%	6.3%	91.5%
Haryana	6753.8	6764.5	0.2%	5.9%	share
Odisha	7125.2	5910.1	-17.1%	5.2%	covered
Delhi	4599.7	4684.5	1.8%	4.1%	by top 12 states
Uttar Pradesh	4117.9	4348.7	5.6%	3.8%	States
Andhra Pradesh	4885.6	4319.4	-11.6%	3.8%	
West Bengal	3134.8	3523.7	12.4%	3.1%	
Rajasthan	3405.3	3375.7	-0.9%	2.9%	

Source: NIRYAT portal

- Top 12 states constitute over 91.5 % of India's engineering Exports. Once again, Karnataka maintained its 5th position, Telengana retained its 4th position, Odisha coming down to 7th position, West Bengal coming down to 11th position, while Rajasthan moving up to 12th position and Haryana remarkably moved up to 6th position during the fiscal April-March 2024-25 compared to the same period last fiscal.(as per estimates of Niryat Portal)
- Major negative growth witnessed in states like Maharashtra (decline by 1.9%), Odisha, (decline by 17.1%), Andhra Pradesh (decline by 11.6%) and Rajasthan (decline by 0.9%) during April-March 2024-25 compared to the same period last fiscal.
- Maharashtra being the highest state in terms of Engineering Goods exports (constituting a share of 19.7%) is leading by US\$ 4.44 billion from Tamil Nadu(Second Highest State) for the period of April-March 2024-25

India's Region wise engineering exports

In terms of region, western region which includes industrial states like Maharashtra and Gujarat is the front runner in terms of exports with 34.1 percent share. Tamil Nadu from the Southern Region has retained its export performance and it ranked second after Maharashtra, while Gujarat and Telengana ranked third and fourth during April-March 2024-25.

Table 7: Region wise exports from India

Value in US\$ million

Region	2023-24	2024-25	Growth%
EASTERN REGION	12236.7	11089.7	-9.4%
NORTHERN REGION	22651.0	22571.4	-0.4%
SOUTHERN REGION	33012.2	38262.6	15.9%
WESTERN REGION	41415.4	42797.8	3.3%

Source: NIRYAT portal

Note: The total engineering exports given in the above table is taken from NIRYAT as per the latest available data and may not tally with the total engineering exports as given by DGCI&S

CORRELATION BETWEEN MANUFACTURING OUTPUT AND ENGINEERING EXPORTS

Engineering forms a considerable part of the broader manufacturing sector and the share of engineering production in overall manufacturing output is quite significant. As exports generally come from what is produced within a country, some correlation between manufacturing production growth and engineering export growth should exist. We briefly look at the trend in manufacturing growth as also engineering export growth to see if they move in tandem. It may be mentioned that manufacturing has 77.63% weightage in India's industrial production.

Engineering export growth and manufacturing output growth moved in the same direction in as many as nine out of twelve months in each of the fiscal years 2019-20 and 2020-21. During fiscal 2021-22, engineering export growth and manufacturing growth moved in the same direction in seven out of twelve months while in each of fiscal 2022-23 and 2023-24, as many as 10 out of 12 months saw engineering exports and manufacturing output moved in the same direction. In 2024-25, both moved in the same direction in eight out of 12 months.

The first two month of fiscal 2025-26 saw engineering export growth and manufacturing output growth moved in the opposite direction. In April, engineering export growth surged to double digit and manufacturing growth decelerated, while in May engineering export declined and manufacturing output growth inched up over the month. In June and July 2025 however, both moved on the same direction witnessing improvement in growth.

The link between these two may not be established in one or two months, but a positive correlation may be seen if medium to long term trend is considered.

Table 8: Engineering exports growth vis-à-vis manufacturing growth from April 2024

Months/ Year	Engg. Export Growth (%)	Manufacturing Growth (%)
April 2024	-4.49	4.2
May 2024	7.43	5.1
June 2024	10.26	3.5
July 2024	5.12	4.7
August 2024	4.28	1.2
September 2024	10.55	4.0
October 2024	39.27	4.4
November 2024	13.72	5.5
December 2024	8.33	3.7
January 2025	7.49	5.8
February 2025	-8.64	2.8
March 2025	-3.92	4.0
April 2025	11.29	3.1
May 2025	-0.80	3.2
June 2025	1.28	3.7
July 2025	13.86	5.4

(Source: Department of Commerce and CSO)

IMPACT OF EXCHANGE RATE ON INDIA'S EXPORTS

How did the exchange rate fare during August 2025 and what was the recent trend in Re-Dollar movement? In order to get a clearer picture of the recent Re-Dollar trend, not only we took the exchange rate of August 2025, but also considered monthly average exchange rate of Rupee vis-à-vis the US Dollar for each month of fiscal 2023-24, 2024-25 and fiscal 2025-26 as per the latest data published, as mere one-month figure does not reflect any trend. The following two tables clearly depicts the short-term trend.

Table 9: USD-INR monthly average exchange rate in 2025-26 vis-à-vis 2024-25 (As per latest data released by FBIL)

Monthly Average Exchange Rate (1 USD to INR)		Year-on- Year	Direction	Month- on-Month	Direction	
Month	2024-25	2025-26	Change (%)		Change (%)	
April	83.41	85.56	2.58	Depreciation	-1.25	Appreciation
May	83.39	85.19	2.16	Depreciation	-0.43	Appreciation
June	83.47	85.90	2.91	Depreciation	0.83	Depreciation
July	83.59	86.11	3.01	Depreciation	0.24	Depreciation
August	83.90	87.52	4.31	Depreciation	1.64	Depreciation

Rupee continued to depreciate both on a monthly as well as yearly basis for the third straight month in August 2025 as INR hit its lowest: INR depreciated vis-à-vis the US Dollar by 1.64 percent in July 2025 over the previous month and a much higher 4.31 percent on a year-on-year basis. Rupee dropped to below 87 per US Dollar in July that continued in August 2025 and it closed the month at 87.85 per US Dollar (FBIL data). Uncertainty over an India-U.S. trade deal after U.S. President Donald Trump hinted at tariff hike continued to wigh on rupee. Month-end dollar demand from importers and sustained foreign fund outflows also weighed on the Indian local unit.

Outlook: Uncertainty on trade due to imposition of reciprocal tariff by USA clouded the global socioeconomic scenario and hence the outlook for rupee. A trend may be established once tariff stability is seen

Table 10: USD-INR monthly average exchange rate in 2024-25 vis-à-vis 2023-24 (As per latest data released by FBIL)

Monthly Average Exchange Rate (1 USD to INR)		Year-on- Year	Direction	Month- on-Month	Direction	
Month	2023-24	2024-25	Change (%)		Change (%)	
April	82.02	83.41	1.69	Depreciation	0.49	Depreciation
May	82.34	83.39	1.28	Depreciation	-0.02	Appreciation
June	82.23	83.47	1.51	Depreciation	0.10	Depreciation
July	82.15	83.59	1.75	Depreciation	0.14	Depreciation
August	82.79	83.89	1.33	Depreciation	0.36	Depreciation
September	83.05	83.81	0.92	Depreciation	-0.10	Appreciation
October	83.24	84.02	0.94	Depreciation	0.25	Depreciation
November	83.30	84.36	1.27	Depreciation	0.40	Depreciation
December	83.28	84.99	2.05	Depreciation	0.75	Depreciation
January	83.14	86.27	3.76	Depreciation	1.51	Depreciation
February	82.96	87.05	4.93	Depreciation	0.90	Depreciation
March	83.00	86.64	4.39	Depreciation	-0.47	Appreciation

Trend of Rupee vis-a-vis US dollar from April 2021 (Monthly Average Exchange Rate of FBIL)

Aug-2025, 87.52

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Fig 2: Trend of Rupee vis-a-vis US dollar from April 2021 (Monthly Average Rate of FBIL has been considered)

Source: FBIL

ANALYSIS OF INDIA'S ENGINEERING IMPORTS

- India's Engineering imports during August 2025 were valued at US\$ 13.2 billion compared to US\$ 14.1 billion in August 2024 registering a negative growth of 6.5 percent in dollar terms. In cumulative terms (Apr-Aug 2025), India's imports increased by 5.8%
- In August 2025, imports increased for industrial machinery for diary, electric machinery & equipments, aluminium and products, medical & scientific instruments, products of iron & steel, machine tools, zinc and its products, motor vehicles & cars, railway transport, etc.
- In August 2025, import increase was mainly noted from South Asia, WANA and North East Asia. In cumulative terms also import increased mainly happened from these regions along with ASEAN, Other European nations, CIS and Oceania.
- The share of engineering imports in India's total merchandise imports in Apr-August 2025 was estimated at 21.3 percent.
- 42% of India's engineering imports come from N E Asia and 19.5% from the EU. The next major suppliers are ASEAN (12.8%), North America (8.0%) and WANA (7.4%)

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Fig 3: Monthly Engineering Imports for April-August 2025-26 vis-a-vis April-August 2024-25

TREND IN ENGINEERING TRADE BALANCE

We now present the trend in two-way yearly trade for the engineering sector for the 2025-26 depicted in the table below:

■ April ■ May ■ June ■ July ■ August

Table 11: Monthly Trend in Engineering Trade Balance for the current FY 2025-26 (US\$ Billions)

Trade Flow	Apr	May	June	July	Aug
Engineering Export	9.5	9.9	9.5	10.4	9.9
Engineering Import	12.6	13.1	11.5	14.0	13.2
Trade Balance	-3.1	-3.2	-2.0	-3.6	-3.3

Source: DGCI&S, EEPC India Analysis

Conclusion

India's engineering exports continued its growth journey in the month of August recording a growth of 4.9% over last year. This growth comes at a time when our exporters are facing significant global challenges especially the threat of reciprocal and section 232 tariffs from the US and increasing logistics and shipping costs due to growing geo-political tensions. Therefore it is a significant achievement for the exporting community. In this difficult times, the FTA signed with UK will become a major benefit to the industry as it will further pave our presence in the UK market. However, the FTA doesnot address the CBAM concerns which may act as a significant barrier. As India negotiates another FTA with EU, we hope it would address the non-tariff barrier concerns such as CBAM to make the FTAs truly effective. Also, we urge the government to provide us support for better marketing of Indian products abroad as diversification of products and destinations is the key. The support of the government will also be crucial to address the issues of export credit, rising raw material prices and rising logistics cost. The industry strongly believes that resolution to the above issues would make India truly competitive in the global market.

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ENGINEERING PRODUCT PANELS – COUNTRY-WISE ANALYSIS

We now analyze the performance of some of the important products for the fiscal April-August 2025-26 vis-à-vis April-August 2024-25. We have taken the major panels and computed the top importers to get an idea of the current trade pattern.

Engineering Product Panel - Country matrix

Value in USD million

Product panels	Top 5 nations	Apr-Aug 2024-25	Apr-Aug 2025-26	Growth
	Italy	516.4	478.5	-7%
	USA	184.5	344.1	87%
Iron and Steel	Belgium	219.2	315.8	44%
	Nepal	287.1	291.1	1%
	UAE	243.3	212.3	-13%
	USA	1182.8	1319.1	12%
Products of Iron and	UAE	291.8	365.0	25%
Steel	Germany	186.4	211.0	13%
Steel	Saudi Arab	298.5	163.0	-45%
	Qatar	103.8	129.8	25%
	USA	1688.3	1941.3	15%
	UAE	367.7	507.8	38%
Industrial Machinery	Germany	390.0	412.3	6%
	China	363.3	357.1	-2%
	Thailand	317.7	330.9	4%
	South Africa	495.8	719.1	45%
Automobiles (Motor	Saudi Arab	647.1	643.1	-1%
Vehicles/Cars and Two	Mexico	659.3	638.6	-3%
and Three Wheelers)	Japan	288.1	350.1	22%
	UAE	283.5	306.4	8%
	USA	604.7	750.8	24%
	Korea RP	393.5	432.8	10%
Non-Ferrous metals	Saudi Arab	289.8	383.4	32%
	China	200.2	286.2	43%
	Vietnam	171.0	218.3	28%
	USA	1114.4	1346.8	21%
Electrical Machinery	UK	452.7	667.2	47%
Electrical Machinery and Components	Singapore	645.3	608.1	-6%
and Components	Germany	339.5	461.4	36%
	Korea RP	319.6	348.9	9%
	USA	180.7	200.7	11%
Aimonafts and Chase	France	97.4	121.8	25%
Aircrafts and Space crafts	UK	60.4	78.2	29%
Crarts	Germany	31.3	40.1	28%
	Singapore	20.3	37.3	84%
	Singapore	534.9	690.4	29%
Ships, Boats and	UAE	663.8	559.7	-16%
Floating Structures and	Indonesia	232.7	96.2	-59%
parts	Sri Lanka	87.1	90.8	4%
	Oman	0.1	65.9	110259%
	USA	986.3	952.8	-3%

Product panels	Top 5 nations	Apr-Aug 2024-25	Apr-Aug 2025-26	Growth
Auto Components (including Auto Parts and Auto Tyre)	Germany	258.0	320.5	24%
	Brazil	258.7	315.4	22%
	UAE	146.2	251.6	72%
	Bangladesh	163.2	223.5	37%

- In April-August 2025, Italy, USA and Belgium ranked as the top three importers of Indian Iron and Steel, while the USA, UAE and Germany lead in import of products of Iron & Steel.
- The USA stood out as the primary importer of Indian 'Industrial machinery,' making up 21% of India's global exports in this category, followed by UAE and Germany with 6% ad 5% shares, respectively during April-August 2025.
- South Africa, Saudi Arabia, Mexico, Japan and UAE were top importers of India's Automobiles during April-August 2025 in India's global exports respectively over the same period previous fiscal.
- USA, South Korea, Saudi Arabia, China and Vietnam were the top importers of India's Non-ferrous metals and products during April-August 2025.
- USA, UK, Singapore and Germany were the top importers of Indian Electrical Machinery & Components during the same period with 21%, 10%, 10% and 7% shares respectively.
- USA, France,UK, Germany and Singapore were the top importers of India's Aircrafts and Spacecraft during April-August 2025, making up to 71% of India's total export of Aircrafts and Spacecraft
- Singapore, UAE and Indonesia became the largest importer of ships, boats and floating structures followed by Sri Lanka and Oman, making up to 88% of India's total export of ships, boats and floating structures.
- For the auto components' product group, USA remained the top importer in April-August 2025 followed by Germany, Brazil, UAE and Bangladesh, making up to 41% of India's total export under this category.