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Analysis of Indian engineering exports during April2016: May 16, 2016

Trend in overall trade

India's merchandise exports for the new fiscal 2016-2014 fell by 6.74 percent US\$ 20.569 billion in April 2016 from US\$ 22.055 billion in the same month of the previous year signalling a decline for the 17th straight month. The trend of falling exports has been in tandem with other major world economies.

On the other hand, Imports during April 2016 were valued at US\$ 25.414 billion which was 23.10 per cent lower in dollar terms compared to the level of imports valued at US\$ 33.047 billion in April 2015.

The trade deficit for April 2016, in the case of merchandise, was estimated at US\$ 4.845 billion which is lower than the deficit of US\$ 10.992 billion during April 2015.

Engineering exports

The share of India's engineering exports with respect to overall exports has come down from 26% in April 2015 to 22.4% in April 2016. The engineering export figures dropped by over 18percent from US\$ 5.7 billion in April 2015 to US\$ 4.6 billion in April 2016. The monthly engineering figures for the first month of 2016-2017 vis-à-vis 2015-2016 are depicted below:

Table1: Engineering Exports
(US\$ Million)

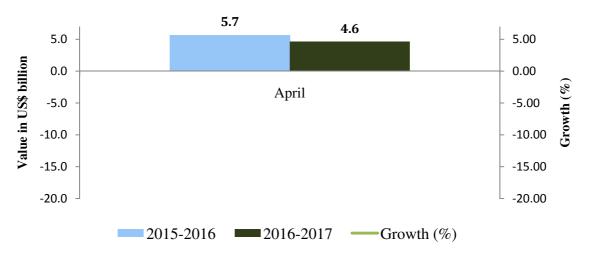
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Months	2015-16	2016-17	Growth (%)
April	5674.5	4599.8	-18.9

(Source: Department of Commerce, Government of India)

Figure 1 below depicts the monthly trend in engineering exports for 2015 and 2016

Figure1: Trends in Monthly Engineering ExportsUS\$ Billion

Monthly Engineering Exports for 2016-2017 vis-a-vis 2015-2016



(Source: EEPC India analysis)

The share of engineering production in overall manufacturing output is quite significant as engineering sector is an important segment of the broader Manufacturing sector Now, as production and exports are directly correlated, some correlation between manufacturing production growth and merchandise export growth is very likely to exist. Hence, a broad analysis of industrial production, especially of manufacturing sector is effective in the context of engineering export analysis as manufacturing has over 75% weightage in India's industrial production. The downfall in Indian engineering exports continued for the ninth consecutive month to April 2016 and the pace of decline also accelerated to 18.9% in the last month after some moderationin February and March 2016. In line with the moderation in decline in engineering exports, India's manufacturing production also came back to growth path in February 2016 however feeble after decline in previous three months. However, in March 2016, manufacturing output again declined while rate of decline in exports was largely flat over the month. November is the first month in 2015-16 to conceded a decline in yearon-year manufacturing production when engineering export suddenly dropped by around 30 percent. Decline in exports moderated slightly in December 2015 when decline in manufacturing also moderated. However, manufacturing output declined at a faster pace in January 2016 while engineering exports witnessed slightly slower decline. The month of February witnessed a substantial slowdown in the pace of year-on-year decline in engineering exports and manufacturing also came to growth path. Overall IIP Index, the standard measure for industrial output, stood at 207.7 in March 2016 as against 194.1 in February 2016 and 195.1 in January 2016. Cumulatively, industrial production during fiscal 2015-16 grew at 2.4 percent, which was a bit lower than that of the previous fiscal at 2.8 percent.

The growth rates in Engineering Exports and the Growth in Manufacturing in the country in the current fiscal in Table 1A below:

Table 3: Engineering Exports Growth vis-a-vis Manufacturing Growth (2015-16)

Months/ Year	Engg. Exports Growth (%)	Manufacturing Growth (%)
March 2016	11.22	-1.2
April-March 2015-16	16.93	2.4
April 2016	18.9	N.A

An analysis of the engineering export and manufacturing growth data for the last fiscal also established some correlation between the two. India's engineering exports conceded bigger decline during May 2015 in comparison to the previous month while manufacturing growth also decelerated. The fall in export growth decreased in June and manufacturing growth also strengthened. Exports registered marginal growth during July 2015 but growth of manufacturing production decelerated. Then export growth and growth of manufacturing moved in opposite direction in August and September 2015. However, both moved in the same direction during the last three months of 2015. Decline in engineering exports decelerated in October and manufacturing growth reached its several years' high. November 2015 just saw the reverse whenengineering exports declined to its highest pace of the last fiscal and manufacturing production declined for the first time in 2015-16. Then in December 2015, fall in exports moderated slightly while the pace of decline in manufacturing also slowed down to nearly half the rate of the previous month. January 2016 however saw a slower rate of decline in engineering exports coupled with a bigger fall in manufacturing growth. The month of February reflected the link between these two when engineering export growth declined significantly and manufacturing bounced back to growth. In the last month of fiscal 2015-16, decline in manufacturing was largely the same over the month but manufacturing growth again came back to negative.

We also present the month wise corresponding **revised** engineering exports for 2015-16 as opposed to 2014-15.

Table 4: Revised Engineering Exports (2014-15)USD Million

Quarter	Month	2014-15	2015-2016	Growth Rate in Percent
Quarter 1	April	5708.04	5674.5*	-0.59*
	May	6013.33	5345.9	-11.10
	June	5205.21	4950.74	-4.89
Quarter 2	July	5499.76	5578.87	1.44

Quarter	Month	2014-15	2015-2016	Growth Rate in Percent
	August	6380.66	4659.26	-26.98
	September	6329.07	4704.5	-25.67
Quarter 3	October	5007.85	4486.18	-10.42
	November	6403.45	4342.94	-32.18
	December	6710.57	4689.19	-30.12
Quarter 4	January	6707.02	4757.43	-29.07
	February	4975.32	4419.95	-11.16
	March	5829.71	5175.65	-11.22
	Total Exports	70769.99	58785.11*	-16.93*

(*Revised figures as per latest estimates by DGCI&S)

Impact of Exchange Rate

How has the exchange rate been in April 2016 vis-a-vis April 2015? We look at the average exchange rate for April 2016 vis-a-vis April 2015. The below table provides the same:

Table 5: Average Exchange Rate

April	Average Exchange Rate 1 USD to INR
2015	62.39
2016	66.43

(Source: Calculated from RBI archive)

The official exchange rate of rupee vis-à-vis the US Dollar during April 2016has depreciated by 6.5 percent to that of the same period last year.

We begin by looking at the Engineering Panel wise exports for the month of April 2016 vis-a-vis April 2015. The data is given in Table 6 below:

Table 6: Trends in Engineering panel Exports for April 2016 vis-à-vis April 2015 US\$ Million

Sl no.	Panel	April 2015	April, 2016	Growth %		
	1. Iron and Steel and Produ	cts made of l	ron and Steel			
Α	Iron and Steel	545.77	338.94	-37.90		
В	Products of Iron and Steel	607.96	444.93	-26.82		
	Sub Total	1153.73	783.87	-32.06		
	2. Non-Ferrous Metals and Products made of Non-Ferrous Metals					
A	Copper and products	260.81	144.07	-44.76		

Sl no.	Panel	April 2015	April, 2016	Growth %
В	Aluminium and products	201.23	146.74	-27.08
С	Zinc and products	71.2	16.8	-76.40
D	Nickel and products	21.59	9.21	-57.34
E	Lead and products	11.68	10.94	-6.34
F	Tin and products	2.34	0.6	-74.36
G	Other Non Ferrous Metals	38.3	35.15	-8.22
	Sub Total	607.15	363.51	-40.13
	3. Industrial	Machinery		
A	Industrial Machinery like Boilers, parts, etc	56.12	79.17	41.07
В	IC Engines and Parts	164.11	135.48	-17.45
С	Pumps of all types	65.04	59.75	-8.13
D	Air condition and Refrigerators	85.22	85.96	0.87
Е	Industrial Machinery for dairy, food processing , textiles etc	409.8	346.09	-15.55
F	Machine Tools	33.95	40.81	20.21
G	Machinery for Injecting moulding, valves and ATMs	110.79	108.42	-2.14
	Sub Total	925.03	855.68	-7.50
4	Electrical Machinery	322.81	313.95	-2.74
	5. Auto and Auto	o Componen	ts	
A	Motor Vehicle/cars	483.86	517.33	6.92
В	Two and Three Wheelers	122.72	119.5	-2.62
С	Auto Components/Part	349.01	328.89	-5.76
	Sub Total	955.59	965.72	1.06
6	Aircrafts and Spacecraft parts and products	903.77	164.82	-81.76
7	Ships Boats and Floating products and parts	340.35	646.67	90.00
	8. Miscellan	eous Items		
A	Medical and Scientific instruments	93.8	105.8	12.79
В	Railway Transport	6.53	6.32	-3.22
С	Hand Tools & Cutting Tools	56.42	51.76	-8.26
D	Electrodes Accumulators	2.67	3.48	30.34
E	Accumulator and Batteries	14.58	14.52	-0.41
F	Bicycle & Parts	22.71	25.16	10.79
G	Cranes Lifts & Winches	26.7	43.35	62.36
Н	Office Equipments	5.39	6.78	25.79
I	Other Construction Machinery	105.82	89.47	-15.45

Sl no.	Panel	April 2015	April, 2016	Growth %
J	Prime Mica & Mica Products	1.28	1.68	31.25
K	OTHER MISC. ITEMS	130.2	157.29	20.81
Sub To	tal	466.10	505.61	8.48
Grand	Total	5674.53	4599.83	-18.94

Some factors that need to be noted are:

- ❖ Out of 33 engineering panels, 21 panels (64 percent) of the engineering panels recorded a negative growth and remaining 12 panels fared positive growth in the month of April 2015.
- ❖ India's Primary Iron and Steel exports have fallen by more than 38 percent during the first month of the current fiscal of 2015-2016. Products of Iron and Steel have also dropped by more than 27 percent in April 2016 vis-à-vis April 2015.
- ❖ Like in the month of February and March 2016, Aircraft and Spacecraft have contracted for the third straight month in April 2016 falling by 82 percent to that of the previous fiscal.On the contrary, Ship, boats and floating bodies registered a growth in exports by more than 90 percent in April 2016 vis-à-vis April 2015, similar to that of the previous month.
- ❖ There has been a drastic fall in the exports in all the Non Ferrous panels during April 2016, out of which sectors like Zinc and products, Tin and products and Nickel and witnessed maximum decline by 76%, 74% and 57% respectively during April 2016 over April 2015.
- ❖ In the Industrial Machinery panel, the productsin the group that registered significant export growthincludes Machinery like Boilers and Machine Tools that have grown to the extent of 41 and 20 percent respectively during April 2016 against April 2015. Sectors like IC Engines and Machinery for food processing registered decline in exports by 17 and 15 percent respectively during April 2016 over that of 2015. In the Industrial Machinery panel, 4 out of 7 panels witnessed negative growth in the month of April 2016 vis-à-vis same period last fiscal. The panels include IC Engines, Pumps and Valves of all types, Machine for ATMS and Industrial Machinery for dairy products, etc.
- ❖ Among all the panels, significant heavy growth is observed in sectors like Cranes and Winches growing by 62 percent from US\$26.7 million in April 2015 to US\$ 43.35 million in April 2016. Other sectors include Medical and Scientific Instruments, Electrodes and Accumulators, Mica and Products, Office Equipments, etc.

☑ Top 25 destinations for Indian Engineering Exports in Absolute Value (even though the growth rate may be negative)

We now look at the export scenario of top 25 nations that have highest demand for Indian engineering products during April 2016 over April 2015 in Absolute Value, even though the growth rate may be negative.

Table 7: Engineering Exports Country wise For April 2016 over April 2015US\$ Million

	APRIL,	APRIL,	Growth
COUNTRY	2015	2016	percent
USA	625.03	502.16	-19.66
UAE	612.94	330.96	-46.00
MALAYSIA	103.45	298.75	188.78
SINGAPORE	175.89	221.94	26.18
MEXICO	153.76	192.54	25.22
UK	166.24	181.50	9.18
GERMANY	145.15	169.53	16.80
NEPAL	127.61	145.62	14.11
BANGLADESH	109.64	141.06	28.66
ITALY	121.32	123.06	1.43
TURKEY	95.57	107.56	12.54
CHINA	242.56	102.66	-57.68
SAUDI ARAB	112.23	101.99	-9.12
FRANCE	69.70	92.28	32.41
KOREA RP	87.50	80.25	-8.29
NETHERLAND	62.72	64.43	2.73
SRI LANKA	647.85	63.35	-90.22
INDONESIA	68.69	62.95	-8.36
SOUTH AFRICA	110.05	61.65	-43.98
BELGIUM	47.18	58.28	23.52
THAILAND	75.40	56.88	-24.57
JAPAN	54.70	56.32	2.96
SPAIN	48.47	55.83	15.19
PHILIPPINES	46.32	54.83	18.36
EGYPT	72.27	42.47	-41.23
Total of top 25	4182.24	3368.82	-19.45
Total Engineering Exports	5674.55	4599.85	-18.94

COUNTRY	APRIL, 2015	APRIL, 2016	Growth percent
Share of top 25 in Total (%)	73.70	73.24	

Note: Red font indicates negative monthly.

*There is a category called 'unspecified' under the destinations importing US\$ 155 million , ranks no 8^{th} , but which has not been included here under the top 25 export destinations.

(Source: Department of Commerce, Government of India)

The country wise engineering export figures for April 2016 show the following facts:

- ❖ During the month of April 2016, 15 out of the top 25 countries recorded year-onyear growth in engineering imports from India while the rest 10 conceded decline over the same month last year.
- ❖ Malaysia which ranked third among the top 25 engineering export destinations registered the highest growth in engineering imports from India with more than 188 percent during the month of April 2016 over April 2015. France which recorded negative growth in the previous month, recovered with a positive growth of 32.4 percent.
- ❖ USA like before continued to be the top exporting destination for India's engineering products, even though it recorded negative growth in April 2016.
- ❖ Almost all the European nations coming under the top 25 engineering export destinations registered positive growth in engineering imports from India during April 2016 against April 2015.
- ❖ Sri Lanka which started deteriorating in import growth last month, dropped further down in April 2016 to more than 90 per cent.
- Out of 208exports destinations of Indian engineering goods, top 25 nations accounted for more than 73 percent of India's total engineering exports in April 2016.
- ❖ Overall, India's engineering exports to its top 25 destinations recorded a fall in April 2016 over April 2015. The decline in exports to top 25 countries is higher at 19.4 percent than the decline in total engineering exports during the same time period.

Regional Distribution of Engineering Exports

We now look at the Regional Distribution of Engineering Exports for April 2016 as opposed to April 2015. The Table below gives this picture:

Table 8: Region Wise Exports TrendUS\$ Million

Region	APRIL, 2015	APRIL, 2016	Growth
E U	786.91	893.71	13.57
ASEAN+2	576.71	784.01	35.95
N AMERICA	816.40	728.11	-10.81
MIDDLE EAST AND WEST ASIA (MEWA)	1071.61	599.64	-44.04
AFRICA	628.88	414.99	-34.01
SOUTH ASIA	926.96	367.69	-60.33
OTHERS	165.51	316.01	90.93
N E ASIA	411.44	250.77	-39.05
LATIN AMERICA	243.23	192.42	-20.89
CIS	46.89	52.49	11.95
Grand Total	5674.55	4599.85	-18.94

(Source: Department of Commerce, Government of India)

Note: *Figures have been rounded off. Source: DGCI&S; **Myanmar has been included in ASEAN+2 and not in South Asia, since ASEAN is a formal economic grouping.

India's region wise exports during April 2016 **LATIN** CIS AMERICA 1% N E ASIA 4% 6% ΕU 19% **OTHERS** 7% **SOUTH ASIA** 8% ASEAN+2 17% **AFRICA** 9% **MIDDLE EAST** AND WEST ASIA (MEWA) **N AMERICA** 13% 16%

Figure 2: India's region wise exports during April-April 2015 -16

(Source: EEPC India analysis)

- ❖ EU is the region with highest shipment of engineering products from India registering a positive growth of 13.6 percent in April 2016 over April 2015.
- ❖ ASEAN+2 ranks second registering a significant positive growth of almost 36 percent in April 2016 over the same month last fiscal.
- Exports to CIS nations which recorded a dip in March 2016, started to recover in April 2016 recording a positive monthly growth of almost 12 percent over April 2015.
- Exports to South Asiawhich recorded highest growth during March 2016, recorded the highest negative growth in April 2016 over April 2015.

We now analyze the performance of some of the important products during April 2016. We pick the major panels and seek the heavy growth and heavy declines in these panels in April 2016 to give an idea about the trend that is about to emerge.

Table 9: Export of Iron & Steel US\$ Million

Export partners	Apr_15	Apr_16	Growth %			
		SUBSTANTIAL CUMULATIVE GROWTH COUNTRIES				
Export to World	545.77	338.94	-37.90			
BELGIUM	11.49	25.62	122.96			
CHINA	11.83	13.16	11.23			
ETHIOPIA	10.23	12.16	18.83			
RUSSIA	2.83	4.46	57.48			
GHANA	1.51	4.31	185.34			
PAKISTAN	1.68	4.22	151.68			
PERU	2.58	3.13	21.22			
ECUADOR	2.72	2.79	2.56			
	HEAVY CUMULA	ATIVE DECLIN	E COUNTRIES			
NEPAL	40.11	30.83	-23.14			
ITALY	40.85	30.13	-26.22			
BANGLADESH	29.26	16.33	-44.20			
UAE	24.74	16.12	-34.85			
USA	60.29	14.94	-75.22			
KOREA	20.68	13.11	-36.61			
INDONESIA	15.06	11.34	-24.72			
TAIWAN	10.04	9.00	-10.30			

- ❖ Nepal tops the list as importer of India's Iron and Steel during April 2016 with 9.1 percent share followed by Italy and Belgium importing 8.9 percent and 7.6 percent respectively during the same period.
- ❖ USA dropped from its previous rank to sixth position, recording a fall in growth of 75.2 percent.

Table 10: Export of products Iron & Steel IJS\$ Million

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Export partners	Apr_15	Apr_16	Growth %	
	SUBSTANTIAL CUMULATIVE GROWTH COUNTRIES			

Export to World	607.96	444.93	-26.82	
SAUDI ARAB	27.84	31.10	11.72	
ITALY	11.81	14.68	24.33	
NETHERLAND	11.84	12.06	1.86	
KUWAIT	2.10	11.56	450.04	
FRANCE	7.87	9.84	25.07	
CHINA	6.88	9.70	40.94	
BELGIUM	6.31	7.18	13.85	
BANGLADESH	2.71	6.82	151.86	
	HEAVY CUMULATIVE DECLINE COUNTRIES			
U S A	110.7	81.057	-26.78	
U S A UAE	110.7 51.301	81.057 35.918	-26.78 -29.99	
UAE	51.301	35.918	-29.99	
UAE GERMANY	51.301 30.046	35.918 29.526	-29.99 -1.73	
UAE GERMANY U K	51.301 30.046 23.276	35.918 29.526 19.942	-29.99 -1.73 -14.32	
UAE GERMANY U K CANADA	51.301 30.046 23.276 12.817	35.918 29.526 19.942 9.9515	-29.99 -1.73 -14.32 -22.36	

- ❖ USA tops the list importing more than 18 percent of India's total export of Products of Iron and Steel during April2016 over April 2015.
- ❖ UAE and Saudi Arabia ranked second and third importing 8.1 percent and 7 percent of India's total export of Products of Iron and Steel respectively during the same period.

Table 11: Export of Industrial Machinery US\$ Million

Export partners	Apr_15	Apr_16	Growth %

SUBSTANTIAL CUMULATIVE GROWTH COUNTRIES			
Export to World	409.8	346.09	-15.55
NEPAL	13.93	14.39	3.32
GERMANY	13.84	14.20	2.61
INDONESIA	9.24	9.68	4.83
ITALY	6.54	8.25	26.19
SRI LANKA	6.09	7.73	26.77
VIETNAM	6.22	6.75	8.50
SINGAPORE	5.43	5.74	5.61
SOUTH AFRICA	5.47	5.71	4.37
HEAVY CUM	ULATIVE DECL	INE COUNTR	IES
USA	73.01	36.77	-49.63
BANGLADESH	23.55	21.85	-7.22
TURKEY	17.44	17.31	-0.76
UAE	16.79	16.54	-1.45
SAUDI ARAB	13.70	9.46	-30.95
NIGERIA	10.08	8.03	-20.36
CHINA	9.68	7.69	-20.59
KENYA	9.85	7.62	-22.72

- ❖ USA once again tops the chart importing 10.6 percent of India's total exports for Industrial Machinery during April 2016.
- ❖ Bangladesh and Turkey holds the second and third position respectively importing 6.3 percent and 5 percent respectively of India's total exports for Industrial Machinery during April 2016.

Table 12: Export of Automobiles US\$ Million

Export partners	Apr_15	Apr_16	Growth
SUBSTANTIAL CU	MULATIVE GF	ROWTH CO	UNTRIES
Export to World	483.86	517.33	6.92
MEXICO	63.24	129.64	105.01
UK	23.82	38.91	63.34
ITALY	16.79	24.81	47.74
GERMANY	4.96	22.58	355.09

NEPAL	10.09	17.13	69.77
SPAIN	13.14	14.41	9.72
NETHERLAND	8.89	14.31	60.89
SAUDI ARAB	5.57	11.40	104.63
HEAVY CUMU	JLATIVE DECL	INE COUNT	RIES
SOUTH AFRICA	62.13	25.86	-58.37
SRI LANKA	40.63	11.89	-70.72
CHILE	13.41	10.52	-21.57
UAE	13.52	9.65	-28.63
EGYPT	22.95	9.32	-59.38
VIETNAM	10.18	7.06	-30.66
COLOMBIA	7.85	5.31	-32.30
PHILIPPINES	10.32	4.41	-57.25

(Source: Department of Commerce, Government of India) (Note: Automobiles sector includes Motor vehicles)

- ❖ In case of AutomobilesMexico assumes the top position importing 25.1 percent of India's total exports of Automobiles during April 2016 over April 2015.
- ❖ UK and South Africa holds the 2nd and 3rd position respectively importing 7.5 percent and 5 percent of India's total exports of Automobiles during the same period.

Table 13: Export of Non-Ferrous metalsUS\$ Million

Export partners	Apr_15	Apr_16	Growth	
SUBSTANTIAL	CUMULATIVE GROV	WTH COUNTRIES		
Export to World	607.2	363.5	-40.1	
UAE	43.2	45.2	4.6	
KOREA RP	43.4	44.9	3.3	
SINGAPORE	10.9	26.0	137.7	
BANGLADESH	8.2	13.0	57.4	
OMAN	3.1	7.5	142.1	
CHILE	0.1	7.0	4841.1	
GERMANY	6.2	6.8	10.8	
BRAZIL	5.2	5.8	10.8	
HEAVY CUMULATIVE DECLINE COUNTRIES				

Export partners	Apr_15	Apr_16	Growth
USA	51.0	38.3	-24.9
CHINA	163.9	31.0	-81.1
UK	14.5	12.5	-14.3
SAUDI ARAB	11.0	10.9	-0.4
NEPAL	13.3	8.8	-34.0
MEXICO	40.5	7.9	-80.4
TAIWAN	25.6	5.9	-76.8
JAPAN	8.9	5.2	-41.1

- ❖ UAE is the topmost importer for Non ferrous Metals importing 12.43 percent of India's total export of Non Ferrous Metals during April 2016.
- ❖ Republic of Korea and USA imports 12.3 percent and 10.5 percent respectively during April 2016.

Table 14: Export of Electrical Machinery and Components US\$ Million

Export partners	Mar_15	Mar_16	Growth %
SUBSTANTIAL C	UMULATIVE GR	OWTH COUNTRI	ES
Export to World	322.81	313.95	-2.74
BANGLADESH	2.43	21.04	765.60
UK	13.19	15.02	13.87
PHILIPPINES	6.61	8.54	29.22
CHINA	7.40	7.85	6.17
ALGERIA	0.40	6.83	1628.73
JAPAN	4.28	5.19	21.34
VIETNAM SOC REP	3.39	4.49	32.33
CONGO P REP	0.85	4.41	421.12
HEAVY CUM	ULATIVE DECLI	NE COUNTRIES	
USA	44.46	41.23	-7.28
GERMANY	19.12	18.63	-2.56
UAE	15.45	14.68	-5.00
FRANCE	14.95	14.01	-6.28
NEPAL	10.88	6.16	-43.38
SINGAPORE	6.30	6.04	-4.16
MALAYSIA	6.16	5.68	-7.77

Export partners	Mar_15	Mar_16	Growth %
SAUDI ARAB	7.40	5.23	-29.38

- ❖ USA is the largest importer of Electrical Machinery and Equipments from India during April 2016 importing 13.1 percent from India's global export of the product group.
- Germany slips to third position after Bangladesh during April 2016 importing 5.9 percent.

Table 15: Export of Aircrafts & SpacecraftsUS\$ Million

Export partners	Mar_15	Mar_16	Growth %
SUBSTANTIAL C	UMULATIVE GROW	TH COUNTRIES	
Export to World	903.8	164.8	-81.76
USA	30.2	40.4	33.71
FRANCE	6.4	23.9	275.04
SINGAPORE	2.7	18.3	583.36
RUSSIA	11.4	14.8	29.52
UK	9.1	11.2	22.99
GERMANY	5.9	9.5	60.85
ISRAEL	1.2	7.9	580.45
TURKEY	0.1	4.4	4869.87
HEAVY CUM	ULATIVE DECLINE	COUNTRIES	
UAE	261.2	10.5	-95.97
PHILIPPINES	0.5	0.4	-24.87
SRI LANKA	563.1	0.3	-99.95
POLAND	0.1	0.1	-19.94
BELGIUM	0.1	0.1	-31.81
AUSTRALIA	0.8	0.1	-93.40
UKRAINE	0.9	0.0	-95.46
HONG KONG	0.4	0.0	-94.37

(Source: Department of Commerce and CSO)

❖ In case of Aircrafts and Parts, USA emerged as the top most destinations during April 2016 importing 24.5 percent of India's total exports of Aircrafts and Parts.

- France ranks second importing 14.5 percent of India's global exports of Aircrafts during the same period.
- Singapore holds the third position importing 11.1 percent of India's Aircrafts & parts during April 2016.

Table 16: Export of Ships, Boats and Floating Structures and parts

US\$ Million

Export partners	Apr_15	Apr_16	Growth %
Export to World	340.35	646.67	90.00
SUBSTANTIA	AL GROWT	TH COUNT	RIES
MALAYSIA	2.74	240.88	8683.61
SINGAPORE	118.23	129.36	9.42
PHILIPPINES	0.02	0.02	12.82
SRI LANKA	0.00	0.004	1118.68
HEAVY I	DECLINE C	OUNTRIES	
UAE	127.22	115.26	-9.40
OMAN	0.03	0.001	-95.79
BAHARAIN	92.11	0	-100
NORWAY	0.01	0	-100

(Source: Department of Commerce and CSO)

- ❖ Malaysia is the top exporting country for India's Ships, Boats and Floating Structures and Parts followed by Singapore and UAE. These three nations accounted for around 75% of total indian export of the product during April 2016.
- ❖ However, among the top exporters, UAE recorded negative growth during April 2016 over the same period last year.

Table 17: Export of Auto Components

US\$ Million

Export partners	Apr_15	Apr_16	Growth %	
Export to World	349.01	328.89	-5.76	
SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH COUNTRIES				
TURKEY	26.67	29.99	12.48	
NEPAL	7.54	17.51	132.34	
GERMANY	13.74	15.46	12.53	
THAILAND	11.18	14.48	29.52	
ITALY	11.32	12.04	6.41	

Export partners	Apr_15	Apr_16	Growth	
			%	
INDONESIA	10.71	11.36	6.15	
BANGLADESH PR	7.09	10.09	42.20	
JAPAN	8.59	8.86	3.17	
HEAVY DECLINE COUNTRIES				
USA	80.64	65.18	-19.17	
MEXICO	15.35	13.92	-9.35	
UK	17.30	13.39	-22.60	
BRAZIL	17.71	9.59	-45.83	
U ARAB EMTS	8.98	7.62	-15.16	
EGYPT A RP	11.26	7.20	-36.01	
CHINA P RP	6.37	4.98	-21.80	
BELGIUM	4.94	4.72	-4.51	

- ❖ USA retains its top most import ranking for India's Auto Components/Parts covering around 20 percent share in India's global exports of the same. However, the leader again witnessed a negative growth in April 2016.
- ❖ Among the top importers of India's auto components/parts, Turkey, with a share of 9 percent in India's total global exports, achieved growth in April 2016 over April 2015.

Conclusion

India's merchandise exports in April 2016 were valued at \$20.57 billion -down 6.74 percent in dollar terms against \$22.05 billion in the like month of
last year, signalling a decline for the 17th straight month. Cumulatively, for
the fiscal year 2015-16, exports were down 15.85 percent in dollar terms at
\$261.14 billion against \$310.34 billion. The massive fall in the crude oil prices
over the past year has brought down the import bill.

On exports front, the engineering goods recorded a massive decline in exports by almost 19% to US\$ 4.6 billion during the first month of April 2016-2017. The fall in engineering exports in April2016 is mainly driven by sectors like Aircraft and Spacecraft falling by 81% and other Non-Ferrous sectors like Zinc, Tin and Nickel, products, and, Iron & Steel products.

However, in certain segments there are green shoots of recovery and most importantly, among the top 25 importers of India's engineering exports 15 countries recorded positive growth during the April 2016 while the remaining 10 countries recorded negative growth in imports from India. Countries like USA, UAE and Malaysia are the top three export destinations during April 2016. It may be mentioned that the past trend has been that often top 20 countries in the top 25 were in the negative zone.

Having said this, it may be too early to draw any hasty conclusion and we need to see at least two more months to get a general feel of the underlying trends in the current fiscal.
