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India's RMG Export to World (Value)

- Feb, 2026	: USD 1403.0 mn.
- Feb, 2025	: USD 1534.9 mn.
- Growth	: -8.6%
- Apr – Feb 2025-26	: USD 14537.2 mn.
- Apr – Feb 2024-25	: USD 14459.4 mn.
- Growth	: 0.5 %

(Quantity)

- Dec, 2025	: 365172.6 Thousand Units
- Dec., 2024	: 369212.9 Thousand Units
- Growth	: -1.1 %
- Apr – Dec 2025-26	: 2921697.1 Thousand Units
- Apr - Dec 2024-25	: 2828182.2 Thousand Units
- Growth	: 3.3 %

AEPC News

AEPC Seeks LPG Relief for Apparel Sector in Tamil Nadu

Dr. A. Sakthivel, Chairman AEPC has urged the Tamil Nadu government to include the apparel export industry in the 20% commercial LPG allotment amid shortages, in a representation to Shri R Sakkarapani, Minister for Food, Civil Supplier and Consumer Protection, and Shri TRB Rajaa, Minister for Industries, Govt. of Tamil Nadu.

He emphasized LPG's critical role in garment processing and noted that supply disruptions could halt production. The move will protect operations and safeguard livelihoods of lakhs of workers dependent on the sector.

AEPC Urges Extension of RoSCTL Schemes

Dr. A. Sakthivel, Chairman AEPC vide his letter dated March 19, 2026 has written to the Hon'ble Minister of Commerce & Industry, Hon'ble Minister of Textiles, Commerce Secretary, and Textile Secretary requesting extension of the RoSCTL scheme for a period of 5 years.

AEPC Hosts Interactive Session with International Brands in New Delhi

On March 18, 2026, AEPC organized a Roundtable Discussion on Emerging Global Apparel Trade Dynamics with Prominent Brands/Buying Houses at Hotel Le Meridien, New Delhi.

Shri Lav Agarwal, Additional Secretary & Director General, DGFT, and Ms. Manisha Chatterjee, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles, graced the session. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary General of AEPC, along with other senior members of the Council, were also present.

Dr. A. Sakthivel, Chairman AEPC urged exporters to leverage FTAs and enhance capacity, quality, and delivery to achieve the \$40 billion apparel export target by 2030.

Shri Lav Agarwal and Ms. Manisha Chatterjee highlighted importance of FTAs, and "Brand India" as critical growth drivers.

The session emphasized scaling capabilities, strengthening supply chains, and boosting MMF and sustainability efforts to meet global standards.

27 number of prominent brands / sourcing agents and representatives of buying houses attended the Roundtable.

AEPC attends meeting on the recent initiation of Section 301

On March 17, 2026, Shri Mithileshwar Thakur attended a meeting under the chairmanship of Shri Darpan Jain, Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce, to discuss the recent initiation of Section 301 investigations by the United States against India.

AEPC's Participation in "International Apparel and Textile Fair (IATF)", Dubai, UAE

A Corrigendum dated 12.03.2026 issued in respect of Circular dated 12.01.2026 regarding the Council's participation in the *International Apparel and Textile Fair*

(IATF), Dubai, UAE, has informed that the exhibition dates have been revised from 18th–20th May 2026 to 23rd–25th June 2026.

The revised schedule is as follows:

Revised Fair Dates: 23rd to 25th June, 2026

All other terms & conditions, participation charges, guidelines and details mentioned in the original Circular dated 12.01.2026 shall remain unchanged.

An Early Bird Discount of Rs. 15,000/- will be applicable for applications submitted on or before 31.03.2026.

The detailed circular may be accessed by clicking <https://aepcindia.com/sites/default/files/pdfs/CORRIGENDUM.pdf>.

The last date for submission of the application with payment (without Early Bird Discount) is 15.04.2026.

Relevant Government Notifications / PIB Releases

- [Return of export cargo from international waters due to closure of the Strait of Hormuz – Section 143AA of the Customs Act, 1962](#)
- [Cabinet approves a New Era of Plug-and-Play Industrial Development through Bharat Audyogik Vikas Yojna \(BHAVYA\)](#)
- [Government approves RELIEF \(Resilience & Logistics Intervention for Export Facilitation\)](#)
- [Facilitation of trade thru green corridor between Oman and Dubai](#)
- [DGFT Notification 65/2025-26 - Time limited support for Exporters in view of geopolitical disruption in the Gulf and west Asia maritime corridor](#)

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Currency Trend

INR versus USD FY 2025-26	
Months	INR
April	85.60
May	85.20
June	85.93
July	86.07
August	87.52
September	88.27
October	88.37
November	88.88
December	90.00
January	90.73
February	90.77
20 th March	93.05

Source: x-rates.com

India's Textile & RMG update for Index for Industrial Production

Quick Estimates FY 2025-26		
Months	Textiles	Apparel
April	105.7	114.2
May	103.8	126.5
June	107.8	127.5
July	107.3	112.7
August	107.7	107.2
Sept.	110.7	100.6
Oct.	106.6	89.6
Nov.	110.0	105.3
Dec.	111.4	109.5

Source: CSO

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