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## India's RMG Export to World (Value)

- February, 2025	: USD 1534.9 mn.
- February, 2024	: USD 1476.3 mn.
- Growth	: 4.0 %
- Apr – Feb 2024-25	: 14457.5 mn.
- Apr – Feb 2023-24	: 13059.4 mn.
- Growth	: 10.7 %

## (Quantity)

- Dec, 2024	: 368568.9 Thousand Units
- Dec, 2023	: 302803.3 Thousand Units
- Growth	: 21.7 %
- Apr - Dec 2024-25	: 2821011.0 Thousand Units
- Apr - Dec 2023-24	: 2434779.8 Thousand Units
- Growth	: 15.9 %

## AEPC News

### AEPC thanked Hon'ble Prime Minister of India for spreading awareness on textile waste and its prevention

Apparel Export Promotion Council thanked Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri **Narendra Modi** for highlighting in Mann Ki Baat an extremely important issue of growing Textiles Waste and acknowledging India's Textiles Industry Startup ecosystem for managing such waste efficiently to mitigate the harmful effect on environment.

Apparel industry in particular is embracing recycling and circular fashion in a big way through strategies focussed on people, profit and planet.

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### IND-AUS ECTA driving growth & opportunities: AEPC Chairman

Ind-Aus ECTA has been a significant enabler of India's apparel exports, helping us achieve a stronger presence in the Australian market, said AEPC Chairman, Shri Sudhir Sekhri.

With export growth of 11.1% in 2024 and India becoming Australia's 4<sup>th</sup> largest RMG supplier, this is a testament to our industry's resilience and capability.

He further said that AEPC remains committed to empowering exporters, fostering sustainability, and ensuring Indian apparel continues to shine on the global stage.

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### Trump Tariff Effect | Demands for discounts rip into Indian apparel exports

The Indian apparel export sector is bracing for immediate challenges despite initial relief over the newly announced reciprocal tariffs by the United States. Shri Sudhir Sekhri, Chairman, AEPC, in an interview with CNBC-TV18, highlighted that while the industry might gain some advantage over key competitors like Bangladesh and China due to the tariff structure, the immediate impact is a surge in demands for steep discounts from US buyers.

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### India's textile industry poised to benefit from US tariff hikes on competitors: SG-AEPC

"Despite the steep hike in tariffs for India, it prima facie seems to be an advantage for the apparel sector, with our major competing countries like China, Bangladesh, Vietnam, Cambodia, and Sri Lanka facing higher reciprocal tariffs by the US," said Mr. Mithileshwar Thakur, Secretary General, AEPC.

The current Trump tariff however offers tariff-based-edge to Brazil, Turkey and other apparel exporting EU countries like Italy, Germany and Spain.

"But given the intrinsic strength of the Indian apparel sector, with its complete value chain and impressive range of offerings, my initial assessment is that this will work out in India's favour eventually. We should prepare ourselves to encash this opportunity," Mr. Thakur added.

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**Brainstorming Session on Advancing India's Strategic Pursuit for USD 40 Billion by 2030 in Apparel Exports with a Focus on Competitiveness & Sustainability Organized by Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC)**

The AEPC hosted a two-day brainstorming session on March 26-27, 2025, in Gulmarg, Jammu & Kashmir, focusing on Advancing India's Strategic Pursuit for USD 40 Billion by 2030 in Apparel Exports with a Focus on Competitiveness & Sustainability. The event saw participation from Shri Rohit Kansal, Additional Secretary and Smt. Shubhra, Trade Advisor representing the Ministry of Textiles, reinforcing government-industry collaboration.

Shri Sudhir Sekhri- Chairman AEPC, Dr. A Sakthivel- Vice Chairman AEPC, Shri Premal Udani Chairman EP, Shri Mithileshwar Thakur- Secretary General- AEPC, Prominent Executive Committee members of the Council and Industry players attended the session.

**Key Discussion Areas:**

- Trade-Related Issues: Emphasis on maintaining U.S. market share amid tariff concerns and negotiating FTAs with the EU and UK.
- Investment & Infrastructure: Addressing productivity, employment, and skilling challenges.
- Sustainability & Circularity: Promoting eco-friendly practices in apparel manufacturing.
- Finance & Raw Materials: Managing costs and ensuring raw material availability.

The session concluded with gratitude to the Government of India for their support and insights, reinforcing the collective commitment to industry growth.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Brainstorming Session on "Navigating the Impact of US Reciprocal Tariffs: Opportunities and Challenges for Indian Apparel Exports"**

The recent declaration of US Reciprocal Tariffs has significant implications for the global trade landscape. In this context, AEPC is organizing a brainstorming session (in hybrid mode) on the topic **"Navigating the Impact of US Reciprocal Tariffs: Opportunities, Challenges, and Comparative Advantage for Indian Apparel Exports Against Other Key Competing Countries"** on 9th April 2025 (Wednesday) at Apparel House, Sector-44, Gurgaon, between 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. The session aims to bring together experts and stakeholders to share knowledge, experiences, and perspectives on navigating this new landscape.

Industry members can benefit from the participating experts to formulate strategies to enhance their business resilience, explore emerging opportunities, and identify key challenges posed by these tariffs. This session will offer insights into leveraging India's comparative advantage in apparel exports, while also discussing how to stay competitive against other major exporting countries in light of changing global trade dynamics.

**Pan India Awareness Generation Series on E-Commerce Exports in collaboration with Amazon –Delhi / NCR**

E-commerce export (B2C/D2C) is crucial for the growth of India's apparel exports as it provides direct access to international consumers, enhances brand visibility and reduces reliance on intermediaries, thereby increasing profitability and market reach.

In this context, AEPC in collaboration with Amazon Global Selling is organizing the Pan India Awareness Generation Series "Export Connect" in Coimbatore, Jaipur, New Delhi and Ahmedabad to create awareness regarding E-Commerce exports. Industry members can learn from experts, AEPC team, Amazon team, senior government officers to expand their business through Amazon global marketplaces.

The next event in the series will take place in New Delhi, on 11-April-2025 (Friday) at The Leela Ambience Convention Hotel Delhi, Vishwas Nagar, Shahdara, Delhi between 10.00 am – 4.00 pm.

## AEPC's participation in "Barcelona Textile Expo 2025" in Barcelona, Spain

AEPC is going to participate in the Barcelona Textile Expo 2025 to be held from 2nd to 4th June 2025. The event will be held at Fira de Barcelona in Hall 1, Barcelona, Spain.

The last date for submission of application has been extended from 01.04.2025 to 11.04.2025.

## AEPC's participation in "India Tex Trend Fair 2025" in Tokyo, Japan

AEPC is going to participate in "India Tex Trend Fair 2025" Tokyo, Japan to be held from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2025. The event will be held at Belle Salle Shibuya Garden, B1F & 1F Sumitomo Fudosan Shibuya Garden Tower, 16-17 Nanpeidaicho, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo, Japan. AEPC circulated the details to the trade on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2025.

Early Bird Discount will be Rs. 10,000/-  
If payment is made on or before 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2025.

The last date for submission of application with payment is 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2025.

### Relevant Government Notifications / PIB Releases

- [Circular No. 10/2025-Customs - Implementation of the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations \(SCMTR\)](#)
- [Budgetary allocations and initiatives for enhancing textile export](#)
- [Measures to improve India's global ranking in textile manufacturing](#)
- [IMPACT OF FTAS AND PTAS ON EXPORTS](#)
- [PARLIAMENT QUESTION: BHARAT TEX 2025](#)
- [Measures to improve India's global ranking in textile manufacturing](#)
- [Ministry of Commerce & Industry - Press Communique - Reciprocal Tariffs](#)

### Top National News

- [ICRA expecting Indian garment industry revenues to grow in FY 2025, FY 2026](#)
- [FTA with UK may help push India's exports of leather, textile, jewellery, marine goods](#)
- [Exporters brace for Trump's tariff, expect turbulence](#)
- [Panipat has become a global hub in dealing with 'textile waste'](#)

- [Textile sector needs urgent reforms to maintain global competitiveness: Niti Aayog](#)
- [Jewellery, petroleum, and textiles most affected by broad-based reciprocal tariffs: Emkay Global](#)
- [Trump's tariff gives Indian textile exporters an edge over competitors](#)

### Top Global News

- [India-US set \\$500 bn goal by 2030 with Bilateral Trade Agreement](#)
- [Textile Fiber Market Expecting Huge Demand in Upcoming Years](#)
- [South Africa's textile imports up 21% to \\$646 mn in Jan-Feb 2025](#)
- [Knitwear Market is the Next Billion-Dollar Fashion Industry?](#)
- [ATEXCON: Asian textile leaders call for collaboration to revive growth](#)
- [EU sees strong export recovery in 2024, import resumes late in year](#)
- [Bangladesh manufacturers say US tariffs 'massive blow' to textile industry](#)

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### Currency Trend

INR versus USD FY 2025-26	
Months	INR
4 <sup>th</sup> April	85.54
Source: x-rates.com	

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

Quick Estimates FY 2024-25		
Months	Textiles	Apparel
April	105.3	105.1
May	107.0	123.6
June	106.2	122.6
July	109.1	111.7
August	109.4	112.5
September	109.3	103.7
October	111.1	104.0
November	106.4	110.2
December	113.9	119.1
January	113.3	120.7
Source: CSO		

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