

ANNUAL TRADE STATISTICS 2021

1. OVERALL BALANCE OF TRADE IN GOODS

<i>(Value in Million Nu.)</i>				
Year	Import	Export	Total Trade	Trade Balance
2016	67,186.91	22,226.06	89,412.97	(44,960.85)
2017	66,921.00	25,314.00	92,235.00	(41,607.00)
2018	71,345.00	30,835.00	102,180.00	(40,510.00)
2019	68,906.11	31,249.94	100,156.05	(37,656.17)
2020	66,456.11	20,732.24	87,188.35	(45,723.87)
2021	90,229.00	33,555.00	123,784.00	(56,674.00)

2. BALANCE OF TRADE WITH INDIA and Countries Other Than India (COTI)

<i>(Value in Million Nu.)</i>			
Country	Import	Export	Trade Balance
India	71,235.90	26,408.85	(44,827.05)
COTI	18,993.10	7,146.68	(11,846.42)
Total	90,229.00	33,555.53	(56,673.47)

3. TOP TEN IMPORTS

Sl. No.	BTC Code	Commodity Description	Value in Million Nu.	Import Source
1	2710.19.15	Other light oils (Diesel)	6,380.21	IN
2	8471.50.00	Automatic data processing units	4,325.32	CN, HK, SG, TH, IN
3	2704.00.10	Coke and semi-coke	2,908.96	IN & CN
4	4402.90.00	Wood charcoal	2,784.28	IN & CN
5	8703.00.00	Passenger cars	2,570.12	IN, CN, JP, TH, KR
6	8517.12.00	Telephones (mobile/cellphones)	2,410.82	IN, CN, TH, NP
7	8704.00.00	Motor vehicle for transport of goods	2,272.04	IN
8	1006.30.00	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice	2,181.01	IN
9	2710.12.10	Motor spirit (gasoline) including aviation spirit (Petrol)	1,968.13	IN
10	1507.90.00	Soya-bean oil	1,629.73	IN
		Other commodities	60,798.38	56 countries
		Total Import	90,229.00	

4. TOP TEN EXPORTS

Sl. No.	BTC Code	Commodity Description	Value in Million Nu.	Export Destination
1	7202.21.00	Ferro -silicon, containing by weight more than 55% of silicon	15,280.96	IN, IT, DE, NL, CH, AE , ES
2	2516.90.10	Boulders	2,483.87	BD , IN
3	7202.30.00	Ferro-silico-manganese	2,271.38	IN, CN , IT
4	0908.31.00	Cardamoms (Neither crushed nor ground)	1,713.22	IN, BD, PK
5	2523.29.30	Portland pozzolana cement	1,497.81	IN
6	2518.10.20	Dolomite chips	1,399.48	IN , BD
7	2517.10.00	Pebbles, gravel, broken or crushed	1,194.30	BD , IN
8	2520.10.00	Gypsum anhydrite	872.97	Nepal, BD
9	2518.10.30	Dolomite lumps and slabs	724.72	IN, BD
10	2523.29.10	Ordinary Portland cement	719.78	IN
		Other commodities	4,788.50	46 countries
		Total Export	33,555.00	

5. TOP TEN TRADING COUNTRIES

5.1 OVERALL TRADE

(Value in Million Nu.)

Ranking	Country	Import	Export	Bilateral Trade	Trade balance	Share of Total Trade (%)
1	India	71,235.90	26,408.85	97,644.75	(44,827.05)	79.0
2	China	7,512.57	155.17	7,667.74	(7,357.40)	6.2
3	Bangladesh	814.17	5,212.91	6,027.08	4,398.74	4.9
4	Singapore	1,896.17	23.52	1,919.69	(1,872.65)	1.6
5	Thailand	1,886.67	9.06	1,895.73	(1,877.61)	1.5
6	Italy	85.90	850.29	936.19	764.39	0.8
7	Nepal	275.89	586.59	862.48	310.70	0.7
8	South Korea	608.56	-	608.56	(608.56)	0.5
9	Japan	418.61	21.73	440.34	(396.88)	0.4
10	South Africa	436.71	-	436.71	(436.71)	0.4

5.2 IMPORT

Ranking	Country	Value in Million Nu.	Share of Total Import (%)	Major Import Goods
1	India	71,235.90	78.95	<i>Petrol & diesel, passenger cars, rice, wood charcoal, cellphones, Coke and semi-coke, soya-bean oil, excavators, electric generators & motors, parts for turbines, transport vehicle, bitumen, etc</i>
2	China	7,512.57	8.33	<i>Automatic data processing units, computers, cell phones, Video conference equipment, laptops, medical instruments, Coke and semi-coke, Carbonaceous pastes for electrodes(furnace linings), agriculture and forestry machinery, electric vehicle, ovens & cookers, etc.</i>
3	Singapore	1,896.17	2.10	<i>Vaccines, medical instruments and appliances, Manganese ores and concentrates, laptops, computers, data processing units, data storage devices, cellphones, base stations for IT, VC equipment, noodles, polyethylene, gold, silver, turbo-jets and turbines, excavator, parts for machinery and vehicle, agriculture machinery, batteries, parts for machinery and vehicles, etc.</i>
4	Thailand	1,886.67	2.09	<i>Vaccines for human medicine, Diagnostic or laboratory reagents, passenger car, ovens, Video conferencing equipment, computers, cellphones, laptops, TV, spare parts for Heavy machineries & vehicle, tableware and kitchenware, etc.</i>
5	Bangladesh	814.17	0.90	<i>Slag/dross scaling of iron, Readymade Garments, Sweet biscuits, cakes & pastry, Fruit Juices, , Tableware and kitchenware of plastic, medicaments, Other furniture (wood & plastic), mineral water, sugar confectionery, etc</i>
6	South Korea	608.56	0.67	<i>Vaccines for human medicine, diagnostic or laboratory reagents, Noodles, electric vehicle, wine, black tea, preserved meat, laptops, heaters, etc.</i>
7	South Africa	436.71	0.48	<i>Manganese ores and concentrates, beverages, mobile lifting frames, etc.</i>
8	Japan	418.61	0.46	<i>Motor vehicles including buses, vehicle tyres, gold powder, agriculture machinery and parts, excavator, medical equipment, spirits, medical instruments and appliances, etc</i>
9	Switzerland	409.74	0.45	<i>Vaccines for human medicine, medicaments, vehicle tyres, unused postage, stamps(notes), rubber working machinery, insulated wire/cable, electric lamps, furniture, etc.</i>
10	US	351.87	0.39	<i>Diagnostic & lab reagents, adhesive dressings, laptops, data processing units, VC equipment, medical instruments & appliances, readymade garments, Whiskies, bows & arrows, etc.</i>

5.3 EXPORT

Ranking	Country	Value in Million Nu.	Share of Total Export (%)	Major Export Goods
1	India	26,408.85	78.70	<i>Ferro-silicon, Ferro-silico-manganese, Portland pozzolana cement, , Dolomite chips, Ordinary portland cement, Silicon Carbide, Cardamoms (Neither crushed nor ground), betel nut, oranges, semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel, boulders, etc.</i>
2	Bangladesh	5,212.91	15.54	<i>Boulders, Pebbles and gravels, Cardamom, Oranges, Limestone & calcareous stone, Dolomite (powdered) Calcium carbonate, Gypsum plaster, juice, ginger, etc.</i>
3	Italy	850.29	2.53	<i>Ferro-silicon, ferro-silico-manganese, handicrafts, etc..</i>
4	Nepal	586.59	1.75	<i>Gypsum anhydrite, plaster of gypsum, Incense 'Poe', Agarbatti, handmade paper, soap, etc.</i>
5	China	155.17	0.46	<i>Ferro-silico-manganese, Ferro-alloys, cordyceps sinensis, 'Poe', Thanka, handicrafts, etc.</i>
6	Germany	80.40	0.24	<i>Ferro-silicon, ferro-alloys, handicrafts, soap, etc.</i>
7	Viet Nam	68.66	0.20	<i>Cordyceps sinensis, incense stick, thannga, etc.</i>
8	Netherlands	42.96	0.13	<i>Ferro-silicon</i>
9	Singapore	23.52	0.07	<i>Cordyceps sinensis, pipla, etc.</i>
10	Switzerland	22.22	0.07	<i>Ferro-silicon, Cordyceps sinensis, etc.</i>

6. TRADE WITH INDIA

6.1 BALANCE OF TRADE (Including electricity)

(Value in Million Nu.)

YEAR	IMPORT	EXPORT	TOTAL TRADE	TRADE BALANCE
2016	55,285.73	32,052.41	87,338.14	(23,233.32)
2017	53,973.00	31,618.00	85,591.00	(22,355.00)
2018	60,107.00	32,170.00	92,277.00	(27,937.00)
2019	56,659.15	39,809.74	96,468.89	(16,849.41)
2020	51,378.54	43,512.58	94,891.12	(7,865.96)
2021	71,235.90	50,844.29	122,080.19	(20,391.61)

6.2 TRADE IN GOODS

(Value in Million Nu.)

YEAR	IMPORT	EXPORT	TOTAL TRADE	TRADE BALANCE
2016	55,112.78	19,020.36	74,133.14	(36,092.42)
2017	53,898.00	19,635.00	73,533.00	(34,263.00)
2018	59,812.00	21,592.00	81,404.00	(38,220.00)
2019	56,452.98	23,572.54	80,025.52	(32,880.44)
2020	51,197.86	15,989.55	67,187.41	(35,208.31)
2021	71,236.00	26,408.85	97,644.85	(44,827.15)

6.3 TRADE IN ELECTRICITY

(Value in Million Nu.)

YEAR	IMPORT	EXPORT	TRADE BALANCE
2015	249.65	12,124.48	11,874.83
2016	172.95	13,032.05	12,859.10
2017	74.94	11,983.49	11,908.55
2018	295.00	10,578.00	10,283.00
2019	206.17	16,237.20	16,031.03
2020	180.68	27,523.03	27,342.35
2021	-	24,435.44	24,435.44

6.4 TOP TEN IMPORTS

Sl. No.	BTC Code	Commodity Description	Value in Million Nu.
1	2710.19.15	Other light oils and preparations (Diesel)	6,380.21
2	2704.00.10	Coke and semi-coke	2,786.68
3	4402.90.00	Wood charcoal	2,784.28
4	8704.00.00	Motor vehicle for transport of goods (dumpers/trucks)	2,272.04
5	1006.30.00	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice	2,181.01
6	8703.00.00	Passenger cars	2,147.45
7	2710.12.10	Motor spirit (gasoline) including aviation spirit (Petrol)	1,968.13
8	1507.90.00	Soya-bean oil	1,629.73
9	8429.52.00	Excavators	1,527.04
10	8517.12.00	Telephones (mobile/cellphones)	1,521.00
		Other commodities	46,038.33
Total Import			71,235.90

6.5 TOP TEN EXPORTS

Sl. No.	BTC Code	Commodity Description	Value in Million Nu.
1	7202.21.00	Ferro -silicon, containing by weight more than 55% of silicon	14,272.64
2	7202.30.00	Ferro-silico-manganese	2,136.20
3	2523.29.30	Portland pozzolana cement	1,497.81
4	2518.10.20	Dolomite chips	1,390.76
5	0908.31.00	Cardamoms (Neither crushed nor ground)	1,032.69
6	2523.29.10	Ordinary portland cement	719.78
7	2518.10.30	Dolomite lumps and slabs	717.98
8	0701.90.00	Potatoes	500.70
9	2849.20.00	Silicon Carbide	309.26
10	2520.10.00	Gypsum anhydrite	291.80
		Other commodities	3,539.23
		Total Export	26,408.85

7. TRADE WITH BANGLADESH

7.1 BALANCE OF TRADE

(Value in Million Nu.)

Year	Import	Export	Total Trade	Trade Balance
2016	218.17	2,397.96	2,616.13	2,179.79
2017	329.18	3,486.27	3,815.45	3,157.09
2018	453.98	5,948.35	6,402.33	5,494.37
2019	625.13	6,095.41	6,720.54	5,470.28
2020	440.46	3,955.02	4,395.48	3,514.56
2021	814.17	5,212.91	6,027.08	4,398.74

7.2 TOP TEN IMPORTS

Sl. No.	BTC Code	Commodity Description	Value in Million Nu.
1	2619.00.00	Slag, dross, scalings and other waste from manufacture of iron	240.36
2	6100 to 6200	Readymade Garments	116.80
3	1905.00.00	Sweet biscuits, cakes & pastry	100.52
4	2009.00.00	Fruit Juices (mango & litchi)	69.64
5	7615.10.00	Tableware and kitchenware of aluminium	44.93
6	3924.10.00	Tableware and kitchenware of plastic	41.96
7	3003 to 3004	Medicaments	41.75
8	9403.00.00	Other furniture (wood & plastic)	37.20
9	2202.00.00	Mineral water	33.99
10	1704.90.00	Sugar confectionery (sweets)	22.20
		Other commodities	64.83
		Total Import	814.17

7.3 TOP TEN EXPORTS

Sl. No.	BTC Code	Commodity Description	Value in Million Nu.
1	2516.90.10	Boulders	2,448.22
2	2517.10.00	Pebbles and gravels	1,053.33
3	0908.31.00	Cardamom	679.35
4	2521.00.00	Limestone flux & calcareous stone	447.16
5	0805.10.00	Oranges	383.30
6	2518.10.10	Dolomite (powdered)	74.53
7	2009.00.00	Fruit juice	25.07
8	0910.11.00	Ginger	21.76
9	2520.10.00	Gypsum anhydrite	19.90
10	2520.20.00	Gypsum anhydrite plaster	13.32
Other commodities			46.97
Total Export			5,212.91

8. TRADE WITH THAILAND

8.1 BALANCE OF TRADE

(Value in Million Nu.)

Year	Import	Export	Total Trade	Trade Balance
2016	1,486.73	40.60	1,527.33	(1,446.13)
2017	1,262.34	33.64	1,295.98	(1,228.70)
2018	1,050.20	52.31	1,102.51	(997.89)
2019	972.24	28.94	1,001.18	(943.30)
2020	1,270.73	5.86	1,276.59	(1,264.87)
2021	1,886.67	9.06	1,895.73	(1,877.61)

8.2 TOP TEN IMPORTS

Sl. No.	BTC Code	Commodity Description	Value in Million Nu.
1	3002.20.00	Vaccines for human medicine	457.80
2	3822.00.00	Diagnostic or laboratory reagents	217.96
3	8703.00.00	Passenger cars	105.71
4	8516.60.00	Other ovens (rice/curry cooker)	83.17
5	2202.00.00	Mineral water and aerated waters	50.24
6	8803.30.00	Parts of aeroplanes/helicopters	47.32
7	0602.20.00	Live trees, shrubs and bushes	30.06
8	8708.00.00	Spare parts for motor vehicle	27.48
9	8517.12.00	Mobile/cellphones	26.54
10	8471.30.00	Laptops	26.47
Other commodities			1,489.68
Total Import			1,886.67

8.3 MAJOR EXPORTS

BTC Code	Commodity	Value in Million Nu.
1211.90.50	Cordyceps senensis	8.03
1211.90.90	Plants and parts of plants	0.76
0910.30.00	Turmeric	0.21
4602.11.00	Basketwork of bamboo	0.03
	Other commodities	0.03
	Total Export	9.06

9. TRADE WITH NEPAL

9.1 BALANCE OF TRADE

(Value in Nu. Million)

Year	Export	Import	Total Trade	Trade Balance
2016	152.40	76.14	228.54	76.26
2017	321.21	64.58	385.79	256.63
2018	525.05	91.73	616.78	433.32
2019	427.83	217.51	645.34	210.32
2020	358.94	39.48	398.42	319.46
2021	586.59	275.89	862.48	310.70

9.2 TOP TEN IMPORTS

Sl. No.	BTC Code	Commodity Description	Value in million Nu.
1	2619.00.00	Slags, dross, scaling of iron or steel	125.00
2	8306.00.00	Bells, gongs, statuettes of base metal (plated with precious metal)	32.44
3	6100- 6200	Readymade garments	27.94
4	7419.99.00	kitchen appliances of copper	18.20
5	5007.00.00	Silk Tego, wonju and fabrics of noil silk	12.03
6	8517.12.00	Mobile/cellphones	11.54
7	7114.11.90	Articles of goldsmiths of precious metal	10.33
8	8443.00.00	Printing machinery	10.00
9	3304.00.00	Manicure or pedicure preparations	3.68
10	9205.90.00	Religious instruments	3.57
		Other commodities	146.16
		Total Import	275.89

9.3 MAJOR EXPORTS

Sl. No.	BTC Code	Commodity	Value in Million Nu.
1	2520.10.00	Gypsum anhydrite	561.27
2	2520.20.00	Plasters of gypsum	10.27
3	3307.41.10	Incense 'Poe'	6.94
4	4419.90.00	Tableware & kitchenware of wood	4.68
5	3307.41.20	'Agarbatti' and other preparations	1.52
6	3401.11.00	Soap	1.35
7	4802.10.00	Handmade paper	0.17
8	4602.11.00	Basketwork of bamboo	0.12
		Other commodities	0.27
		Total Export	586.59

10. TRADE WITH BIMSTEC

10.1 BALANCE OF TRADE & EXIM SHARE

(Value in Million Nu)

Year	Import	Total Import	Share of Import	Export	Total Export	Share of Export	Balance of Trade	Share of total trade
2016	56,898.45	67,186.91	85%	21,611.32	22,226.06	97%	(35,287.13)	88%
2017	55,554.38	66,921.00	83%	23,476.46	25,314.00	93%	(32,077.92)	86%
2018	61,410.05	71,345.00	86%	28,117.69	30,835.00	91%	(33,292.36)	88%
2019	58,332.53	68,906.11	85%	30,124.74	31,249.94	96%	(28,207.79)	88%
2020	52,950.27	66,456.11	80%	20,309.39	20,732.24	98%	(32,640.88)	84%
2021	74,213.84	90,229.00	82%	29,402.46	33,555.00	88%	(44,811.38)	84%

10.2 TRADE WITH MEMBER STATES

(Value in Million Nu.)

Sl. No	Country	Import	Export	Total Trade	Balance of Trade
1	Bangladesh	814.17	2,397.96	3,212.13	1,583.79
2	India	71,236.00	26,408.85	97,644.85	(44,827.15)
3	Myanmar	-	-	-	-
4	Nepal	275.89	586.59	862.48	310.70
5	Sri Lanka	1.11	-	1.11	(1.11)
6	Thailand	1,886.67	9.06	1,895.73	(1,877.61)
	Total	74,213.84	29,402.46	103,616.30	(44,811.38)

11. TRADE WITH SAARC

11.1 BALANCE OF TRADE & EXIM SHARE

(Value in Million Nu.)

Year	Import	Total Import	Share of Import	Export	Total Export	Share of Export	Balance of Trade	Share of total trade
2016	55,417.60	67,186.91	82%	21,570.99	22,226.06	97%	(33,846.61)	86%
2017	54,292.03	66,921.00	81%	23,442.84	25,314.00	93%	(30,849.19)	84%
2018	60,359.85	71,345.00	85%	28,065.38	30,835.00	91%	(32,294.47)	87%
2019	57,363.28	68,906.11	83%	30,095.80	31,249.94	96%	(27,267.48)	87%
2020	51,681.42	66,456.11	78%	20,303.53	20,732.24	98%	(31,377.89)	83%
2021	72,327.40	90,229.00	80%	29,394.36	33,555.00	88%	(42,933.04)	82%

11.2 TRADE WITH MEMBER STATES

(Value in Million Nu.)

Sl. No	Country	Import	Export	Total Trade	Balance of Trade
1	Afghanistan	-	-	-	-
2	Bangladesh	814.17	2,397.96	3,212.13	1,583.79
3	India	71,236.00	26,408.85	97,644.85	(44,827.15)
4	Maldives	-	-	-	-
5	Nepal	275.89	586.59	862.48	310.70
6	Pakistan	0.23	0.96	1.19	0.73
7	Sri Lanka	1.11	-	1.11	(1.11)
Total		72,327.40	29,394.36	101,721.76	(42,933.04)

Data Source: Bhutan Trade Statistics 2021, Department of Revenue and Customs, Ministry of Finance.

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