

## Monthly Trade Statistics – November 2009

### 1. Balance of Visible Trade

Balance of Visible Trade showed a deficit of Rs 4,961 million in November 2009, significantly lower by 40.9% compared to the previous month but slightly higher by 1.2% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year. It is worth noting that imports in October 2009 include aircraft worth Rs 2,862 million.

#### Summary of External Trade

Value : Rs Mn

	2008	2009	
	November <sup>1</sup>	October <sup>1</sup>	November <sup>2</sup>
<b>A. Total Exports (f.o.b)</b>	<b>6,567</b>	<b>5,556</b>	<b>4,974</b>
<i>Domestic exports</i>	4,689	4,008	3,776
<i>Re-exports</i>	1,113	1,148	798
<i>Ship's Stores and Bunkers</i>	765	400	400
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>11,469</b>	<b>13,957</b>	<b>9,935</b>
<b>Total International Trade (A+B)</b>	<b>18,036</b>	<b>19,513</b>	<b>14,909</b>
<b>Balance of Visible Trade (A-B)</b>	<b>-4,902</b>	<b>-8,401</b>	<b>-4,961</b>

<sup>1</sup> Revised estimates      <sup>2</sup> First estimates

### 2. Imports

#### Total Imports by S.I.T.C section

C.I.F value : Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2008	2009	
	November <sup>1</sup>	October <sup>1</sup>	November <sup>2</sup>
0 - Food and live animals	2,259	1,976	1,680
1 - Beverages and tobacco	197	188	262
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	325	349	333
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1,087	2,176	1,482
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	69	84	30
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1,008	962	984
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2,635	1,854	1,880
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	2,578	5,203	2,023
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,283	1,112	1,213
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	28	53	48
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,469</b>	<b>13,957</b>	<b>9,935</b>

<sup>1</sup> Revised estimates      <sup>2</sup> First estimates

In November 2009, total imports decreased by 28.8% compared to October 2009 and by 13.4% compared to November 2008.

### 3. Exports

#### Total Exports by S.I.T.C section

F.O.B value : Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2008	2009	
	November <sup>1</sup>	October <sup>1</sup>	November <sup>2</sup>
0 - Food and live animals	2,191	1,543	1,314
1 - Beverages and tobacco	92	76	28
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	49	99	72
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	2	3	1
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1	-	1
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	233	255	206
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	465	489	429
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	230	163	109
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,535	2,522	2,410
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	4	6	4
<b>Exports exclusive of Ships' Stores and Bunkers</b>	<b>5,802</b>	<b>5,156</b>	<b>4,574</b>
Estimates of Ships' stores and bunkers	765	400	400
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,567</b>	<b>5,556</b>	<b>4,974</b>

<sup>1</sup> Revised estimates      <sup>2</sup> First estimates

In November 2009, exports decreased by 10.5% compared to the previous month and by 24.3% compared to its corresponding period of 2008.

#### 4. Main trading partners in November 2009

Value : Rs Mn

Exports <sup>1</sup> (F.O.B)				Imports (C.I.F)			
Country	2008	2009		Country	2008	2009	
	November <sup>2</sup>	October <sup>2</sup>	November <sup>3</sup>		November <sup>2</sup>	October <sup>2</sup>	November <sup>3</sup>
UK	2,268	1,257	1,153	India	1,342	2,361	1,726
France	681	1,165	722	China	1,746	1,390	1,659
USA	352	353	352	France	1,229	3,838	915
Italy	282	292	341	South Africa	1,108	980	807
Madagascar	282	320	282	Spain	351	242	341
South Africa	263	267	251	Malaysia	327	314	319
Other	1,674	1,502	1,473	Other	5,366	4,832	4,168
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,802</b>	<b>5,156</b>	<b>4,574</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>11,469</b>	<b>13,957</b>	<b>9,935</b>

<sup>1</sup> Excluding Ships' Stores and Bunkers      <sup>2</sup> Revised estimates      <sup>3</sup> First estimates

United Kingdom (25.2%) and France (15.8%) were our major exports destinations in November 2009 while the bulk of our imports were from India (17.4%) and China (16.7%).

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