

REPORTING PROFORMA FOR COMMERCIAL WINGS

(Data Source: National Trade Statistics of the reporting country)

Name of the Mission (Country): Consulate General of India, Sydney

I. MONTHLY REPORT for May 2023

(1 AUD =0.6610, as on 28 April 2023)

A. Trade in goods

a) Total trade in goods during

Bilateral Trade (Jan-Apr 2023) as compared to same period previous year

in USD million

	Australian Export	Australian Import	Total	Growth % of Export	Growth % of Import
Country's Trade with India	4,683	1,592	6,275	(-)20.3	(-)38.7
Country's Total Global Trade	125,094	86,892	211,986	1.1	(-)4.2

b) Preferential trade in goods during

S. No.	Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India	Preferential Imports from India (US\$ million)	Preferential Imports from World (US\$ million)
1	Australia India Economic Co-operation and Trade Agreement	NA	NA

(Source: Customs/National Trade Statistics of reporting country)

S.No.	Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India	Preferential Exports to India (US\$ million)	Preferential Exports to World (US\$ million)
1	Australia India Economic Co-operation and Trade Agreement	NA	NA

(Source: based on Certificate of Origin issued by reporting country)

c) Top 10 items of import from India during (Jan-Apr 2023)

in USD million

S No.	Commodity	Value USD million	Percentage Growth (%)	% Share in total Import
1	Refined petroleum oils	160	(-)84.8	1.6
2	Medicaments	158	8.2	7.5
3	Pearls & precious stones	61	(-)36.5	43.9
4	Made up articles of textile materials	55	(-)11.3	10.8
5	Tubes, pipes and hollow profiles of iron & steel	44	175.0	11.6
6	Motor vehicles for the transport of goods	40	3900.0	1.2
7	Jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares	40	(-)14.9	8.9
8	Power generating machinery and parts	38	1800.0	13.9
9	Articles of apparel, of textile fabrics	38	(-)9.5	4.0
10	Manufactures of base metal	34	(-)27.7	4.2

d) Top 10 items of Import from the World (Jan-Apr 2023)

in USD million

S.N.	Commodity	Value USD million	Percentage Growth (%)	% Share in total Import
1	Refined Petroleum Oils (excl. Crude)	10224	7.6	11.8
2	Passenger Motor Vehicles	7309	22.8	8.4
3	Telecommunications Equipment	3698	10.2	4.3
4	Motor vehicles for Transport of Goods	3366	7.1	3.9
5	Automatic data processing machines and units	2173	(-)22.7	2.5

6	Medicaments (including veterinary)	2104	(-)7.5	2.4
7	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	1916	(-)24.9	2.2
8	Civil engineering and contractors' plant and equipment and parts	1740	14.7	2.0
9	Petroleum Oils (incl. crude)	1696	(-)26.6	2.0
10	Non-monetary gold	1636	(-)3.5	1.9

e) Top 10 items of export to India during (Jan-Apr 2023)

in USD million

S No.	Commodity	Value USD million	Percentage Growth (%)	% Share of total Export
1	Coal	3569	(-)27.8	14.5
2	Gold	320	8.1	6.5
3	Vegetables, fresh, chilled, frozen, preserved	183	369.2	25.6
4	Aluminium ores & conc.	76	(-)42.9	3.9
5	Copper ores and concentrates	73	(-)29.8	5.2
6	Non-ferrous base metal waste and scrap	56	27.3	10.4
7	Cotton	45	800.0	9.9
8	Wool and other animal hair	43	7.5	6.1
9	Pigments, paints, varnishes	40	(-)18.4	22.5
10	Fertilisers	25	(-)45.7	54.3

***Confidential Items (SITC: 988) was the 7th largest export to India with a value of US\$ 48 million.**

f) Top 10 items of export to the World (Jan-Apr 2023)

in USD million

S No.	Commodity	Value USD million	Percentage Growth (%)	% Share in total Export
1	Iron ore and conc.	28878	(-)5.4	23.1
2	Coal	24681	(-)2.1	19.7
3	Natural Gas	18928	10.4	15.1
4	Crude minerals	5180	322.9	4.1
5	Gold, non-monetary	4905	6.3	3.9
6	Wheat	4326	27.4	3.5
7	Crude Petroleum Oils	2494	(-)18.9	2.0
8	Meat of bovine animals	2257	9.2	1.8
9	Aluminium ores and conc.	1966	(-)18.3	1.6
10	Oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits	1463	(-)34.8	1.2

g) Potential products of import from India (Jan-Apr 2023)

in USD million

S. No	Commodity	Global Import	Import from India	Rationale
1	Passenger motor vehicles	7309	16	With major automakers (Toyota, Ford and Holden) have taken their manufacturing outside of Australia in 2017, the Australian market presents a positive picture for Indian auto and auto component manufacturers.

2	Automotive parts	814	11	While the end of local vehicle manufacturing spells a reduction in demand for parts and accessories manufactured in Australia, it creates a platform for major Indian auto component manufacturers to collaborate/ have joint ventures with Australian manufacturing companies to supply the aftermarket with genuine spares.
3	Medicaments	2104	158	The prescription drug sales in Australia is around US\$8 billion. However, the generics sector remains small, both in value and volume terms, in comparison with health care systems in countries such as the US. Australia has one of the lowest user rates of generic medicines in the world, at 18 per cent of prescriptions compared to 50 per cent in the US and 70 per cent in Denmark. With the expiry of patents of number of key innovator drugs along with the changes in PBS (Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme) of the Australian government, there is scope for Indian generic manufacturers to enter the Australian market.
4	Tea	44	5	While Tea might not feature among top 10 exports from India to Australia, India is 3rd among tea exporters to Australia. There is great potential for export of Indian Tea and its diversified products to Australia. There is need to promote geographically linked branding among Australians such as Assam Tea, Darjeeling Tea, Nilgiri Tea etc., as most teas are known and marketed by a brand name in Australia.
5	Jewellery	449	40	India's market share in Australian imports for jewellery is approximately 12-15 percent, which has lot of potential to grow particularly in this sector. Most of the jewellery imports into Australia are from Thailand, China and USA. It may also be noted that Australia is also one of the major suppliers of diamonds and gold to India, where it is processed before being exported to various countries.
6	Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar	1061	17	Given the strength of India in this sector, there is potential for more export of Indian home furnishing items into Australia. With the rising labour and shipping costs in China, there have been some shifts in imports from other

	stuffed furnishings			countries and Indian exporters could take advantage of this change, particularly for furniture, mattresses and cushions.
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B. QUALITATIVE

1. Market Access Alerts (attach copy of notification):

a. Alerts on customs tariff changes: -

S.N	Notification no. and date	SITC / HS code	Description	Original customs tariff	Present customs tariff (w.e.f. 29 th December 2022)	Remarks if any
1.	A-I ECTA entered into force on 29 th December, 2022.	658/6302	Made up Articles of textile materials	5%	0%	Under A-I ECTA tariff has been removed completely.
2.	A-I ECTA entered into force on 29 th December, 2022.	897/7113	Jewellery	5%	0%	Under A-I ECTA tariff has been removed completely.
3.	A-I ECTA entered into force on 29 th December, 2022.	845/6211/6205/6203	Articles of Apparel of Textile fabrics	5%	0%	Under A-I ECTA tariff has been removed completely.
4.	A-I ECTA entered into force on 29 th December, 2022.	842/6204/6206/6208	Women's or girls' clothing	5%	0%	Under A-I ECTA tariff has been removed completely.
5.	A-I ECTA entered into force on 29 th December, 2022.	659/57	Floor Coverings	5%	0%	Under A-I ECTA tariff has been removed completely.
6.	A-I ECTA entered into force on 29 th December,	699/7305/7306	Manufactures of base	5%	0%	Under A-I ECTA tariff has been removed

	2022.		metal			completely.
7.	A-I ECTA entered into force on 29 th December, 2022.	515/29	Organo-inorganic compounds	5%	0%	Under A-I ECTA tariff has been removed completely.

- b. Alerts on non-tariff measures (SPS/TBT/ import and export procedures/ restrictions/ prohibitions, licensing/ STEs etc.)

S.N.	Notification no./ date	Measure	HS Codes	Effective from	Remarks if any
1.		<p>1. The Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (the department) has amended the conditions for parboiled rice to include the following changes: FCL/FCX consignments of parboiled rice packed in bags less or equal to 25 kilograms and imported under tariff code 1006.20 (e.g. parboiled brown rice) can now to be processed in accordance with the department's Automatic Entry Processing for Commodities (AEP COMM) approved arrangement (AA).</p> <p>2. Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment, Australian Government has notified that changes to the inspection of some imported food will reduce regulatory impact for importers of dried, ready-to-eat berries from 9 November 2022, as only</p>		<p>17 January 2022</p> <p>9 November 2022</p>	

		<p>consignments of fresh or frozen, ready-to-eat pomegranate arils, and pomegranate seeds, that are not retorted, must be covered by food safety management certificates for importation. This requirement takes effect on 9 November 2022. The department has also classified 'Pomegranate arils that are ready-to-eat as currently a risk food'.</p>			
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c. Alerts on standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures:

S.No.	Notification no./ date	Standard/ technical regulation/ conformity assessment procedure	HS Codes	Effective from	Remarks if any
1.	Proposal P1041	<p>1. Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment has removed the seals intact inspection requirement that applies to full container loads of irradiated fruits on arrival into Australia. This notice affects importers of fresh mango, lychee and longan from Thailand, Vietnam, Pakistan, India, Mexico, their brokers and Pathway Operations Cargo – Assessment.</p>		7 December 2021	

d. Alerts on trade defence measures taken by respective country:
(Safeguards including special safeguard, antidumping, CVD or anti- subsidy)

S.No.	Notification no., date or other references	Type (initiation, final, prov., sunset, consultations, new shipper review)	Details of products/ sectors affected (including HS codes)	Effective from	Remarks if any
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- e. Alert on services, regulatory regime, qualification requirement, licensing procedures, visa regime, barriers etc.

S.No.	Notification no., and date or other references	Service sectors affected	Modes	Effective from	Remarks if any
1.	18 April 2017	IT, ITES, Financial Services	Abolition and replacement of the 457 visa (work visa) by the Temporary Skilled Shortage (TSS) visa/ 482 visa (resolved under AI-ECTA)		Australian government has agreed to provide temporary entry and temporary stay commitments for up to 4 years for Intra Corporate Transferees, Contractual Service Suppliers and Independent Executives.
2.	October, 2018	IT	Double Taxation (resolved under AI-ECTA)	Resolved from 29 December 2022 (Ratification date for AI-ECTA)	The Government of Australia has agreed to amend Australian domestic taxation law to stop the taxation of offshore income of Indian firms providing technical services to Australia. This would resolve the issue that the Indian Government has raised about the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of Australia

					for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income.
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2. Feedback

- a. Feedback from major Indian industries/other commercial concerns and Indian trade visitors to that country

S.No.	Name of business house	Activity sector	Trade barrier issues if any (incl. HS codes)	General Feedback (Max.200 words)
1.	NA			

- a. Feedback on major trade activities including logistic events (trade fairs/BSM including Indian participation)

S.N	Activity (trade fair, BSM etc.)	Date and venue	Number of participants from India	Name(s) of large/ key participants from India	Feedback received (Max.200 words)
1.			NA	NA	NA

- b. Feedback from local commercial visitors to trade fairs in India, including under BSM; number of Business Visas issued:

No of Business Visa issued during the month (May 2023)	No of Business visa issued during the same month (last year May 2022)	No of Business visa issued cumulatively during the year (Jan-May 2023)	No of Business visa issued cumulatively during the previous year (Jan-May 2022)
14	32	73	95

S.No.	Activity (trade fair)	Date and venue	Number of participants from the relevant country	List of large/ key participants from the relevant country	Number of Business Visas issued	Feedback received (Max.200 words)
1.	NA					

3. Trade and Investment:

a. Significant trends in trade and investment (Sources: ABS; DFAT)

S. No.	Category	Details of significant trends (Max.200 words)	Analysis (Max. 200 words)
1.	Trade in Goods	<p>During Jan-Apr 2023, the total bilateral trade in merchandise goods between the two countries was US\$ 6.28 billion which is a decrease of 25.9 percent as compared to same period of previous year. During Jan-Apr 2023, merchandise goods items showing significant increase were India's Gold, Vegetables, Non-ferrous waste and scrap, Cotton and wool imports from Australia and Australia's Medicaments, Tubes, pipes and hollow profiles of iron & steel, Goods vehicles and Power generating machinery imports from India.</p> <p>India's merchandise goods export to Australia (Australian imports from India) was US\$ 1.59 billion which is a decrease of 38.7 percent as compared to the same period during 2022.</p> <p>India's merchandise goods import from Australia during Jan-Apr 2023 stood at approx. US\$ 4.7 billion with a decrease of 20.3</p>	<p>The total bilateral trade has decreased by approx. US\$ 2.2 billion during Jan-Apr 2023.</p> <p>The other highlights of bilateral merchandise goods trade have been the increase in export of Medicaments (8.2%), Tubes, pipes and hollow profiles of iron & steel (175%), Motor vehicles for the transport of goods (3900%), Power generating machinery (1800%), from India to Australia.</p> <p>Major increase in India's import from Australia consisted of Gold (8%), Vegetables fresh, chilled, frozen (369%), Non-ferrous base metal waste and scrap (27%), Cotton (800%) and Wool (8%) during Jan-Apr 2023.</p> <p>Export of 'Coal' from Australia to India was the main contributor for the volume of bilateral trade between the countries during the reporting period, with a value of USD 3.6 billion, amounting to 76.2% of Australia's total exports to India and 56.9% of total bilateral merchandise trade.</p>

		<p>percent as compared to the same period of previous year.</p> <p>Indian merchandise exports to Australia was led by Refined Petroleum Oils, followed by the items – Medicaments, Pearls & precious stones, Made up articles of textile materials and Tubes, pipes and hollow profiles of iron & steel comprising the top 5.</p>	
2.	Trade in Services <i>(RBI data estimated for CY 2021)</i>	<p>During Australian FY 2021-22, the total bilateral trade in services between India and Australia was US\$ 5.0 billion approx.</p> <p>During FY 2021-22 the total services export from India to Australia was US\$ 1.8 bn approx. The top two services export from India are</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Other Services 2. Prof., tech & other business services <p>During FY 2021-22 the total services import from Australia to India was US\$ 3.2 bn approx. Australia's top two services export to India were</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Education related travel 2) Personal, cultural & recreational services. 	<p>Many IT companies, Financial Services Companies, Banks, State and Federal Government agencies in Australia are already outsourcing their work to India. It is primarily due to the lower costs of labour and highly skilled resources available in India.</p> <p>The Scientific Research Services industry in Australia includes a range of government and private sector organisations operating across many scientific research fields, particularly in medical, health and IT. The industry relies heavily on public sector funding, despite the Australian Government increasingly calling for greater self-funding.</p>
3.	Investment	<p>At the end of CY 2021, India's Investment in Australia was US\$ 20.17 billion which is 0.7% of global investments in Australia. India was the 19th largest investor</p>	<p>India is Australia's 19th largest investment destination, as in CY 2021. As per IES, Australia plans to boost outward Australian investment to India to AUD100 billion by 2035.</p>

		<p>country in Australia during CY 2021.</p> <p>During same period, Australia's investment in India was US\$ 14.44 billion which is 0.6% of Australia's investments worldwide.</p> <p>This was an increase of 30.3% as compared to Australia's investment in India during CY 2020.</p>	
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b. Opportunities for investments/ assets on offer/major company divestment:

S.N.	Sector Name (List attached)	Particulars of the asset /company	Contact details
1	Natural Resources	Coal Mines: Administrators seeking EOI for recapitalisation or restructure. The company was 100% shareholder with interests in four metallurgical and thermal coal projects located in North America.	Contacts: McGrathNicol – Marco Micalizzi E: mmicalizzi@mcgrathnicol.com
2	Horticulture	Swan Hill, Victoria: Established citrus and stone fruit orchard. Plantation area of more than 70ha. Infrastructure include packing and cold storage facility, machinery shedding and sundry.	Contacts: Danny Thomas - +61 439 349 977
3	Infrastructure	Western Sydney's transformation into a global aerotropolis, to be centred around NSW's second international airport, means plentiful opportunity for businesses to partner with government in the development of new infrastructure and services. Western Sydney's airport will be the first international airport constructed in Australia in 50 years.	Sudhir Basavaraju India and Middle East Global Markets, Trade and International Investment NSW Sydney Startup Hub, 11 York Street, Sydney NSW 2000 M: +61 418 786 381 Sudhir.Basavaraju@investment.nsw.gov.au
4	Technology	Sydney Innovation and Technology Precinct will be a leader in innovation within the region, taking a spirit of collaboration and	Matthew Jessop Associate Director, International Engagement & Market Development NSW Treasury

	entrepreneurship and translating Australia’s world-leading research and development into globally successful businesses. The precinct will be a place to drive the creation of new technology and commercialisation of new products and services. The development will be based on global best-practice placemaking principles and focus on the sustainable, accessible, and affordable creation of workplaces for the future.	L43 MLC Centre, 19 Martin Pl, Sydney NSW 2000 T: +61 429 484 620 invest.nsw.gov.au E: matthew.jessop@treasury.nsw.gov.au
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- c. Information on tender Notices for projects and procurements of interest to Indian project exporters/ suppliers (USD15 million & above)

S.No.	Tender/ procurement notice No and date	Sector	Value of tender/ procurement
1	N/A		

- d. Trade Queries for Imports/ Exports (if not uploaded on the Indian trade portal)

S.No.	Enquiry originator	Product with HS Codes	Nature (Import/ Export)	Value (US\$ million)	Action Taken (Max.200 words)
	NA				

4. Important India related statements of commercial significance by political leaders, think tanks, chambers, associations etc. / Significant stories/features on India related trade, investment, services and logistic sector, published in foreign journals/dailies, etc.: (Max. 500 words)

- a) Australian Financial Review quoted Josep Borrell, the EU’s high representative for foreign policy stating that EU should crack down on India reselling Russian oil as refined fuels, including diesel into Europe, the bloc’s chief diplomat said, as Western nations move to tighten sanctions on Moscow’s energy sector. He further said that If diesel or gasoline is entering Europe ... coming from India and being produced with Russian oil, that is certainly a circumvention of sanctions and member states have to take measures.
- b) Australian financial Review reported that less than four months after allegations of fraud by Hindenburg Research tipped Adani’s business empire into crisis, billionaire Gautam Adani is considering tapping equity markets in a major test of investor confidence. Adani Enterprises, the flagship company, and at least two other group companies plan to hold board meetings to consider raising funds via the sale of shares or other securities.

5. Details of trade research, information dissemination activity of the commercial wing

S.No.	Nature of activity (trade research, information dissemination, seminars etc) (Max.200 words)	Details of Seminar/ conference (date/ venue, no of participants) or research (Max.200 words)	Details of trade research (title of the report, executive summary, date of publication) (Max.200 words)
1.	Social media- Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram	NA	

6. Details of activities conducted out of Trade promotion budget:

S.No	BE for 2023-24	RE for 2023-24	Amount utilized	Details of Activity
1	NA			

7. Action taken on the previous JWGs, Joint Commissions, Sub-Commissions etc. (issues that Mission had to follow up with host government):

S.No.	Detail of JWG/JEC with date and venue	Action Point (Max. 200 word)	Action Taken (Max. 200 words)
1	NA		

8. Complaints from Foreign Buyers / suppliers: -

Name of Foreign buyer / supplier	Address & contact details of foreign buyer/supplier	Name & Address of Indian Exporter/Importer	Brief Description of Complaint	Authority to whom matter was referred and date on which referred
May – June 2022				
Sourcing Services-Global, Adelaide, South Australia.	19 Gartrell Boulevard, Adelaide, South Australia. http://www.sourcingservices-global.com/ Mob.: +61 427290004 Email : chloe.duffield@sourcingservices-global.com	Goradia Ind., 106, Building No.2, Shivalay Industrial Estate, Vasai Road East, Mumbai, Maharashtra, IND. Mob.: +91 – 9833884973 Email : nihir@goradiaindustries.co.in	Sourcing Services-Global claim Goradia Ind. promised delivery of an order 20-30 days after the order was originally placed on 17 Feb., 2021. Sourcing Services-Global claim Goradia Ind., has still not finished order and refuse to allow TUV Inspectors into their factory using various excuses. They also claim to have asked for refund,	Upon receiving details of matter through eMail (dated 15 May 2022), and carrying out due analysis & investigation of the matter CGI Sydney contacted Goradia Industries , vide Email dated 23 May 2022 and requested for update/response on the matter.

			without success. Sourcing Services-Global have lodged an online complaint with DGFT on 11 May 2022.	Upon receiving response from Gordia Industries , through Email dated 24 May 2022, the same was forwarded to Sourcing Services-Global vide Email dated, wherein Gordia Ind. , have conveyed there willingness to refund the due amount & close the matter. Sourcing Services-Global have conveyed there gratitude for the action taken by CGI Sydney and the steps taken by them for closing the matter, vide Email dated 1 June 2022.
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July 2022

Mr. Ayca Emirali , Sydney, NSW, Australia	Address Not Provided Mob.: +91 402240075 Email : oksuzsoy@hotmail.com	Manpreet Singh Chadha Syndicate Overseas 12, 13, 14, 15 Nav Bharat CHS. LTD. Juhu Lane, N.S Phalke Marg, Andheri Mumbai Mah.-400058 +91 022 28142785, 2814121269 +91 9029062626	Mr. Ayca Emirali claim to have dispute with Syndicate Overseas (Mr. Manpreet Chadha) of Mumbai, Maharashtra, regarding condition of Scooters delivered against payments made in advance for 48 brand new Honda Scooters in 2021. Mr. Emirali also claim that the supplier i.e., Mr. Manpreet Singh Chadha of Syndicate Overseas is refusing to respond to communication regarding compensations for poor quality & condition of scooters exported in November 2021.	Upon receiving details of matter through eMail (dated 04 July 2022), and carrying out due analysis & investigation of the matter CGI Sydney contacted Mr. Ayca Emirali , vide Email dated 08 July 2022 and requested and accordingly advised to launch complaint with DGFT as well as contact AUSTRADE offices in India. Mr. Ayca Emirali responded vide eMail dated 12 July 2022,
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				appraising CGIS on action taken to lodge online complaint.
AUGUST 2022				
Mr. Shahadat Hossain of Trisha Enterprise, Bankstown, NSW, Australia.	tapan67@hotmail.com ; ail.com ;	<i>(details of India based company not provided)</i>	Trisha Ent. , claim to have dispute with India based company regarding non delivery of goods against payments made in advance in 2021-22.	Upon receiving details of matter through eMail (dated 05 August 2022), and after carrying out due analysis & investigation of the matter CGI Sydney contacted Mr. Shahadat Hossain , vide Email dated 10 August 2022 and accordingly advised Trisha Ent. , to launch complaint with DGFT as well as contact AUSTRADE offices in India.
Mr. Harry Wu of Crown Global Trading, West Gosford, NSW, Australia.	272 BRISBANE WATER DRIVE WEST GOSFORD, NSW 2250 AUSTRALIA Email: harrywu1@hotmail.com	RUSHDA INTERNATIONAL of TAMBAKU WALAN, MULLANO WALI MASJID MORADABAD-244000 INDIA	Crown Global Trading claim to have a dispute with Rushda International , regarding non delivery of goods (<i>Clock glasses & Accessories</i>) against payments made in advance in 2021. Crown Global Trading claim that the supplier is refusing to respond to communication & supply the promised goods.	Upon receiving details of matter through eMail (dated 18 August 2022), and after carrying out due analysis & investigation of the matter CGI Sydney contacted Mr. Harry Wu , vide Email dated 29 August 2022 and accordingly advised Crown Global Trading , to launch complaint with DGFT as well as contact AUSTRADE offices in India. Response to reminder mail received on 31 Dec. '22 sent on 20 Jan. '23.
September 2022				

Eight Shades Media Pty Ltd	Sydney, Australia Email: talha_khan_19@hotmail.com	Spraynt Technologies LLP	Eight Shades Media Pty Ltd complained that Spraynt Technologies LLP deleted 250-300 client websites and hosting accounts from their database.	CGIS advised the company to lodge their complaint with RBI and DGFT.
October 2022– February 2023: NIL				
March 2023				
Kratos Sustainability, Wollongong, NSW	iAccelerate Centre Building 239, Innovation Campus, University of Wollongong. Email : nessarkhan@kratos-energy.com	Dataminers Australia, Melbourne, VIC, AUSTRALIA <i>(Having Call Center/Telemarketing Co. in Noida, INDIA)</i>	Kratos Sustainability Australia , regarding non delivery of services (<i>Telemarketing and booking services for Australia based clients for Solar Panel installations</i>) against payments made in advance in Feb. 2023. Kratos Sustainability claim that the service provider is refusing to respond to communication & provide services as promised and paid for.	Upon receiving details of matter through eMail (dated 16 March 2023), and after carrying out due analysis & investigation of the matter CGI Sydney contacted Mr. Nessar Khan , vide Email dated 20 March 2023 and accordingly advised Kratos Sustainability , to launch complaint with DGFT as well as contact AUSTRADE offices in India.
April 2023: NIL				

9. Complaints of Indian Exporter / Importer: -

Name & Address of Indian Exporter/Importer	Name & Address of foreign buyer/supplier	Brief Description of Complaint	Authority to whom matter was referred and date on which referred	Any Outcome
MAY - JUNE 2022 :				
OfBusiness & O'AgriFarm (OFB Tech) Global Business Park, 6th Floor Tower A, Sector 26 MG Road,	Dhara Foods Pty Ltd., # 2 Picton CL Bonnyrigg Heights NSW 2177	OfBusiness & O'AgriFarm , claim to have dispute with Dhara Foods Pty Ltd. , based in Sydney,	OfBusiness & O'AgriFarm were advised by CGIS through	Details of complaint and request for assistance received through eMail from OfBusiness & O'AgriFarm dated 27 May 2022, as forwarded by HC, Canberra on 30 May 2022.

Gurugram, Haryana- 122002		Australia, regarding pending payments (of approx.. \$40,000) for goods exported, which have not been paid for. OfBusiness & O'AgriFarm claim that Dhara Foods is refusing to respond to communication	email (dated 3 June 2022) to lodge an online complaint with DGFT.	On analysis of complaint & details provided, OfBusiness & O'AgriFarm were advised to lodge an online complaint with DGFT, through eMail dated 3 June 2022.
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JULY - AUGUST 2022

M/s Nupur Carpets of New Delhi, India	Sharif Rugs Pty Ltd. , based in Granville, Sydney, NSW, Australia.	Nupur Carpets claim to have pending payments for consignment of Silk Carpets dispatched in June 2019, to Sharif Rugs Pty Ltd. , which have not been paid for.	Nupur Carpets claim that the importer i.e., Sharif Rugs Pty Ltd. , had made part payments of A\$ 30,000 against invoiced amount of A\$ 125,807 but is delaying payments of remaining amount of A\$ 95,807.	Details of complaint and request for assistance received through eMail from Nupur Carpets dated 2 August 2022, as forwarded by HC, Canberra on 5 August 2022. On analysis of complaint & details provided, Nupur Carpets were advised to lodge an online complaint with DGFT, through eMail dated 10 August 2022.
Angad Exports of Mumbai, India,	Importer based in Sydney, NSW (Identity not provided by complainant)	Angad Exports claim to have pending dues for various goods exported from Nov. 2021 to Feb. 2022.	Angad Exports claim that the Sydney based <i>Importer</i> had initially made regular payments/transacti on but has recently refused to pay and/or is making excuses & providing false information to avoid payment amounting to A\$	Details of complaint and request for assistance received through eMail from Angad Exports dated 9 August 2022. On analysis of complaint & details provided, Angad Exports were advised to lodge an online complaint with DGFT, through eMail dated 10 August 2022.

			86,000. The <i>importer</i> is refusing to respond to communication reg. pending dues & goods awaiting dispatch.	
September 2022				
Maxoline Cartel Inc, Vadodara, Gujarat	Dhara Foods Pty Ltd., # 2 Picton CL Bonnyrigg Heights NSW 2177	Maxoline Cartel Inc complained that Dhara Foods owes A\$ 31127 against exported foods, beverages and tobacco products.	Outcome awaited	CGIS contacted Dhara Foods to follow up on complaint received from Maxoline Cartel Inc.
Jindal Poly Films Ltd, New Delhi	KIMS SRL, Villa Martelli, ARGENTINA	Jindal Poly Films claimed that they exported products to KIMS SRL who then allegedly transferred the due amount of \$44832.92 from WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. (New York, NY) to JPFL account of Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Sydney. JPFL claims that they do not have any bank account with CBA and someone opened a fraudulent account in their name to	On request of Jindal Poly Films CBA, Sydney were contacted & provided details on 23 Sep. '22 with a request to investigate the matter.	Response received from CBA, vide email dated 29 Sep. '22 stating that the matter is under investigation & has been passed on to CBA Payment Investigation team.

		receive money from KIMS SRL.		
October 2022				
Rajgopal Fabs Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai, India	Star Mountain Clothing Pty Ltd., Cairns North, QLD, Australia Parent Co. : Star Mountain Clothing Ltd., Papua New Guinea	Rajgopal Fabs claimed that Star Mountain Clothing owes US\$ 122,688 + interest to Rajgopal Fabrics for fabrics exported to Papua New Guinea more than a year ago.	Rajgopal Fabs claim that the <i>Importer</i> , who has been a regular dealer for over 20 years, has not made payments for this Invoice and is making excuses & not taking any steps to clear the pending dues.	Details of complaint and request for assistance received through eMail from Rajgopal Fabs dated 20 October 2022. CGIS contacted Star Mountain Clothing to follow up on complaint received from Rajgopal Fabs through eMail dated 27 October 2022.

10. Tourism

a) Tourist Visa Issued

No. of Tourist Visa issued during the month (May 2023)	No. of Tourist Visa issued during the same month last year (May 2022)	No. of Tourist Visa issued cumulatively during the year (Jan-May 2023)	No. of Tourist Visa issued cumulatively during the last year (Jan-May 2022)
123	93	976	303

b) Indian Tourism Promotion Events held/organized:

S. No.	Event Title	Date	Venue	Theme	Number of Participants
1. NA	NA				

c) Use of Social Media/Print Media/Electronic Media for Promoting tourism:

S. No.	Activities	Number of Post	No. Of Impressions	No. of Like
1	Facebook			
2	Twitter			
3	Instagram			

d) Any Advisory issued by country for travelling to India:

S.No.	Advisory	Date	Reason	Action Taken
1.	Exercise a high degree of caution	07 November 2022	High threat of terrorist activity, civil unrest and crime.	

e) Interactions held with tour operators for promoting tourism in India:

S. No.	Tour Operator	Date	No. Interactions held
1. NA			

f) Any other information

NIL

11. Any other issue of importance (Max. 500 words)

- 1) The Reserve Bank of Australia during its meeting on 2nd May 2023, decided to increase the cash rate target by 25 basis points to 3.85 per cent.
 - GDP is forecast to increase by 1¼ per cent this year and around 2 per cent over the year to mid-2025.
 - CPI inflation over the year to the December quarter was 7.8 per cent.
 - Growth in the Australian economy has slowed, with GDP increasing by 0.5 per cent in the December quarter and 2.7 per cent over the year.
- 2) The central forecast is for CPI inflation to decline to 4½ per cent this year and to around 3 per cent by mid-2025.
- 3) Economic growth rate of Australia is 2.3 percent.
- 4) Net foreign liability of Australia stands at 35.2 percent of country's GDP.
- 5) In seasonally adjusted terms, the balance on goods and services was a surplus of \$11,158m in April 2023, a decrease of \$3,664m on the surplus in March 2023.
- 6) In seasonally adjusted terms, goods and services exports decreased by \$2,961m (-5.0%) to \$56,177m. Non-rural goods decreased by \$2,557m (-6.1%), rural goods decreased by \$625m (-9.3%), net exports of goods under merchanting decreased by 7m (-28%), non-monetary gold decreased by \$400m (-19.7%), services increased by \$628m (7.8%). Exports of services contributed 15.5% to total goods and services exports.
- 7) In seasonally adjusted terms, goods and services imports increased by \$703m (1.6%) to \$45,019m. Capital goods increased by \$605m (7.2%), consumption goods increased by \$83m (0.7%), non-monetary gold decreased by \$295m (-39.8%), intermediate and other merchandise goods decreased by \$1m (0.0%), services imports increased by \$312m (3.7%). Imports of services contributed 19.4% to total goods and services imports.
- 8) Australian exports share by type: Resources contributed 67%, Services 13.7%, Rural 10.7% and Manufacturing contributed 6.7% of the total export basket.

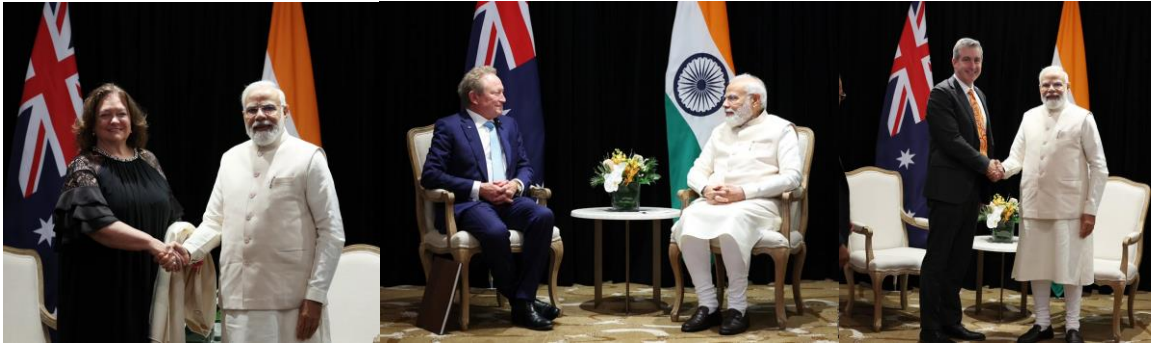
- 9) Australian export share by destination: China is the largest partner at 36.0% followed by Japan 12.2%, EU 3.6%, South Korea 7.1%, US 4.6%, and India 4.7%.
- 10) Australian output share by states: NSW contributes 30.2%, Victoria 22.3%, Queensland 19.4%, Western Australia 17.5%, South Australia 5.6%, Tasmania 1.7% with Northern Territory and ACT combined contribution at 3.3%.
- 11) Prime Minister Anthony Albanese welcomed Prime Minister of India, His Excellency Shri Narendra Modi, to Australia from 22-24 May as a guest of the Australian Government. Prime Minister Modi's visit to Australia builds on the Australia-India Annual Leaders' Summit in New Delhi in March and discussions at the G7 Summit and Quad Leaders' meeting in Hiroshima over the previous weekend. At their bilateral meeting, the leaders discussed trade and investment, including efforts to boost trade between the two countries through a Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement, and work to strengthen people to people links, renewable energy, and defence and security cooperation. Prime Minister Modi also met Australian business leaders to drive Australia's growing trade and investment relationship with India and take forward opportunities from the Australia-India CEO Forum held in Mumbai in March. During the visit, the Prime Ministers addressed a community event of twenty thousand attendees in Qudos Bank Arena, Sydney to celebrate Australia's dynamic and diverse Indian diaspora.





12) Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi met Dr. Andrew Forrest, Executive Chairman and Founder of Fortescue Metals Group and Fortescue Future Industries, in Sydney on 23rd May 2023. Hon'ble PM discussed opportunities for Indian companies to partner with Fortescue in the renewable energy sector, particularly under India's Green Hydrogen Mission. Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi held conversation with Paul Schroder, Chief Executive, Australian Super in Sydney on 23rd May 2023 pitching India among the top investment destinations in the world

and PM invited Australian Super to partner in India's growth story. Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi held a meeting with Georgina Hope Rinehart AO, Executive Chairman of Hancock Prospecting Group, Roy Hill and S. Kidman & Co, in Sydney on 23rd May 2023. PM invited her to partner with India in technology, investment and skilling in the mining and minerals sector.



13) Hon'ble PM Narendra Modi addressed top Australian CEOs at a business roundtable in Sydney. Hon'ble PM highlighted numerous economic reforms undertaken by the government and encouraged the CEOs to forge partnerships with their Indian counterparts. Hon'ble PM further invited them to take advantage of investment opportunities offered by India in domains of infrastructure including digital infrastructure, IT, fintech, telecom, semiconductors, space, renewable energy including green hydrogen, education, pharma, healthcare including medical devices manufacturing, mining including critical minerals, textile, agriculture & food processing.



14) The Australia-India Migration and Mobility Partnership Arrangement to promote two-way mobility of students, graduates, academic researchers and business people was finalised during Hon'ble PM Modi's visit to Sydney. It will make it easier for Indian graduates to work in Australia. It was also announced that the new Centre for Australia-India Relations will be based

in Parramatta acknowledging western Sydney's Indian communities and its Board members were announced.

15) Australia's Consulate-General in Bengaluru, announced by the previous government, will open this month and India will open a Consulate-General in Brisbane. The two Prime Ministers reaffirmed a desire to complete a comprehensive economic and investment agreement by the end of the year. The terms of reference for an Australia-India green hydrogen taskforce was also announced.

16) Consul General addressed the business seminar 'Energising ECTA and Bilateral Business Opportunities' organised by Australia India Business Council in collaboration with BDO Australia and HSBC on 16th May 2023 in Sydney.



17) The Australian Federal Budget was presented on 9th May 2023. An additional 300,000 free TAFE places, 4000 new university places and measures to increase women's participation in male-dominated jobs and professions are the mainstay of a Labor Government budget that gives a passing glance to the education sector.

18) Very high iron ore and coal exports have helped deliver a strong trade surplus this financial year, and higher-than-expected commodity prices also helped deliver a \$4 billion budget surplus this financial year. The terms of trade are expected to decline sharply in 2023-24 as iron ore and coal prices fallback to historic averages.

19) Record personal income tax paid by workers and booming corporate tax underpinned by fossil fuel exports is delivering a \$152.6 billion revenue boost to the Australian Federal budget over five years, compared to previous forecasts. For the first time on record, strong jobs growth and rising wages are estimated to push personal income tax receipts above \$300 billion by next year.

- 20) Visa application charges (VAC) will increase between 6 per cent and 40 per cent on top of the regular CPI increase on July 1, which will raise \$665 million over five years. The fees for visa subclasses including visitor, working holiday, work and holiday, training, temporary activity, and temporary work (short stay specialist) will all increase by 15 per cent. The cost of a business innovation and investment program (BIIP) visa, which was intended to target high-net-worth individuals who make substantial investments locally or run a business, will increase by 40 per cent, from \$9195 to \$12,873.
- 21) The RBA released a batch of internal documents under Freedom of Information laws in May 2023, including a staff modelling exercise from September 2022 that concluded the probability of a recession by September 2024 could be as high as 65 to 80 per cent. Westpac chief economist Bill Evans further said Australian Treasurer Dr Chalmers' decision to inject \$20.6 billion into the economy, including \$12 billion next year, made it a "big-spending budget". The RBA is trying to lift interest rates enough to engineer a return to its 2 per cent to 3 percent inflation target, but without sparking a sharp increase in unemployment.
- 22) As per the latest 'Centre for World University Rankings', Melbourne University has been named the 57th-best university in the world and the best in Australia, improving its position by one place from last year and has Sydney University in the world's top 100, improving its position by six places to 92. Nearly three-quarters of the 39 Australian universities that made the global list of 2000 institutions improved their position on last year. The University of NSW rose three spots to 104, jumping past the University of Queensland at 105. Monash University came in fifth position in Australia, rating 121st globally.
- 23) Gina Rinehart of Hancock Prospecting said the mining sector was responsible for helping Australian Treasurer Jim Chalmers deliver the first surplus in 15 years. She also took aim at the federal government's delayed approval process for new mines, as well as mooted industrial relations reform. She further added that Australia needs to develop more mines if it wants to maintain its standard of living, warning of a \$60 billion investment shortfall in the resources sector.
- 24) Indian steel production was 100 million tonnes two years ago but hit 125 million tonnes in 2022 and is on track to reach 145 million tonnes in 2025. Official Indian forecasts have production hitting 300 million tonnes by 2030. Even if BHP thinks that might be a touch ambitious – its forecast is for 260 million tonnes. BHP spokesperson said that the company is well placed to get

an out-sized slice of this growth. While India accounts for 25 per cent of the seaborne coking-coal market, BHP sends 40 per cent of its coking coal to India.
