

**REPORTING PROFORMA FOR COMMERCIAL WINGS**  
(Data Source: National Trade Statistics of the reporting country)

I. Monthly- Trade in Goods, Tourism & Technologies;

**Name of the Mission (Country): Embassy of India, Seoul**

**I. MONTHLY REPORT: December, 2023**

**A. Market Access Alerts**

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**a) Alerts on customs tariff changes: -**

| SN o. | Notification no. and date | HS code | Description | Original customs tariff | Present customs tariff | Effective from | Remarks if any | Upload notification (pdf only) |
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| NIL   |                           |         |             |                         |                        |                |                |                                |

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

| SN o | Notification no./ date   | Measure | Classification / HS CODE | Effective from         | Remarks if any  |
|------|--|---------|--------------------------|------------------------|---|
| 1    | G/TBT/N/KOR/1188<br><br>Revision of the Rules on the Performance and Standards for Motor Vehicles and their Parts<br><br>Date: 21 December, 2023 | TBT     | Motor Vehicles           | To be determined (TBD) | Harmonization   |
| 2    | G/TBT/N/KOR/1187<br><br>Proposed Revision of the "Act on Labelling and Advertising of Foods"<br><br>Date: 21 December, 2023                      | TBT     | Foods                    | To be determined (TBD) | Consumer information, labelling; Protection of human health or safety |

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| 3 | G/SPS/N/KOR/248/Ad<br>d. 24<br><br>Addition of prohibited<br>hosts related with<br>Radopholus similis<br><br>Date: 15 December,<br>2023  | SPS | Living<br>underground<br>parts of<br>Jasminum<br>spp.        | 18 <sup>th</sup><br>Decembe<br>r, 2023 | Amendment<br>of prohibited<br>hosts.   |
| 4 | G/TBT/N/KOR/1185<br><br>Proposed<br>amendments to the<br>“ENFORCEMENT<br>DECREE OF THE<br>PHARMACEUTICAL<br>AFFAIRS ACT”<br><br>Date: 14 December,<br>2023                                       | TBT | Pharmaceutic<br>als  | To be<br>determine<br>d<br>(TBD)       | To<br>complement<br>the<br>shortcoming<br>s of the<br>current<br>operating<br>system |
| 5 | G/TBT/N/KOR/1186<br><br>Draft amendment of<br>Technical standards<br>for radio equipment for<br>radio stations that can<br>be established without<br>reporting<br><br>Date: 14 December,<br>2023 | TBT | radio<br>equipment for<br>Family Radio<br>Service<br>(‘FRS’) | 12 <sup>th</sup><br>February,<br>2024  | Enhancing<br>frequency<br>usability of<br>FRS  |
| 6 | G/TBT/N/KOR/1183<br><br>Proposed<br>amendments to the<br>“Regulations on Safety<br>of Pharmaceuticals,<br>etc.”  | TBT | Pharmaceutic<br>als  | To be<br>determine<br>d<br>(TBD)       | To<br>complement<br>the<br>shortcoming<br>s of the<br>current<br>operating<br>system |

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|    | Date: 8 December, 2023  |     |   |                                |   |
| 7  | G/TBT/N/KOR/1184<br><br>Proposed amendments to the “Regulation on Safety Standards etc. of Cosmetics”<br><br>Date: 8 December, 2023 | TBT | Cosmetics   | To be determined (TBD)         | Protection of human health or safety                |
| 8  | G/SPS/N/KOR/501/Ad d.3<br><br>Add of hosts of Potato spindle tuber viroid (PSTVd)<br><br>Date: 6 December, 2023                     | SPS | Seeds for sowing and fresh stems, leaves, underground parts of Potato, Tomato   | 1 <sup>st</sup> February, 2024 | Amendment of prohibited areas and hosts             |
| 9  | G/SPS/N/KOR/783/Ad d.1<br><br>Add of countries (regions) of Tomato Brown Rugose Fruit Virus (ToBRFV)<br><br>Date: 6 December, 2023  | SPS | Seeds for sowing and seedlings (such as nursery/root stocks, cuttings and scions) of Capsicum spp. and Solanum lycopersicum | 1 <sup>st</sup> February, 2024 | Amendment of ToBRFV distributed countries (regions) |
| 10 | G/SPS/N/KOR/790<br><br>Proposed Revision of the “Special Act on Imported Food Safety Control”<br><br>Date: 1 December, 2023         | SPS | Foods   | To be determined (TBD)         | Food safety   |

Source: <https://epingalert.org/en?notification-type-radio=null#/browse-notifications>

**c) Alerts on standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures:**

| Sr. No | Notification no./ date   | Standard/ technical regulation/ conformity assessment procedure | Classification / HS CODE | Effective from         | Remarks if any  |
|--------|--|---|--------------------------|------------------------|---|
| 1      | G/TBT/N/KOR/1188<br><br>Revision of the Rules on the Performance and Standards for Motor Vehicles and their Parts<br><br>Date: 21 December, 2023 | TBT   | Motor Vehicles           | To be determined (TBD) | Harmonization   |
| 2      | G/TBT/N/KOR/1187<br><br>Proposed Revision of the "Act on Labelling and Advertising of Foods"<br><br>Date: 21 December, 2023                      | TBT   | Foods                    | To be determined (TBD) | Consumer information, labelling; Protection of human health or safety |
| 3      | G/TBT/N/KOR/1185<br><br>Proposed amendments to the "ENFORCEMENT DECREE OF THE PHARMACEUTICAL AFFAIRS ACT"<br><br>Date: 14 December, 2023         | TBT   | Pharmaceuticals          | To be determined (TBD) | To complement the shortcomings of the current operating system        |

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| 4 | G/TBT/N/KOR/118<br>6<br><br>Draft amendment of Technical standards for radio equipment for radio stations that can be established without reporting<br><br>Date: 14 December, 2023 | TBT | radio equipment for Family Radio Service ('FRS') | 12 <sup>th</sup> February, 2024 | Enhancing frequency usability of FRS                           |
| 5 | G/TBT/N/KOR/118<br>3<br><br>Proposed amendments to the "Regulations on Safety of Pharmaceuticals, etc."<br><br>Date: 8 December, 2023  | TBT | Pharmaceuticals                                  | To be determined (TBD)          | To complement the shortcomings of the current operating system |
| 6 | G/TBT/N/KOR/118<br>4<br><br>Proposed amendments to the "Regulation on Safety Standards etc. of Cosmetics"<br><br>Date: 8 December, 2023  | TBT | Cosmetics  | To be determined (TBD)          | Protection of human health or safety                           |

Source: Eping, <https://epingalert.org/en?notification-type-radio=null#/browse-notifications>

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

| SN o. | 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          |
|-------|--|--|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1     | Antidumping: Foreign Trade Remedies report published by the Korea Trade Commission | Steel/Metal<br><br>Ferro-silico-manganese                                  | Silicon Manganese Alloy (7202300000)  | July 21, 2023 – July 20, 2028       | 1 <sup>st</sup> retrial |
| 2     | Antidumping: Foreign Trade Remedies report Published by the Korea Trade Commission | Chemistry<br><br>PET Film  | PET Film Of polyethylene terephthalate (HS Code:3920620000)   | May 8, 2023 – May 7, 2028           | 4 <sup>th</sup> retrial |
| 3     | Antidumping: Foreign Trade Remedies report published by the Korea Trade Commission | Steel/Metal<br><br>Stainless steel bar                                     | Stainless steel bar {Bars and rods, hot-rolled, in irregularly wound coils, of stainless steel (HS code: 7221000000)} | January 22, 2021 – January 21, 2024 | 4 <sup>th</sup> retrial |

Source: Korea Trade Commission, <https://www.ktc.go.kr/en/main.do>  
<https://www.customs.go.kr/kcs/na/ntt/selectNttList.do?mi=10260&bbsId=1877&aditCol5=004&aditCol4=004013>

## B. Stakeholders' Feedback and Action Taken

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

| S No. | Name of the Firm/Company   | Sector   | Trade barrier issues if any (incl. HS codes) | General Feedback (Max.200 words)   |
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| 1.    | i. Anand Textiles<br>ii. Atick Home Trends<br>iii. Balaji Overseas<br>iv. Creative Home Textiles<br>v. Green World Export<br>vi. Handloom Export Promotion Council (HEPC)<br>vii. Mahadev Exports<br>viii. Oasis Hometex Private Limited<br>ix. Parameshwari Exports Pvt Ltd<br>x. Seth Kumar Rai International<br>xi. Shreyans Inc<br>xii. Shri Pranav Textile Creations Private Limited<br>xiii. Texocraft Fashion<br>xiv. Today Handloom<br>xv. Unity Exports<br>xvi. Vasulal International | Home textiles  |  | Sixteen Indian textile companies, affiliated with the Handloom Export Promotion Council (HEPC), took part as exhibitors in the Home Table Deco Fair at COEX from December 7-10, 2023. Several of them have secured contracts with Korean companies. Exhibitors have conveyed their apprehension that the exhibition leaned more towards consumers rather than buyers. They expressed a desire to delve deeper into understanding the Korean home textile industry in future. |
| 2.    | Mr. B Thiagarajan, Chairman, International Engineering and Technology Fair (IETF 2025)   | Electronics, Engineering software, AI, automation & robotics |  | Mr. B Thiagarajan, Chairman, International Engineering and Technology Fair (IETF 2025) visited Seoul on December 1st, 2023 and met with  |

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|  |  |  |  | the Ambassador to discuss about the participation in IETF 2025. The International Engineering & Technology Fair 2025 is an exhibition in the field of engineering and technology, scheduled to take place from February 13th to 15th, 2025, in New Delhi. |
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**b) Feedback on major trade promotion activities/events:**

| <b>S No.</b> | <b>Activity/Events (trade fair, BSM etc.)</b> | <b>Date and venue</b> | <b>Number of participants from India</b> | <b>Name of EPC/Trade Body coordinating participants</b> | <b>Mission's Feedback (Max.200 words)</b>   |
|--------------|---|-----------------------|--|---|---|
| 1.           | Roadshow on Bharat Tex 2024                   | 8 Dec. 2023           | 5 people                                 | Handloom Export Promotion Council (HEPC)                | The Roadshow on Bharat Tex 2024 was successfully conducted on December 8, 2023, at COEX on the sidelines of Home Table Deco Fair held from 7-10 December. The Mission and Handloom Export Promotion Council (HEPC) collaborated to organize the roadshow, targeting Korean buyers, investors, and |



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|  |  |  |  |  | visitors at the Home Table Deco Fair. Over 20 participants including textile importers, media representative, and related businesses were engaged, gaining insights into the upcoming mega textile event which will be held in New Delhi from 26-29 February, 2024 |
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**c) Feedback from local commercial visitors to trade fairs in India, including under RBSM; number of Business Visas issued:**

| SNo. | 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 | Mission's Feedback |
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|      |                       |                |  |   | 89                              |                    |

**d) Opportunities for investments/ assets on offer/major company divestment:**

| SNo. | Sector Name (List attached) | Particulars of the asset /company | Contact details                                       |
|------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1.   | Finance                     | Sharekhan                         | Mirae Asset Securities (Email: irteam@miraeasset.com) |

**e) Information on tender Notices for projects and procurements which are open to Indian project exporters/ suppliers (USD 5 million & above) – Government Procurement (GP) as well as non-GP.**

| SNo. | Tender/ procurement notice No and date | GP/Non-GP | Sector | Value of tender/ procurement |
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NIL

**C. Tourism:**

**a) Tourist Visa Issued:**

| S. No | No. of Tourist Visa issued during the month | No. of Tourist Visa issued during the same month last year | No. of Tourist Visa issued cumulatively during the year | No. of Tourist Visa issued cumulatively during the last year |
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| 1.    | 12  | 13   | 150   | 139  |

**b) Indian Tourism Promotion Events/Interactions held / organised:**

| S. No. | Details of Event/ Interaction | Theme/Topic | Description about No. of Participants and type of participation (tour operators/ tourism companies/ social influencers etc.) |
|--------|-------------------------------|-------------|--|
| NIL    |                               |             |  |

**c) Any advisory issued by the country for travelling to India:**

| S. No. | Date | Advisory | Reason | Action Taken |
|--------|------|----------|--------|--------------|
| NIL    |      |          |        |              |

**D. Opportunities in technology:**

| S. No. | Name of Technology     | Sector       | Potential opportunity for ToT/ collaboration  | B2B partnership possible/ identified companies          |
|--------|------------------------|--------------|---|---|
| 1.     | Colossal subway system | Construction | Wonkang Co., Ltd, a South Korean construction machinery company, is undertaking a colossal subway system construction project, including the ongoing development of the pipeline, Orange Line, Red Line, and more, totaling 116.1 km with 119 subway stations. This project is a collaborative effort with LARSEN & TOUBRO. | Korean: Wonkang Co., Ltd<br><br>Indian: Larsen & Toubro |

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|  |  |  | Source: Economy Review<br><a href="https://www.econovill.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=635733">https://www.econovill.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=635733</a> |  |
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**a) Any press coverage/notification on new technology/ IPR Regulations:**

| S. No | Sector                   | Details   | Remarks  | Upload Documents |
|-------|--------------------------|---|--|------------------|
| 1.    | Construction environment | NET- Monitoring Technology for Cable Pedestrian Bridges Using Multi-Sensor and AI Alarm System.<br><br>Source: <a href="http://www.netmark.or.kr">www.netmark.or.kr</a>   | By M/s Cable Bridge, M/s HES Consultant, M/s Ino-on  |                  |
| 2.    | Chemical & Life          | Manufacturing Technology of Nano-cellulose Crystal based Grease for Reducing Fretting Corrosion<br><br>Source: <a href="http://www.netmark.or.kr">www.netmark.or.kr</a>   | By M/s Lubchem Korea, M/s Hyundai Motors   |                  |
| 3.    | Chemical & Life          | PVC Manufacturing Technology for Highly Heat-resistant and Flexible Cable with a Polydispersity Index of 3.5 or Higher<br><br>Source: <a href="http://www.netmark.or.kr">www.netmark.or.kr</a>  | By M/s LG Chem   |                  |
| 4.    | Mechanical materials     | Compact Packaging Technology on Amplification and Actuating Mechanism of Tapping - Vibration Massage Function for Automotive Seat.<br><br>Source: <a href="http://www.netmark.or.kr">www.netmark.or.kr</a>  | By M/s Hyundai Transys Co., Ltd., M/s Hyundai Motor Co., Ltd., M/s Magnetic Electronics Co., Ltd |                  |
| 5.    | Renewable Energy         | The Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy (MOTIE) announced on December 4th that the government has delayed the timeframe to achieve a 30% new and renewable power generation target from 2030 to 2036. Further, the government will seek to regulate the indiscriminate increase of supply of |  |                  |

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|  |  | <p>renewable energy. The main goal of the current plan is to limit the indiscriminate supply of renewable energy until the power system, including transmission, distribution, and storage facilities, is sufficiently expanded to leverage the volume of renewable power generation.</p> <p>Source: MOTIE<br/> <a href="https://www.motie.go.kr/motie/ne/presse/press2/bbs/bbsView.do?bbs_seq_n=168251&amp;bbs_cd_n=81&amp;currentPage=41&amp;search_key_n=title_v&amp;cate_n=&amp;dept_v=&amp;search_val_v=">https://www.motie.go.kr/motie/ne/presse/press2/bbs/bbsView.do?bbs_seq_n=168251&amp;bbs_cd_n=81&amp;currentPage=41&amp;search_key_n=title_v&amp;cate_n=&amp;dept_v=&amp;search_val_v=</a></p> |  |  |
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**E. Details of trade research, information dissemination activity of the commercial wing**

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Nature of activity (trade research, information dissemination, seminars/webinars etc) (Max.200 words)</b> | <b>Details of Seminar/ webinar conference (date/ venue, no of participants) or research (Max.200 words)</b>   | <b>Details of trade research (title of the report, executive summary, date of publication) (Max.200 words)</b> |
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| 1.           | Reception on the occasion of 50th anniversary of the diplomatic ties   | The Mission organized a Reception to mark the 50th anniversary of the establishment of India-Republic of Korea diplomatic ties on 13th December 2023. The programme included remarks by the Ambassador and Korean dignitaries as well as featured short cultural performances. Noteworthy participants included organizations and companies such as the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy (MOTIE), Korea International Trade Association (KITA), Korea |  |

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|    |  | Importers Association (KOIMA), Hyundai Motor, Hyundai Welding, Samsung Electronics, Nongshim, and Kim & Chang, etc.  |  |
| 2. | Bharat Tex 2024 & Bharat Mobility 2024               | <p>The Mission is following up on the events inviting Korean businesses for participation. More than 100 companies have been informed individually and relevant Korean associations such as Korea Importers Association (KOIMA) and Korea Automobile Manufacturers Association (KAMA) have disseminated the information amongst their members.</p> <p>The Roadshow on Bharat Tex 2024 was also held on the sidelines of Home Table Deco Fair held from 7-10 December, 2023 to apprise the Korean textile industries about Bharat Tex 2024, scheduled to be held on 26-29 February, 2024.</p> |  |
| 3. | Indian Handicraft & Gift Fair (IHGF) Delhi Fair 2024 | The information on the event, scheduled to be held from 6-10 February 2024 has been shared with relevant businesses and associations including Korea Importers Association (KOIMA).  |  |
| 4. | Vibrant Gujarat Summit 2024                          | The information on the event was shared with relevant businesses and associations. The Chairman along with 8 other members of Korea Importer Association (KOIMA) has gone to Gujarat for the event.  |  |
| 5. | Indus Food 2024                                      | The information on the event was shared with relevant businesses and associations. 3 Korean chefs have registered and the gone to participate at the event.  |  |

**F. Details of activities conducted out of Trade promotion budget:**

| BE for current financial year | RE for current financial year | Amount utilized | Details of Activity (Max.200 words)  |
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| 3,000,000                     | 3,000,000                     | 2,524,022.99    | <p>Payment has been made for the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Balance payment for Seoul Café Show (May, 2023)</li> <li>- Interpretation service for Korea Food Industry Association (KFIA) Round table (June, 2023)</li> <li>- Motorbike courier service for delivering the ragi samples to KINTEX exhibition hall (June, 2023)</li> <li>- 50% payment towards reserving 4 booths at Seoul Café Show (June, 2023)</li> <li>- 50% payment towards reserving 4booths at Seoul Café Show (August, 2023)</li> <li>- Translation for presentation material for the Seoul Café Show (December, 2023)</li> <li>- Setting up of Indian pavilion booths of Indian coffee exporters at Seoul Café Show (December, 2023)</li> </ul> |

**G. Action taken on Complaints from foreign/ Indian Buyer/Supplier:**

| No. of Trade complaints received | From Local companies | From Indian Companies | Description/ No. of complaints on which Action is Taken |
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