

REPORTING PROFORMA FOR COMMERCIAL WINGS

(Data Source: Statistics Austria)

Name of the Mission (Country): Embassy of India, Vienna, AUSTRIA.

**I. MONTHLY (JUNE 2024) REPORT FOR AUSTRIA
(Data – February 2024)**

1 \$ = Rs. 83.58 February 2024

1 € = Rs. 92.14 February 2024

A. Trade in goods

a) Total trade in goods during

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| 0 | 2 | | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
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| | Export (US\$ million) | Import (US\$ million) | Status (P) Provisional/ (F) Final |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Country's trade with India | 106.47 | 139.18 | |
| Country's total global trade | 18355.61 | 17052.75 | |

b) Preferential trade in goods during

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| 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
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| S.No. | Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India | Preferential Imports from India (US\$ million) | Preferential Imports from World (US\$ million) |
|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 | | | |
| 2 | | | |
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NIL

| S.No. | Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India | Preferential Exports to India (US\$ million) | Preferential Exports to World (US\$ million) |
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| 1 | | | |
| 2 | | | |
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NIL

c) Top 10 items of import from India during

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| 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
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| S.No. | Commodity | Value (US\$ million) | Quantity | Unit of Measurement | % Share in total import of the commodity |
|-------|---|----------------------|------------|---------------------|--|
| 1. | 85; Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles | 23.48 | 974385.00 | KG | 1.31 |
| 2. | 87; Vehicles other than railway or tramway rolling stock, and parts and accessories thereof | 19.03 | 1010357.00 | KG | 0.94 |
| 3. | 29; Organic chemicals | 11.44 | 318387.00 | KG | 3.79 |
| 4. | 84; Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof | 10.76 | 688104.00 | KG | 0.49 |
| 5. | 62; Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted | 10.58 | 142466.00 | KG | 3.46 |

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| 6. | 64; Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles | 9.35 | 257323.00 | KG | 4.81 |
| 7. | 61; Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted | 8.52 | 249108.00 | KG | 2.93 |
| 8. | 42; Articles of leather; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm gut) | 4.10 | 161895.00 | KG | 5.25 |
| 9. | 72; Iron and steel | 3.98 | 2286483.00 | KG | 1.00 |
| 10. | 86; Railway or tramway locomotives, rolling stock and parts thereof; railway or tramway track fixtures and fittings and parts thereof; mechanical (including electromechanical) traffic signalling equipment of all kinds | 3.91 | 187642.00 | KG | 3.79 |

d) Top 10 items of export to India during

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| 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
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| S.No. | Commodity | Value (US\$ million) | Quantity | Unit |
|-------|--|----------------------|-----------|------|
| 1. | 84; Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and | 21.36 | 757886.00 | KG |

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| | mechanical appliances; parts thereof | | | |
| 2. | 85; Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles | 13.31 | 222497.00 | KG |
| 3. | 90; Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; parts and accessories thereof | 9.14 | 51380.00 | KG |
| 4. | 55; Man-made staple fibres | 8.93 | 3474710.00 | KG |
| 5. | 30; Pharmaceutical products | 4.72 | 63819.00 | KG |
| 6. | 22; Beverages, spirits and vinegar | 3.96 | 3420919.00 | KG |
| 7. | 39; Plastics and articles thereof | 3.60 | 399743.00 | KG |
| 8. | 81; Other base metals; cermets; articles thereof | 3.57 | 27756.00 | KG |
| 9. | 87; Vehicles other than railway or tramway rolling stock, and parts and accessories thereof | 3.39 | 141785.00 | KG |
| 10. | 38; Miscellaneous chemical products | 3.14 | 2317116.00 | KG |

e) Potential products of imports from India- **February 2024** (Data source- DGCIS & Statistic Austria)

| S.No. | Commodity | Rationale (Max.200 words) |
|-------|--|--|
| 1. | 02; Meat and edible meat offal | Austria Import from the World- 108.22 million USD. India Export to the World- 354.24 million USD. India Export to Austria- Nil during this period. |
| 2. | 24; Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes | Austria Import from the World- 39.58 million USD. India Export to the World- 111.86 million USD. India Export to Austria- Nil during this period. |
| 3. | 78; Lead and articles thereof | Austria Import from the World- 9.88 million USD. India Export to the World- 78.06 million USD. India Export to Austria- Nil during this period. |

B. QUALITATIVE

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

Austria is a part of EU and follows the EU regulations on external trade. Latest updates on market access, custom tariffs, non- tariff measures, regulations can be assessed on the following links:

- **EU-Tariffs:** <https://madb.europa.eu/madb/euTariffs.htm>
- **Trade Tariffs:**
https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/dds2/taric/taric_consultation.jsp?Lang=en
- **India trade portal:**
https://www.indiantradeportal.in/alerts_notified_spstbt.jsp
- **The EU has also set up a help desk for exporters willing to export their products into the EU. Answer to specific queries like EU Import duties, product requirement, import procedure, internal taxes etc. can be accessed on the following link:**
<https://trade.ec.europa.eu/tradehelp/>

a. Alerts on customs tariff changes: -

| S.No. | Notification no. and date | HS code | Description | Original customs tariff | Present customs tariff | Effective from | Remarks if any |
|-------|---------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1. | | | | | | | |

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| 2. | | | | | | | |
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- b. Alerts on non-tariff measures (SPS/TBT/ import and export procedures/ restrictions/ prohibitions, licensing/ STEs etc.)

| S. No | Notification no./ date | Measure | Details (including HS Codes) | Effective from | Remarks if any |
|-------|------------------------|---------|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1. | | | | | |
| 2. | | | | | |

NIL

- 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. | | | | | |
| 2. | | | | | |

NIL

- d. Alerts on trade defense 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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NIL

- e. Alert on services, regulatory regime, qualification requirement, licensing procedures, visa regime, barriers etc.

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2. Feedback

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

| S.No. | Name of business house | Activity sector | Trade barrier issues if any (incl. HS codes) | General Feedback (Max.200 words) |
|-------|------------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 1. | | | | |
| 2. | | | | |

NIL

- b. Feedback on major trade activities including logistic events (trade fairs/BSM including Indian participation) February 2024

| S.No. | 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) | Source of funding (MAI, TA/TC) |
|-------|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
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- c. Feedback from local commercial visitors to trade fairs in India, including under BSM; number of Business Visas issued: (February 2024)

| 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 (February 2024) | Feedback received (Max.200 words) |
|--------|-----------------------|----------------|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|
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3. Trade and Investment:

- a. Significant trends in trade and investment

| S.No. | Category | Details of significant trends (Max.200 words) | Analysis (Max. 200 words) |
|-------|----------|---|---------------------------|
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| 1. | Trade in Goods | <p>In 2020 India- Austria bilateral trade was 2.05 billion USD whereas in 2021 it was 2.47 billion USD, an increase of 20.48 percent form 2020.</p> <p>In 2022, bilateral trade between India & Austria was 2.84 billion USD with an increase of around 15 % from 2021.</p> <p>In 2023, India- Austria bilateral trade stood at 2.93 billion USD with an increase of 3.16 % from 2022.</p> <p><i>Sources: Statistic Austria</i></p> |
| 3. | Investment | <p>The Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) from Austria to India decreased in the year 2023. According to the provisional data available for 2023 on the Austrian National Bank portal, Austria’s investments to India was 733 million Euro. According to the revised data on the Austrian National Bank, in 2021 the Austrian direct investment in India was 782 million Euro.</p> <p>Comparing to 2023, there has been a decrease of -6.26 % in FDI from Austria to India for the year 2022.</p> <p>According to the provisional data for 2022 available on the Austrian National Bank website, the inward FDI from India to Austria has increased. India’s investment in Austria was 1159 million Euro in 2023. According to the revised data for 2022, FDI from India to Austria stood at 1112 million Euro.</p> <p>Comparing to 2022, there has been an increase of 4.22 % in FDI from India to Austria in the year 2023.</p> <p><i>Source: Austrian National Bank (Revised data for 2021-2022, provisional data for 2023)</i></p> |

b. Opportunities for investments/ assets on offer/major company divestment:

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| S.No. | Sector Name (List attached) | Particulars of the asset /company | Contact details |
|-------|--|---|-----------------|
| 1. | Automotive Industry | More information about the Automotive sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/automotive-industry/ | |
| 2. | Chemical Industry | More information about the Chemical sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/chemical-industry/ | |
| 3. | Data Center | More information about the Data Center can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/data-center/ | |
| 4. | Electronics | More information about the Electronics sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/electronics/ | |
| 5. | Environmental Technologies | More information about the Environmental Technologies sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/environmental-technologies/ | |
| 7. | Information and Communication Technology | More information about the Information and Communication Technology sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/information-technology/ | |
| 8. | Life Sciences | More information about the Life Sciences sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/life-sciences/ | |
| 10. | Mechanical Engineering | More information about the Mechanical Engineering sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/mechanical-engineering/ | |

2. Furthermore, Advantage Austria, an initiative from the Federal Chamber of Commerce - Austria, maintains a list of companies looking for partners, more on:
<https://www.advantageaustria.org/in/Startseite.en.html>

3. For Business opportunities in Austria please visit
<https://ted.europa.eu/TED/browse/browseByBO.do>

- 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. | In Austria, all public tenders are listed on the official website | http://www.bbg.gv.at/lieferanten/ausschreibungen/alle/ (The site is in German only) & https://www.usp.gv.at/en/foerderungen-ausschreibungen/vergabeverfahren/ausschreibungsdatenbanken-und-publikationsmedien.html | |
| 2. | Tender notices for opportunities in the public sector in Austria can be also accessed | http://ted.europa.eu/TED/browse/browseByBO.do (Please visit the website and select country-Austria, then select - Business opportunities-Design contest or Contract notice to see tender notices for public works in Austria) | |

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

INDIAN ENQUIRIES (February 2024)

| S. No. | Enquiry originator | Product with HS Codes | Nature (Import/ Export) | Value (US\$ million) | Action Taken (Max.200 words) |
|--------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|---|
| 1. | ANNEXURE-II | | | | Embassy has devised a detailed Performa for responding to trade inquiries. The detailed response is appreciated by most companies. |

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. (JUNE 2024)

1) India: New market for business and universities

<https://steiermark.orf.at/stories/3258403/>

Following a Styrian business delegation's trip to India in March, the contacts that were established are now being deepened: this week, the Indian ambassador was a guest in Graz to offer support to Styrian companies that want to gain a foothold in India. Meanwhile, India is also becoming more and more interesting from a university perspective.

According to the Montanuniversität Leoben, fewer and fewer Austrian students are interested in technical studies - so the university is increasingly looking for students abroad. Susanne Feiel from the Office for International Relations at the Montanuni now wants to focus more on India: "The demographic development is simply sensational. Over 50 percent of the population is under 25, the economic growth speaks for itself and more and more people are moving into the middle class and want to go to university."

"A win-win situation"

For two weeks, the Montan-Uni has already presented itself at several university fairs in India: "It is said that Indian students like to stay where they do their degree and that plays into our hands. If we can specifically bring skilled workers to Austria before they start their studies, then train them and they then stay here, then we actually have a win-win situation."

The fact that Styrian knowledge can also be successfully exported to India is demonstrated by the company Münzer Bioindustrie, which collects used cooking oil and processes it into biodiesel through its Indian branch. But the Indian ambassador to Austria, Shambhu Kumaran, sees good opportunities not only for larger Styrian companies: "In the transport sector, in the mobility sector, in health, for example, or in the entire manufacturing sector, there are many opportunities for small and medium-sized companies from Styria."

Support with information and connections

Together with the Styrian Internationalization Center, the Indian Embassy wants to support Styrian business and science in all areas: "Whether they have problems or want to discover this market - we want to support them with information and connections." And building up these good contacts is now the focus of Styrian companies for entry into the Indian market.

2) What Austria can learn from India

<https://www.diepresse.com/18362437/was-oesterreich-von-indien-lernen-kann>

You often hear people say at the pub: Austria has only a minimal influence on the world's climate, and the decisions about the future of the climate are made in countries like India. However, this is only partially correct.

Almost a fifth of the world's population lives in India. The population is 157 times larger than that of Austria. From this perspective, the influence on the climate is logically greater. However, it would be a misinterpretation to

conclude that Austria's contribution is negligible. If you look beyond the purely mathematical comparison of total emissions.

Austria is not only a member of the EU, but as an industrialized country it can also be an example of how greenhouse gases can be reduced while maintaining a high level of prosperity. One indication of how well this is being achieved is the per capita figures, i.e. the amount of greenhouse gases that are calculated for each inhabitant. This means that, compared to India, each inhabitant of Austria is responsible for four times the amount of greenhouse gases. India's total emissions are also almost a tenth lower than those of the 27 EU states, even though there are three times as many Indians as EU citizens.

Admittedly, India is still underdeveloped in many regions, and there are regions on the subcontinent where there is severe poverty and hunger. And it shows that the decoupling of economic growth and greenhouse gas emissions has begun. It seems as if India is managing to reverse the trend more quickly.

The latest ruling by the Supreme Court in India sends another signal – the three Supreme Court judges have made important findings: the central importance of protecting biodiversity is non-negotiable; climate protection is an individual right to an intact natural environment and protection from the impacts of the climate crisis; and one goal must not be “sacrificed on the altar of the other,” as the ruling states.

Clear words. All of this can be an incentive for Austria. And yes, there are things that Austria can learn from India in terms of climate policy.

5. Details of trade research, information dissemination activity of the commercial wing (February 2024)

| 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. | Monthly Newsletter February 2024 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oil & Gas sector of India • Know India Programme • India Perspectives Magazine |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Economic Profile- MP • Tourism – Haryana • Religious Tourism Sites Map of India • |
| 2. | Plex connect 2024 | Austrian and Montenegrin Chambers, Website and in our Monthly newsletter. | |
| 3. | Delhi International Leather Expo 2024 | | |

6. Details of activities conducted out of Trade promotion budget: (FY 2024-25)

| S.No. | BE VOA for current financial year | RE for current financial year | Amount Utilized (INR) | Details of Activities |
|-------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 1. | Rs. 1,50,000.00 | NA | Rs. 78483.27 | Partial Payment towards renewal of the Annual Subscription 2024 for Trade data received from the Statistic Austria. |

7. Action taken on the previous JWG, 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) |
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| 1 | 16 th Session of the India-Austria Joint Economic Commission took place on 12-13 June 2023 in Vienna, Austria. | | <p>India and Austria concluded their 16th Joint Economic Commission (JEC) meeting in Vienna on 12-13 June 2023. The Indian delegation led by Mr Anant Swarup, Joint Secretary in Department of Commerce, India and Mr Florian Frausher, Director General in the Federal Ministry of Labour and Economy, Austria co-chaired the meeting.</p> <p>The two co-Chairs comprehensively reviewed the bilateral economic</p> |

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| | | | <p>relationship and expressed satisfaction with the growth in bilateral trade and investment. They acknowledged need to further intensify cooperation in sectors like infrastructure, energy, skill development, Industry 4.0, tourism etc.</p> <p>The Meeting was followed by a roundtable business forum organized to facilitate B2B interactions for the accompanying business delegation. @investindia presented various incentives and opportunities for businesses in India.</p> <p>The Indian delegation also visited the Austrian Institute of Technology campus to learn about its institutional structure and the ongoing research and developments programs there.</p> |
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8. Complaints from foreign buyer/supplier on quality and trade dispute: (February 2024)

| Name of Foreign buyer/supplier | Address & contact details of foreign buyer/supplier | Name & address of Indian exporter/importer | Brief description of complaint | The authority to whom the matter was referred and the date on which the matter was referred. |
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NIL

9. Complaints of Indian exporter/importer: (February 2024)

| Name of Foreign buyer/supplier | Address & contact details of foreign buyer/supplier | Name & address of Indian exporter/importer | Brief description of complaint | The authority to whom the matter was referred and the date on which the matter was referred. |
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NIL

10. Any other issue of importance (February 2024)

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| Mission released a GI- Tags booklet | February 2024 | <p>The Mission has released a booklet on Geographical Indication (GI) Tags of India, an effort that signify the unique heritage and origin of various products from our country.</p> <p>The GI Tags booklet, is a step forward in fostering greater awareness and appreciation for the unique products and traditions that our regions are known for. In India, goods with a specified geographical origin and attributes, reputations, or characteristics that are primarily accessible to that place of origin are awarded intellectual property rights known as GI tags. GI tags aid in product identification and promotion, safeguarding them against unauthorized use, and guaranteeing their authenticity.</p> <p>The GI Tages booklet would be distributed in various events promoting distinctive qualities and characteristics of GI products from specific regions of India.</p> |
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