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Forward

India's foreign trade landscape is evolving rapidly, opening new doors of opportunity for exporters across sectors. In this edition of Prarambh, we focus on one of India's strongest agricultural success stories — Rice Exports — and explore the growing global demand, market opportunities, and India's leadership in the world rice trade.

We also highlight the strategic importance of the India-UAE CEPA, which is strengthening bilateral trade and creating faster market access for Indian businesses. Alongside this, the newly emerging India-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement reflects India's expanding global trade partnerships and its commitment towards deeper economic integration.

Through this edition, we aim to provide insights, opportunities, and practical knowledge that empower exporters, entrepreneurs, and trade professionals to grow confidently in the global marketplace.

Happy Reading!

Team Prarambh

Message From Founder & CMD –iiiEM

In a time when global trade routes are being tested by Middle East disruptions, the resilience of Indian exporters is once again on display. Shipping uncertainties, energy fluctuations, and geopolitical tensions have reminded the world how deeply interconnected supply chains truly are.

Amidst this volatility, India continues to move forward with strategic confidence. The signing of yet another Free Trade Agreement with New Zealand reflects India's proactive approach to opening new markets and reducing trade barriers for its exporters.



At the same time, the United Arab Emirates stands firm as one of India's most dependable bilateral partners. Beyond geography, this partnership is rooted in trust, shared economic vision, and strong people-to-people ties, offering stability and opportunity for Indian businesses in an otherwise uncertain global environment.

This is not a time to pause, but a time to adapt, diversify, and strengthen trade relationships that can withstand global challenges.

Warm Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Dipak", enclosed within a simple oval outline.

Dipak Sudhir Manohar

Product – Rice (Non-Basmati)

India stands as one of the world's greatest rice civilizations, where rice is not merely a crop but a foundation of food security, culture, agriculture, and international trade. From the fertile plains of Punjab and Haryana to the river deltas of Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Odisha, and Tamil Nadu, India cultivates an extraordinary diversity of rice suited for every consumer segment across the globe.

While Basmati rice has earned international recognition as a premium aromatic grain, it is India's Non-Basmati rice sector that drives the true scale of global food supply. Non-Basmati rice from India is valued worldwide for its wide variety of grain sizes, cooking characteristics, competitive pricing, year-round availability, strong processing infrastructure, and adaptability to different cuisines.



What makes Indian Non-Basmati rice especially attractive to international buyers is the combination of scale, diversity, and reliability. India possesses the world's largest rice cultivation area, diverse agro-climatic zones, extensive irrigation systems, experienced millers, strong export logistics, and globally competitive pricing.

International buyers can source everything from premium fine rice to economical bulk cargoes from a single country. In addition, several Indian Non-Basmati varieties possess unique regional identity and GI recognition, creating opportunities for value-added and specialty exports in premium international markets.

Why Global Buyers Prefer Indian Non-Basmati Rice

- Wide range of varieties and grain specifications
- Competitive pricing compared to other origins
- Strong availability throughout the year
- Large production capacity and scalable supply
- Suitable for both premium and mass consumption markets
- Availability of white rice, raw rice, steamed rice, and parboiled rice
- Strong export infrastructure and experienced merchant exporters
- Growing demand for specialty and GI-tagged rice varieties

Today, Indian Non-Basmati rice is not just a commodity export; it is a strategic agricultural product connecting Indian farmers with global food markets. Its balance of affordability, quality, consistency, and variety continues to make India the preferred sourcing destination for rice importers around the world.

Rice (Non-Basmati Rice)

Information	Details
H.S Code	100630
	Semi-milled or wholly milled, whether or not polished or glazed; other
Trade Policy	Export Permitted Freely
RCMC	www.apeda.gov.in
	Mandatory
Government Benefits	Duty Drawback = Rs. 7.50 to 20 / MT ton*
	Interest Subvention = 2.75%
	RoDTEP = 0.9% of FOB rate
GST (paid to Supplier)	0-5%*
* Check details from www.tradestat.commerce.gov.in www.indiantradeportal.in	

Global Market & Growth Rate

The global market for Non-Basmati rice is one of the largest segments within the international food grain trade, driven primarily by population growth, food security demand, urbanization, and rising consumption across Africa, Asia, and the Middle East. Unlike premium aromatic rice categories, Non-Basmati rice dominates the world market in terms of volume consumption because it serves as an affordable staple food for billions of people worldwide. India, Thailand, Vietnam, Pakistan, and Myanmar remain among the leading suppliers in this segment.

According to multiple international market research estimates, the broader global rice market is currently valued at approximately **USD 310–317 Billion in 2025**, and a major portion of this market consists of Non-Basmati rice.

Industry estimates suggest that **Non-Basmati rice accounts for nearly 55%–65% of the total global rice trade/value**, making the estimated global Non-Basmati rice market approximately:

Estimated Global Non-Basmati Rice Market Size

- **Approximate Market Value (2025): USD 140–200 Billion**
- **Expected CAGR / Growth Rate: 3%–3.5% annually** over the next decade.

One industry estimate for the Non-Basmati rice segment projects:

- **2024 Market Size:** ~USD 142.8 Billion
- **2034 Projection:** ~USD 198.6 Billion
- **Forecast CAGR:** ~3.4%

Key Drivers behind Growth of the Non-Basmati Rice Market

1. Population Growth
2. Food Security
3. Rising demand due to affordability and availability
4. Indian Varieties and price range to suit buyers
5. Growth of processed food in HoReCa sector

DID YOU KNOW?

The "Queen of Fragrance": The word Basmati derives from the Hindi word for "fragrant" or "full of aroma". This highly sought-after, elongated grain actually has a distinct aroma closely resembling that of freshly buttered popcorn.



DID YOU KNOW?

Royal Black Magic: Manipur grows a rare indigenous rice called Chak-Hao. Uncooked, the grains are a deep, ink-like black, but they transform into a vibrant dark purple when cooked. This nutrient-dense, antioxidant-rich rice was historically reserved exclusively for royalty.

Varieties and Sourcing States for Non-Basmati Rice

Varieties of Non Basmati Rice (most exported)		
Non-Basmati Rice Variety	Uniqueness / Key Characteristics	Major Sourcing States in India
Sona Masoori Rice	Lightweight, aromatic, medium-grain rice with soft texture; low starch content; highly preferred for daily consumption and export retail packs	Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka
IR-64 Rice	Long-grain economical rice with high yield and competitive pricing; widely used in Africa and bulk export markets	Chhattisgarh, Odisha, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh
Swarna Rice	Popular medium-grain rice known for affordability, good cooking volume, and mass consumption demand	West Bengal, Odisha, Bihar, Jharkhand
Parboiled Rice	Nutrient-rich processed rice with longer shelf life and firm texture; highly demanded in African markets	Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Odisha
Ponni Rice	Soft texture, lightweight grain, ideal for South Indian cuisine and premium diaspora markets	Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh
Jeera Samba Rice	Small-grain aromatic rice widely used for biryani and premium foodservice applications	Tamil Nadu
Matta Rice	Red-colored nutrient-rich rice with earthy flavor and high fiber content	Kerala
Gobindobhog Rice	Premium short-grain aromatic rice used in sweets, pulao, and religious cuisine	West Bengal
Joha Rice	Naturally aromatic fine rice with GI recognition and growing premium export demand	Assam
Kalanamak Rice	Traditional aromatic rice with distinctive fragrance and heritage branding value	Uttar Pradesh
Jeeraphool Rice	Fine-grain aromatic rice with GI status and niche gourmet market appeal	Chhattisgarh
Kalajeera Rice	Small-grain aromatic specialty rice often called the 'Prince of Rice'	Odisha
Broken Rice	Cost-effective rice used in food processing, brewing, feed industry, and low-cost staple consumption	Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, West Bengal
PR11 Rice	High-yield long-grain rice with strong demand in export commodity trade	Punjab, Haryana
Sharbati Rice	Aromatic long-grain rice often considered a value alternative to basmati	Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh

Importing Countries for Indian Non-Basmati Rice

Importing Countries (Non-Basmati Rice)		
Country	Key Demand Drivers	Preferred Variety
Benin	Large food security demand, re-export hub to West Africa, price-sensitive bulk market	Swarna, IR-64, Parboiled Rice, 25% Broken Rice
Bangladesh	Shortfall management during floods/crop shortages, proximity to India	Parboiled Rice, Swarna, White Rice
Senegal	Staple food consumption, government imports, urban demand	Parboiled Rice, IR-64, Swarna
Cameroon	Affordable staple food demand, growing population	IR-64, Swarna, Broken Rice
Ivory Coast	High urban rice consumption, strong import dependence	Parboiled Rice, Swarna, Long Grain White Rice
United Arab Emirates	Indian diaspora demand, horeca sector, re-exports to Gulf/Africa	Sona Masoori, Ponni, Steam Rice, Jeera Samba
Philippines	Food security imports, supply diversification	White Rice, IR-64, Long Grain Rice
Malaysia	Ethnic Indian consumption, horeca demand	Sona Masoori, Ponni, Matta Rice
South Africa	Indian-origin population, retail packaged rice demand	Sona Masoori, Parboiled Rice, Ponni
Saudi Arabia	Large expatriate population, catering & restaurant demand	Sona Masoori, Steam Rice, Ponni
Togo	Regional redistribution trade, affordable rice requirement	Broken Rice, Swarna, IR-64
Nepal	Open border trade, daily staple demand	Swarna, Steam Rice, Parboiled Rice
Djibouti	Strategic trading hub, food aid and redistribution	Parboiled Rice, Broken Rice
Guinea	High dependency on imported staples	Swarna, Parboiled Rice, Broken Rice
Mozambique	Rising urban consumption and retail demand	IR-64, White Rice, Parboiled Rice
Madagascar	Food security imports and competitive pricing	White Rice, Parboiled Rice
Indonesia	Government procurement during shortages	White Rice, IR-64
Somalia	Dependence on imported food grains	Broken Rice, Parboiled Rice
Liberia	Staple food requirement and humanitarian supply chains	Broken Rice, Swarna
Malaysia	Retail ethnic demand and food service sector	Sona Masoori, Ponni Rice

GI-Tagged Varieties of Non-Basmati Rice (example)

(Recognised across various regions; *not all are part of ODOP list but relevant for rice heritage / export branding)

- **Kalanamak Rice** — (Uttar Pradesh, long-grain scented heritage rice)
- **Koraput Kalajeera Rice** — (Odisha; GI-tagged aromatic variety)
- **Katarni Rice** — (Bihar; aromatic, GI-tagged)
- **Jeeraphool / Joha / Gobindobhog** — (Assam/West Bengal aromatic rice GI entries)
- **Kaipad Rice** — (Kerala; GI-tagged coastal rice)
- **Mushqbudji / Navara / Pokkali / Tulaipanji** — Other GI rice varieties from different regions.

Compliances required in India

General Registrations and Certificates for Non Basmati Rice (In India)

Requirement / Registration / Certificate	Mandatory?	Purpose / Remarks
IEC (Import Export Code) – DGFT	Yes	Primary export license required for exporting from India.
APEDA Registration (RCMC / e-RCMC)	Yes	Mandatory for export of rice and agricultural products.
GST Registration	Yes	Required for export invoicing and GST compliance.
AD Code Registration	Yes	Required for customs shipping bill processing at port.
FSSAI License	Yes	Mandatory food business license for handling/exporting rice.
Phytosanitary Certificate	Yes	Mandatory plant quarantine certificate confirming shipment is pest-free.
Fumigation Certificate	Yes (commonly required)	Mandatory in many countries and generally required for rice exports, especially with wooden
Certificate of Origin (COO)	Yes	Required by customs/importers to confirm Indian origin of rice.

Basic Quality Parameters for Rice

Quality Parameters for Non-Basmati Rice		
Quality Parameter*	Meaning / What It Indicates	Typical Buyer Preference / Standard
Moisture Content	Percentage of water present in rice	Usually max 12%–14%
Broken Percentage	Percentage of broken rice kernels	5%, 10%, 15%, 25%, 100% broken depending on contract
Foreign Matter	Presence of stones, dust, straw, impurities	Minimal or nil
Damaged Grains	Grains damaged by heat, moisture, insects, fungus etc.	Very low percentage preferred
Discolored Grains	Yellow, black, or abnormal colored grains	Low percentage preferred
Chalky Grains	Opaque white grains affecting appearance and cooking	Lower chalkiness preferred
Paddy Grains	Unmilled paddy mixed in rice	Usually near zero tolerance
Red Grains	Red-colored grains mixed in white rice	Limited tolerance
Yellow Grains	Yellow/discolored grains caused by poor storage	Strictly controlled
Immature Grains	Underdeveloped kernels	Lower percentage preferred
Live / Dead Insects	Insect infestation status	Usually zero tolerance
Average Grain Length	Physical size of rice grain	Depends on variety
Grain Classification	Long grain / medium grain / short grain	Buyer-specific
Purity of Variety	Percentage of single rice variety consistency	High varietal purity preferred
Milling Degree	Degree of bran removal during polishing	Well-milled rice preferred
Polish	Surface finish and whiteness	Silky/sortex clean appearance preferred
Whiteness	Brightness and visual appearance	Important in retail markets
Sortex Quality	Machine color sorting quality	Premium export requirement
Admixture	Mixing of other rice varieties	Controlled as per contract
Aroma	Natural fragrance (if applicable)	Important for specialty rice
Amylose Content	Determines stickiness and texture	Buyer/cuisine dependent
Pesticide Residue Level	Chemical residue compliance	Must meet importing-country MRLs
Heavy Metal Content	Lead, arsenic, cadmium etc.	Strictly monitored in EU/USA
Aflatoxin Level	Toxin contamination from improper storage	Very low/acceptable limits only
Odor / Smell	Freshness and storage condition	No foul or moldy smell

* Always check with your Buyer for his requirements in terms of Quality and importing norms in his country.

Quality Compliance for Non-Basmati Rice Exported from India

Parameter	USA – U.S. Food and Drug Administration	Australia – Food Standards Australia New Zealand	GCC – GCC Standardization Organization	ASEAN (general)	Africa (general)	EU – European Food Safety Authority	Latin America (general)
Pesticide Residue (MRL)	Must meet US MRLs; very strict on Tricyclazole, Buprofezin	FSANZ MRL list; strict for multiple residues	GSO MRL standards; often Codex aligned	Mostly Codex MRLs	Codex MRLs followed	Extremely strict EU MRLs; Tricyclazole near zero tolerance	Codex / National MRLs
Heavy Metals (Lead, Arsenic, Cadmium, Mercury)	Mandatory testing, esp. Arsenic in rice	Mandatory	Mandatory	Recommended	Basic checks	Mandatory with low limits	Required in many countries
Aflatoxin	< permissible ppb limits	Mandatory	Mandatory	Required	Required	Very strict limits	Required
Microbiological (Salmonella, E.coli)	Zero tolerance	Mandatory	Mandatory	Required	Basic requirement	Mandatory	Required
Fumigation Proof	Methyl Bromide / Phosphine record	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required
Phytosanitary Certificate	Mandatory	Mandatory	Mandatory	Mandatory	Mandatory	Mandatory	Mandatory
Sorting & Grading	Well milled, % broken declared	Clean, uniform	Clean, uniform	Acceptable quality	Acceptable	Premium cleanliness	Acceptable
Moisture %	≤14% preferred	≤14%	≤14%	≤14%	≤15%	≤14%	≤14%
Foreign Matter	Near zero tolerance	Strict	Strict	Moderate	Moderate	Very strict	Moderate
Labeling Rules	Nutrition facts, country of origin, lot no.	Full food label compliance	Arabic/English labels	English labels	Basic labels	EU food label regulation	Spanish/Portuguese labels
Packaging	Food-grade PP bags; retail packs compliant	Same	Same	Same	Same	Strict food contact material norms	Same
Pre-shipment Lab Test	From NABL/ISO lab strongly advised	Required	Required	Advised	Advised	Compulsory	Advised
Certifications Preferred	HACCP / ISO 22000 / BRC	HACCP / ISO 22000	HACCP / ISO 22000 / Halal	HACCP	HACCP	BRC / IFS / ISO 22000	HACCP / ISO 22000
Special Requirement	FDA facility registration for packer	Import permit sometimes	Halal Certificate often required	Import license	Destination dependent	RASFF risk—very sensitive	Country specific permits

DID YOU KNOW?

“The Healing Rice of Kerala”: Navara , a medicinal rice cultivated in Kerala, is highly prized in Ayurveda. It is heavily utilized for treatments that relieve neuromuscular disorders and arthritis.

Important Notes:

RASFF is **Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed**

It is a food safety alert system operated by the European Commission for monitoring unsafe food and feed products entering or circulating within the European Union (EU).

- RASFF is not a certificate. This is not issued or tested in India.
- RASFF is an EU monitoring and alert mechanism for imported food products.

Codex usually refers to the **Codex Alimentarius** — an internationally recognized collection of food standards, guidelines, and codes of practice developed jointly by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO).

HACCP is **Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points**

HACCP is an internationally recognized **food safety management system** used to identify, prevent, and control food safety hazards during production, processing, packing, storage, and transportation.



Country – United Arab Emirates (U.A.E)

The United Arab Emirates (UAE), also known simply as the Emirates, is a country in West Asia, situated at the eastern end of the Arabian Peninsula. It is a federal semi-constitutional monarchy made up of seven emirates, with Abu Dhabi serving as its national capital.

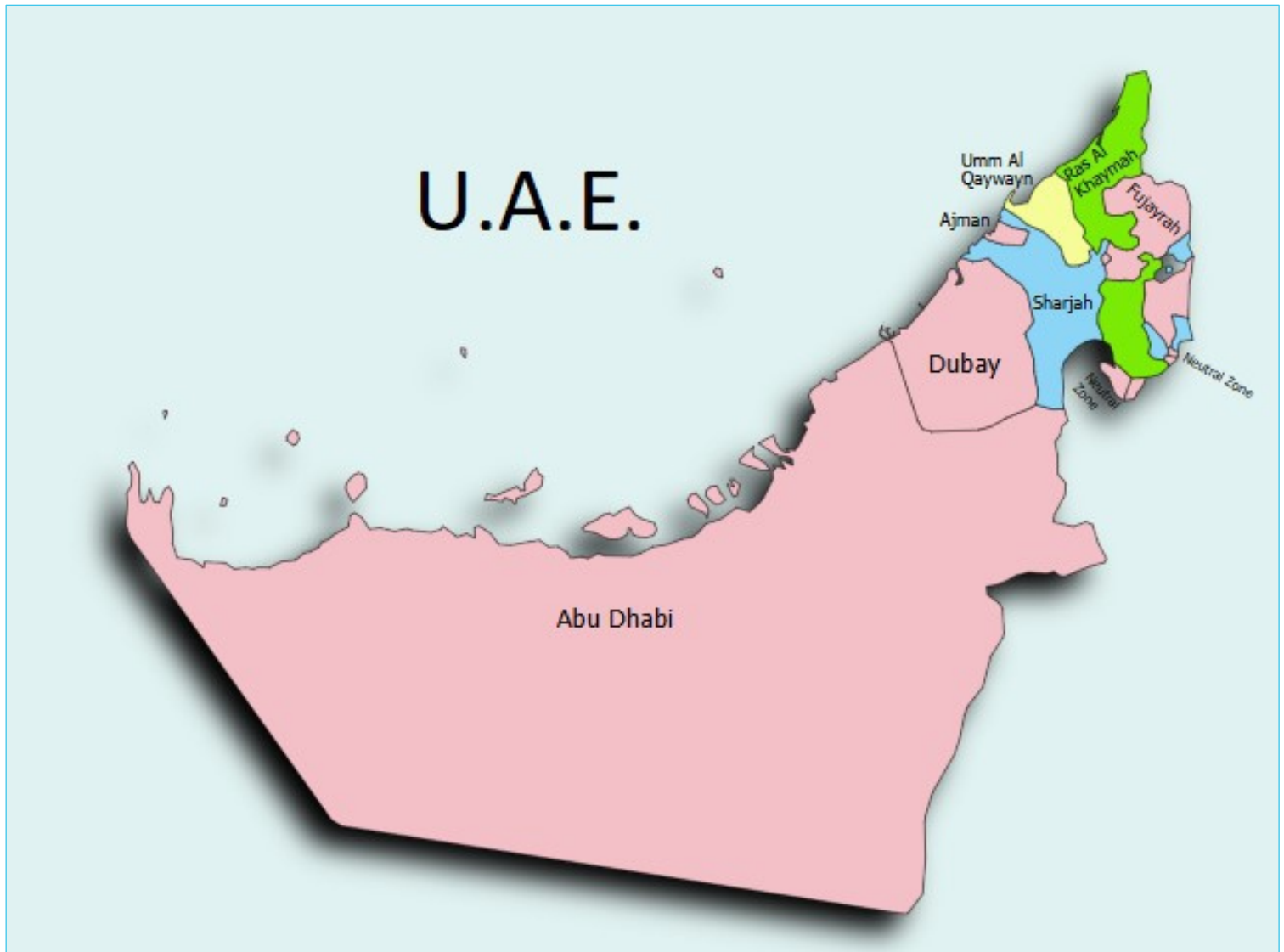
The UAE borders Oman to the east and northeast, and Saudi Arabia to the southwest. It shares maritime borders with Qatar and Iran in the Persian Gulf, and with Oman in the Gulf of Oman.

The United Arab Emirates comprises of seven States, seven Emiratis. These are:

Emirati	Known for
Abu Dhabi	Capital
Dubai	Largest City
Sharjah	--
Ras-al-Khaimah	--
Ajman	Smallest Emirati
Umm-al-Quwain	--
Fujairah	--

Abu Dhabi is the largest in area. Dubai is the country's largest city in population. Arabic is the official language while English remains the most spoken language and the language of business.

U.A.E. MAP

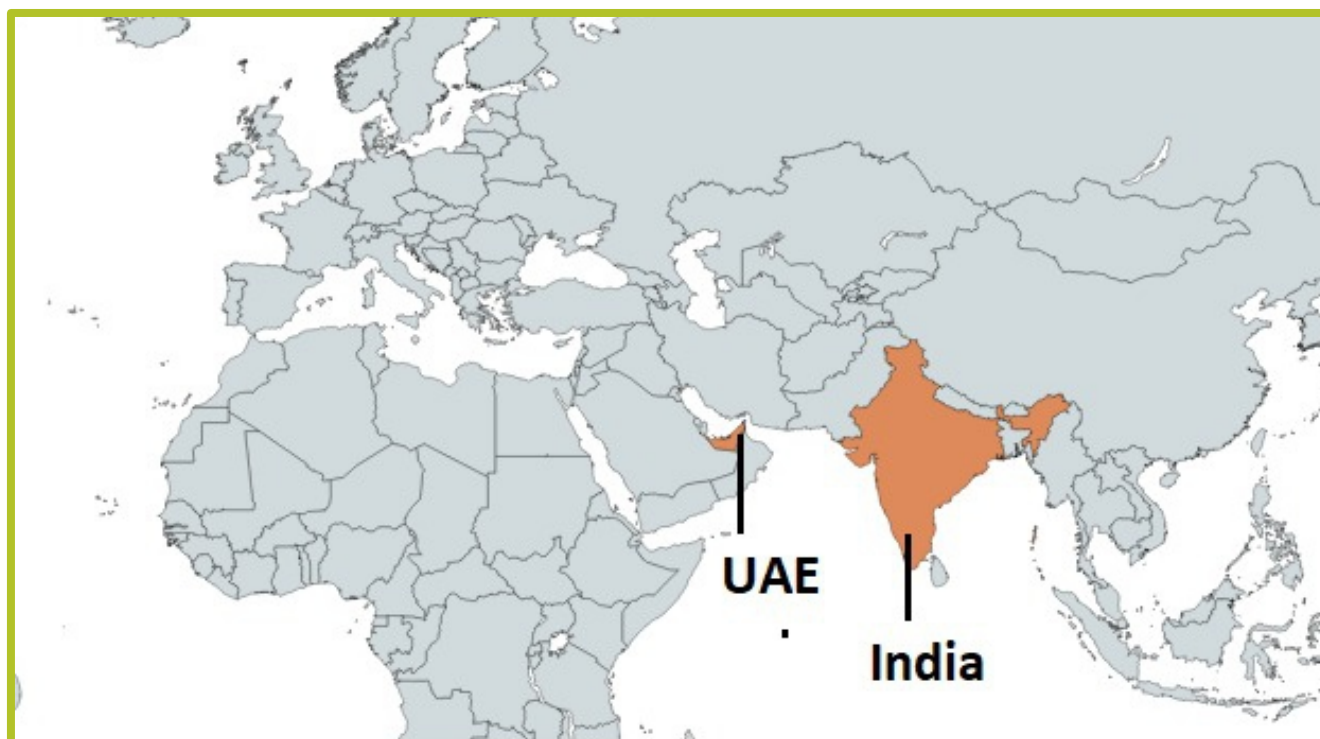


DID YOU KNOW?

UAE is a Nation of Expats - UAE has only around 12% to 15% are native Emiratis, making it home to one of the most diverse expatriate communities in the world.

United Arab Emirates	
Basic Information	Details
Language	Arabic
Capital	Abu Dhabi
Currency	Dirham (AED)
	1 AED = 26.21
	1 USD = 3.67 AED
Major Cities	Dubai
	Sharjah
	Ras-al-Khaimah
Time	1 hour 30 minutes behind India time
Day Light Saving	No
Time Zones	Gulf Standard Time
Income Group	High Income Economy
Indian Population	4.36 million (approximately, 2025)

INDIA UAE MAP



Bilateral Trade between India and U.A.E.

- India's exports to UAE have been approximately USD 37.10 billion in 2024–25.
- UAE's exports (goods) to India in FY 2024–25 were approximately USD 55.7 billion
- India remains Trade Deficit with Oman

India -UAE Bilateral Trade	
India Exports to UAE	UAE Exports to India
Refined Petroleum	Gold
Jewellery	Crude Petroleum
Telephones	Diamonds
Diamonds	Petroleum Gas
Coal Tar Oil	Copper Wire
Rice	Aluminium Scrap
Cars	Limestone
Readymade Garments	Petroleum Coke
Raw Tobacco	Polypropylene Polymers
Ink	Nitrogenous Fertilizers
Bovine Meat	Scrap iron
Ferroalloys	Metal Stoppers
Packaged Medicaments	Petroleum Jelly
Source: OEC 2024-25	

India – UAE Free Trade Agreement

India and UAE have signed a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) – officially called the **Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA)** – aimed at significantly boosting bilateral trade, reducing tariffs, expanding services and investment cooperation, and deepening economic integration. The deal was signed on 18 February 2022 and is into force soon for implementation.

Under this FTA, Indian Exporters can export:

Product Categories under the India - UAE Free Trade Agreement	
Sector Name	Primary Duty-Free Products
Gems & Jewellery	Gold jewellery (plain/unstudded), silver jewellery, polished diamonds (natural & lab-grown), platinum ornaments, precious and semi-precious gemstones.
Textiles & Apparel	Readymade garments, cotton textiles, silk, woollen clothing, synthetic fibre fabrics, carpets, rugs, and home textiles.
Engineering Goods	Industrial machinery, auto components, electrical machinery, iron and steel articles, copper weld wires, and mechanical appliances.
Pharmaceuticals	Generic medicines, formulations, active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs), and biological therapies (qualifies for 90-day fast-track registration).
Medical Devices	Surgical instruments, diagnostic apparatus, implants, and medical consumables.
Leather & Footwear	Finished leather products, leather travel bags, wallets, accessories, and finished footwear products.
Agriculture & Food	Processed foods, basmati rice, select spices, marine/fish products, dates, cashews, and value-added wood products.
Plastics & Polymers	Plastic packaging, polyethylene, PVC goods, plastic houseware, and industrial polymers.
Chemicals & Minerals	Organic chemicals, petrochemical intermediates, glass, glassware, mineral fuels, and non-ferrous metals like aluminum.
Consumer Goods	Sports goods, wooden furniture, handicrafts, and paper products.

Quality Certificates and Registrations Required for Exporting to UAE

Quality Certificates and Mandatory Registrations for Exporting to UAE			
Sector	Certificate / Registration	Issuing Authority in India	Mandatory for (UAE / India)
Textiles & Apparel	IEC (Importer-Exporter Code)	DGFT, Govt. of India	India – Export licence
	RCMC (Membership Certificate)	AEPC / EPCs	India – Export ecosystem
	CEPA Certificate of Origin (preferential tariff)	Chamber of Commerce / DGFT	India (for tariff benefit in UAE)
	UAE ECAS / Conformity Certificate	n/a (product tested for UAE market)	UAE – product conformity (Ministry of Industry)
Plastics & Plastic Goods	IEC	DGFT	India – Export licence
	CEPA Certificate of Origin	Chamber of Commerce / DGFT	India (tariff benefits)
	ECAS / Emirates Conformity Certificate	n/a (UAE testing required)	UAE – product safety & quality (Intertek)
Leather & Footwear	IEC	DGFT	India – Export licence
	RCMC / Export Council Membership	CLE / EPC	India – Export facilitation
	CEPA Certificate	Chamber of Commerce / DGFT	India (tariff benefit)
	ECAS Product Conformity	n/a	UAE – product safety certification (Intertek)
Gems & Jewellery	IEC	DGFT	India – Export licence
	RCMC (GJEPC membership)	GJEPC (Gem & Jewel Council)	India – Export support
	CEPA Certificate of Origin	Chamber of Commerce / DGFT	India (duty preference)
	Hallmark / BIS Standards (optional)	BIS	India – quality mark (optional) / UAE acceptance
	Product Testing Certification (lab reports)	Accredited labs	UAE – customs clearance (Intertek)
Pharmaceuticals & Healthcare	IEC	DGFT	India – Export licence
	WHO-GMP / GMP Certificate	CDSCO / State FDA	India – manufacturing quality
	Drug Manufacture License	CDSCO / State FDAs	India – regulated product
	CEPA Certificate of Origin	Chamber of Commerce / DGFT	India (tariff benefit)
	UAE Registration (MOHAP / SFDA)	n/a	UAE – regulatory market approval
Cosmetics & Personal Care	IEC	DGFT	India – Export licence
	Free Sale Certificate / GMP Documentation	CDSCO / Industry Regulators	India – export support
	CEPA Certificate	Chamber of Commerce / DGFT	India (tariff benefit)
	ECAS / Conformity Certificate	UAE MOIAT / Test labs	UAE – product compliance (Ministry of Industry)
	Product Registration in UAE	n/a	UAE – legal import/sale
Manufactured / Industrial Goods	IEC	DGFT	India – Export licence
	CEPA Certificate of Origin	Chamber of Commerce / DGFT	India (preferential tariff)
	ECAS Certificate of Conformity (all regulated goods)	UAE MOIAT via accredited labs	UAE – market access
	Other industry specific tests (e.g., electrical safety, RoHS)	Accredited labs	UAE – regulatory clearance

Useful websites for Buyer Finding in UAE

Useful links for Buyer Finding in UAE

Association / Website	Website URL
Dubai Chamber of Commerce – Business Directory	https://www.dubaichamber.com
Abu Dhabi Chamber of Commerce Directory	https://www.abudhabichamber.ae
Sharjah Chamber of Commerce Directory	https://www.sharjah.gov.ae/chamber
Ajman Chamber Business Directory	https://www.ajmanchamber.ae
RAK Chamber of Commerce Directory	https://www.rakchamber.com
Dubai Trade Portal	https://www.dubaitrade.ae
Jebel Ali Free Zone (JAFZA) Companies Directory	https://www.jafza.ae
Dubai Multi Commodities Centre (DMCC) Member Directory	https://www.dmcc.ae
Dubai Silicon Oasis Business Directory	https://www.dso.ae
Yellow Pages UAE	https://www.yellowpages-uae.com
Etisalat Yellow Pages UAE	https://www.yellowpages.ae
Connect.ae Business Directory	https://www.connect.ae
UAE Traders Portal	https://www.uaetraders.com
Tradeling (UAE B2B Marketplace)	https://www.tradeling.com
Noon B2B / Noon Wholesale	https://www.noon.com
Alibaba UAE Buyers Search	https://www.alibaba.com
Global Sources – UAE Buyers	https://www.globalsources.com
GulfTrade UAE	https://www.gulftrade.com
Exporters.SG – UAE Importers	https://www.exporters.sg
UAE Business Directory (UAEBD)	https://www.uaebusinessdirectory.com

Exporting from India to UAE

(During the Middle East Trade Route Disruptions)

UAE imports from India are still ongoing despite the current Middle-East tensions and disruptions. Trade between India and the UAE continues under long-standing commercial ties and the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA), with the UAE remaining one of India's **largest trading partners** and key import source for goods like machinery, electronics, textiles, chemicals and petroleum products.

Current Status:

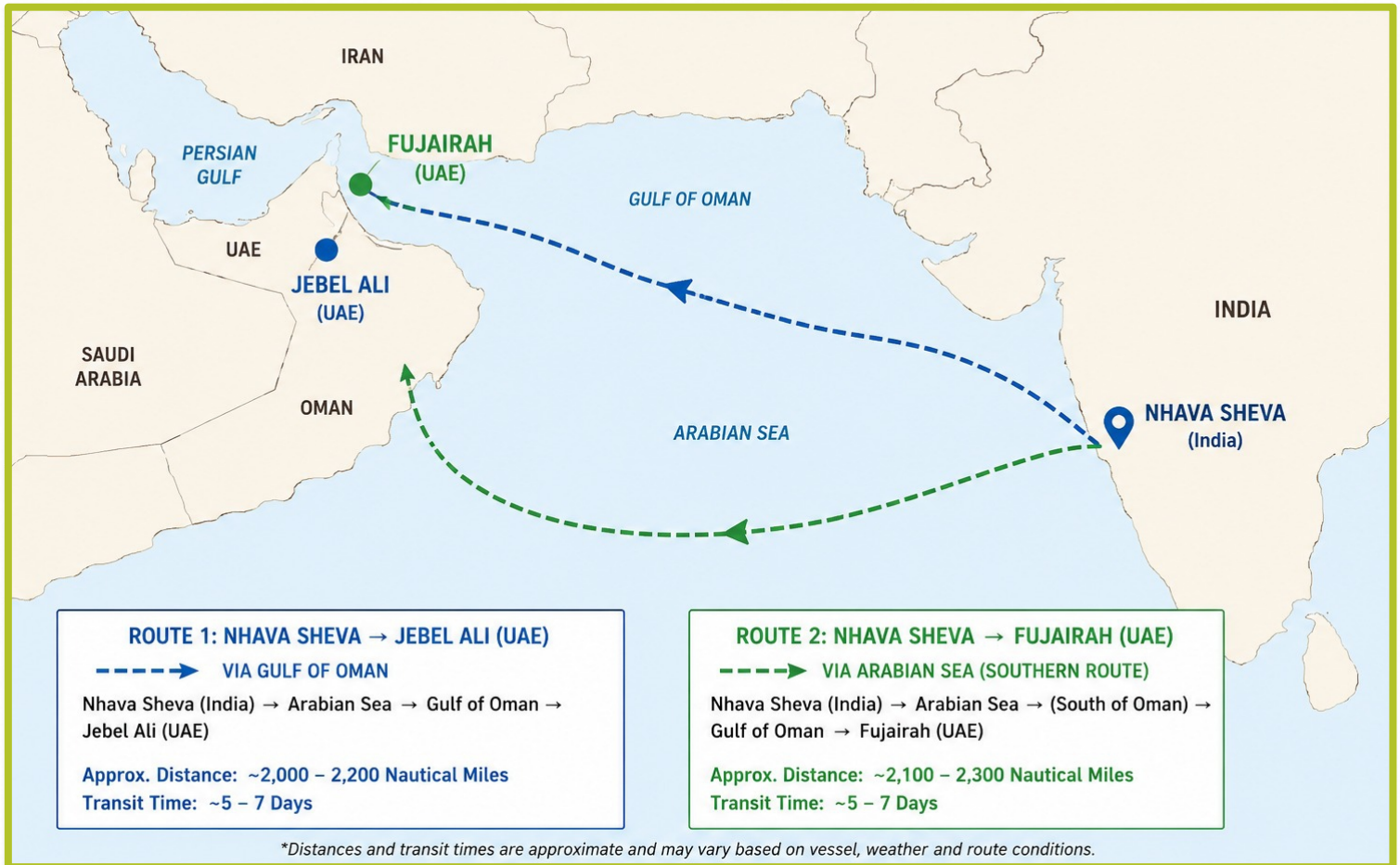
- **Imports continue** to flow from India to the UAE, and bilateral trade volumes remain substantial — India's exports to UAE were valued in tens of billions USD, and imports from the UAE to India also remain significant.

Main Trade Routes:

- **Sea freight via Western Indian ports** (such as Nhava Sheva/JNPT, Mundra, Kandla) to major UAE ports like **Jebel Ali** and **Fujairah** is the principal maritime route for containerized cargo, bulk commodities, and manufactured goods.
- **Air cargo** from major Indian airports (e.g., Mumbai, Delhi) also serves time-sensitive or high-value goods shipments.
- For **energy imports** (crude, LPG), companies are increasingly using pipeline networks via **Fujairah and Habshan**, which can bypass the Strait of Hormuz disruptions.

Sea Routes from India to U.A.E.

SEA ROUTES: NHAVA SHEVA (INDIA) TO UAE PORTS



During the current ISRAEL-USA war with Iran, the trade routes are given here for your reference. **Please consult your Freight Forwarder for exact route details.**

State – Rice States of India

Basmati and Non-Basmati States for Sourcing

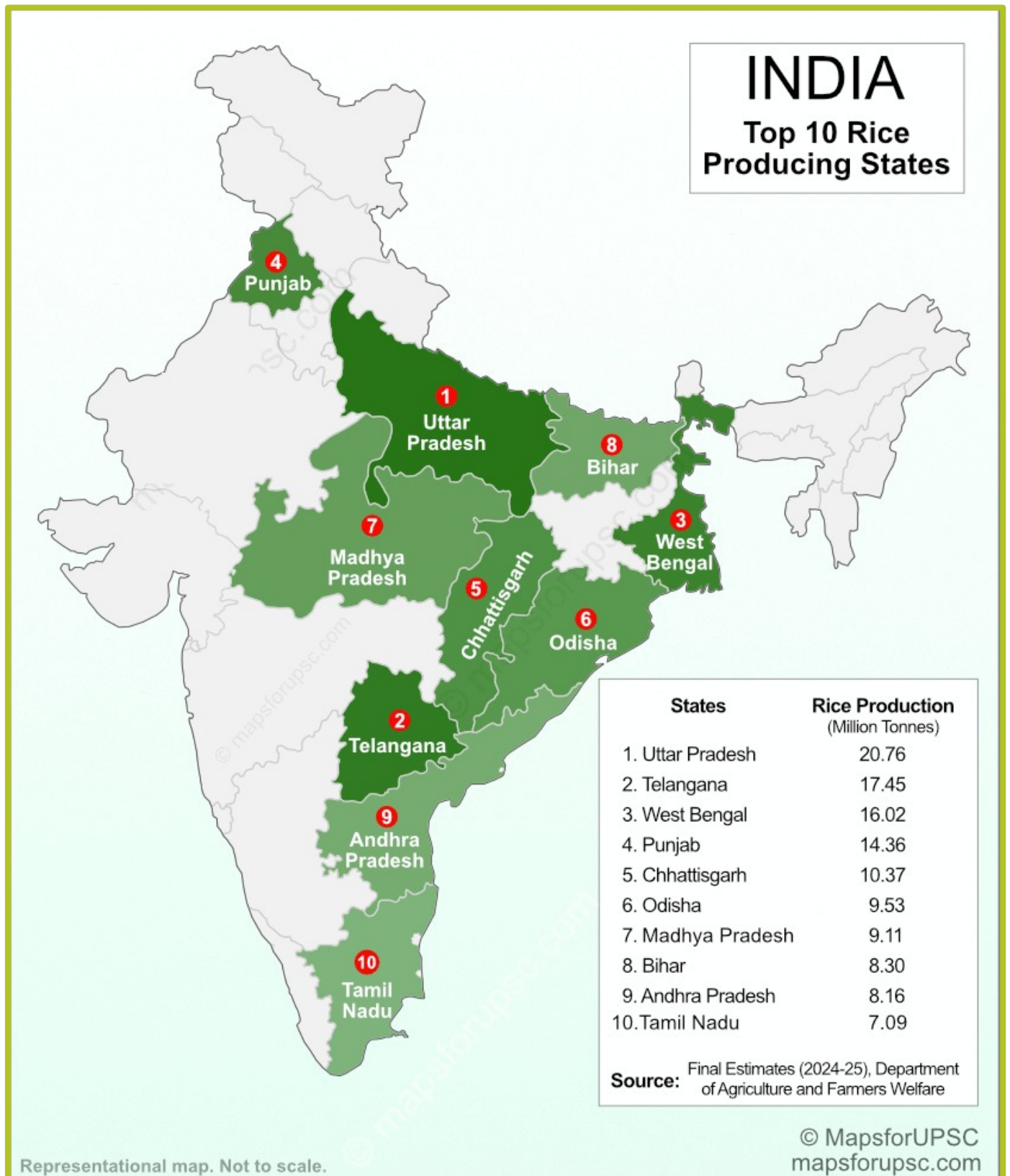
Rice (*Oryza sativa*) is a key cereal grain, with humans consuming **ninety-five per cent** of the harvest. About half of the global population, mainly in East and Southeast Asia, relies on rice as a staple food. In India, where agriculture is crucial, rice stands out as a significant crop, especially in one prominent state. India cultivates various types of rice, including Basmati and Bamboo rice, etc.

The important rice producing states in India are:

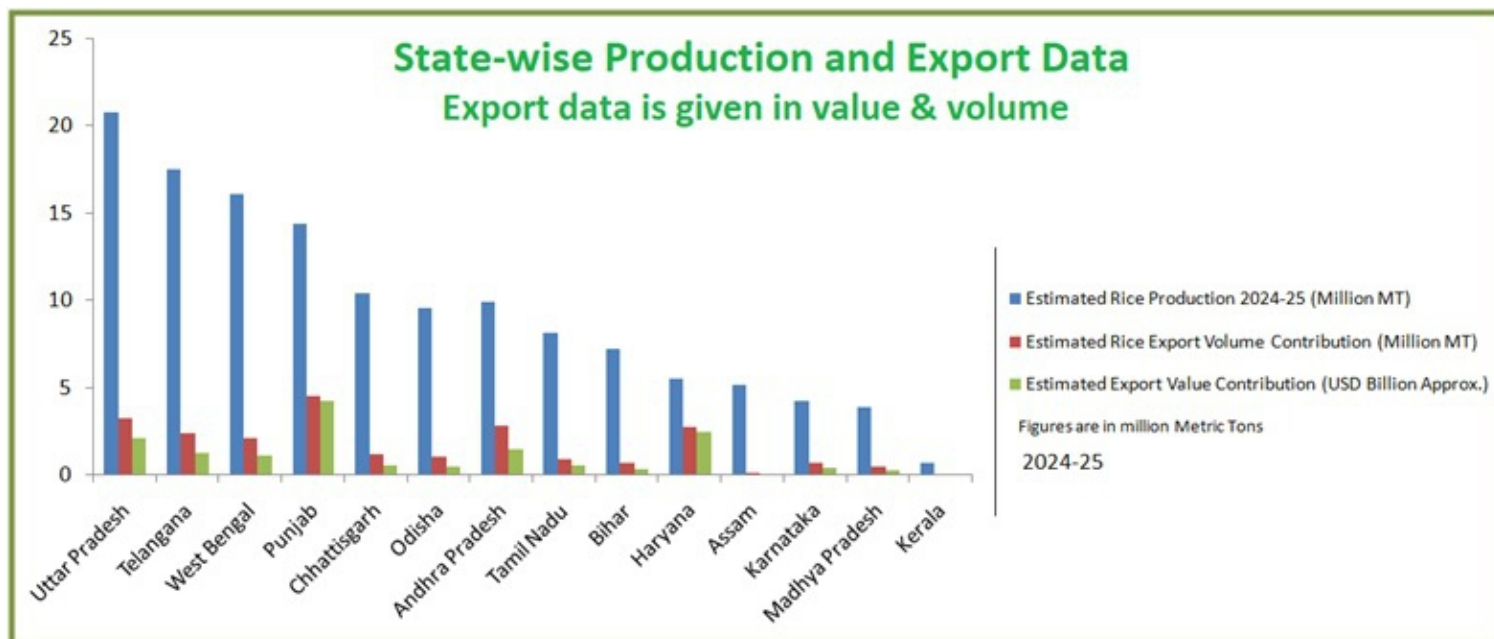
- The top 3 major rice producing states in India are **West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, and Punjab.**
- **West Bengal** is the largest producer of rice in India.
- **Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Western UP, Delhi, and Bihar** are the basmati rice producing states in India.
- Andhra Pradesh is widely recognized as the "Rice Bowl of India."

India is the leading global producer and exporter of rice, accounting for more than 40% of the worldwide rice trade in 2025. The increasing international demand for Indian rice is vital for enhancing the country's export revenue. This article focuses on the leading rice-producing states in India.

Here we see Rice producing states of India



State wise Production and Export data



Important notes:

- The top 3 major rice producing states in India are **Uttar Pradesh, Telangana and West Bengal**
- Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Western UP, Delhi, and Bihar **are the basmati rice producing states in India.**
- **Andhra Pradesh** is widely recognized as the **"Rice Bowl of India"**.
- **Punjab** is largest Basmati rice producing and exporting state of India.

Rice Sourcing Guide

States, Districts, Variety and Uniqueness of Rice

Rice Sourcing Guide - States, Districts, Variety of Rice, & Unique Feature of Rice				
State / Region	Districts / Areas (Key Rice Hubs)	Rice Category	Major Rice Variety / Type	Unique Rice Type / Feature
Punjab	Amritsar, Jalandhar, Gurdaspur, Hoshiarpur	Basmati	Pusa Basmati 1121, Pusa 1509, Taraori	Premium long-grain aromatic rice with excellent elongation
Haryana	Karnal, Kurukshetra, Ambala, Yamunanagar	Basmati	Traditional Basmati, 1121, 1718	Strong aroma, slender grain, high export quality
Uttar Pradesh	Saharanpur, Meerut, Bareilly, Pilibhit, Aligarh	Basmati & Non-Basmati	Basmati, Sharbati, Sarbati	Aromatic and economical rice varieties
Uttarakhand	Haridwar, Udham Singh Nagar, Dehradun	Basmati	Dehraduni Basmati	Natural aroma from Himalayan foothills
Himachal Pradesh	Kangra, Una	Basmati	Hill Basmati	Distinct fragrance due to hill cultivation
West Bengal	Birbhum, Bardhaman, Hooghly	Non-Basmati	Swarna, Gobindobhog, Tulaipanji, Kalonunia	Aromatic heritage and staple rice varieties
Assam	Nagaon, Sivasagar, Baksa, Goalpara, Majuli	Non-Basmati	Joha Rice	Naturally aromatic fine-grain GI rice
Odisha	Koraput, Nabarangapur	Non-Basmati	Kalajeera Rice	Small-grain aromatic GI-tagged rice
Chhattisgarh	Surguja, Raipur region	Non-Basmati	Jeeraphool, IR-64	Aromatic traditional and mass export rice
Bihar	Purnia, Katihar, Araria	Non-Basmati	Sarbati, Marcha Rice	Aromatic regional rice with GI recognition
Andhra Pradesh	Krishna, Guntur, East & West Godavari	Non-Basmati	Sona Masoori, BPT, IR-64	Medium-grain lightweight rice with soft texture
Telangana	Nizamabad, Warangal, Karimnagar	Non-Basmati	Sona Masoori, IR varieties	Fine cooking quality and export-friendly rice
Karnataka	Mandya, Raichur, Koppal	Non-Basmati	Sona Masoori, Jaya	Lightweight rice preferred in retail and horeca
Tamil Nadu	Thanjavur, Trichy	Non-Basmati	Ponni, Jeera Samba	Soft cooking rice and aromatic biryani rice
Kerala	Palakkad, Alappuzha	Non-Basmati	Matta Rice, Navara, Pokkali	Red rice and medicinal heritage rice varieties
Madhya Pradesh	Sehore, Vidisha, Hoshangabad	Non-Basmati	Sharbati Rice	Long-grain aromatic rice considered economical alternative to basmati
Jammu & Kashmir	Jammu, Kathua	Basmati	Traditional Ranbir Basmati	Delicate aroma and fine grain texture



India – New Zealand Free Trade Agreement

India has steadily expanded its global trade partnerships to strengthen economic growth, create jobs, and enhance its global standing.

Now the India – NZ FTA is in implementation.

Salient Features of India – NZ FTA

The FTA eliminates duty on 100% of Indian Exports

- A USD 20 billion investment commitment over 15 years strengthens long-term economic and strategic cooperation.

Opportunities for India (Gains)

- New Zealand's market access offer covers immediate elimination of duties (zero duty) on 100% of tariff lines of New Zealand (8,284 tariff lines), from Entry into Force.
- New Zealand maintained tariffs around 10% in around 450 lines of key Indian exports in products.
 - o Labour intensive sectors like textiles and clothing, leather and footwear;
 - o Emerging and advanced engineering sectors like transport/auto, pharmaceuticals, plastic & rubber, electrical & electronic machinery, mechanical machinery, chemicals and;
 - o Agri Products like fruits and vegetables, coffee, spices, cereals, processed foods.

Gains from import to support domestic industries: wooden logs, coking coal, waste and scrap of ferrous, non-ferrous metals.

Over and above these, the bilateral trade agreement also has Foreign Direct Investment, mobility for high end jobs and higher education facilities. India New Zealand Trade also has services export from India.

INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA INKED



Beneficiary Sectors with 0% Duty

SECTOR	PRE-FTA TARIFF (PEAK)	POST-FTA TARIFF
Textiles & Apparel	Up to 10%	0%
Leather & Footwear	Up to 10%	
Engineering Goods	Up to 10%	
Plastics & Rubber	Up to 10%	
Electronics	Up to 10%	
Marine Products	Up to 5%	
Pharmaceuticals	Up to 5%	
Agriculture & Allied Chemicals	Up to 5%	

ZERO DUTY TO BOOST INDIA'S EXPORTS



INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA

INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA

EXPANDING MARKETS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Zero duty on 100% of goods exports
upon entry into force

Fast track mechanism
for inputs for our exports under our Foreign trade Policy

Tariff elimination across all tariff lines

Farmers, MSMEs, youth, workers, artisans, women key beneficiaries of India's growing export competitiveness

ATTRACTING INVESTMENTS

New Zealand to enable \$20 bn FDI into India with a rebalancing mechanism

Manufacturing

Infrastructure

Innovation & job creation

Services

TO GET A PUSH



INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA

BIG WINNERS
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MSMEs



Labour-intensive sectors
Textiles, apparel, leather, footwear



Engineering & manufacturing
Automobiles, electronics, machinery, plastics



Agri and processed foods
Fruits, vegetables, coffee, spices, cereals



Pharmaceuticals & chemicals

Collaborative SME, incubator, accelerator & digital platforms to boost market access for women and youth-led enterprises



INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA

NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICES AND MOBILITY



New growth avenues across
IT-ITeS, finance, education, tourism & audio-visual



Unprecedented mobility opportunities for
Indian professionals, students



Opportunity for India to position itself as a
key supplier of skilled workforce



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Market access for 118 sectors and Most-Favoured Nation Commitment in about 139 services sub-sectors

INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA

ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING & INDUSTRIAL GOODS

BIG GAINS FOR EXPORTS WITH ZERO DUTY

- ➔ Automobiles and Auto components
- ➔ Electronics manufacturing
- ➔ Capital goods and industrial machinery
- ➔ Value-added plastic & rubber products
- ➔ Chemical industry

‘Make In India’ gets another major thrust



INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA

PHARMA & WELLNESS

- ➔ Zero-duty to strengthen India's position as a reliable supplier of affordable medicines
- ➔ Fast-track approvals for pharmaceuticals and medical devices
- ➔ Recognition of inspections from US, EU, UK, Canada regulators

Big push for ‘Made In India’



INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA



LEATHER & FOOTWEAR

Zero Duty Market Access on all tariff lines

BIG GAINS FOR EXPORTS

- Leather footwear
- Finished leather
- Bags
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Wallets
- Peak tariff of 5% becomes zero

India's presence in mid-to high-value global market segments to strengthen



INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA



TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

Zero duty market access across all tariff lines



BIG GAINS FOR EXPORTS



- Ready-made garments, knitwear, and fashion apparel
- Bed linen, towels, carpets, and upholstery
- Man-Made Fibre and Technical Textiles
- Traditional textiles and artisanal products
- Peak duty of 10% becomes zero

Strengthening India's position in global value chain



DID YOU KNOW?

The India-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement (FTA) is highly unique because it is the world's first bilateral agreement to include a comprehensive annex dedicated to AYUSH and Traditional Medicine and the first to offer 100% duty-free access for Indian exports.



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- Country - Mozambique, Zimbabwe



Prveen Jain

- Location - Indore
- Product - Copper Wire - Export
- Country - Iraq, Egypt



Sunny Gupta

- Location - Bhopal
- Product - Spices & Onion
- Country - Malaysia



Satadru Ghosh

- Location - Kolkata
- Product - Onion, Fresh Vegetables & Fruits
- Country - UAE & Europe



Paras Kansal

- Location - Panipat
- Product - Fabric, PU Foam
- Country - Thailand

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- Industry - Manufacturing & Export



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- Industry - Export & Import



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- Industry - Export Import



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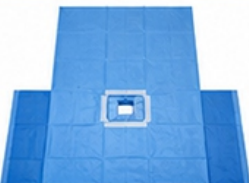
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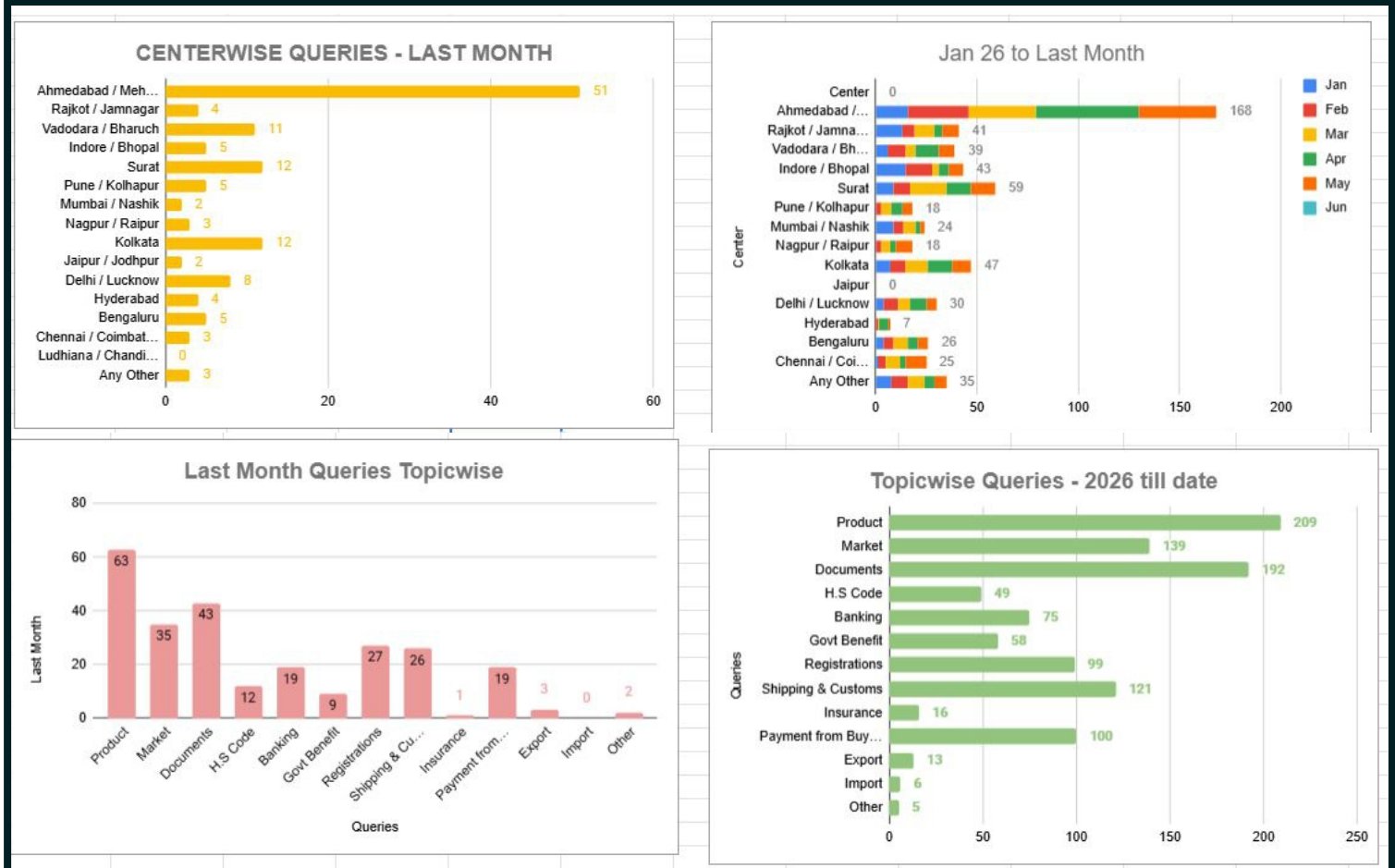
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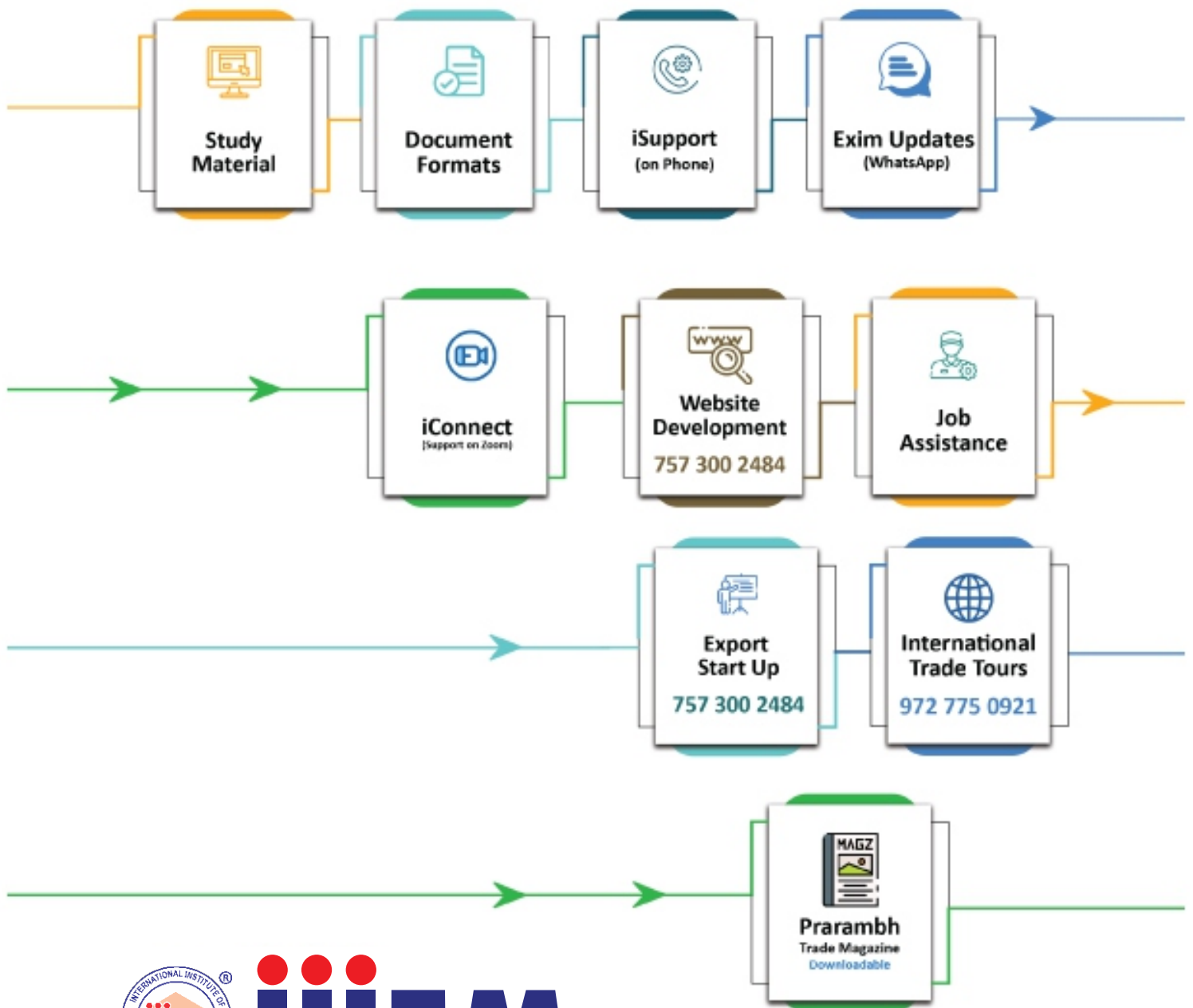
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In 2024, the top 20 ports processed **460 million** shipping containers.



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Figures include all container movements (loaded + empty, import + export + transshipment).

Source: Lloyd's List Top 100 Ports 2025

