

**Monthly report – Trade in Goods & Qualitative**  
**Name of Mission (Country): Bahrain**  
**June 2023**

**A. Trade in Goods**

a) **Total trade in goods during**

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	<b>Export (US \$ Million)</b>	<b>Import (US \$ Million)</b>	<b>Status Provisional (P) / Final (F)</b>
Country's Trade with India	26.52	55.15	P
Country total global trade	758.48	1254.52	P

**Source : Information & e Government Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain**

b) **Preferential trade in goods during**

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<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India</b>	<b>Preferential imports from India (US\$ million)</b>	<b>Preferential Imports from World (US\$ million)</b>
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**(Source: Customs/National Trade Statistics of reporting country)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India</b>	<b>Preferential Exports to India (US\$ million)</b>	<b>Preferential Exports to World (US\$ million)</b>
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**(Source: based on Certificate of Origin issued by reporting country)**

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**c) Top 10 items of Import from India during**

S No	Commodity (6 Digit HS code)	Value (US \$ million)	Quantity	Unit of Measurement	% share in the total import of the commodity
1	JEWELLERY OF GOLD 71131910	6.4	14433.111	G	30
2	SEMI-MILLED OR WHOLLY MILLED RICE, WHETHER OR NOT POLISHED OR GLAZED 10063000	4.2	4236791.22	KG	85
3	PICKUPS, TWO CABS, SPARK IGNITION, 5 TONS OR LESS 87043120	2.4	156	NO	46
4	PRIVATE CARS, CURRENT, SPARK IGNITION, 1501 TO 3000 CC 87032311	2.4	196	NO	15
5	Smartphones 85171300	1.6	8444	NO	7
6	PRIVATE CARS, CURRENT, SPARK IGNITION, 1001 TO 1500 CC 87032211	1.5	117	NO	17
7	OTHER BONELESS MEAT OF BOVINE ANIMALS, FROZEN 02023090	1.1	273076	KG	83
8	REFINED SUGAR CRYSTALS 17019911	1.0	1508000	KG	39
9	FERRO-SILICO- MANGANESE 72023000	1.0	990000	KG	100
10	PUBLIC TYPE VEHICLES WITH COMPRESSION- IGNITION ENGINES 87021000	0.8	19	NO	20

The source : Information & e Government Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain

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**d) Top 10 items of export to India**

S No	Commodity (6 Digit Hs Code)	Value (Us \$ Million)	Quantity	Unit Of Measurement	% Share In The Total Export Of The Commodity
1	UNWROUGHT ALUMINIUM ALLOYS	11.7	4579678	KG	5
2	WASTE AND SCRAP OF TINNED IRON OR STEEL	5.0	12395	T	93
3	METHANOL ( METHYL ALCOHOL )	3.9	13185760	L	35
4	ALUMINIUM WASTE AND SCRAP	0.7	347	T	91
5	Flattened aluminium alloys coils and strips of a thickness of 0.2 mm or more but not exceeding 0.4 mm	0.7	207537	KG	12
6	COPPER WASTE AND SCRAP	0.4	65	T	28
7	POWDERS OF NON-LAMELLAR STRUCTURE, ALUMINUM	0.4	140000	KG	21
8	FERROUS PRODUCTS FROM THE DIRECT REDUCTION OF IRON ORE	0.4	1000000	KG	18
9	OLD NEWSPAPERS	0.3	4463950	KG	100
10	Waste and scrap of lead-acid accumulators; spent lead-acid accumulators	0.3	375	T	100

source : Information & e Government Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain

**e) Potential item of imports from India**

S No	Commodity (6 Digit HS code)	Rationale (Max 200 words)
1	Engineering Goods & Projects Exports (401180)	- In view of upcoming Infrastructure, and Energy projects including renewable Energy in Bahrain, there is a considerable scope to increase Engineering goods & project exports. There is export target of USD 398.3 million for engineering goods in which we have already exported products worth USD 45.70 million till June 2023.
2	Jewellery of gold (71131910)	- Bahrain is famous for its lustrous original pearl and the purity of gold, as these commodities are in great demand in Bahrain. There is a target of USD 108.1 million for

		export of Gem & jewellery in which we have already exported products worth USD 2.54 million till June 2023.
3	- Pharmaceuticals (300220) - Medical And Surgical Instruments (902214)	- India's share in Bahrain's pharma market has remained less than 2% of its import. Patented medicines and foreign drug companies dominate the Bahraini pharmaceutical market. However, the generic drug sector is expected to grow as the government is looking to raise health awareness and control costs. This provides Indian pharma companies opportunity to make inroads in Bahraini market. The Indian Pharmacopoeia (IP) recognition, taken up by the Mission, in Bahrain will also help in boosting the pharma exports and in supporting the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' initiative.
4	Agro products (070960)	- There is considerable scope to increase export of organic food, processed cereals, protein bars, healthy beverages, dairy products etc.
5	Renewable Energy (850231) (854370)	- Bahrain has set target of net zero carbon emission by 2060 and has accordingly revised the renewable energy target to 20% by 2035. Hence, there is scope to increase our export of renewable energy products & services.
6	Rmg of all Textile Items (600320)	- There is a target of USD 18.4 million for export of Ready made garments textile in which we have already exported products worth USD 4.03 million till June 2023.

Source : Nirayat, Government of India

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#### B. Qualitative

- Month : 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
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NIL during the period.

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

S.No	Notification no./ date	Measure	Effective from	Remarks if any
	-	I) It has been reported that some consignment of small Indian cardamom have been rejected by Bahraini Authorities. The issue was taken up by Bahraini side conveyed that these consignments were rejected due to presence of undeclared artificial colors.	-	We have not received any complaints from Indian Exports in this regard in recent times.

NIL during the period

- 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
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NIL during the period.

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
1	6.6.2020	Imposed <b>Anti - Dumping Duty on Ceramic, Porcelain</b> and Tiles imports of Origin or Export from China and India with effect from 6.6.2020.	HS:(250700)	6.6.2020	--
2	01.10.2022	<b>Anti- Dumping on Motor Batteries</b> - Ministry of Industry and Commerce in Bahrain has imposed anti-dumping duty on motor batteries capacity of 32 to 225 amps from Turkey and India effective from <b>01<sup>st</sup> October 2022</b> . Duties imposed on the engine batteries will be based on the dumping rate of the products. However, AGM and EFB battery types are exempted from the duties. Earlier Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism in Bahrain on 07.05.2021 had initiated an anti-dumping investigation into imports of engine batteries from India, Turkey and Spain.	HS:(850610)		WANA Division Ministry of Commerce has been notified of this.
3		Gulf Cooperation Council's Bureau of Technical Secretariat for Anti-Injurious Practices in International Trade has initiated <b>anti-dumping</b> investigation in respect of imports of <b>semi-chemical fluting paper, fluting and test liner (recycled liner board) ("container board paper" or "subject merchandise")</b> from	HS:(48081000)		Mission has sent a Note Verbale dated 29 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 to MoFA

		Germany, France and India.			
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NIL during the period.

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
-	Nil	NA	NA	NA	-

NIL during the period.

## 2. Feedback

a). Feedback from major Indian Industries/ other commercial concerns and Indian trade visitors to Bahrain.

S No.	Name of Business House	Activity Sector	Trade barriers Issues if any	General Feed Back (Max 200 words)

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

S No.	Activity (Trade fair)	Date and Venue	Name(s) of large / key participants	Feedback received
1	A Roadshow on the 4th edition of India Gem and Jewellery	18 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	1. Mr. Saiyam Mehra – Chairman, GJC 2. Mr. Rajesh Rokde – Vice Chairman, GJC 3. Mr. Nitin Khandelwal – Past Chairman, GJC 4. Mr. Rajendrakumar Soni – Founder Member 5. Mr. S Abdul NAzar – COA, GJS 6. Mr. Rajendra Jain - Founder Member 7. Mr. Vinnet Vasa - Founder Member 8. Mr. Mr. Ninad Mundhe - Manager, GJC 9. Mr. Manoj - Founder Member 10. Mr. Arpan Parekh - Founder Member 11. Mr. Gaurav Isar - Founder Member	All India Gem and Jewellery Domestic Council (GJC) India organised a roadshow on the 4th edition of India Gem and Jewellery scheduled to be held in Mumbai from 30th September-3rd to October 23, 2023. Mr. Ravi K Jain, Second Secretary (Commerce) represented Indian Embassy Bahrain.

				12. Mr. karamjeet - Dubai Member 13. Mr. Mahesh Devji - Member of Bahrain	
2	Mango festival at Al Jazira supermarket	08 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	June	- Ambassador Shri Piyush Srivastava - Mr. Ravi Kumar Jain (Second Secretary)	Ambassador Piyush Srivastava inaugurated Mango Fest organized at Al-Jazira supermarket with APEDA. The fest brings over 75 varieties of exotic Indian mangoes in Bahrain. Mr. Abdulrahman Juma, Chairman of Bahrain India Society (BIS) was present on the occasion.

**c). Feedback from local commercial visitors to trade fairs in India, including under BSM, number of Business Visas issued. :**

No	Activity (trade fair)	Date and Venue	List of large / key participants from Bahrain	Number of Business Visa issued	Feed Back received (Max 200 words)
1	India Steel Expo 2023	19-21 April 2023	- Nitesh Kumar (Foulath Holding)  - Victor Miranda Bahrain Steel Company		Ministry of Steel, Government of India along with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) organized the 5th edition of International Exhibition & Conference on Steel Industry– ‘INDIA STEEL EXPO 2023’ on April 19-21, 2023 at Bombay Exhibition Centre, Mumbai, India. Two members from Bahrain had participated in the event.

**D) Total business visa issued during the month of June , 2023 - 17**

**3. Trade & investment:**

**a. Significant Trends in trade & investment**

S No	Category	Details of Significant Trends (200 Words)
1	Trade in Goods	I) Global Trends for the period (June 2022 to June 2023)  ◆ Fall in Global Imports by Bahrain -8% ◆ Fall in Global Exports by Bahrain - 34%  II) Trends in Trade with India (June 2022 to June 2023)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Fall in Import from India -30%</li> <li>◆ Fall in Export to India - 35%</li> </ul> <p>III) Monthly Global Trends for Bahrain ( May 2023 to June 2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Fall in Import by Bahrain -1%</li> <li>◆ Fall in Export by Bahrain - 21%</li> </ul> <p>IV) Monthly Trends with India ( May 2023 to June 2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Fall in Imports from India -13%</li> <li>◆ Fall in Exports to India - 37%</li> </ul> <p>(Sources: <a href="https://www.data.gov.bh/en/ResourceCenter">https://www.data.gov.bh/en/ResourceCenter</a> )</p>
2	Trade in Services	-----
3	Investment	<p>There are about 7521 Indian companies registered in Bahrain, some with partnership. (Source : NV Ref 424/2020:MOFA,Bahrain)</p> <p>2) As per RBI/DIPP statistics, cumulative FDI equity inflows from Bahrain into India have registered marked increase in recent years [US\$ 185.1407 mn from APRIL 2000 TO March 2023)</p> <p>Source : (<a href="https://dipp.gov.in/publications/fdi-statistics">https://dipp.gov.in/publications/fdi-statistics</a> )</p>

**b. Information on tender Notice for projects and procurement's of Interest to Indian Project exporters/ suppliers (USD15 million & above)**

Tender notifications are available on: (<http://www.tenderboard.gov.bh>)

**c. Trade Queries for Import / Export (Annexure attached )**

No.	Enquiry originator	Products	Nature (Import/Export)	Action Taken (Max.200 words)
1	Indian Companies	Mixed	Export	The Mission has received 125 trade queries from India during June 2023. All the queries have been replied. The queries were mainly on food, ceramic & tiles, spices etc.

**4. Important India related statements of commercial significance by political leader, think tanks, chambers, associations etc. Significant stories/features on India related trade, Investment, services and logistic sector, publications in foreign journals/details etc.**

**(Gulf Daily News 01.06.2023) Ties discussed:** INDUSTRY and Commerce Minister Abdulla bin Adel Fakhro held a meeting with India's Ministry of External Affairs secretary for consular, passport, visa and overseas Indian affairs Dr Ausaf Sayeed and his delegation, who are on an official visit to the kingdom to attend the sixth session of consultations between Bahrain and India. The minister affirmed the depth of ties between Bahrain and India, stressing the importance of developing the economic partnerships and achieving common goals. He also highlighted Bahrain's suitable investment environment. He highlighted



the initial positive results of the official visit of the Bahraini economic delegation to India.

**(Gulf Daily News 01.06.2023) India's GDP grows 6.1pc:** INDIA'S economic growth accelerated to 6.1 per cent in the first quarter, government data showed, boosted by government and private capital spending even as private consumption remained sluggish. India remains one of the fastest growing emerging economies, especially with China's recovery stumbling. The government expects growth could remain around 6.5pc in the current fiscal year, despite risks emerging from a global slowdown. "The risks are evenly balanced between the downside and the upside," V Anantha Nageswaran, chief economic adviser at the finance ministry, told reporters after the data release.

**(The Daily Tribune/Al Watan 01.06.2023) India records strong 7.2% growth:** India's GDP grew by 7.2% in the year to March, official figures showed yesterday, boosted by services and consumption, putting it among the world's fastest-expanding major economies. The South Asian nation is the world's fifth-largest economy, and recently surpassed China to become the most populous country. Its growth has rebounded since the pandemic -- the economy rocketed 9.1% in the 2021- 22 financial year.

**(The Daily Tribune 04.06.2023) India- Bahrain ties highlighted:** The Indian Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Secretary (CPV and OIA), H.E. Dr. Ausaf Sayeed, paid an official visit to the Kingdom of Bahrain for the 6th Foreign Office Consultations (FOC) between the two countries. He also visited the Minister of Industry and Commerce, H.E. Abdullah bin Adel Fakhro. Dr. Sayeed and Bahrain Foreign Affairs Ministry (MoFA) Undersecretary (Political Affairs), H.E. Dr. Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, co-chaired the 6th FOC, joined by MoFA Bahrain Undersecretary (Consular Affairs), H.E. Dr. Mohamed Ali Bahzad. They reviewed all areas of bilateral cooperation, including in the domains of politics, security, space, youth, parliament, media, and information, trade, and energy, including renewable energy, fintech, IT, big data, health, tourism, labour and consular issues, culture and education, and people-to-people engagement, and discussed matters of mutual interest in regional and multilateral domains. Both sides expressed satisfaction with the steady progress in various areas of bilateral cooperation and reiterated their commitment to further strengthening the relationship. They noted the impressive growth of bilateral trade and economic collaboration, with bilateral trade reaching close to USD 2 billion in FY 2022-23, almost doubling from the pre-Covid period.

**(Gulf Daily News 07.06.2023) India offers \$455m to woo battery projects:** INDIA will offer 37.6 billion rupees (\$455.2 million) in incentives to companies setting up battery storage projects totalling 4,000 megawatt hours (MWh) under a scheme announced earlier this year, government sources said. The scheme, details of which were not previously known, is intended to boost battery storage projects critical to India's ambitious plan to expand its renewable energy capacity to 500 gigawatts (GW) by 2030. It also aims to cut the cost of battery energy storage from the current 5.5-6.5 rupees per unit.

**(Gulf Daily News 19.06.2023) Tax boost:** The Indian government said yesterday that its net direct tax receipts rose 11 per cent year-on-year to 3.80 trillion Indian rupees (\$46.39 billion) from April 1-June 17. Tax receipts include tax paid by corporates of 1.57 trillion rupees and personal income tax of Rs 2.22 trillion rupees, a Ministry of Finance statement said.

**(The Daily Tribune 20.06.2023) US-India ties 'turning point':** Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi heads to the US this week for a visit billed as a turning point for bilateral relations, with deeper cooperation in defence industry and sharing high technology in sharp focus. The visit is expected to give India access to critical American technologies Washington rarely shares with non-allies, strengthening a new bond that is underpinned by not just global politics but also business and economics.

**(Al Watan 21.06.2023) Minister of Industry:** Strong relations between Bahrain and India: Minister of Industry and Commerce Abdullah Fakhro affirmed the depth of the close relations between the Kingdom of Bahrain and the friendly Republic of India, recalling their historical extension, especially at the commercial level. This came during his participation as a keynote speaker in the working lunch organized by the Bahrain India Society, in the presence of the Ambassador of the Republic of India to Bahrain Piyush Srivastava, and the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bahrain India Society, Abdul Rahman Juma, and a number of members of the society.

**(Al Watan/BNA 25.06.2023) Amazon pledges investments in India worth \$15 billion:** Amazon.com CEO Andy Jassy told Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi during their meeting Friday that the company will invest an additional \$15 billion in India. He added that the investment will raise the total value of the

e-commerce giant's investments in all sectors in India to \$26 billion by 2030.

**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 report executive summary, date of publication) (Max 200 words)
1	9 <sup>th</sup> edition of iPHEX	05 <sup>th</sup> -07 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Disseminated the information to importers in Bahrain
2	ACMEE EXPO and Reverse Buyer Seller Meet	16 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Disseminated the information to importers in Bahrain

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

BE for current financial year(2022-2023)	RE for current financial year	Amount Utilized	Details of Activity (Max 200 words)
Rs 2,50,000 (Funds provided in Trade Promotion, MOCI)	_____		
Rs 2,00,000 Funds provided by MEA for Market Expansion Activity	_____		
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**7. Action taken on previous JWGs' Joint Commissions, Sub-Commissions etc. (issues that Mission had follow up with host Government):**

S No.	Details of JWG/JEC with date & Venue	Action Point (Max 200 words)	Action Taken (Max 200 words)

**8. Complaints from foreign buyer/supplier on quality and trade dispute:**

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	Any Outcome

					<b>referred.</b>	
1	Miyar Factory for foods co.wll	Hidd, Bahrain	Sai export agency	They have made 30% payment as advance but the exporter is neither supplying goods nor refunding the advance payment.	Embassy of India, Bahrain (14.06.2023)	
2	Rukhma Inam Trading Establishment	A'Ali, Bahrain	Shalila Exports and Imports Pvt Ltd	Issues with the quality of exported rice and outstanding payment of USD 14,057.	Embassy of India, Bahrain (25.06.2023)	Have Informed them to register in DGFT portal.

**9. Complaints of Indian exporter/importer: -**

	<b>Name of Indian exporter/importer</b>	<b>Address &amp; address of foreign buyer/supplier</b>	<b>Brief description of complaint</b>	<b>The authority to whom the matter was referred and the date on which the matter was referred.</b>	<b>Any outcome</b>
1	Vigour Group	Alnasaj Upholstery est	The exported container of PVC flooring is stuck in port	Embassy of India, Bahrain (12.06.2023)	Have Informed them to register in BCCI.

**10. Any other issues for importance (Max 500 words)**

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