

CARGO TRAFFIC HANDLED AT MAJOR PORTS DURING AND UP TO AUGUST, 2023

Total Cargo traffic at India's Major Ports

Maritime transport activity is driven by developments in world economy, viz, growth in world output and trade. Thus, volume of seaborne cargo traffic handled by ports is mainly shaped by the levels and changes in both the global and domestic activity. Cargo traffic at India's 12 major ports during **April-August, 2023-24, increased by 2.8% to 331.6 million tonnes** from 322.64 million tonnes cargo handled during April-August, 2022-23.

The Overseas cargo handled at Major Ports increased by 3.2% from 248.31 million tonnes during April- August, 2022-23 to 256.31 Million tonnes handled during April- August, 2023-24. The Coastal Cargo handled at Major port also increased by 1.3% from 74.33 million tonnes during April- August, 2022-23 to 75.29 million tonnes handled during April- August, 2023-24.

Port-wise Cargo traffic handled during August, 2023

Cargo handled at India's major ports during August, 2023 is 65.19 million tonnes showing a increase of 4.2% as compared to the corresponding period of the previous year. The coastal cargo handled at Major Ports during August, 2023 decreased by 1.5% from 14.48 million tonnes in August, 2022 to 14.27 million tonnes during August, 2023. The overseas cargo handled at Major Ports increased by 6.0% to 50.92 million tonnes in August, 2023 as compared to 48.06 million tonnes during August, 2022.

- During August, 2023; SMP Kolkata Dock System recorded the highest growth of traffic handled i.e. 26.2% followed by Mumbai Port (25.3%), JNPA (14.6%), Mormugao Port (10.4%), Paradip Port (10.3), Chennai Port (9.7%), Kamarajar Port (6.6%), Vizag Port (4.6%), Cochin Port (3.7%), VOC Port (0.03%). The Major ports which recorded negative growth in August, 2023 are Deendayal Port (13.7%), NMPA(7.1%) and SMP Haldia Dock Complex 2.6%).
- Amongst the 12 major ports, Paradip Port handled the maximum cargo traffic of 11.06 million tonnes with a share of 17.0% in the total cargo handled at Major Ports followed by Deendayal Port (16.0%), JNPA (11.2%), Vizag Port (10.0%), Mumbai Port (8.8%), Chennai Port (7.1%), SMP Haldia Dock Complex (6.2%), Kamarajar Port (5.6%), VOC Port (4.9%), Cochin Port (4.5%), NMPA (4.1%), SMP Kolkata Dock System (2.5%)and Mormugao Port (2.0%).
- At a broad commodity level, Iron & Steel achieved highest growth of 70.4 % in August, 2023 followed by Other Ores (64.1%), Edible Oil (38.0%), Iron-ore/Pellets (34.1%), FRM-

Dry (22.0%), Other Coal (21.4%), POL Products (16.8%), Containers (16.6%), POL-Crude (13.3%), LPG or LNG (4.1%). Food Grains excluding Pulses recorded highest negative growth of 83.2% in July, 2023 followed by FRM Liquid (27.2%), Thermal Coal (24.3%), Fertilizer (22.5%), Pulses(22.4%), Coking Coal (22.4%), Sugar (21.0%), Other Commodities (12.1%), Cement (5.0%) and Project Cargo (2.4%).

- At a broad commodity level, Containers handled the maximum cargo traffic of 16.27 Million tonnes in August, 2023 with a share of 25.0% followed by POL-Crude (20.7%), Thermal Coal (11.8%), POL-Products(8.6%), Other commodities (8.1%), Iron ore (5.5%), Other coal (5.3%), Coking coal (4.5%), Edible Oil (2.2%), LPG/LNG (2.1%), Iron & Steel (1.5%), FRM-Dry (1.3%), Other Ores (1.0%), Fertilizer (0.8%), FRM-Liquid (0.7%), Cement (0.4%), Sugar (0.3%), Food grains excluding Pulses (0.12%), Pulses (0.12%) and Project Cargo (0.1%).

Cargo traffic handled during April- August, 2023-24

- During April- August, 2023-24, Mumbai Port recorded highest growth of 10.3% in traffic handled at Major Ports followed by SMP Kolkata (8.4%), Paradip Port (8.1%), NMPA (6.3%), Chennai Port (4.6%), JNPA (4.5%), SMP Haldia Dock (2.8%), Vizag Port (2.5%), Mormugao Port (2.4%), VOC Port (1.0%), Cochin Port (0.3%) Major Ports that recorded negative growth in traffic are Deendayal Port (6.0%) and Kamarajar Port (1.2%) during April-August, 2023-24 over April- August, 2022-23 (Table A).
- Amongst the Major Ports, Paradip Port handled the maximum Cargo of 58.76 million tonnes with a share of 17.7% followed by Deendayal Port (16.6%), JNPA (10.6%), Vizag Port (10.0%), Mumbai Port (8.3%), Chennai Port (6.3%), SMP Haldia Dock (5.8%), Kamarajar Port (5.7%), NMPA (5.2%), VOC Port (4.9%), Cochin Port (4.4%), Mormugao Port (2.2%), and SMP Kolkata (2.1%) during April- August, 2023-24 (Graph- I below).

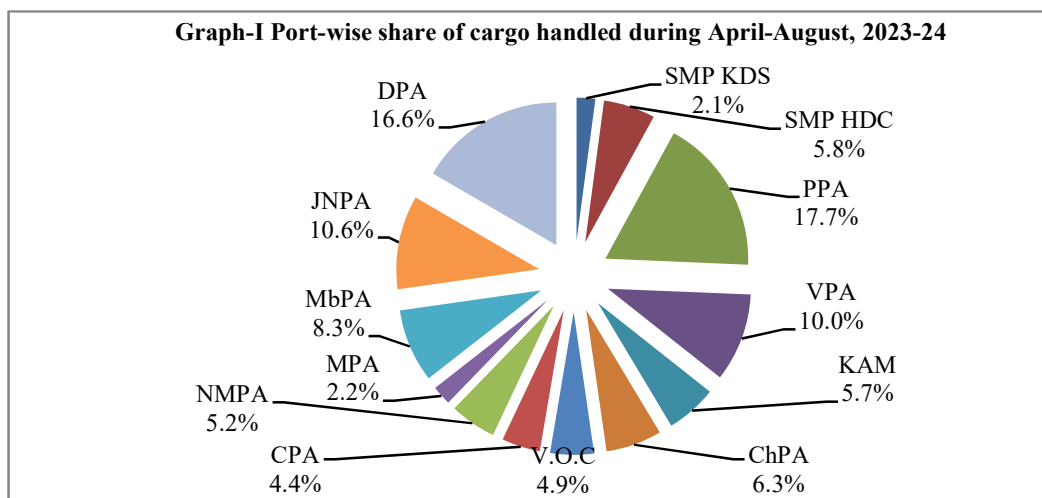


TABLE-A :PORT-WISE MONTHLY CARGO TRAFFIC HANDLED											
S. No.	Name of Ports		(In '000 Tonnes)								
			August,2022(P)		August,2023(P)		April- August, 2022-23 (P)		April- August, 2023-24 (P)		% Change {(Col.10/Col.8-1) *100}
			Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
1	SMP Kolkata	Overseas	4823	10.0	5265	10.3	22804	9.2	24433	9.5	7.1
		Coastal	627	4.3	419	2.9	2465	3.3	1907	2.5	-22.6
		Total	5450	8.7	5683	8.7	25269	7.8	26340	7.9	4.2
	KDS	Overseas	1264	2.6	1576	3.1	6271	2.5	6778	2.6	8.1
		Coastal	33	0.2	61	0.4	180	0.2	215	0.3	19.5
		Total	1298	2.1	1637	2.5	6451	2.0	6993	2.1	8.4
	HDC	Overseas	3559	7.4	3689	7.2	16534	6.7	17655	6.9	6.8
		Coastal	594	4.1	357	2.5	2285	3.1	1692	2.2	-25.9
		Total	4153	6.6	4046	6.2	18818	5.8	19347	5.8	2.8
2	Paradip	Overseas	5017	10.4	6876	13.5	30212	12.2	35239	13.7	16.6
		Coastal	5012	34.6	4183	29.3	24169	32.5	23520	31.2	-2.7
		Total	10028	16.0	11059	17.0	54380	16.9	58758	17.7	8.1
3	Visakhapatnam	Overseas	4592	9.6	5245	10.3	23742	9.6	25864	10.1	8.9
		Coastal	1647	11.4	1284	9.0	8578	11.5	7277	9.7	-15.2
		Total	6239	10.0	6529	10.0	32320	10.0	33141	10.0	2.5
4	Kamarajar	Overseas	2241	4.7	2513	4.9	12041	4.8	12087	4.7	0.4
		Coastal	1169	8.1	1121	7.9	7238	9.7	6962	9.2	-3.8
		Total	3410	5.5	3634	5.6	19278	6.0	19048	5.7	-1.2
5	Chennai	Overseas	3740	7.8	4235	8.3	17433	7.0	18935	7.4	8.6
		Coastal	495	3.4	413	2.9	2576	3.5	1992	2.6	-22.7
		Total	4236	6.8	4648	7.1	20009	6.2	20926	6.3	4.6
6	V.O.C.	Overseas	2211	4.6	2313	4.5	11477	4.6	11383	4.4	-0.8
		Coastal	955	6.6	855	6.0	4767	6.4	5023	6.7	5.4
		Total	3166	5.1	3167	4.9	16245	5.0	16405	4.9	1.0
7	Cochin	Overseas	2067	4.3	1814	3.6	10002	4.0	9409	3.7	-5.9
		Coastal	774	5.3	1133	7.9	4430	6.0	5060	6.7	14.2
		Total	2841	4.5	2947	4.5	14432	4.5	14469	4.4	0.3
8	New Mangalore	Overseas	2379	5.0	1837	3.6	12873	5.2	12868	5.0	0.0
		Coastal	529	3.7	865	6.1	3478	4.7	4509	6.0	29.6
		Total	2908	4.7	2702	4.1	16351	5.1	17377	5.2	6.3
9	Mormugao	Overseas	1094	2.3	992	1.9	6492	2.6	5941	2.3	-8.5
		Coastal	74	0.5	297	2.1	565	0.8	1284	1.7	127.1
		Total	1167	1.9	1288	2.0	7057	2.2	7225	2.2	2.4
10	Mumbai	Overseas	2812	5.9	3696	7.3	15734	6.3	18090	7.1	15.0
		Coastal	1790	12.4	2068	14.5	9233	12.4	9456	12.6	2.4
		Total	4601	7.4	5764	8.8	24967	7.7	27546	8.3	10.3
11	JNPA	Overseas	6028	12.5	6993	13.7	31947	12.9	33386	13.0	4.5
		Coastal	365	2.5	331	2.3	1761	2.4	1852	2.5	5.2
		Total	6394	10.2	7324	11.2	33708	10.4	35237	10.6	4.5
12	Deendayal	Overseas	11058	23.0	9144	18.0	53552	21.6	48679	19.0	-9.1
		Coastal	1044	7.2	1299	9.1	5069	6.8	6446	8.6	27.2
		Total	12101	19.3	10443	16.0	58621	18.2	55125	16.6	-6.0
Total	Total	Overseas	48062	76.8	50922	78.1	248309	77.0	256312	77.3	3.2
		Coastal	14481	23.2	14266	21.9	74329	23.0	75286	22.7	1.3
		Total	62543	100.0	65189	100.0	322638	100.0	331599	100.0	2.8

Source: - Port Data Management Portal (PDMP), Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways P-Provisional

- At a broad commodity level, Pulses recorded the highest growth in traffic during April-August, 2023-24 at 79.4% followed by Iron Ore pellets/fine (29.4%), Fertilizer (27.6%), FRM-Dry (24.0%), Edible Oil (17.7%), Iron & Steel (17.0%), Container (6.5%), POL-Crude (5.8%) POL-Products (2.1%), and FRM-Liquid (2.1%). Foodgrain excluding Pulses recorded the highest negative growth of 79.7% followed by Cement 16.6%, Sugar 16.6%, Project cargo 15.6%, Other Coal 8.0%, Other Ores 6.6%, Other Commodities 6.0%, Thermal Coal (2.0%), LPG/LNG 0.6% and Coking Coal (0.04%), over April- August, 2022-23 (Table B).
- Amongst all the commodities, Container handled the maximum cargo of 75.61 million tonnes with a share of 22.8% followed by POL-Crude (21.3%), Thermal coal (13.7%), Others commodities (8.5%), POL Products (7.4%), Iron ore/Pellets (6.6%), Other coal (4.9%), Coking coal (4.8%), LPG/LNG (1.9%), Edible oil (1.6%), Iron & Steel (1.2%), FRM Dry (1.2%), Fertilizer (1.1%), Other Ores (1.1%), FRM liquid (0.8%), Cement (0.3%) Sugar (0.3%), Food grains excluding Pulses (0.2%), Pulses (0.1%) and Project Cargo (0.1%) during April- August, 2023-24.

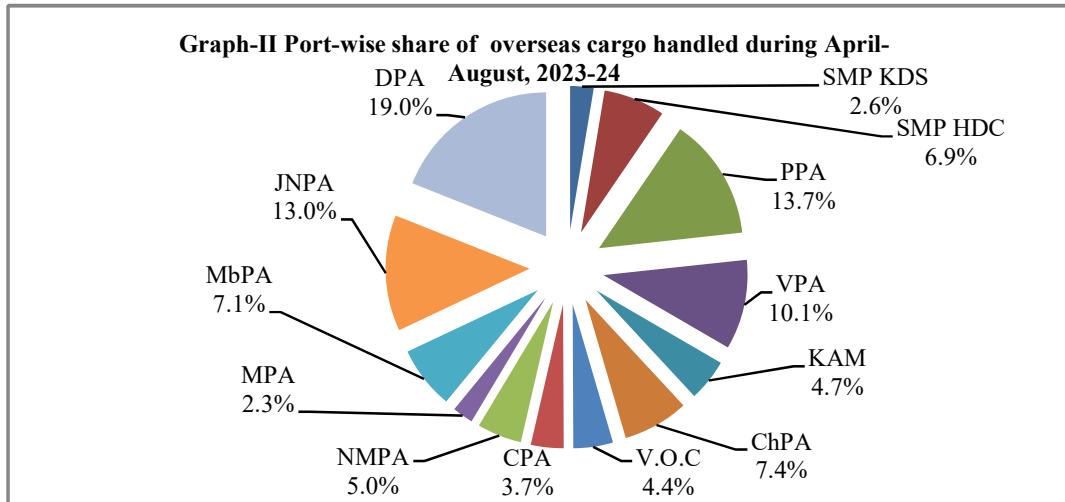
Table-B: COMMODITY-WISE GROWTH OF CARGO TRAFFIC										
Commodities	(In '000' Tonnes)									
	August,2022(P)		August,2023(P)		April-August 2022-23 (P)		April-August,2023-24(P)		% Change {{Col.8/Col.6-1}* 100}	
	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share		
POL Crude	11906	19.0	13488	20.7	66863	20.7	70770	21.3	5.8	
POL Products	4796	7.7	5603	8.6	24001	7.4	24503	7.4	2.1	
LPG or LNG	1327	2.1	1381	2.1	6382	2.0	6342	1.9	-0.6	
Edible Oil	1043	1.7	1439	2.2	4391	1.4	5168	1.6	17.7	
FRM-Liquid	607	1.0	442	0.7	2703	0.8	2759	0.8	2.1	
Iron Ore Pellets/ Fine	2696	4.3	3614	5.5	16841	5.2	21796	6.6	29.4	
Other Ores	401	0.6	658	1.0	3926	1.2	3668	1.1	-6.6	
Thermal Coal	10154	16.2	7683	11.8	46213	14.3	45297	13.7	-2.0	
Coking Coal	3777	6.0	2931	4.5	15939	4.9	15932	4.8	0.0	
Other Coal	2833	4.5	3439	5.3	17573	5.4	16165	4.9	-8.0	
Fertilizer	707	1.1	549	0.8	2804	0.9	3577	1.1	27.6	
FRM-Dry	686	1.1	837	1.3	3219	1.0	3992	1.2	24.0	
Food Grains excluding Pulses	466	0.7	78	0.1	4079	1.3	829	0.2	-79.7	
Pulses	101	0.2	78	0.1	239	0.1	429	0.1	79.4	
Sugar	214	0.3	169	0.3	1198	0.4	999	0.3	-16.6	
Cement	243	0.4	231	0.4	1364	0.4	1137	0.3	-16.6	
Iron and Steel	562	0.9	957	1.5	3496	1.1	4092	1.2	17.0	
Project Cargo	67	0.1	65	0.1	355	0.1	300	0.1	-15.6	
Container	Tonnes	13954	22.3	16266	25.0	71004	22.0	75611	22.8	6.5
	TEUs (in 000 nos.)	978	-	1096	-	4798	-	5064	-	5.6
Others	6004	9.6	5280	8.1	30048	9.3	28234	8.5	-6.0	
Total	62543	100.0	65189	100.0	322638	100.0	331599	100.0	2.8	

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Overseas and Coastal Cargo traffic handled during April- August, 2023-24

- Amongst the Major Ports, Deendayal Port handled the maximum Overseas Cargo of 48.68 million tonnes with a share of 19.0 % followed by Paradip Port (13.7%), JNPA (13.0%), Vizag Port (10.1%), Chennai Port (7.4%), Mumbai Port (7.1%), SMP Haldia Dock (6.9%), NMPA (5.0%), Kamarajar Port (4.7%), VOC Port (4.4%), Cochin Port (3.7%), SMP Kolkata Dock (2.6%) and Mormugao Port (2.3%) during April- August, 2023-24 (Graph II).



- Amongst the Major Ports, Paradip Port handled the maximum Coastal Cargo of 23.52 million tonnes with a share of 31.2% followed by Mumbai Port (12.6%), Vizag Port (9.7%), Kamarajar Port (9.2%), Deendayal Port (8.6%), Cochin Port (6.7%), VOC Port (6.7%), NMPA (6.0%), Chennai Port (2.6%), JNPA (2.5%), SMP Haldia (2.2%), Mormugao Port (1.7%) and SMP Kolkata (0.3%) during April- August, 2023-24 (Graph-III).

