

CARGO TRAFFIC HANDLED AT MAJOR PORTS DURING AND UP TO SEPTEMBER, 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-September, 2023-24, increased by 2.4% to 393.52 million tonnes** from 384.3 million tonnes cargo handled during April-September, 2022-23.

The Overseas cargo handled at Major Ports increased by 2.3% from 296.33 million tonnes during April- September, 2022-23 to 303.08 Million tonnes handled during April- September, 2023-24. The Coastal Cargo handled at Major port also increased by 2.8% from 87.97 million tonnes during April- September, 2022-23 to 90.44 million tonnes handled during April-September, 2023-24.

Port-wise Cargo traffic handled during September, 2023

Cargo handled at India's major ports during September, 2023 is 61.92 million tonnes showing a increase of 0.4% as compared to the corresponding period of the previous year. The coastal cargo handled at Major Ports during September, 2023 increased by 11.1% from 13.64 million tonnes in September, 2022 to 15.15 million tonnes during September, 2023. The overseas cargo handled at Major Ports decreased by 2.6% to 46.77 million tonnes in September, 2023 as compared to 48.02 million tonnes during September, 2022.

- During September, 2023; Kamarajar Port recorded the highest growth of traffic handled i.e. 21.9% followed by VOC Port (11.7%), Paradip Port (11.1), JNPA (7.5%), Cochin Port (7.4%), Chennai Port (5.4%), Mormugao Port (4.5%), SMP Kolkata Dock System (4.4%), Vizag Port (3.9%), NMPA(1.2%). The Major ports which recorded negative growth in September, 2023 are Deendayal Port (20.1%), SMP Haldia Dock Complex 12.3%) and Mumbai Port (1.5%).
- Amongst the 12 major ports, Paradip Port handled the maximum cargo traffic of 10.39 million tonnes with a share of 16.8% in the total cargo handled at Major Ports followed by Deendayal Port (15.8%), JNPA (11.2%), Vizag Port (10.4%), Mumbai Port (8.8%), Chennai Port (7.1%), SMP Haldia Dock Complex (5.7%), VOC Port (5.5%), Kamarajar Port (5.5%), NMPA (4.5%), Cochin Port (4.5%), SMP Kolkata Dock System (2.1%)and Mormugao Port (2.0%).
- At a broad commodity level, Iron-ore/Pellets achieved highest growth of 44.1 % in September, 2023 followed by Other Ores (41.6%), Project Cargo (35.4%) Containers

(13.6%), FRM Liquid (6.7%), Thermal Coal (6.2%), LPG or LNG (2.1%). Food Grains excluding Pulses recorded highest negative growth of 79.0% in September, 2023 followed by FRM-Dry (41.0%), Iron & Steel (33.8%), Fertilizer (26.6%), Coking Coal (22.0%), Cement (18.9%), Pulses(16.0%), Sugar (9.4%), Other Commodities (9.4%), Other Coal (9.0%), Edible Oil (7.6%), POL Products (5.1%) and POL-Crude (2.1%).

- At a broad commodity level, Containers handled the maximum cargo traffic of 14.86 Million tonnes in September, 2023 with a share of 24.0% followed by POL-Crude (19.7%), Thermal Coal (14.0%), Other commodities (9.0%), POL-Products(7.9%), Iron-ore/Pellets(6.3%), Other coal (5.2%), Coking coal (4.3%), LPG/LNG (2.2%), Edible Oil (1.9%), Other Ores (1.1%), Fertilizer (1.0%), FRM-Liquid (0.9%), Iron & Steel (0.9%), FRM-Dry (0.7%), Cement (0.4%), Sugar (0.3%), Food grains excluding Pulses (0.14%), Pulses (0.13%) and Project Cargo (0.1%).

Cargo traffic handled during April- September, 2023-24

- During April- September, 2023-24, Paradip Port recorded highest growth of 8.5% in traffic handled at Major Ports followed by Mumbai Port (8.2%), SMP Kolkata (7.8%), NMPA (5.5%), JNPA (5.0%), Chennai Port (4.7%), Vizag Port (2.8%), VOC Port (2.7%), Mormugao Port (2.7%), Kamarajar Port (1.8%), Cochin Port (1.3%), SMP Haldia Dock (0.1%). Major Ports that recorded negative growth in traffic is Deendayal Port (8.4%) during April-September, 2023-24 over April- September, 2022-23 (Table A).
- Amongst the Major Ports, Paradip Port handled the maximum Cargo of 69.15 million tonnes with a share of 17.6% followed by Deendayal Port (16.5%), JNPA (10.7%), Vizag Port (10.1%), Mumbai Port (8.4%), Chennai Port (6.4%), SMP Haldia Dock (5.8%), Kamarajar Port (5.7%), NMPA (5.1%), VOC Port (5.0%), Cochin Port (4.4%), Mormugao Port (2.1%), and SMP Kolkata (2.1%) during April- September, 2023-24 (Graph- I below).

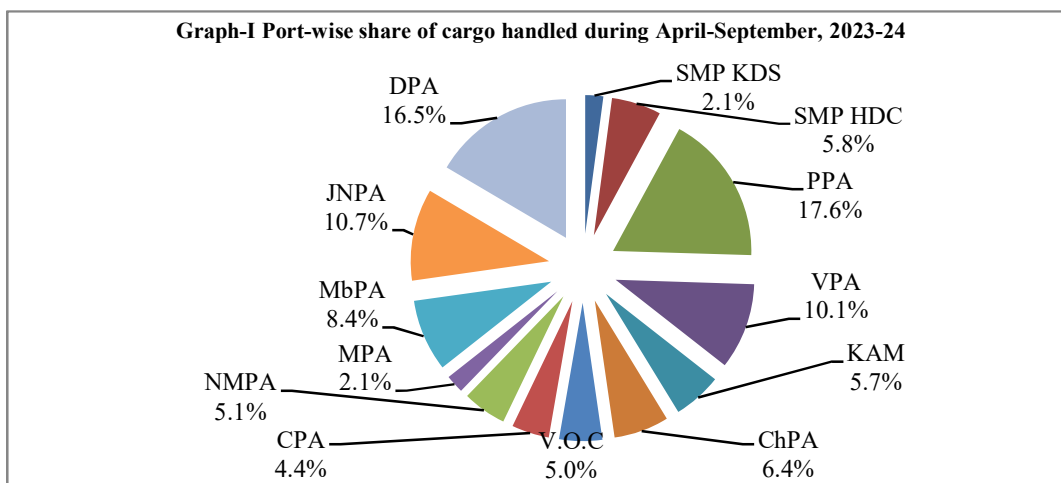


TABLE-A :PORT-WISE MONTHLY CARGO TRAFFIC HANDLED											
S. No.	Name of Ports		(In '000 Tonnes)								
			September, 2022(P)		September, 2023(P)		April-September, 2022-23 (P)		April-September, 2023-24 (P)		% Change {(Col.10/Col.8-1) *100}
			Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
1	SMP Kolkata	Overseas	4581	9.5	4528	9.7	27385	9.2	28960	9.6	5.8
		Coastal	679	5.0	292	1.9	3143	3.6	2199	2.4	-30.1
		Total	5259	8.5	4819	7.8	30528	7.9	31159	7.9	2.1
	KDS	Overseas	1206	2.5	1267	2.7	7476	2.5	8044	2.7	7.6
		Coastal	26	0.2	20	0.1	206	0.2	235	0.3	13.8
		Total	1232	2.0	1286	2.1	7683	2.0	8279	2.1	7.8
	HDC	Overseas	3375	7.0	3261	7.0	19908	6.7	20916	6.9	5.1
		Coastal	652	4.8	272	1.8	2937	3.3	1964	2.2	-33.1
		Total	4027	6.5	3533	5.7	22845	5.9	22880	5.8	0.1
2	Paradip	Overseas	5178	10.8	5505	11.8	35389	11.9	40744	13.4	15.1
		Coastal	4171	30.6	4884	32.2	28340	32.2	28403	31.4	0.2
		Total	9349	15.2	10389	16.8	63729	16.6	69147	17.6	8.5
3	Visakhapatnam	Overseas	4705	9.8	5120	10.9	28447	9.6	30984	10.2	8.9
		Coastal	1522	11.2	1350	8.9	10100	11.5	8628	9.5	-14.6
		Total	6227	10.1	6470	10.4	38547	10.0	39611	10.1	2.8
4	Kamarajar	Overseas	1775	3.7	2170	4.6	13815	4.7	14256	4.7	3.2
		Coastal	1039	7.6	1261	8.3	8277	9.4	8223	9.1	-0.6
		Total	2814	4.6	3431	5.5	22092	5.7	22479	5.7	1.8
5	Chennai	Overseas	3767	7.8	3799	8.1	21200	7.2	22734	7.5	7.2
		Coastal	387	2.8	578	3.8	2962	3.4	2569	2.8	-13.3
		Total	4154	6.7	4377	7.1	24162	6.3	25303	6.4	4.7
6	V.O.C.	Overseas	2015	4.2	2430	5.2	13492	4.6	13812	4.6	2.4
		Coastal	1058	7.8	1004	6.6	5826	6.6	6027	6.7	3.5
		Total	3073	5.0	3434	5.5	19318	5.0	19840	5.0	2.7
7	Cochin	Overseas	1747	3.6	1802	3.9	11749	4.0	11211	3.7	-4.6
		Coastal	826	6.1	962	6.4	5256	6.0	6022	6.7	14.6
		Total	2572	4.2	2764	4.5	17005	4.4	17233	4.4	1.3
8	New Mangalore	Overseas	2100	4.4	2056	4.4	14973	5.1	14924	4.9	-0.3
		Coastal	658	4.8	735	4.8	4136	4.7	5243	5.8	26.8
		Total	2757	4.5	2791	4.5	19109	5.0	20168	5.1	5.5
9	Mormugao	Overseas	1047	2.2	777	1.7	7540	2.5	6718	2.2	-10.9
		Coastal	120	0.9	443	2.9	685	0.8	1727	1.9	152.0
		Total	1167	1.9	1219	2.0	8225	2.1	8444	2.1	2.7
10	Mumbai	Overseas	3633	7.6	3429	7.3	19367	6.5	21518	7.1	11.1
		Coastal	1914	14.0	2038	13.4	11147	12.7	11494	12.7	3.1
		Total	5547	9.0	5467	8.8	30514	7.9	33013	8.4	8.2
11	JNPA	Overseas	6108	12.7	6572	14.1	38056	12.8	39958	13.2	5.0
		Coastal	357	2.6	379	2.5	2118	2.4	2230	2.5	5.3
		Total	6466	10.5	6951	11.2	40174	10.5	42188	10.7	5.0
12	Deendayal	Overseas	11363	23.7	8579	18.3	64915	21.9	57258	18.9	-11.8
		Coastal	910	6.7	1229	8.1	5979	6.8	7676	8.5	28.4
		Total	12273	19.9	9809	15.8	70894	18.4	64934	16.5	-8.4
Total	Total	Overseas	48019	77.9	46766	75.5	296328	77.1	303078	77.0	2.3
		Coastal	13640	22.1	15154	24.5	87970	22.9	90441	23.0	2.8
		Total	61659	100.0	61920	100.0	384297	100.0	393519	100.0	2.4

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-September, 2023-24 at 52.57% followed by Iron Ore pellets/fine (31.5%), Fertilizer (14.9%), Edible Oil (12.0%), FRM-Dry (11.8%), Container (7.6%), Iron & Steel (7.3%), POL-Crude (4.6%), FRM-Liquid (2.8%), POL-Products (0.8%). Foodgrain excluding Pulses recorded the highest negative growth of 79.6% followed by Cement 17.0%, Sugar 15.5%, Project cargo 9.9%, Other Coal 8.2%, Other Commodities 6.6%, Coking Coal 3.9%, Other Ores 1.5%, Thermal Coal 0.8% and LPG/LNG 0.2% over April- September, 2022-23 (Table B).
- Amongst all the commodities, Container handled the maximum cargo of 90.47 million tonnes with a share of 23% followed by POL-Crude (21.1%), Thermal coal (13.7%), Others commodities (8.6%), POL Products (7.5%), Iron ore/Pellets (6.5%), Other coal (4.9%), Coking coal (4.7%), LPG/LNG (2.0%), Edible oil (1.6%), Iron & Steel (1.2%), FRM Dry (1.1%), Other Ores (1.1%), Fertilizer (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- September, 2023-24.

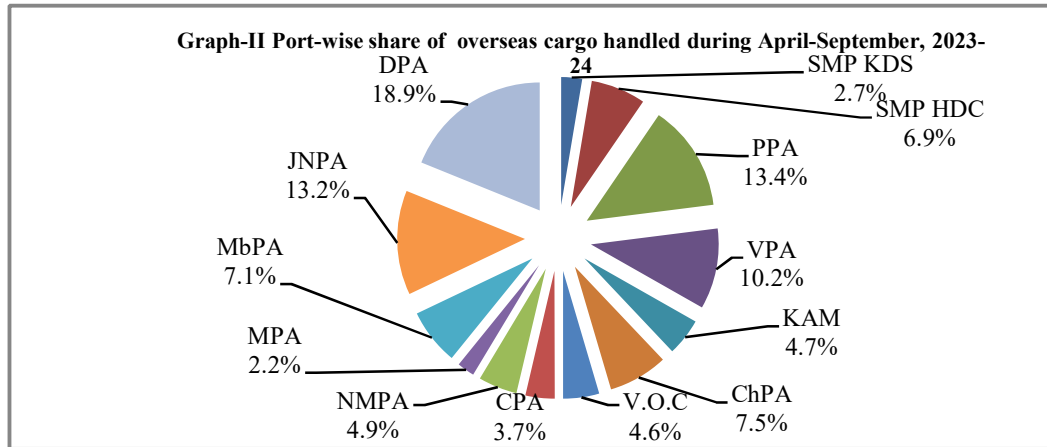
Table-B: COMMODITY-WISE GROWTH OF CARGO TRAFFIC										
Commodities	(In '000' Tonnes)									
	September,2022(P)		September,2023(P)		April-September 2022-23 (P)		April-September, 2023-24(P)		% Change {(Col.8/Col.6-1)* 100}	
	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share	Cargo handled	% share		
POL Crude	12445	20.2	12186	19.7	79307	20.6	82957	21.1	4.6	
POL Products	5140	8.3	4876	7.9	29141	7.6	29379	7.5	0.8	
LPG or LNG	1339	2.2	1368	2.2	7722	2.0	7710	2.0	-0.2	
Edible Oil	1271	2.1	1175	1.9	5663	1.5	6342	1.6	12.0	
FRM-Liquid	517	0.8	552	0.9	3220	0.8	3311	0.8	2.8	
Iron Ore Pellets/ Fine	2702	4.4	3893	6.3	19542	5.1	25689	6.5	31.5	
Other Ores	460	0.7	652	1.1	4387	1.1	4320	1.1	-1.5	
Thermal Coal	8153	13.2	8658	14.0	54365	14.1	53955	13.7	-0.8	
Coking Coal	3425	5.6	2672	4.3	19364	5.0	18604	4.7	-3.9	
Other Coal	3525	5.7	3209	5.2	21098	5.5	19375	4.9	-8.2	
Fertilizer	859	1.4	630	1.0	3663	1.0	4207	1.1	14.9	
FRM-Dry	748	1.2	441	0.7	3967	1.0	4434	1.1	11.8	
Food Grains excluding Pulses	402	0.7	84	0.1	4481	1.2	913	0.2	-79.6	
Pulses	94	0.2	79	0.1	333	0.1	508	0.1	52.6	
Sugar	223	0.4	202	0.3	1422	0.4	1202	0.3	-15.5	
Cement	272	0.4	220	0.4	1635	0.4	1357	0.3	-17.0	
Iron and Steel	834	1.4	552	0.9	4330	1.1	4643	1.2	7.3	
Project Cargo	45	0.1	61	0.1	400	0.1	360	0.1	-9.9	
Container	Tonnes	13080	21.2	14860	24.0	84085	21.9	90472	23.0	7.6
	TEUs (in 000 nos.)	893	-	1004	-	5691	-	6068	-	6.6
Others	6126	9.9	5549	9.0	36174	9.4	33782	8.6	-6.6	
Total	61659	100.0	61920	100.0	384297	100.0	393519	100.0	2.4	

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

- Amongst the Major Ports, Deendayal Port handled the maximum Overseas Cargo of 57.26 million tonnes with a share of 18.9 % followed by Paradip Port (13.4%), JNPA (13.2%), Vizag Port (10.2%), Chennai Port (7.5%), Mumbai Port (7.1%), SMP Haldia Dock (6.9%), NMPA (4.9%), Kamarajar Port (4.7%), VOC Port (4.6%), Cochin Port (3.7%), SMP Kolkata Dock (2.7%) and Mormugao Port (2.2%) during April- September, 2023-24 (Graph II).



- Amongst the Major Ports, Paradip Port handled the maximum Coastal Cargo of 28.40 million tonnes with a share of 31.4% followed by Mumbai Port (12.7%), Vizag Port (9.5%), Kamarajar Port (9.1%), Deendayal Port (8.5%), VOC Port (6.7%), Cochin Port (6.7%), NMPA (5.8%), Chennai Port (2.8%), JNPA (2.5%), SMP Haldia (2.2%), Mormugao Port (1.9%) and SMP Kolkata (0.3%) during April- September, 2023-24 (Graph-III).

