

Brief on India's agricultural trade with Fiji

The latest data on agricultural trade between India and Fiji is annexed (Tab 1).

1) Analysis of agriculture trade between India and Fiji

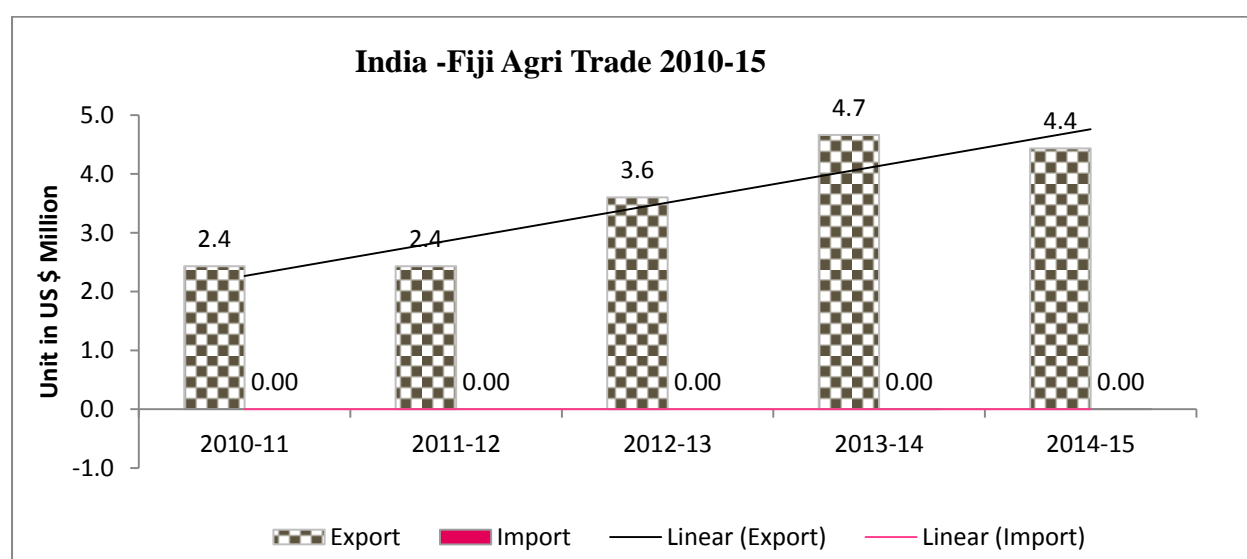
- (a) In the year 2014-15, India's total export of agricultural commodities to Fiji was of the order of US \$ 4.37 million. India's principal exports during this period were prawn, rice, coriander, cumin, biscuits etc.
- (b) During the same period, India's agricultural import from Fiji was Nil

Table 1- India's top agri export to Fiji

			in USD million	
S.No.	HSCode	Commodity	2013-2014	2014-2015
1	30617	Other shrimps and prawns : frozen	1.1	0.85
2	90422	Fruits of the genus capsicum- crushed or ground	0.12	0.1
3	90921	Seeds of coriander neither crushed nor ground:	0.05	0.15
4	90931	Seeds of cumin: neither crushed nor ground	0.13	0.15
5	91030	Turmeric (curcuma)	0.25	0.2
6	91099	Other seeds:	0.11	0.12
7	100630	Semi/wholly milled rice w/n polished/glazed	1.56	1.24
8	190531	Sweet biscuits	0.14	0.16
9	190590	Othr bread,pstry,rice papr and smlr products	0.09	0.14
10	210690	Other food preparations	0.07	0.18
Total agri export to Fiji			4.63	4.37

Source: Deptt of Commerce

2) Trends in agriculture trade between India-Fiji



- India’s agricultural export to Fiji showed an increasing trend during 2010-11 to 2013-14. However, the agricultural commodities export from India to Fiji has decreased in year 2014-15 over 2013-14.

3) Potential agriculture items of India’s export to Fiji

Fiji imports the following agriculture items from other countries in the world which India has also potential to export.

Table-2

Chapter	Commodity description	Analysis
7	Potatoes	For these items, India’s global exports and Fiji’s global imports were more than US\$ 2 million in 2014. However, Fiji imports of these items from India were either Nil or insignificant during the said year.
10	Wheat	
10	Rice	
17	sugar	
23	Soya-bean oil-cake	

Source: Refer Table 3

Fiji may explore the possibility of sourcing these agricultural items from India. Sanitary Phytosanitary (SPS) and other requirements in respect of these products may be sought from Fiji.

4) Average agriculture tariff

Average agriculture tariff rate of India and Fiji are 33.5% and 11.4 % respectively.

Table 3: India's potential agriculture exports to Fiji

(Value in US \$ Million)

Product code	Product label	India's exports to Fiji		Fiji's imports from world		India's exports to world	
		2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
'070190	Potatoes, fresh or chilled nes	0.00	0.00	11.64	12.49	33.57	108.87
'070310	Onions and shallots, fresh or chilled	0.00	0.00	5.01	5.11	600.89	322.15
'070320	Garlic, fresh or chilled	0.00	0.00	2.27	2.61	11.29	7.60
'080810	Apples, fresh	0.00	0.00	2.88	2.56	13.61	5.72
'100199	Wheat and meslin (excl. seed for sowing, and durum wheat)	0.00	0.00	67.26	60.27	932.82	1014.26
'100630	Rice, semi-milled or wholly milled, whether or not polished or glazed	1.55	1.47	20.43	21.64	7754.82	7537.68
'121190	Plants &pts of plants(incl sed&fruit) usd in pharm,perf,insect etc nes	0.00	0.00	3.62	2.19	207.69	238.71
'151790	Edible mx/prep of animal/veg fats&oils/of fractions ex hd No 15.16	0.00	0.00	3.59	4.44	1.73	2.88
'170114	Raw cane sugar, not containing added flavouring or colouring matter (excl. 1701 13)	0.00	0.01	2.00	2.37	172.22	320.46
'170199	Refined cane or beet sugar, solid, without flavouring or colouring matter	0.01	0.01	4.13	4.78	671.35	693.28
'230400	Soya-bean oil-cake&oth solid residues,whether or not ground or pellet	0.00	0.00	7.66	8.49	2860.25	1180.72

Source: comtrade

- Cut off value of India's global export and Fiji global import is US 2.0 million.
- India's potential items of exports to Fiji are- potatoes, wheat, rice, and sugar and soya-bean oil cake.