Embassy of India
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MONTHLY ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL REPORT FOR July 2024

A. Trade in goods

a) Total trade in goods during:

0	6	2	0	2	4

	Export to India (Euros in million) June -2024	Import from India (Euros in million) June-2024	Status (P) Provisional/(F) Final
Country's trade with India	4.53	14.3	F
Country's total global trade	1372	1640	F

Sources: **Statistics Estonia**

b) Preferential trade in goods during (2024): **N.A.**

0	6	2	0	2	4

S. No.	Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India	Preferential Imports from India (US$ million)	Preferential Imports from World (US$ million)
N.A.			

S. No.	Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India	Preferential Exports to India (US$ million)	Preferential Exports to World (US$ million)
N.A.			

(Sources: **Ministry of Commerce & Industry)**

c) Top 10 items of **import** from India during: June 2024

0	6	2	0	2	4

S. No.	6-digit HS Code	Commodity	Quantity (In KG)	Value (Euros in thousand)
1	841290	Parts of non-electrical engines and motors	920,187	9,939
2	732690	Articles of iron or steel	210,506	922
3	282590	Bases, inorganic, and metal oxides, hydroxides and peroxides	6,000	272
4	732599	Cast articles of iron or steel	179,793	249
5	293979	Vegetal alkaloids	2,500	205
6	520100	Cotton	83,412	198
7	291469	Quinones	350	184
8	330190	Extracted oleoresins	6,430	132
9	392690	Articles of plastics	13,945	111
10	830990	Stoppers, caps and lids	5,247	72

(Source: **Statistics Estonia)**

d) Top 10 items of **export** to India during: June, 2024

0	6	2	0	2	4

Sr. No.	6-digit HS Code	Commodity	Quantity (In KG)	Value (Euros in thousand)
1	470500	Wood pulp	3,754,673	1,813
2	440910	Coniferous wood	203,905	217
3	853090	Parts of electrical signalling, safety or traffic control equipment	1,808	213
4	720441	Turnings, shavings, chips, milling waste, sawdust, filings, trimmings and stampings of iron or steel	629,940	198
5	720430	Waste and scrap of tinned iron or steel	603,125	198
6	854430	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets for vehicles, aircraft or ships	478	150

7	853710	Boards, cabinets and similar combinations of apparatus for electric control or the distribution of electricity, for a voltage <= 1.000 V	1,496	145
8	830890	Clasps, frames with clasps without locks, buckles and buckle-clasps, of base metal	10,054	131
9	040690	Cheese	20,137	129
10	853540	Lightning arresters, voltage limiters and surge suppressors, for a voltage > 1.000 V	2,745	129

(Source: **Statistics Estonia**)

e) Potential products of export from India

Sr. No.	Commodity (6 digit HS tariff line)	Rationale
1.	Medium oils and preparations, of petroleum or bituminous minerals, not containing biodiesel (271019)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 75M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0
2.	Smartphones for wireless networks (851713)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 33M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0
3.	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of <10 persons (870340)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 33M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0
4.	Light oils and preparations, of petroleum or bituminous minerals (271012)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 22M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0
5.	Gold, incl. gold plated with platinum (710812)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 15M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0
6.	Parts and accessories of printers, copying machines and facsimile machines (844399)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 9M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0
7.	Bombs, grenades, torpedos, mines, missiles, and other ammunition and projectiles (930690)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 9M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0

8.	Motor vehicles for the transport of goods (870421)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 7M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0
9.	Reception apparatus for television (852872)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 4M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0
10.	Wire of refined copper, with a maximum cross-sectional dimension of > 6 mm (740811)	Total Value of Imports in May 2024: € 1M Value Exported from India to Estonia: €0

B. **QUALITATIVE**

0	**6**	**2**	**0**	**2**	**4**

1. **Market Access Alerts** (attach copy of notification): **N.A.**

a) Alerts on customs tariff changes**: -**

Sr. No.	Notification no. and date	HS code	Description	Original customs tariff	Present customs tariff	Effective from	Remarks if any

Information not available at the host country.

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

Sr. No	Notification no./ date	Measure	HS Codes	Effective from	Remarks if any
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c) Alerts on standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures:

Sr. No	Notification no./ date	Standard/ technical regulation/ conformity assessment procedure	HS Codes	Effective from	Remarks if any
-	-	-	-	-	-

d) Alerts on trade defense measures taken by respective country:(Safeguards including special safeguard, antidumping, CVD or anti-subsidy)

Sr. 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
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(Source: **N/A**)

e) Alert on services, regulatory regime, qualification requirement, licensing procedures, visa regime, barriers etc.

Sr. No.	Notification no., and date or other references	Service sectors affected	Modes	Effective from	Remarks if any

Information not available at the host country.

2. Feedback

a) Feedback from major Indian industries/other commercial concerns and Indian trade visitors to that country.

Sr. No.	Organization	Date	General Feedback
-	-	-	-

b) Feedback on major trade activities **including logistic events** (trade fairs/BSM including Indian participation)

Sr. No.	Activity (trade fair, BSM etc.)	Date and venue	Feedback received

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

Sr. No.	Activity (trade fair)	Date and venue	Number of participants from the relevant country	List of large/ key participants from the relevant country	Number of Business Visas issued **(visa services are handled by EoI Helsinki)**	Feedback received
-	-	-	-	-	-	-

d) Trade Queries for Imports/ Exports (if not uploaded on the Indian trade portal) (**Source: Mission**)

S. No.	Enquiry Originator & Company Name	Product	Nature (Import/ Export)	Action Taken
1.	Mr Venugopal Tirunagiri, Sri Abheesha Enterprises Pvt Ltd	Dehydrated fruit and Vegetable Powders	Export	Responded with a list of importers
2.	Mr Neelesh Gupta, Lecipure Biotech LLP	Soya Lecithin	Export	Responded with a list of importers
3.	Ms Zeba Idris Khan, Eszed Exporters	Garbage Bags	Export	Responded with a list of importers
4.	Mr Mohammed Muzammil, Haadi Enterprises	Basmati Rice	Export	Responded with a list of importers
5.	Mr Raja Das, Crestwaves Overseas Pvt Ltd	Edible Oils	Export	Responded with a list of importers
6.	Ms Priyanka Chatterjee, Geolynk Interglobal	Essential Oils	Export	Responded with a list of importers
7.	Mr Syed Jameel Ahamed, Indus Trading House	Mango Pulp, Jams, Jellies, Marmalades	Export	Responded with a list of importers

8.	Mr Amit Hirani, ABS Foods Ltd	Dehydrated Vegetables, Spices, Herbs, Batter Mixes	Export	Responded with a list of importers
9.	Mr Vikash Shaw, VKS Agrotech Industries	Essential Oils	Export	Responded with a list of importers
10.	Ms Anjana Babar, Arizen Foods	Dehydrated Fruits and Vegetables	Export	Responded with a list of importers
11.	Capt. Ashim Kumar Chakraborty, Alliance Global	Bed Sheets and Bed Covers	Export	Responded with a list of importers
12.	Mr Manjit Singh, MetaScop	Garbage Bag	Export	Responded with a list of importers
13.	Ms Riddhi, LV Granito	Tiles	Export	Responded with a list of importers
14.	Mr Ruchir V Gupta, Mars Infra Ventures	Collated Nails & Fasteners	Export	Responded with a list of importers
15.	Mr Rohan Agarwal, Accurate Dealers	Eco-Friendly Bags	Export	Responded with a list of importers
16.	Mr Yash Kumar Verma, Yash Imperial	Rice	Export	Responded with a list of importers
17.	Mr Arshish Maneckji, Thoughtcast Pvt Ltd	Mango Pulp	Export	Responded with a list of importers
18.	Ms Kumudini Siddharth Gaikwad, KSS Export Import	Pharmaceuticals, Chemicals, Organic Chemicals, and Spices	Export	Responded with a list of importers
19.	Mr Arshish Maneckji, Thoughtcast Pvt Ltd	Garbage Bags	Export	Responded with a list of importers
20.	Mr Kshitij Grover, Infinite Horizons	Dehydrated Fruits and Vegetables	Export	Responded with a list of importers
21.	Mr Bhikam Jain, Vara Merchants	Garbage Bags	Export	Responded with a list of importers
22.	Mr Rahul Adroja, Adroja Overseas Company	Groundnuts/Peanuts	Export	Responded with a list of importers

23.	High Horizons Exports	Garbage Bags	Export	Responded with a list of importers
24.	Mr Shishir Moon, Moon Overseas	Mango Pulp	Export	Responded with a list of importers
25.	Mr Jagat Singh, JJagSimP Exim	Corrugated Boxes	Export	Responded with a list of importers
26.	Ms Hetvi Shah, EcoFriend Carbon Pvt Ltd	Activated Carbon	Export	Responded with a list of importers
27.	Capt. Ashim Kumar Chakraborty, Alliance Global	Natural Honey	Export	Responded with a list of importers
28.	Mr Aditya Agarwal, Naturenex International	Agricultural Inputs	Export	Responded with a list of importers
29.	Mr Pankajkumar Ambesange, Akhilendra Impex	Fresh and Processed Fruits and Vegetables	Export	Responded with a list of importers
30.	Ms Sachi Kodala, Siscon Tiles LLP	Porcelain Tiles and Sanitaryware	Export	Responded with a list of importers
31.	MotherWorld Spices	Spices	Export	Responded with a list of importers
32.	Mr Ramesh Poojari, Futurextrade	Cosmetic	Export	Responded with a list of importers
33.	Mr Ramesh Poojari, Futurextrade	Essential Oil	Export	Responded with a list of importers
34.	Ms Parveen Khan, Brans Valves India Pvt Ltd	Industrial Valves	Export	Responded with a list of importers
35.	Mr Haider Ali, Al Fatima Import and Export	Marble and Granite	Export	Responded with a list of importers
36.	Mr Anand Bhesdadiya, Stallion Enterprise	Peanut	Export	Responded with a list of importers
37.	Mr Mahir Kadri, Taj Industries	Hot Forging and Machining Components	Export	Responded with a list of importers
38.	Ms Rekha Bhavnani, Jivyan Eximp	Raw Crystals and Crystal Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers

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39.	Mr Sachin Chheda	Plastic Garbage Bags	Export	Responded with a list of importers
40.	Ms Komal Kothari, Vir Engineers	Packaging Equipment and Consumables	Export	Responded with a list of importers
41.	Mr Jagat Singh, JJagSimP Exim	Mango Pulp	Export	Responded with a list of importers
42.	Mr Manvijay Singh, GoGlobal Enterprises	Psyllium Husk	Export	Responded with a list of importers
43.	Mr Pankajkumar Ambesange, Byahut Tea Company	Tea	Export	Responded with a list of importers
44.	Ms Dipali Jariwala, Anant Sarthi Pvt Ltd	Food Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
45.	Mr Vikash Kumar, Flankers Biotech Pvt Ltd	Pharmaceutical Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
46.	Mr Chandrakanth Reddy, CKR Enterprises	Leather Goods	Export	Responded with a list of importers
47.	Mr Vasanth, MVTT Global Pvt Ltd	Granite Slabs	Export	Responded with a list of importers
48.	Ms Rachna, Kshipram Internationals	Garbage Bags	Export	Responded with a list of importers
49.	Mr Harmandeep Singh	Rice	Export	Responded with a list of importers
50.	Mr Ridham Lunagariya, Globomates Impex	Groundnuts	Export	Responded with a list of importers
51.	Mr Yash Sirohi, Vegamor Ecopacks	Biodegradable Food Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
52.	Mr Pulkit Punglia, Himalayan Onyx Pvt Ltd	Marbles & Granites	Export	Responded with a list of importers
53.	Mr Manu Macker	Herbal Extracts	Export	Responded with a list of importers

54.	Mr Malay Thacker, Opaque Ceramics Pvt Ltd	Sanitaryware, Ceramic Tableware, and Tiles	Export	Responded with a list of importers
55.	Tomar Exports	Indian White Marble and Granite	Export	Responded with a list of importers
56.	Ms Hema, Shubh International	Tiles	Export	Responded with a list of importers
57.	Dr. Ravitesh Mishra, VM Exim International	Agricultural and Food Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
58.	Ms Barkha Malik, Malik Export House	Indian Spices and Rice	Export	Responded with a list of importers
59.	Mr Bhargav Sekhar, IndoGlobal EPIP Pvt Ltd	Red Chilli & Green Chilli	Export	Responded with a list of importers
60.	Mrs Gayatri Shedbalkar	Spices	Export	Responded with a list of importers
61.	Jindal Marbles	Natural Stone, Marbles & Granites	Export	Responded with a list of importers
62.	Mr Hitesh Padia, Kash Impex	Dehydrated Onions	Export	Responded with a list of importers
63.	Mr Sahir Bloch, RV Industries	Brass and Copper Pipe Fitting and Components	Export	Responded with a list of importers
64.	Ms Sonal Barman, Native Himalays	Ayurvedic and Herbal Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
65.	Mr Rajeesh Ramakrishnan, Although Nihit Exim House	Basmati Rice	Export	Responded with a list of importers
66.	Mr Vivek Garg	Rice Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
67.	Mr Akshay Rajput, Hind Global	Dehydrated Fruits and Vegetables	Export	Responded with a list of importers
68.	Ms Aarika, Govianu Ventures	Indian Spices	Export	Responded with a list of importers
69.	Mr Nadeem Shaikh, Maxton Overseas	Rock Salt/Deicing Salt	Export	Responded with a list of importers

70.	Mr Arvind Patel, Super Grip Fasteners	Brass, SS and Fasteners Parts	Export	Responded with a list of importers
71.	Mr Lalit Kumar, Swastik Jewellers	Silver Jewellery	Export	Responded with a list of importers
72.	Ms Monisha Elangovan, Panacea	Telecobalt unit Bhabhatron II	Export	Responded with a list of importers
73.	Mr Uttam Jain	Coffee	Export	Responded with a list of importers
74.	Mr Raj, Vtrade Export	Meat	Export	Responded with a list of importers
75.	Ms Jil Vishnu Kumar Patel, Choice Export	Garbage Bag	Export	Responded with a list of importers
76.	Mr Rajnish Patel, Jayesh Fabrics	Garbage Bag	Export	Responded with a list of importers
77.	Mr Abdul Fahim Sadakkathulla, Le Onde International	Seafood	Export	Responded with a list of importers
78.	Mr Kunal Mehra, Ishan Constructions	Construction products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
79.	Ms Jinal Shah, Uniza Lifecare Pvt Ltd.	Pharmaceuticals	Export	Responded with a list of importers
80.	Ms Meera Parekh	Sanitaryware and Tiles	Export	Responded with a list of importers
81.	Mr Karan Khurana, Graha Impex	Garbage Bags	Export	Responded with a list of importers
82.	Mr Kaushik Desai, Base Medico Pvt Ltd	Pharmaceuticals and Herbal Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
83.	Mr Ashish Kapoor, Theboomboxclub	Lifestyle Accessories	Export	Responded with a list of importers
84.	Mr Ashish, Sri Prithvi Trader	Indian Food Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
85.	Mr Bharat Jadav, India Exim	Fresh Fruits & Vegetables	Export	Responded with a list of importers
86.	Mr Vinod Kumar, Great Galleon	Alcoholic Beverages	Export	Responded with a list of importers
87.	Mr Krut Kakadiya, Krut Agriculture Import-Export	Millet	Export	Responded with a list of importers

88.	Mr Lalit Sharma, Stars Cosmetics India Pvt Ltd	Cosmetics	Export	Responded with a list of importers
89.	Mr Ramesh Poojari, Futurextrade	Makhana	Export	Responded with a list of importers
90.	Mr Sudarshan Chakraborty, Torero Corporation Pvt Ltd	Leather Accessories	Export	Responded with a list of importers
91.	Ms Unnati Vimal Thakor, Atirah Exports	Agricultural Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
92.	Mr Shishir Moon, Moon Overseas	Dehydrated Vegetables	Export	Responded with a list of importers
93.	Mr Avik Samanta, Betle Engineering Works Pvt Ltd	Parboiled Rice	Export	Responded with a list of importers
94.	Glorious International	Stone Veneer Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
95.	Mr Shahbaz Sayyed, Kohinoor Arts	Bedsheets	Export	Responded with a list of importers
96.	Mr Pranav Gupta, Labedge India	Lab Glassware and Lab Equipment	Export	Responded with a list of importers
97.	Mr Kiran Gade, Vetatech International	Fabrics & Garments	Export	Responded with a list of importers
98.	Mr Kushal K. Ramwani, K and K Markette LLP	Menswear	Export	Responded with a list of importers
99.	Mr Anujkumar, Adira Exports and Imports	Garbage Bags	Export	Responded with a list of importers
100.	Mr Raaghav Jain, KG Plast Mfg Pvt Ltd	Polycarbonate Sheets	Export	Responded with a list of importers
101.	Lt Cdr Sadhana Giri, Infinite Ripples Enterprises	Food Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers
102.	Mr Anuj. C, Sharma Technocast Pvt Ltd	Mechanical Engineering Products	Export	Responded with a list of importers

103.	Mr Garvit Kashyap, G K & SONS Company	Pharmaceutical	Export	Responded with a list of importers
104.	Mr Megh Lalwala, Megh International	Fabrics	Export	Responded with a list of importers
105.	Ms Reshmi Paul, ARA Enterprises	Imitation Jewellery	Export	Responded with a list of importers
106.	Mr Harsimran Singh, Falcon Garden Tools Pvt Ltd	Gardening Tools	Export	Responded with a list of importers

e) Trade queries from Estonia

Sr. No.	Enquiry originator & Company Name	Product	Nature (Import/ Export)	Action Taken
NIL				

4. Important India related statements of commercial significance by political leaders, think tanks, chambers, associations etc. / Significant stories/features on India related trade, investment, services and logistic sector, published in foreign journals/dailies, etc.:

- **The public sector is planning an innovation programme worth millions:** Estonia is investing over 60 million euros in an innovation programme to enhance public sector efficiency, running from 2021 to 2027, with some projects extending to 2029. The programme, funded 70% by the EU and 30% by Estonian taxpayers, aims to improve the implementation of the Estonia 2035 programme by utilizing scientific research and development. The programme will support around 56 projects, each costing over one million euros, focusing on areas like valuing local resources and smarter energy solutions. Only 40% of the funded projects are expected to be implemented, as failure and experimentation are integral to finding effective solutions. Several institutions, including the State Chancellery's innovation team, EISA, and Accelerate Estonia, are involved in these efforts. The goal is to test bold ideas and improve public sector policies, even if many projects do not lead to practical solutions.

- **Prices in Estonia 98% of EU average in 2023:** In Estonia, the price level of goods and services was 98 percent of the European Union average in 2023, placing Estonia 12th within the EU and 15th among all European countries. The ten EU countries with the most expensive goods and services had price levels ranging from 110 to 143 percent of the EU average. The future relative price level in Estonia depends on the expected rate of price growth compared to other countries. The International Monetary Fund forecasts that the average price level in Estonia and the EU will increase by 18 percent and 14 percent,

respectively, by 2029. This would result in Estonia's price level reaching approximately 102 percent of the EU average by 2029, potentially ranking Estonia 11th among EU countries and 14th among all European countries. Relative to local income levels, prices in Estonia are high: food prices are at 109 percent of the EU average, compared to 110 percent in Finland and 105 percent in Sweden. Clothing and footwear prices are at 117 percent of the EU average, placing Estonia among the top three in the EU. However, recent data shows Estonia's price level last year was 2.1 percent below the EU average.

- **Inflation picks up to 3.5% in July:** Consumer prices increased by 3.5 percent in July compared to the same month in 2023, according to a preliminary estimate from Statistics Estonia. Compared to June, prices rose by 0.22 percent. In June, Estonia's annual inflation rate was 2.5 percent based on revised data, indicating an acceleration in inflation in July. In July 2023, the inflation rate in Estonia was 6.4 percent.

- **World's first modular floating entertainment venue Oceaya:** Marketex Marine, part of Estonian BLRT Grupp, is building the world's first modular floating entertainment platform, Oceaya. Designed by Waterstudio.NL and Prospect Design International, and engineered by Meyer Floating Solutions, Oceaya can adjust from 604 to over 1,161 sq.m. and will be completed by mid-2025. Oceaya, backed by Florida-based Oceaya LLC, aims to be a versatile venue for various events, such as nightclubs, restaurants, and private events, and also supports marine research. This project marks a significant innovation for Marketex Marine, diversifying from their typical fish-feeding barge constructions.

- **Cybernetica partners with European Space Agency to enhance space safety:** Estonian company Cybernetica is working with the European Space Agency (ESA) under the GSTP programme on the ShareSat project to improve space safety. ShareSat aims to demonstrate confidential computing using multi-party computation (MPC) to enable secure collaboration among satellite owners and space object catalogues, assessing and mitigating collision risks without compromising sensitive data. Using Cybernetica's Sharemind MPC technology, ShareSat will develop a secure cooperation service for space object catalogue providers. The project, running from January 2024 to June 2025, builds on an early prototype from the 2015 DARPA PROCEED programme, advancing its technical readiness and introducing confidential computing to the space industry. This initiative is part of ESA's GSTP programme, which fosters leading-edge space technologies.

- **Estonia's foreign trade in goods down on year:** In May 2024, Estonia's exports of goods decreased by 6% compared to May 2023, amounting to nearly €1.6 billion. Imports also fell by 13%, totaling almost €1.7 billion, leading to a trade deficit of €144 million, which is €170 million less than in May 2023, according to Statistics Estonia. After a rise in April, foreign trade declined in May, driven mainly by a 10% drop in re-exports. The main commodities exported were electrical equipment (14%), agricultural products and food preparations (11%), and wood and articles of wood (11%). The largest decreases were seen in transport equipment (down €49 million) and mineral products (down €24 million), while agricultural products and food preparations increased by €15 million. Exports of goods of Estonian origin fell by 3%, yet their share of total exports rose to 66%. Estonia's top export partners were Finland (15%), Latvia (13%), and Sweden (10%). Imports were led by agricultural products and food preparations (14%), electrical equipment (12%), and transport equipment (12%).

Significant declines were seen in imports of mechanical appliances (down €67 million), transport equipment (down €56 million), and electrical equipment (down €41 million), while agricultural products and food preparations increased by €26 million. The top partners for imports were Finland (15%), followed by Lithuania, Germany, and Latvia (each 11%). The import of goods decreased most from Finland, Germany, and Sweden, but increased from Belgium and Indonesia.

- **Estonia moves up the European Innovation Scoreboard:** Estonia has advanced from "Moderate Innovator" to "Strong Innovator" in the 2024 European Innovation Scoreboard, showing steady growth since 2017. Key factors include a skilled workforce, attractive research systems, digital leadership, and active investment in ICT training. Estonia's innovation surpasses the EU average and outperforms countries like France, Spain, and Italy. However, further investments, particularly in foreign direct investment (FDI), are needed to catch up with global leaders such as South Korea, Canada, and the USA, and to narrow the gap with rapidly progressing China.

- **Leading European defence company invests €70 million in Estonia:** Helsing, a European AI defense tech company, has opened a subsidiary in Estonia, investing €70 million over the next three years to enhance Baltic defense capabilities with advanced AI solutions. This includes constructing new production facilities, boosting local defence infrastructure, and creating economic benefits. Helsing aims to ensure NATO's eastern flank security and support the Baltic defence industry with cutting-edge technology. The company collaborates with local partners and has notable defense projects, including partnerships with Airbus and the Ukrainian defense ministry.

- **Decline in Young Programmers in Estonia:** Statistics Estonia reports a decrease in 20-29-year-olds in information and communication, particularly in programming, over the past year and a half. The sector, previously driven by young employees, has seen a reduction in their numbers. Programming jobs, which grew significantly between 2019 and 2023, lost 600 positions in 2023. Young programmers (20-29) dropped from 6,130 in June 2022 to 5,070 in June 2023, while workers aged 40 and over increased from 5,720 to 6,880. Young top specialists in programming also declined from 3,920 in June 2022 to 3,370 in June 2023. This decrease aligns with demographic shifts, as the 20-29 age group in Estonia shrank from 153,000 in 2019 to 136,000 by January 2024, while the 40-49 age group grew by over 10,000. The reasons behind the recent drop in young programmers remain unclear, though most who left had Estonian citizenship and higher education.

- **World's first charging station for teledriven cars was opened in Estonia:** Estonian company Elmo and Swedish cleantech company Elonroad have inaugurated the world's first fully automatic charging station for teledriven cars in Tallinn, Estonia. This innovative facility features a conductive rail system that allows Elmo's road-legal teledrivable Nissan Leaf and Renault Zoe to charge without human intervention, significantly enhancing operational efficiency and supporting climate-neutral transportation. The project, co-funded by EIT Urban Mobility, aligns with the trends of electrification and the sharing economy, aiming to minimize charging interruptions and reduce workforce needs. Future plans include expanding the deployment of such charging stations globally to further scale the technology and support sustainable mobility.

- **The European Commission initiates three infringement proceedings against Estonia:** The European Commission has initiated three new infringement procedures against Estonia. Firstly, Estonia failed to meet the EU's waste collection and recycling targets for electronic waste, as required by the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive. Secondly, Estonia has not implemented the EU directive mandating internal reporting channels in medium-sized companies with more than 50 employees for confidentially reporting breaches of EU rules. Estonia postponed the directive's entry into force to January 1, 2025, missing the original deadline of December 17. Thirdly, Estonia has not correctly implemented the single European sky air navigation services plan and fee system, which requires a transparent cost allocation methodology and incentives in performance plans. The Commission has noted problems with cost levels and lack of incentives in Estonia, affecting service providers and airlines. Estonia, along with 16 other member states, has two months to address these issues or face potential action by the Court of Justice of the European Union.

5. <u>Complaints from foreign buyer/supplier on quality and trade dispute: (Source: Mission)</u>

Sr. No.	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 referred.
NIL					

6. Complaints of Indian exporter/importer: (Source: Mission)

Sr. No	Name of Indian exporter/importer	Address & address of foreign buyer/supplier	Brief description of complaint	The authority to whom the matter was referred and the date on which the matter was referred.
NIL				

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