

HIGH COMMISSION OF INDIA, WELLINGTON

MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2024

Name of the Mission (Country): Wellington

A. Trade in goods

a) Total trade in goods during

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	Export (US\$ million)	Import (US\$ million) Cost, insurance, and freight (CIF)	Status (P) Provisional / (F) Final
NZ's trade with India	\$ 34.51 mn	\$ 64.06 mn	F
NZ's total global trade	\$ 9430.95 mn	\$ 4035.87 mn	F

(Source: StatsNZ)

(b) Preferential trade in goods during

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S. No.	Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India	Preferential Imports from India (US\$ million)	Preferential Imports from World (US\$ million)
No preferential / Free Trade Agreement between India and NZ			

S.No.	Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India	Preferential Exports to India (US\$ million)	Preferential Exports to World (US\$ million)
No preferential / Free Trade Agreement between India and NZ			

(c) Top 10 items of import from India during

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S.No.	Commodity [10-digit HS (Harmonized System) tariff line]	Value (US\$ million) Cost, insurance, and freight (CIF)	Qty	Unit of Measurement	% Share in total import of the commodity
1.	3004.90.19.30 Medicaments; consisting of mixed or unmixed products n.e.c. in heading no. 3004, packaged for retail sale, (other than for veterinary uses), not in aerosol containers	\$ 5.07 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)	% 21.56
2.	2306.60.00.00 Oil-cake and other solid residues; whether or not ground or	\$ 5.03 mn	30968630	KGM (Kilogram)	% 16.05

	in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of palm nuts or kernels oils				
3.	7113.19.09.09 Jewellery; of precious metal (excluding silver) whether or not plated or clad with precious metal, and parts thereof, n.e.c. in item no. 7113.19.01, not incorporating jade	\$ 2.7 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)	% 11.12
4.	8504.40.29.00 Electrical static converters; other than battery chargers and automotive rectifiers, other than separately presented power units for automatic data processing machines	\$ 1.9 mn	1713	NMB (Numeric)	% 16.33
5.	4811.59.00.11 Paper and paperboard; liquid packaging board, coated, impregnated or covered with plastics (excluding adhesives), other than bleached and weighing more than 150g/m ² , printed, in rolls or sheets	\$ 1.68 mn	647400	KGM (Kilogram)	% 12.11
6.	8411.91.00.00 Turbines; parts of turbo-jets and turbo-propellers	\$ 1.36 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)	% 6.79
7.	6109.10.12.00 T-shirts; of cotton, knitted or crocheted, of sizes exceeding 81cm chest measurement	\$ 1.27 mn	305064	NMB (Numeric)	% 12.34
8.	8402.19.00.00 Boilers; vapour generating boilers (excluding watertube boilers), including hybrid boilers n.e.c. in heading no. 8402	\$ 1.26 mn	56501	KGM (Kilogram)	% 5.44
9.	6302.60.00.09 Toilet linen; of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton, other than roller towels	\$ 1.23 mn	473809	NMB (Numeric)	% 14.74
10.	0306.17.00.00 Crustaceans; frozen, shrimps and prawns, excluding cold-water varieties, in shell or not, smoked, cooked or not before or during smoking; in shell, cooked by	\$ 1.12 mn	167079	KGM (Kilogram)	% 9.87

	steaming or by boiling in water				
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(Source: Stats NZ)

(d) Top 10 items of export to India during

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S.No.	Commodity (10- digit HS tariff line)	Value (US\$ million) (Free On Board) FOB	Qty	Unit
1	9809.00.00.00 Confidential items	\$ 8.26 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)
2	4403.21.00.12 Wood; coniferous species, of pine (Pinus spp.), in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared, untreated, of which the smallest cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more, pinus radiata; saw logs and veneer logs	\$ 4.91 mn	59122	MTQ (Cubic Meter)
3	7602.00.00.19 Aluminium; waste and scrap, other than used beverage cans or aluminium extrusions	\$ 3.18 mn	1593	TNE (Metric Ton)
4	3502.20.00.00 Albumins; milk albumin, including concentrates of two or more whey proteins	\$ 3.13 mn	329545	KGM (Kilogram)
5	4701.00.00.01 Wood pulp; mechanical wood pulp, of softwood	\$ 3.06 mn	8783	TNE (Metric Ton)
6	4403.22.00.12 Wood; coniferous species, of pine (Pinus spp.), in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared, untreated, of which the smallest cross-sectional dimension is less than 15 cm, pinus radiata; saw logs and veneer logs	\$ 2.63 mn	31757	MTQ (Cubic Meter)
7	9019.20.00.00 Therapeutic respiration apparatus; ozone, oxygen, aerosol therapy apparatus; artificial respiration or other therapeutic respiration apparatus	\$ 1.88 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)
8	5101.21.00.08 Wool; (not carded or combed), degreased, (not carbonised), shorn, exceeding 35.4 microns in fibre diameter	\$ 1.8 mn	736622	KGM (Kilogram)
9	7204.49.00.00 Ferrous waste and scrap; n.e.c. in heading no. 7204	\$ 1.51 mn	3739	TNE (Metric Ton)

10	7204.21.00.00 Ferrous waste and scrap; of stainless steel	\$ 1.17 mn	1039	TNE (Metric Ton)
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(Source: Stats NZ)

(e) Potential products of imports from India

S.No.	Commodity (NZ's highest imports)	Top 10 Imports by product- September 2024 quarter
1.	Mechanical machinery	US \$ 1716.88 million
2.	Mineral fuels & Oils	US \$ 1687.07 million
3.	Vehicles	US \$ 1162.47 million
4.	Electrical machinery & equipment	US \$ 1084.97 million
5.	Optical, medical and measuring equipment	US \$ 423.26 million
6.	Aircraft	US \$ 417.29 million
7.	Plastics	US \$ 393.45 million
8.	Pharmaceuticals	US \$ 345.76 million
9.	Furniture	US \$ 220.57 million
10.	Food wastes	US \$ 202.68 million

(Source: Stats NZ)

A. QUALITATIVE

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

a. Alerts on customs tariff changes: -

S. No.	Description	Original customs tariff	Present customs tariff	Effective from	Remarks if any
1.	New excise duty rates for tobacco products, cigarettes and heated tobacco products from 1 January 2025	The annual indexation increase to excise and excise-equivalent duty rates will take place on 1 January 2025. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/new-excise-duty-rates-for-tobacco-products-cigarettes-and-heated-tobacco-products-from-1-january-2025/			
2.	New border processing levy rates in force on 1 December 2024	The Comptroller of Customs has set new levy rates to apply from 1 December 2024 for each traveller arriving in and departing from New Zealand. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/new-border-processing-levy-rates-in-force-on-1-december-2024/			
3.	Text message scam impersonating Customs	Customs has received a report of a text message which tells recipients they have received a package which is being cleared by Customs, and asks recipients to click on a link to confirm a postal address. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-			

		us/news/important-notice/text-message-scam-impersonating-customs/
4.	Notification of intention to incorporate by reference: updated AANZFTA PSRs	<p>Pursuant to Schedule 2, clause 1 of the Legislation Act 2019, I, the Chief Executive of the New Zealand Customs Service, give notice of the intention to incorporate by reference Chapter 3 Annex 3B (Product Specific Rules) into Part 6 of the Customs and Excise Regulations 1996. The document sets out the rules of origin provisions agreed under the Second Protocol to the AANZFTA Agreement as signed on 21 August 2023. I propose incorporating this document by reference in the Customs and Excise Regulations 1996 as an alternative to its full text being stated in those regulations.</p> <p>https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/notification-of-intention-to-incorporate-by-reference-updated-aanzfta-psrs/</p>
5.	Decisions on border processing levies	<p>The Government has agreed settings changes for Customs Border Processing Levies.</p> <p>Proposed new Customs' levy rates, along with new cap settings, are laid out in the table below. They will apply from 1 December 2024 and end on 30 June 2027. These will be set by the Chief Executive of the New Zealand Customs Service before 1 December 2024.</p> <p>Final rates will be set out in the New Zealand Gazette, once notified by the Chief Executive.</p> <p>https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/decisions-on-border-processing-levies/</p>
6.	Updated requirements for graphic material importers and manufacturers	<p>The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) has updated the rules for importing and manufacturing graphic materials marketed at children, such as fingerpaints, crayons, and felt-tip pens, as part of their decision to reduce the lead impurity levels allowed in paints.</p> <p>https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/updated-requirements-for-graphic-material-importers-and-manufacturers/</p>
7.	Import Entry Transaction Fee refunds	<p>Import Entry Transaction Fee refunds</p> <p>New Zealand Customs has become aware of an administrative issue which resulted in some individuals being charged the Customs portion of the Import Entry Transaction Fee (IETF) in error. This error impacted individuals importing goods through mail during the period 1 July 2021 to 3 March 2023.</p> <p>This only pertains to Import Clearances completed by NZ Customs.</p> <p>Customs invites importers who may have been impacted to apply for a refund.</p> <p>https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/import-entry-transaction-fee-refunds/</p>
8.	Consultation: Recovering the costs of goods management activities at the border	<p>Joint consultation on fees and levies for goods</p> <p>The New Zealand Customs Service (Customs) and the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) are undertaking</p>

		public consultation on proposed changes to make goods fees and levies financially sustainable and fairer. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/consultation-recovering-costs-goods-management-activities-at-the-border/
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b. Alerts on non-tariff measures (SPS/TBT/ import and export procedures/ restrictions/ prohibitions, licensing/ STEs etc.)

S.No	Notification no./ date	Measure	HS Codes	Effective from	Remarks if any
1.		<p>Non-tariff barriers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Administrative procedures 2. Quantity restrictions (such as quotas) 3. Licensing requirements 4. Data storage requirements 5. Privacy requirements 6. Board director requirements 7. Procurement rules 8. Price controls 9. Subsidies 10. Product labelling requirements 11. Phytosanitary or technical regulations and standards. <p>https://www.customs.govt.nz/business/tariffs/non-tariff-barriers/</p>			

c. 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
		<p>A regulator's guide to New Zealand's Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Obligations https://www.mbie.govt.nz/dmsdocument/23733-a-regulators-guide-to-new-zealands-technical-barriers-to-trade-tbt-obligations</p>			

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	Details of products/ sectors affected (including HS codes)	Effective from	Remarks if any
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Protected / Controlled Goods: https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/trade/trading-weapons-and-controlled-chemicals/which-goods-are-controlled/					

- 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
https://www.customs.govt.nz/					

2. Feedback

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

S. No.	Name of business house	Activity sector	Trade barrier issues if any (incl. HS codes)	General Feedback (Max.200 words)
1.	<p>Strict Bio Security norms make export of food grains and other such items to New Zealand very difficult. The suggested measures after detection of pests in a consignment are not cost effective. There are three options given to the importers:</p> <p>(i) Send back the consignment or</p> <p>(ii) Go for complete fumigation or</p> <p>(iii) Destroy the whole shipment.</p> <p>However, major importers like Yogi Ji, Patel Brothers, Indo-Kiwi, and others have successfully brought Indian food products, hair oils, and ayurvedic/ herbal items to New Zealand, where they are widely sold and appreciated.</p>			
2.	<p>The Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI) enforces controls on imported goods to ensure that no unwanted pests or diseases enter the country and that food remains safe to eat. Guidelines for the import of almost all types of commodities have been prescribed and are mandatory. Customs clearance is not overly difficult or cumbersome, provided the consignment complies with the prescribed procedures. The required procedures and documentation are readily available on their website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/import/importing-into-nz-how-it-works/importing-process/</p>			
3.	<p>High Commission of India has been working diligently to reduce trade barriers for importers without compromising its standards.</p>			

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

S. No.	Activity (trade fair, BSM etc.)	Date and venue	Number of participants from India	Name(s) of large/ key participants from India	Feedback received. (Max.200 words)	Source of funding (MAI, TA/TC)
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c. Feedback from local commercial visitors to trade fairs in India, including under BSM; number of Business Visas issued:

S. 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	Feedback received (Max.200 words)
1.	Mission has issued nice business visa's to India for various purposes like trade activities, conference/ seminars, business meetings etc.				9	No common website for importing large quantities of products from India.

3. Trade and Investment:

a. Significant trends in trade and investment (Sources: StatsNZ)

S. No.	Category	Details of significant trends (Max.200 words)	Analysis (Max. 200 words)
1.	Trade-Goods	November 2024 monthly values when compared with November 2023: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goods exports rose by 9.1%: US \$ 3874.91 mn Goods imports fell by 3.9%: US \$ 4113.37 mn The monthly trade balance was a deficit of US \$ 260.51 mn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exports were up to all top trading partners. Imports fell down from all top trading partners.
2.	Trade-Services	Values for September 2024 quarter: (Total) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Export to the world: US \$ 3857.03 mn Imports from the world: US \$ 5067.2 mn The quarterly trade balance US \$ 1210.16 mn (deficit) 	Values for September 2024 quarter: (India) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NZ's exports to India: US \$ 104.49 mn NZ's imports from India: US \$ 52.41 mn This represented 2.7% of all exports of total services in this

			<i>time period and 1.0% of imports. For trade in total services India ranked 5 of 196 for highest export value, 17 of 202 for highest import value, and 7 of 216 for highest total trade value.</i>
3.	Investment (New data)	For the year ending March 2023: India's foreign direct investment in NZ was US \$ 3316.16 million and NZ's total direct investment in India was US \$ 277.95 mn	

b. Opportunities for investments/ assets on offer/ major company divestment:

S.No.	Sector Name (List attached)	Particulars of the asset /company	Contact details
	Investing in significant business assets https://www.linz.govt.nz/guidance/overseas-investment/ways-invest/investing-significant-business-assets		

c. Information on tender Notices for projects and procurements of interest to Indian project exporters/ suppliers (USD15 million & above)

S.No.	Tender/ procurement notice No and date	Sector	Value of tender/ procurement
New Zealand tenders: https://www.gets.govt.nz/ExternalIndex.htm			
New Zealand tenders: https://www.procurement.govt.nz/			

d. Trade Queries for Imports/ Exports (if not uploaded on the Indian trade portal)

Enquiry originator	Nature	Product	Action Taken
Goyal Agri Overseas	Export	Agro products	List of importers and other details regarding NZ market shared.
Garv	Export	Granite & Marble	- do-
Tanmoy Basak	Export	Clothing	- do-
Jk Impex	Export	Agro products	- do-
Rajhans Enterprise	Export	Tiles	- do-
Chakraborty Overseas	Export	Cashew And Millets	- do-
Himalayan Herbs Llc	Export	Kashmir Saffron	- do-
Fit Tree International Llp	Export	Agro Products	- do-
Prisloren Global Care Pvt. Ltd	Export	Herbal Product	- do-
<u>Maruti</u> World Traders	Export	Agro Products	- do-
Thoroughbred Exports)	Export	Food And Agro Products	- do-
Santosh Pargal & Co.	Export	Leather Goods	- do-

Rex International	Export	Ferrous And Non-Ferrous Scrap	- do-
Oceanx International	Export	Fabrics	- do-
Niche Formulations	Export	Pharmaceutical Formulations	- do-
Juneja Detergent	Export	Detergent Powder and Soap	- do-
RAJHANS ENTERPRISE	Export	Tiles	- do-
Confiance Overseas Exim LLP	Export	Fertilizers	- do-
Top Travel & Tours	Export	Tour Operator	- do-
Global Trade House	Export	Turmeric Powder	- do-
Jazcotex	Export	Textiles	- do-
Rajhans Enterprise	Export	Tiles	- do-
Sri Parameswari Exports	Export	Agro Products	- do-
Lurigroups	Export	Agriculture Products	- do-
Foodbros Overseas	Export	Fmcg Products	- do-
Jny Overseas	Export	Clay Tandoor	- do-
Confiance Overseas Exim Llp	Export	Fertilizers	- do-
Top Travel & Tours	Export	Tour Operator	- do-
Pandya Exports	Export	Granite & Marble Slabs	- do-
Lurigroups	Export	Agriculture Products	- do-
Santosh Pargal & Co.	Export	Leather Goods	- do-
Zenith Industrial Rubber Products Pvt Ltd.	Export	Rubber Products	- do-
JK IMPEX	Export	Agro products	- do-
RAJHANS ENTERPRISE	Export	Tiles	- do-
Foodbros Overseas	Export	Fmcg Products	- do-
Top Travel & Tours	Export	Tour Operator	- do-
Global Trade House	Export	Turmeric Powder	- do-
Jazcotex	Export	Textiles	- do-
Rajhans Enterprise	Export	Tiles	- do-
Sri Parameswari Exports	Export	Agro Products	- do-
Chakraborty Overseas	Export	Cashew And Millets	- do-
Himalayan Herbs Llc	Export	Kashmir Saffron	- do-

Fit Tree International Llp	Export	Agro Products	- do-
Prisloren Global Care Pvt. Ltd	Export	Herbal Product	- do-
<u>Maruti</u> World Traders	Export	Agro Products	- do-
Lurigroups	Export	Agriculture Products	- do-
Foodbros Overseas	Export	Fmcg Products	- do-
Pandya Exports	Export	Granite & Marble Slabs	- do-
Intel Expro India	Export	Maize Starch	- do-
Sukalp Pla Fab Granuale	Export	Plastic Tarpaulin	- do-
Singnath Exports	Export	Agriculture Commodities	- do-
Aeonim Healthcare	Export	Pharmaceutical	- do-
Rdai International	Export	Agricultural Products	- do-
Dayglo Colour Corporation LLP	Export	Dyestuffs & Pigments	- do-
Glorious Enterprieses	Export	Non-Basmati Rice	- do-
Shivpriya Overseas	Export	Ginger	- do-
Aiezer Global Enterprise	Export	Cotton Seed Oil Cake	- do-
SCOTTSDALE INTERNATHIONALE	Export	Chemicals	- do-
TANMOY BASAK	Export	Clothing	- do-
GARV	Export	Granite & Marfble	- do-
Confiance Overseas Exim LLP	Export	Fertilizers	- do-
Rex International	Export	Ferrous And Non-Ferrous Scrap	- do-
Oceanx International	Export	Fabrics	- do-
Niche Formulations	Export	Pharmaceutical Formulations	- do-
Juneja Detergent	Export	Detergent Powder and Soap	- do-
Amity Global Exim	Export	Food Products	- do-
Fahima Global Exports	Export	Pices And Leather Items	- do-
Kusoom Manufacture Exporter	Export	Kitchenware Product	- do-
Jny Overseas	Export	Clay Tandoor	- do-
Confiance Overseas Exim Llp	Export	Fertilizers	- do-
Indian Barrel	Export	Paper Bags	- do-
Ira Agri Exports	Export	Agricultural Products	- do-
Shri Ram Trading Company	Export	Door Accessories	- do-

Global Victus	Export	Sports Related Goods	- do-
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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.:

(Max. 500 words)

S. No.	Particulars
1.	On 16 December 2024, Commerce and Industry Minister Mr. Piyush Goyal met Mr. Todd McClay, Trade Minister of New Zealand. Both Ministers discussed opportunities for mutual growth, enhancing bilateral trade ties, and fostering economic cooperation to further strengthen the partnership between both nations.

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 the report, executive summary, date of publication) (Max.200 words)
1.	Trade Promotion	On 2 December 2024, the High Commissioner met with Dr. Vanessa Weenink, Member of Parliament for Banks Peninsula, Christchurch, representing the National Party, at the Chancery. The meeting focused on exploring avenues to strengthen bilateral collaborations, particularly in the South Island of New Zealand.	
2.	Trade Promotion	On 3 December 2024, the High Commissioner met with Dr. Madan Mohan Sethi, Consul General of Auckland, at the Chancery to discuss and familiarize themselves with ongoing trade and economic activities in New Zealand. The meeting served as an opportunity to exchange insights on bolstering trade partnerships and identifying key areas for collaboration between India and New Zealand. Followed by dinner at India House accompanied by MFAT officials such as Ms Joanna Kempfers, Mr Joesph Mayhew, and Ms Rebecca Needham for meaningful dialogue on strengthening India-New Zealand ties, with a focus on trade, investment, and cultural exchange.	
3.	Trade Promotion	On 3 December 2024, the High Commissioner met with Mr. Michael Fox, Global Affairs Head at Zespri, at the Chancery to discuss the ongoing sales of kiwifruit	

		in India. The meeting focused on reviewing the current performance of Zespri's exports to India. Discussions also highlighted the potential for strengthening trade ties through collaborative efforts to promote agricultural exports, streamline supply chains, and enhance market access.
4.	Trade Promotion	On 6 December 2024, the High Commissioner met with Mr. Arun Chaudhari, CEO of the Taranaki Chamber of Commerce, at the Chancery to discuss various upcoming business events in the Taranaki region. The meeting focused on fostering stronger business connections and enhancing collaboration between Indian and New Zealand enterprises in the dynamic Taranaki region.
5.	Trade Promotion	On 08 December 2024, High Commissioner attended the end-of-year dinner organized by the Auckland Indian Retailers Association. Deputy Mayor and NZ police officials conveyed the latest measures taken to promote safety and security of businesses in Papatoetoe region. She had discussions on opportunities for Indian businesses in NZ were held. HC thanked the entire team of AIRA for their hard work and dedication throughout the year.
6.	Trade Promotion	On 10 December 2024, the High Commissioner met with Ms. Pania Tyson from Māori Tourism to discuss ways to enhance cultural tourism between India and New Zealand. The meeting focused on exploring opportunities to promote New Zealand's rich Māori heritage and traditions as part of India's growing interest in cultural tourism. They discussed the importance of strengthening cultural exchanges, which would not only enhance tourism but also deepen the people-to-people connections between the two nations. The High Commissioner emphasized the value of India's vibrant cultural heritage in fostering mutual respect and understanding, underscoring the potential for tailored travel packages that could attract Indian tourists eager to experience New Zealand's indigenous culture.
7.	Trade Promotion	On 11 December 2024, High Commissioner visited Upper Hutt sports facility, a great training facility with innovative technology. The insightful visit provided the opportunity to discuss sports that bind the two countries together. Ms Rebecca Needham of MFAT mentioned that NZ side would be considering an MoU on exchanges related to sports in the coming months. HC was accompanied by Mr. David Dome (GM, Wellington Phoenix), Ms. Jamie Tout (GM, NZCIS) and officials from MFAT during the visit.
8.	Trade Promotion	On 14 December 2024, the High Commissioner met with Prof. Anil Thapriyal, Executive Director of the eMental Health International Collaborative (eMHIC), to discuss how the Indian community in New Zealand can benefit from ongoing mental health initiatives. The meeting focused on addressing the growing mental health challenges faced by Indian expatriates and exploring ways to provide them with better access to mental health support services.
9.	Trade Promotion	On 16 December 2024, Commerce and Industry Minister Mr. Piyush Goyal met Mr. Todd McClay, Trade Minister of New Zealand. Both Ministers discussed opportunities for mutual growth, enhancing bilateral trade ties, and fostering economic cooperation to further strengthen the partnership between both nations.
10.	Trade Promotion	On 22 December 2024, High Commissioner met Ms. Christine Christine maiden Sharp, founder and CEO of Aspen institute and discussed various opportunities on India and New Zealand can come together to discuss ideas that inform and

		empower individuals to solve society's problems.
11.	Trade Promotion	On 31 December 2024, the High Commissioner met with Hon. Minister of Trade and Agriculture Todd McClay MP and interacted with members of the Indian community in Rotorua. The meeting provided an opportunity to discuss the ongoing efforts by both New Zealand and India to strengthen their partnership, particularly in the areas of trade, agriculture, and cultural exchange. The High Commissioner and Minister McClay emphasized the shared commitment to expanding bilateral cooperation, highlighting key areas such as agricultural trade, innovation, and sustainability. They also discussed initiatives aimed at supporting Indian businesses in New Zealand and facilitating greater market access for New Zealand products in India. High Commissioner also invited Hon Minister for the upcoming trade/ business event in Feb 2025 as a keynote speaker.

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

BE for current financial year (Market Expansion Activities)	RE for current financial year	Amount utilized	Details of Activity (Max.200 words)
Rs. 9,00,000/-	-	Rs. 1,96,760/-	New Zealand Institute of International Affairs - NZIIA (Christchurch event)

7. Action taken on the previous JWGs, Joint Commissions, Sub-Commissions etc. (issues that Mission had to follow up with host government):

S.No .	Detail of JWG/JEC with date and venue	Action Taken (Max. 200 words)
1.	-Trade -02 December 2024 -Wellington	High Commissioner met with Dr. Vanessa Weenink, Member of Parliament for Banks Peninsula, Christchurch, representing the National Party. The meeting focused on exploring avenues to strengthen bilateral collaborations, particularly in the South Island of New Zealand.
2.	-Trade/ Economic -03 December 2024 -Wellington	High Commissioner met with Dr. Madan Mohan Sethi, Consul General of Auckland to discuss and familiarize themselves with ongoing trade and economic activities in New Zealand. The meeting served as an opportunity to exchange insights on bolstering trade partnerships and identifying key areas for collaboration between India and New Zealand. Followed by dinner at India House accompanied by MFAT officials such as Ms Joanna Kempfers, Mr Joesph Mayhew, and Ms Rebecca Needham for meaningful dialogue on strengthening India-New Zealand ties, with a focus on trade, investment, and cultural exchange.
3.	-Trade -03 December 2024 -Wellington	High Commissioner met with Mr. Michael Fox, Global Affairs Head at Zespri to discuss the ongoing sales of kiwifruit in India. The meeting focused on reviewing the current performance of Zespri's exports to India. Discussions also highlighted the potential for strengthening trade ties through collaborative efforts to promote agricultural exports, streamline supply chains, and enhance market access.
4.	-Trade	High Commissioner met with Mr. Arun Chaudhari, CEO of the

	-06 December 2024 -Wellington	Taranaki Chamber of Commerce to discuss various upcoming business events in the Taranaki region. The meeting focused on fostering stronger business connections and enhancing collaboration between Indian and New Zealand enterprises in the dynamic Taranaki region.
5.	-Trade -08 December 2024 -Auckland	High Commissioner attended the end-of-year dinner organized by the Auckland Indian Retailers Association. Deputy Mayor and NZ police officials conveyed the latest measures taken to promote safety and security of businesses in Papatoetoe region. She had discussions on opportunities for Indian businesses in NZ were held. HC thanked the entire team of AIRA for their hard work and dedication throughout the year.
6.	-Tourism -10 December 2024 -Wellington	High Commissioner met with Ms. Pania Tyson from Māori Tourism to discuss ways to enhance cultural tourism between India and New Zealand. The meeting focused on exploring opportunities to promote New Zealand's rich Māori heritage and traditions as part of India's growing interest in cultural tourism. They discussed the importance of strengthening cultural exchanges, which would not only enhance tourism but also deepen the people-to-people connections between the two nations. The High Commissioner emphasized the value of India's vibrant cultural heritage in fostering mutual respect and understanding, underscoring the potential for tailored travel packages that could attract Indian tourists eager to experience New Zealand's indigenous culture.
7.	-Trade /Sports -11 December 2024 -Wellington	High Commissioner visited Upper Hutt sports facility, a great training facility with innovative technology. The insightful visit provided the opportunity to discuss sports that bind the two countries together. Ms Rebecca Needham of MFAt mentioned that NZ side would be considering an MoU on exchanges related to sports in the coming months. HC was accompanied by Mr. David Dome (GM, Wellington Phoenix), Ms. Jamie Tout (GM, NZCIS) and officials from MFAT during the visit.
8.	-Health -14 December 2024 -Auckland	High Commissioner met with Prof. Anil Thapriyal, Executive Director of the eMental Health International Collaborative (eMHIC), to discuss how the Indian community in New Zealand can benefit from ongoing mental health initiatives. The meeting focused on addressing the growing mental health challenges faced by Indian expatriates and exploring ways to provide them with better access to mental health support services.
9.	-Trade -16 December 2024 -India	Commerce and Industry Minister Mr. Piyush Goyal met Mr. Todd McClay, Trade Minister of New Zealand. Both Ministers discussed opportunities for mutual growth, enhancing bilateral trade ties, and fostering economic cooperation to further strengthen the partnership between both nations.
10.	-Trade/ Diplomacy -22 December 2024 -Queenstown	High Commissioner met Ms. Christine Christine maiden Sharp, founder and CEO of Aspen institute and discussed various opportunities on India and New Zealand can come together to discuss ideas that inform and empower individuals to solve society's problems.
11.	-Trade/ Culture -31 December 2024 -Rotorua	High Commissioner met with Hon. Minister of Trade and Agriculture Todd McClay MP and interacted with members of the Indian community in Rotorua. The meeting provided an opportunity to discuss

		the ongoing efforts by both New Zealand and India to strengthen their partnership, particularly in the areas of trade, agriculture, and cultural exchange. The High Commissioner and Minister McClay emphasized the shared commitment to expanding bilateral cooperation, highlighting key areas such as agricultural trade, innovation, and sustainability. They also discussed initiatives aimed at supporting Indian businesses in New Zealand and facilitating greater market access for New Zealand products in India. High Commissioner also invited Hon Minister for the upcoming trade/ business event in Feb 2025 as a keynote speaker.
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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 referred.
This issue was raised by the Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI), Government of New Zealand, in June, under reference number 18-35/2016-PP.II-Part(1) (e-63228). It pertains to pest interceptions reported in cut flowers and foliage exported from India. APEDA has been advised to take necessary/ appropriate action to address this matter.				

9. Complaints of Indian exporter/importer:

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.	Any outcome
Nil				

10. Any other issue of importance (Max. 500 words)

S.No.	Detail of JWG/JEC with date and venue	Action Taken (Max. 200 words)
1.	Businesses have been requesting direct air connectivity between India & New Zealand. Following the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on air services between India and New Zealand, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Govt. of India has recently designated "Air India Limited as India's national carrier.	
