

Embassy of India
Economic & Commerce Wing
Algeria

ANNUAL COMMERCIAL REPORT 2024

A) Trade in goods

	Export (US\$ Million)	Import (US\$ Million)	Status (P) Provisional/(F) Final
Algeria's trade with India	1002	959	F
Algeria's total global trade	47 096	42 622	F

* for calender year 2024

a) Top 10 items of Algerian Imports from India

S. No.	Commodity	Value (US\$ million)
1.	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	148
2.	Rice	131
3.	Pharmaceutical products	80
4.	Organic chemicals	78
5.	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts	48
6.	Plastics	39
7.	Parts and accessories for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons	33
8.	Oil seeds	25
9.	Spices	22
10.	Man-made filaments; strip and the like of man-made textile materials	20

* for calender year 2024

b. Top 3 countries of Imports of items mentioned in Table A(a) above :

S. No.	Commodity	Top 3 Global suppliers (country)	Value (US\$ Million)
1.	Engineering goods	China	2 789
		Italy	967
		France	807
2.	Rice	India	131
		Thailand	15
		Turkey	5
3.	Pharmaceutical products	France	485
		Germany	228

		Belgium	197
4.	Organic chemicals	China	148
		France	110
		India	78
5.	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts	China	1 457
		France	286
		Türkiye	169
6.	Plastics	Saudi Arabia	819
		China	639
		France	226
7.	Parts and accessories for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons	China	191
		France	95
		Spain	67
8.	Oil seeds	Brazil	403
		Canada	258
		United States of America	128
9.	Spices	Ivory Coast	92
		China	65
		Brazil	41
10.	Man-made filaments; strip and the like of man-made textile materials	China	330
		India	20
		Turkey	8

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d. Top 10 items of Algerian Exports to India

S. No.	Commodity (6 digit HS tariff line)	Value (US\$ million)
1.	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude	846
2.	Petroleum gas and other gaseous hydrocarbons	17
3.	Natural calcium phosphates and natural aluminium calcium phosphates, natural and phosphatic	101
4.	Acyclic alcohols and their halogenated, sulphonated, nitrated or nitrosated derivatives	14
5.	Recovered "waste and scrap" paper or paperboard (excl. paper wool)	7.1

6.	Dates, figs, pineapples, avocados, guavas, mangoes and mangosteens, fresh or dried	5.6
7.	Agglomerated cork, with or without a binding substance, and articles of agglomerated cork	1.9
8.	Unwrought lead	2
9.	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (excl. crude)	1.3
10.	Wool, neither carded nor combed	1

* for calender year 2024

Delegations and visits:

The Indian company M/s Indo Herbs from Rajasthan, a manufacturer and exporter of henna, herbs, Hair color, petroleum jelly, black seed oil, essential oil, beeswax and cosmetic Raw material participated in the International Exhibition of Cosmetic Industry 'Cosmetica' from 21 to 24 February 2024 at SAFEX, Algiers.

Three Indian companies M/s Aeco Engineering LLP, M/s New Era Control Cable Industries and M/s Swarup Polymers Private Limited participated in the International Exhibition of Automobile Spare Parts 'Equi Auto' from 26 to 29 February 2024 at SAFEX, Algiers.

Forty eight Indian companies specialised in APIs and/or pharma machineries took part in the International Pharmaceutical Exhibition 'Maghreb Pharma' which was held from 5 to 7 February 2024 at SAFEX, Algiers.

Ten Indian companies M/s Agroha Colours Pvt Ltd, M/s Aries Polychem, M/s Arihant Polyplast Pvt. Ltd., M/s Blend Colours Pvt. Ltd., M/s Deep Polymers Limited, M/s Gabbar Engineering Co., M/s Iris Cosmo-Colour Pvt. Ltd., M/s J P Extrusiontech Pvt Ltd, M/s Lohia Corp Limited, M/s R.R. Plast Extrusion Pvt. Ltd., took part in the International Exhibition of Printpack & Plast Algiers from 4 to 6 March 2024 at SAFEX, Algiers.

India participated in the 21st Edition of Djazagro from 22 to 25 April 2024 at SAFEX, Algiers, one of the major commercial events in Algeria in the food production and equipment sector, with 32 Indian companies under the aegis of the Federation of Indian Export Organizations (FIEO). The 32 Indian exhibitors showcased diverse products such as rice, spices, oil seeds, beans, lentils, raisins, food additives, fruit pulps, cookies/biscuits making machineries, wafers making machineries, automatic packaging machines and irrigation equipment/hoses.

One Indian company M/s Amanthro Agro specializing in animal feed supplement participated in Sipsa Filaha, the International Exhibition of Agriculture, Livestock Farming and Agro Industry which was held from 20 to 23 May 2024 at SAFEX, Algiers.

Three Indian companies M/s Prime Yarns, M/s Devika Fibres Pvt. Ltd., and M/s Vineet Polyfab Pvt. Ltd., took part to the 7th Edition of the International Textyle Exhibition 'Texstyle ' from 10 to 12 June 2024 at SAFEX, Algiers. These companies displayed their textile products.

The Indian company M/s Seizon FIBC LLP, one of the leading manufacturers and suppliers of wide range of flexible intermediate bulk container (FIBC), participated in the 55th Edition of the Algiers International Trade Fair (FIA-2024), from 24 to 29 June 2024 at SAFEX, Algiers.

The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, FICCI visited Algeria with a 12 members delegation from 13 to 16 October 2024 during the visit of Hon'ble President of India Smt. Droupadi Murmu to Algeria.

On 14 October 2024, the first India-Algeria Economic Forum was held at Hotel Sheraton Algiers. Meetings were held with the Vice President and the Director General of the Algerian Economic Renewal Council CREA. The following twelve Algerian Ministers took part in the Forum:

Minister of Trade and Export Promotion

Minister of Finance
Minister of Energy and Mines
Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research
Minister of Post and Telecommunications
Minister of Industry and Pharmaceutical Production
Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development
Minister of Water Resources
Minister of Tourism and Handicrafts
Minister of Environment and Renewable Energy
Minister of Knowledge Economy and Start-ups
Minister of Housing, Urban Planning and the City

Meetings were also held with the President and Director General of Algerian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

On 14 October 2024, the Indian business delegation visited the factory of the government company Saidal. Saidal is the largest drugs and pharmaceuticals manufacturer in Algeria. They have ultra-modern facilities and are expanding their manufacturing facilities in two other Algerian cities, Constantine and Annaba. They also employ four Indian Researchers/ Engineers for drug manufacturing and development. They are looking for collaborations with Indian companies in the field of Oncology and Bio-pharma. Their specific interests are in Cadilla Life and Biocon Ltd.

On the same day, Indian business delegation visited the Algerian company Cevital. Cevital works in six verticals where Agriculture, IT and Glass manufacturing are their main lines of business. Cevital Group is looking for collaboration with Indian companies in the field of IT and Agricultural Value Chain. Their specific interests are in UPL Ltd and IRIS Software.

The Algerian Minister of Domestic Trade and National Market Regulation Mr. Tayeb Zitouni took part in the 29th Partnership Summit 2024 from 2 to 3 December 2024 in New Delhi.

Organized by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), in collaboration with the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. The summit provides a premier platform for the exchange of expertise, particularly in the areas of cooperation and investment.

E) Trade promotion/ publicity activities by the Mission:

The Embassy of India in Algeria organized a "Tea Tasting Exhibition : Chai of India – Elixir of Life" in collaboration with Bab Ezzouar Mall from 1 to 3 February 2024 at Bab Ezzouar Mall, Algiers. The tea samples were provided by United Planters' Association of Southern India at the request of Tea Board of India. Around 3000 visitors relished five varieties of Indian Nilgri black teas during the three days of the event.

Copies of FICCI's Africa Connect pamphlet were distributed to the Algerian businessmen.

Mission replied to 1718 trade inquiries from India and 27 from Algeria.

G) Trade disputes attended:

No.	Indian company	Description of matter	Action taken
1.	M/s Vardhman International	M/s Vardhman International exported shipment of jewellery hand tools to the Algerian company Sarl Hafter Trading for a total value of US\$ 72 735. The payment of the shipment was not made by the Algerian company.	Necessary action was taken with the Algerian company Sarl Hafter Trading.
2.	M/s BLS International FZE	Former authorized representative of Sarl BLS International Algiers Mr. Mohamed Amine Kebali had	Necessary action was taken with the Algerian authorities.

		not paid the share of profits to M/s BLS International FZE as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by the two parties	
3.	M/s CMS Industries	M/s CMS Industries sent four shipments to two buyers of Algeria for white raw rice and green millet and payment was not received.	Necessary action was taken with the Algerian authorities.
4.	M/s Agarsen Granite and Stones	M/s Agarsen Granite and Stones shipped two containers of black galaxy granite to the customer. The consignment reached the port on 16 October 2023 with the agreed payment terms being 100 % Payment Against Document. After the shipment reached the port, the Algerian company started asking the materiel on credit. The buyer did not release the documents from his bank making it impossible for the Indian company to sell the containers to any other customer.	Necessary action was taken with the buyer.
5.	M/s Ludlow Jute & Specialities Limited	M/s Ludlow Jute & Specialities Limited exported 10 containers of jute bags to Sarl Indiego Fashion and payment of only 6 containers was received. The four containers were auctioned	Necessary action was taken with the Algerian authorities.
6.	M/s Sunrise Naturals Private Limited	Non payment of US\$ 65 557 by the Algerian company Sarl Conserverie Nouvelle Ere towards export of mango concentrate.	The matter was taken up with the buyer by phone. He informed that the procedures for releasing the payment were initiated and since the invoice dates back to a year ago it requires the authorisation from the Bank of Algeria to release the payment, according to the law.
7.	M/s Agarsenstones	Two containers of black galaxy granite were shipped to the Algerian client Sarl Arous Industry Quality. The consignment reached the port on 16 October 2023 with payment terms 100% payment against document agreed by both parties. The Algerian client did not release the documents from his bank. The exporter requested Embassy's intervention to help in expediting the release of the document or to obtain a	The matter was referred to the buyer directly. The buyer explained that his bank Societe Generale refused to do the process of domiciliation that is pre-requisite to clearing the goods. The buyer informed that he can provide a No Objection Certificate if the Indian exporter can find another buyer.

		No Objection Certificate so that the exporter can sell the goods to another buyer.	
8.	M/s R.K. Agroexport Pvt. Limited	Three containers of coffee were exported to the Algerian company Sarl B2L Pro. Payment for one container out of the three has not been received yet.	Necessary action was taken with the buyer by email and with the Algerian authorities.
9.	M/s H.R. Exports Private Limited	M/s H.R. Exports Private Limited exported basmati rice to the Algerian companies M/s Eurl Malak B Export worth US\$ 80 600 and Import Co and M/s Eurl Seven Star Food Production worth US\$ 85 020. Payments for these two consignments are pending.	Necessary action was taken with the buyers.
10.	M/s Shree Balaji Exports	M/s Shree Balaji Exports exported three containers of peanuts on 26 February 2024 to the Algerian company Eurl Sotifag. The payment condition was Cash Against Documents. Due to defective cargo, the buyer did not make the payment and a court order was issued to stop the payment.	Necessary action was taken with Al Salam bank and with the Algerian authorities. An email was also sent to M/s Shree Balaji Exports advising them to take legal action, as Al Salam delivered the documents to the buyer without making the payment.
11.	M/s Veer Exports	M/s Veer exported turmeric finger to the Algerian company Sarl Tamaoust Food for a value of US\$ 44 240. The payment is pending since 1 January 2024.	The matter was taken up with the buyer who informed that the payment would be made around 10 August 2024. This was conveyed to the Indian exporter.
12.	M/s Goodwill International	M/s Goodwill International had exported 2 containers of turmeric powder to the Algerian company Sarl Somidoto Import Export worth US\$ 36 826,58. The buyer did not take the goods. M/s Goodwill requested the goods to be returned to India. To complete the procedures, a re-export authorization from the Algerian Customs is required.	Necessary action was taken with the Algerian authorities.
13.	M/s Jai Radhe Sales	M/s Jai Radhe Sales had exported pharmaceutical material to the Algerian company SPA les Laboratoires Frater Razas worth US\$ 1950. Payment was not received.	The matter was taken up with the Algerian company Laboratoires Frater Razas which informed the Embassy that the payment is being processed.
14.	M/s Bhandari Agro Processing	M/s Bhandari Agro Processing Industries has exported 2 containers of	Necessary action was taken with the Algerian authorities.

		Indian raisins worth US\$ 94 505 to the Algerian company Mahdi Foods. Due to some financial issues, the buyer did not take the goods. M/s Bhandari found another buyer AB Harvest but the Algerian customs did not allow them to clear the goods as labels on boxes carry the name of Mahdi Foods.	
15.	Seadeals Exports Private Limited	The Algerian buyer did not clear the goods (turmeric powder) nor made the payment of US\$ 28 800 for the last 22 months.	Necessary action was taken with the Algerian authorities.
16.	DS Agrifoods Pvt. Ltd.,	DS Agrifoods Pvt. Ltd., dispatched a consignment of 20 containers of parboiled rice and 8 containers of basmati rice to the Algerian buyer Sarl Agro Maylis on payment terms 100% at sight. The buyer did not accept to take the goods due to the decline in market prices of rice.	The two companies are negotiating to find an amicable solution to this matter.
17.	Goldmine Multitrade Pvt. Ltd.,	Goldmine Multitrade Pvt. Ltd., exported PP/PE filler and masterbatches to the Algerian company Eurl B.S. Pack for a total value of US\$ 19 525. The buyer is not making the payment	The Embassy contacted the Algerian company and it informed that the payment would be made soon. This was informed to Goldmine Multitrade Pvt. Ltd. but no response was received.
18.	M/s Veer International	M/s Veer International exported one container of turmeric to the Algerian company Sarl Tamaoust Food valued at US\$ 44 240. The goods reached the port of Algiers on 12 December 2023 but the buyer has not made the payment yet.	Necessary action was taken with the Algerian authorities.
19.	M/s Ocean Agro Impex LLP	M/s Ocean Agro Impex LLP exported one container of turmeric to the Algerian buyer Sarl Somid Trading valued at US\$ 32 625. The buyer collected the goods on 5 January 2023 but the payment has not been received yet.	The Algerian authority informed that the goods were cleared and collected on 5 January 2023 but payment has not been made yet by the buyer. They informed that it is up to the Indian company to settle the matter as per the provisions provided for in the commercial contract or to take the matter to the court if no contract was signed between the two companies.
20.	M/s Sahyog Traders	M/s Sahyog Traders	Al Baraka Bank has sent the

		<p>exported one container of anise grains valued at US\$ 23 497.50 and one container of cumin seeds valued at US\$ 95445 in March and April 2024 to the Algerian company M/s Eurl Spice Trading on CAD basis.</p> <p>The buyer reported quality issues informing that anise grains were mouldy.</p> <p>M/s. Sahyog Traders agreed to take back the container of anise grains and refund the full payment of US\$ 23 497.50. However, the buyer did not cooperate in accepting and making payment for the cumin seeds shipment also that arrived in Algeria on July 4, 2024.</p>	<p>documents back to M/s Sahyog Traders. Goods were re-exported to India.</p>
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