

HIGH COMMISSION OF INDIA, WELLINGTON

MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2025

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) Provisiona l/ (F) Final
NZ's trade with India	\$ 39.63 mn	\$ 60.51 mn	F
NZ's total global trade	\$ 3466.38 mn	\$ 3952.25 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
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	\$ 5.99 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)
2.	8703.22.19.15 Vehicles; with only spark-ignition internal combustion reciprocating piston engine, cylinder capacity over 1000 but not over 1500cc, new motor cars, assembled	\$ 5.27 mn	436	NMB (Numeric)
3.	8472.90.09.11 Office machines; for sorting, counting, wrapping or paying out	\$ 2.97 mn	97	NMB

	coins or banknotes			(Numeric)
4.	8419.40.40.01 Distilling or rectifying plant; other than gas refinement equipment, solvent recycling plants or desalination systems; not used for domestic purposes	\$ 2.38 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)
5.	8411.91.00.00 Turbines; parts of turbo-jets and turbo-propellers	\$ 2.29 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)
6.	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	\$ 2.11 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)
7.	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 steaming or by boiling in water	\$ 1.77 mn	245900	KGM (Kilogram)
8.	8517.62.39.10 Communication apparatus; machines for reception, conversion and transmission or regeneration of voice, images or other data, n.e.c. in item no. 8517.62, telephonic	\$ 1.72 mn	206	NMB (Numeric)
9.	7102.39.00.00 Diamonds; non-industrial, (other than unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted), but not mounted or set	\$ 1.21 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)
10.	8470.50.00.00 Cash registers	\$ 0.96 mn	32	NMB (Numeric)

(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	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	\$ 7.36 mn	87054	MTQ (Cubic metres)
2	9809.00.00.00 Confidential items	\$ 5.56 mn	NA (Not	(Not Applicable)

			Applicable)	
3	7602.00.00.19 Aluminium; waste and scrap, other than used beverage cans or aluminium extrusions	\$ 4.29 mn	1960	TNE (Metric Ton)
4	3502.20.00.00 Albumins; milk albumin, including concentrates of two or more whey proteins	\$ 2.89 mn	254200	KGM (Kilogram)
5	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	\$ 2.74 mn	33400	MTQ (Cubic metres)
6	4701.00.00.01 Wood pulp; mechanical wood pulp, of softwood	\$ 2.59 mn	7280	TNE (Metric Ton)
7	8525.60.00.19 Transmission apparatus; for radio-broadcasting or television, n.e.c. in item no. 8525.60, incorporating reception apparatus, whether or not incorporating sound recording or reproducing apparatus	\$ 2.25 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)
8	7204.49.00.00 Ferrous waste and scrap; n.e.c. in heading no. 7204	\$ 2.05 mn	6695	TNE (Metric Ton)
9	5101.21.00.08 Wool; (not carded or combed), degreased, (not carbonised), shorn, exceeding 35.4 microns in fibre diameter	\$ 1.86 mn	641665	KGM (Kilogram)
10	9019.20.00.00 Therapeutic respiration apparatus; ozone, oxygen, aerosol therapy apparatus; artificial respiration or other therapeutic respiration apparatus	\$ 1.5 mn	NA (Not Applicable)	NA (Not Applicable)

(Source: Stats NZ)

(e) Potential products of imports from India

S.No.	Commodity (NZ's highest imports)	Top 10 Imports by product- September 2025 quarter
1.	Mechanical machinery	US \$ 1802.52 million
2.	Vehicles	US \$ 1343.17 million
3.	Mineral fuels & Oils	US \$ 1197.8 million
4.	Electrical machinery & equipment	US \$ 1145.47 million
5.	Optical, medical and measuring equipment	US \$ 465.16 million
6.	Plastics	US \$ 383.76 million
7.	Pharmaceuticals	US \$ 354.69 million
8.	Fertilisers	US \$ 261.65 million
9.	Aircraft	US \$ 232.58 million

10.	Furniture	US \$ 209.32 million
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(Source: Stats NZ)

A. QUALITATIVE

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1. Market Access Alerts :

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 from 1 January 2026	The annual indexation increase to excise and excise-equivalent duty rates will take place on 1 January 2026. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notices-archive/important-notices-archive-2025/new-excise-duty-rates-for-tobacco-products-from-1-january-2026			
2.	New Customs goods management levies	New regulations have been made that give effect to the Customs Goods Management Levies announced in March 2025 https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notices-archive/important-notices-archive-2025/new-customs-goods-management-levies			
3.	Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Goods) Levy rate changes from 1 January 2026	From 1 January 2026, changes to the Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Goods) Levy Regulations will result in decreased levy rates. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notices/synthetic-greenhouse-gas-goods-levy-rate-changes-from-1-january-2026			
4.	Heavy Engineering Research Levy: two new tariff codes items from 13 November 2025	From 13 November 2025, changes to Schedule 2 of the Heavy Engineering Research Levy Act 1978 (the Act) enable the Heavy Engineering Research Levy to be collected on the following tariff code items as the rate of \$20/tonne. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notices/heavy-engineering-research-levy-two-new-tariff-codes-items-from-13-november-2025			
5.	Use the official government website for completing the New Zealand Traveller Declaration	Customs would like to remind travellers that submitting a digital New Zealand Traveller Declaration is free and should be done on the official government website https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notices/use-the-official-government-website-for-completing-the-new-zealand-traveller-declaration			
6.	New GST refund processes in place	Changes to the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985 (the GST Act) were made by the Customs (Levies and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2025. Those changes came into force on 24 September 2025. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notices/new-gst-refund-processes			

		in-place
7.	Update for Working Tariff Document - 28 August 2025	The Working Tariff Document will be updated on 28 August 2025. Documents will be available for download at Working Tariff Document. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/update-for-working-tariff-document-28-august-2025
8.	New items covered by the Heavy Engineering Research Levy	New Tariff codes items have been added onto Schedule 2 of the Heavy Engineering Research Levy Act 1978. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/new-items-covered-by-the-heavy-engineering-research-levy
9.	Tariff Amendment - Agreement on Climate Change, Trade and Sustainability (ACCTS)	Summary of the changes https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/tariff-amendment-agreement-on-climate-change-trade-and-sustainability-accts
10.	New excise duty and levy rates for alcohol from 1 July 2025	New excise duty rates for alcohol from 1 July 2025 https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/new-excise-duty-and-levy-rates-for-alcohol-from-1-july-2025
11.	Updated Working Tariff Document now available	The updated Working Tariff Document, which will take effect 1 July 2025, is now available. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/updated-working-tariff-document-now-available
12.	US Tariff announcement - contacting New Zealand Customs	On 2 April (US time), US President Trump signed an Executive Order on reciprocal tariffs that means that New Zealand goods exports to the US are subject to an additional 10% tariff over current tariff rates from 5 April, 5:01 pm NZT. https://www.customs.govt.nz/about-us/news/important-notice/us-tariff-announcement---contacting-new-zealand-customs/

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"> Administrative procedures Quantity restrictions (such as quotas) Licensing requirements Data storage requirements Privacy requirements Board director requirements Procurement rules Price controls Subsidies Product labelling requirements 			

		11. Phytosanitary or technical regulations and standards. https://www.customs.govt.nz/business/tariffs/non-tariff-barriers/			
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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
		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			

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 review)	Details of products/ sectors affected (including HS codes)	Effective from	Remarks if any
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.	<p>The Mission has issued eleven business visas for travel to India for purposes including trade activities, conferences/seminars, business meetings, and other business engagements.</p>				11	No common website for importing large quantities of

			products from India.
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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	December 2025 monthly values when compared with December 2024: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goods exports rose by 15 %: US \$ 4436.2 mn (Total exports in the month) Goods imports rose by 15 %: US \$ 4378.59 mn (Total imports in the month) The monthly trade balance was a surplus of US \$ 29.95 mn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exports were up from all top trading partners. Imports were up from all top trading partners.
2.	Trade-Services	Values for September 2025 quarter: (Total) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Export to the world: US \$ 4211.51 mn Imports from the world: US \$ 5237.02 mn The quarterly trade balance US \$ 1025.51 mn (deficit) 	Values for June 2025 quarter: (India) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NZ's exports to India: US \$ 164.64 mn NZ's imports from India: US \$ 51.59 mn This represented 3.9% of all exports of total services in this time period and 1.0% of imports. For trade in total services India ranked 5 of 211 for highest export value, 17 of 210 for highest import value, and 6 of 228 for highest total trade value.
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 \$ 87.29 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			

d. Trade Queries for Imports/ Exports

Enquiry originator	Nature	Product	Action Taken
FoodBros Overseas	Export	FMCG products	List of importers and other details regarding NZ market shared.
JNY OVERSEAS	Export	Clay Tandoor	- do-
Juneja Detergent	Export	detergent powder and soap	- do-
Lurigroups	Export	Agriculture products	- do-
FoodBros Overseas	Export	FMCG products	- do-
Vishal overseas	Export	Leaf plates (table wear)	- do-
Qqumash Apparels LLP	Export	Textile fabrics	- do-
JB Corporation	Export	Zipppers	- do-
V. P. Impex	Export	Healthcare products and Dietary supplements	- do-
Juneja Detergent	Export	detergent powder and soap	- do-
Lurigroups	Export	Agriculture products	- do-
Saanvi Enterprises	Export	Disposable Plates	- do-
Global Solutions	Export	Agro Products	- do-
Tetrarays Foods	Export	Agro Products	- do-
Nilvarna Exports	Export	Essential Oils	- do-
Continental Shift	Export	Homeware	- do-
Lavish Group of Companies	Export	Tiles	- do-
Mokarram Hussain	Export	Agro Products	- do-
Fairdeal Exports Company	Export	Minerals	- do-
I.A Handicrafts	Export	Furniture, Home Décor and All Handicraft Products	- do-
Ss Surgical	Export	Medical, Healthcare Devices, Critical Injectables	- do-
Shuyani Exports	Export	Jute Supplier	- do-
Mehta EXIM	Export	Brass Parts	- do-
Sparten Granito Pvt.Ltd	Export	Glazed Vitrified Tiles and Wall Tiles	- do-
Niche Formulations	Export	Pharmaceutical Formulations	- do-
Juneja Detergent	Export	Detergent Powder and Soap	- do-

Lurigroups	Export	Agriculture Products	- do-
Foodbros Overseas	Export	Fmcg Products	- do-
Jny Overseas	Export	Clay Tandoor	- do-
Zenith Industrial Rubber Products Pvt Ltd.	Export	Rubber Products	- 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-
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-
Intel Expro India	Export	Maize Starch	- do-
Sukalp Pla Fab Granuale	Export	Plastic Tarpaulin	- do-
Korhale Global Import Export and Logistics	Export	Agricultural Products	- do-
Singnath Exports	Export	Agriculture Commodities	- do-
Aeonim Healthcare	Export	Pharmaceutical	- do-
Maruti Engineering	Export	Brass	- do-
Essence Buildware Pvt. Ltd.	Export	Tiles	- do-
Aeonim Healthcare	Export	Pharmaceutical	- do-
Yashasvi Foods Company	Export	Jaggery Products	- do-
Antrix Sanitary Ware	Export	Sanitaryware And Ceramic Tile	- do-
Spiritual Chanakya Llp	Export	Essential Oils	- do-

Ease Expo	Export	Office Products	- do-
Dayglo Colour Corporation LLP	Export	Dyestuffs & Pigments	- do-
Shri Ram Trading Company	Export	Door Accessories	- do-
Global Victus	Export	Sports Related Goods	- do-
Bengali Affairs	Export	Fiber Glass	- do-
Glorious Enterprieses	Export	Non-Basmati Rice	- do-
Shivpriya Overseas	Export	Ginger	- do-
Aiezer Global Enterprise	Export	Cotton Seed Oil Cake	- do-
Time Otc Chem	Export	Healthcare Disposables	- do-
Allies Overseas	Export	Rice	- do-
Wundik International	Export	Rice	- do-
Silverstar Overseas	Export	Cereals	- do-
Kk Internationals	Export	Coco-Peat	- do-
Chakraborty Overseas	Export	Commodities	- do-
Apex Metal Components	Export	Brass Fittings	- do-
Mrh Site Traders	Export	Food Products	- do-
BSR Foods	Export	Agricultural Products	- do-
Packing Solutions	Export	Corrugated Boxs	- do-
Mrh Site Traders	Export	Spices	- do-
Hariom Jewellers	Export	Jewellery	- do-
Divya Export	Export	Rice	- do-
Mansa Exports	Export	Oil Related Product	- do-
S V Enterprises	Export	Inorganic Salts	- do-
Indian Barrel	Export	Paper Bags	- do-
Ira Agri Exports	Export	Agricultural Products	- do-
Rdai International	Export	Agricultural Products	- do-
Abhay Pharma	Export	Pharmaceutical Products	- do-
Sevastu Global	Export	Agricultural Products	- do-
Kite Exim	Export	Spices	- do-

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)

Particulars
<p><u>Key Announcements</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> On 22 December 2025, India and New Zealand concluded a landmark FTA, eliminating or reducing tariffs on around 95% of New Zealand exports, with over half becoming duty-free from day one. The agreement delivers major gains for key goods and services sectors and is expected to significantly boost exports, jobs, and bilateral trade growth. <p><u>Signed / Agreed Bilateral Documents</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MoU on Defence Cooperation between the Ministry of Defence of India and the New Zealand Ministry of Defence. Authorized Economic Operator - Mutual Recognition Agreement (AEO-MRA) between the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs of India (CBIC) and the New Zealand Customs Service. Memorandum of Cooperation on Horticulture between the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare of India and the Ministry for Primary Industries of New Zealand. Letter of Intent on Forestry between the Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change of India and the Ministry for Primary Industries of New Zealand. Education Cooperation Agreement between the Ministry of Education of the Republic of India and the Ministry of Education of New Zealand. Memorandum of Cooperation in Sports between the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports of the Government of India and the Sport New Zealand of the Government of New Zealand

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 08 December 2025, High Commissioner met Deputy Secretary South and South East Asia Division, MFAT Mr. Grahame Morton and discussed various bilateral issues.	
2.	Trade Promotion	On 10 December 2025, Trade Minister Todd McClay travelled to New Delhi to lead the next round of ministerial-level FTA negotiations with India, following recent high-level exchanges between both countries. He noted strong momentum since PM Luxon and PM Modi launched talks in March, with McClay making seven visits to India and meeting Minister Piyush Goyal 15 times. McClay	

		stressed that without an FTA, New Zealand was losing ground to competitors like Australia and the UK, citing the collapse of NZ's lamb export share due to high tariffs. He said a comprehensive deal could generate billions in export revenue and create thousands of jobs by improving access to India's 1.4-billion-strong market. The Government aimed for an "Australia-plus" outcome while protecting New Zealand's regulatory autonomy.
3.	Trade Promotion	On 19 December 2025, High Commissioner met Ms. Annie Murray, CEO & Mr. Chris Payne, Head of Co-Production, NZ Film Commission. The discussions focussed on future collaborations including screening of Indian films, collaboration on film festivals & working together on projects under the India-NZ co-production treaty.
4.	Trade Promotion	On 22 December 2025, New Zealand and India concluded a landmark Free Trade Agreement, providing New Zealand exporters unprecedented access to India's 1.4 billion consumers. Trade and Investment Minister Todd McClay said the agreement eliminated or reduced tariffs on 95 percent of New Zealand exports, with 57 percent duty-free from day one, rising to 82 percent over time. The agreement delivered immediate gains for key sectors including sheep meat, wool, forestry, seafood, horticulture, wine, mānuka honey, and selected dairy products, while expanding services access and protecting geographical indications. The FTA was expected to support thousands of jobs, significantly lift exports, and accelerate progress toward New Zealand's goal of doubling export value over 10 years. PM Christopher Luxon also welcomed the conclusion of the India–New Zealand Free Trade Agreement, calling it a landmark achievement for New Zealand. He said the agreement was delivered just nine months after negotiations were launched with Narendra Modi, following sustained ministerial and leader-level engagement. The Prime Minister noted that tariffs were removed immediately on more than half of New Zealand's exports to India, creating major opportunities for jobs, exports, and growth.

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

BE for current financial year (Market Expansion Activities & Trade promotion & Investment budget)	RE for current financial year	Amount utilized	Details of Activity (Max.200 words)
Rs. 9,50,000/-	-	-	

7. Action taken on the previous JWG's, 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 -08 December 2025 -Wellington	On 08 December 2025, High Commissioner met Deputy Secretary South and South East Asia Division, MFAT Mr. Grahame Morton and discussed various bilateral issues.
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4.	-Trade -22 December 2025 -Wellington	On 22 December 2025, New Zealand and India concluded a landmark Free Trade Agreement, providing New Zealand exporters unprecedented access to India's 1.4 billion consumers. Trade and Investment Minister Todd McClay said the agreement eliminated or reduced tariffs on 95 percent of New Zealand exports, with 57 percent duty-free from day one, rising to 82 percent over time. The agreement delivered immediate gains for key sectors including sheep meat, wool, forestry, seafood, horticulture, wine, mānuka honey, and selected dairy products, while expanding services access and protecting geographical indications. The FTA was expected to support thousands of jobs, significantly lift exports, and accelerate progress toward New Zealand's goal of doubling export value over 10 years. PM Christopher Luxon also welcomed the conclusion of the India–New Zealand Free Trade Agreement, calling it a landmark achievement for New Zealand. He said the agreement was delivered just nine months after negotiations were launched with Narendra Modi, following sustained ministerial and leader-level engagement. The Prime Minister noted that tariffs were removed immediately on more than half of New Zealand's exports to India, creating major opportunities for jobs, exports, and growth.

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.

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.	Particulars (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.
