

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2651**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2023

**IMPORT OF FINISHED PLASTIC GOODS**

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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:-

- a. whether it is true that a large quantity of finished plastic goods have been imported in the country;
- b. If so give details thereof indicating the quantum of imports made during the last three years, year-wise;
- c. whether the government has received any representation to curb the import of plastic goods in the country;
- d. if so, the details thereof;
- e. whether the Government has received any proposal to increase import duty on finished plastic goods in the country; and
- f. if so, the details thereof along with the response of the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)

- (a) Yes, a large quantity of finished plastic goods have been imported in the country.
- (b) The imports of plastic articles during the last three years, year-wise are as under:  
(Import Value in Rs.Cr)

S No.	Description (HS Code)	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
1.	Mono filament (3916)	385	640	846
2.	Tubes, pipes, hoses (3917)	1372	1924	2165

3.	Floor coverings of plastics (3918)	292	405	552
4.	Self adhesive plates, sheets, film, foil and strip (3919)	2814	3552	4390
5.	Other plates, sheets, film, foil and strip non cellular and not reinforced (3920)	788	12436	14454
6.	Other plates, sheets, film, foil and strip of plastics (3921)	2780	3846	4287
7.	Baths, Shower Baths, sinks and other sanitary ware (3922)	421	736	773
8.	Packing goods of plastics (3923)	2067	2854	2900
9.	Tableware, Kitchenware, other household and toilet articles (3924)	310	424	514
10.	Builders' ware of plastics (3925)	529	624	578
11.	Other articles of plastics (3926)	7024	8934	9474
	<b>Total</b>	<b>25882</b>	<b>36376</b>	<b>40933</b>

Source: trade stat, commerce.gov.in

(c) & (d) The representations were received from All India Plastics Manufacturers Association (AIPMA), Organization of Plastics Processors of India (OPPI), Plastindia Foundation and Plexconcil requesting an increase in basic customs duty on finished plastic products from 10-15 % to 25%. The finished plastic goods attract a 10-15% BCD (Basic Customs Duty) + 10% Social Welfare Surcharge Cess (SWS) on BCD + 12/18% IGST.

(e) & (f) The proposal for increase in import duty on finished plastic goods was examined as part of Union Budget 2023-24 and it was decided not to make changes to the rate.

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