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20th May-2026**

Export

**ITCHS 2401 – Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco
Refuse**

Import

**ITCHS 7402 – Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes
for Electrolytic Refining**

Commodity EXIM Report

DGCI & S, I T J Division

The weekly EXIM Report published by ITJ Division of DGCI&S, Kolkata presents some basic insights into India's export and import trade patterns with respect to selected set of commodities identified each week to facilitate preliminary commodity group/sector specific analysis for informed trade decision making.

2. For both categories of trades, one commodity group is chosen from the entire ITC-HS 4-digit Classification (latest being 2024 classification system). The Indian Trade Classification based on Harmonized System has been adopted in India for Export and Import Operations. While India specific data has been sourced from DGCI&S, M/o Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India database, global export-import data of exactly those set of commodities have been sourced from UN-COMTRADE Database.

3. As regards the time-period, this report outlines trade statistics over a period of four years, i.e., 2021 to 2024. The latest finalized data available on the UN Comtrade Database is only up to year 2024 (Calendar Year) and on the DGCI&S Database up to March-2026. So, for each commodity group dealt in this report, trends from 2021 to 2024 have been showcased where data has been sourced from UN Comtrade and from DGCI&S database.

4. In the instant report [3rd weekly Commodity Exim Report of May-2026, dated 20th May 2026] the following two commodities have been dealt with.

Export: Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse [ITCHS Code-2401]: In FY 2024-25, this commodity group had 0.34% share in India's total Export value basket as per Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India data base. India had occupied the 2nd slot in export of this commodity (1373.19 million USD) with 10.68% share of total global exports in the year 2024 as per UN Comtrade data sources.

Import: Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining [ITCHS Code-7402]: In FY 2024-25, this commodity group had share of 0.34% in India's total Import value basket as per Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India data base. India having 12.24% share of total global imports of this commodity (2171.32 million USD) occupied the 2nd slot in the world in 2024 as per UN Comtrade data sources.

EXPORT

Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse classified as H.S. Code – 2401 falls under Chapter -24 (Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes; products, whether or not containing nicotine, intended for inhalation without combustion; other nicotine containing products intended for the intake of nicotine into the human body) of Section IV (Prepared Foodstuffs; Beverages, Spirits and Vinegar; Tobacco and manufactured Tobacco Substitutes; Products, whether or not containing Nicotine, Intended for Inhalation without combustion; other Nicotine containing products intended for the intake of Nicotine into the human body) of ITC-HS classification. India is engaged in the process of exporting this commodity and in FY 2024-25, this commodity group had 0.34% share in India’s total Export value basket as per Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India data base.

Table – 1

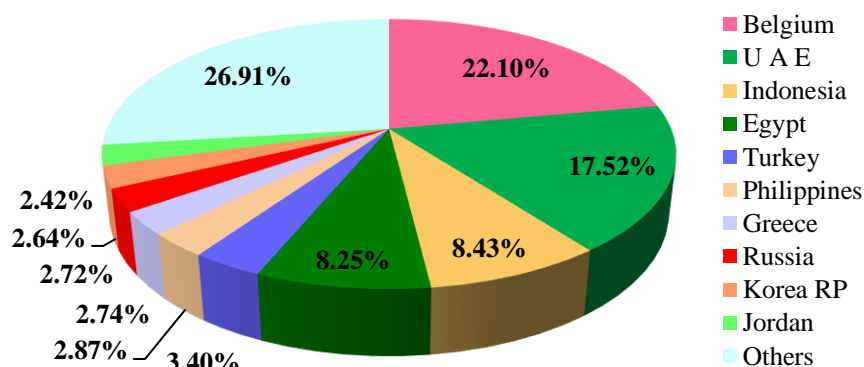
India’s Top 10 destination of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse (HS Code 2401)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Belgium	152.24	27.42	254.69	31.42	277.00	28.63	307.89	22.10
2.	U A E	28.33	5.10	36.73	4.53	112.61	11.64	244.13	17.52
3.	Indonesia	28.15	5.07	29.56	3.65	75.63	7.82	117.45	8.43
4.	Egypt	35.83	6.45	24.86	3.07	34.90	3.61	114.96	8.25
5.	Turkey	8.83	1.59	25.48	3.14	24.62	2.54	47.42	3.40
6.	Philippines	28.01	5.04	48.42	5.97	26.29	2.72	39.94	2.87
7.	Greece	0.50	0.09	8.76	1.08	13.82	1.43	38.10	2.74
8.	Russia	19.84	3.57	64.43	7.95	68.54	7.08	37.87	2.72
9.	Korea RP	25.09	4.52	35.81	4.42	35.63	3.68	36.76	2.64
10.	Jordan	4.01	0.72	15.41	1.90	17.88	1.85	33.65	2.42
	Others	224.44	40.42	266.57	32.88	280.68	29.01	374.90	26.91
	Total	555.27	100	810.72	100	967.61	100	1393.07	100

Source: DGCI&S, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India’s Export includes re-export also

India’s top 10 export destinations of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse by percentage share in 2024



The export of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse from India have shown a steep rise in 2024 after the considerable increase in 2023. The total exports of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse increased by 43.97% in 2024 over the previous year. For, the period under review, exports of this segment were at US\$ 555.27 in 2021 followed by a continuous steady rise till 2024. India’s Exports of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse to Belgium was US\$ 307.89 million during 2024 and Belgium held the top position as an export destination in this segment from India with 22.10% share of India’s total export followed by UAE (US\$ 244.13 million) and Indonesia (US\$

117.45 million) to where India exported around 17.52% and 8.43% share of total export of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse respectively in 2024. Belgium has persistently been leading consumer of the products in this segment.

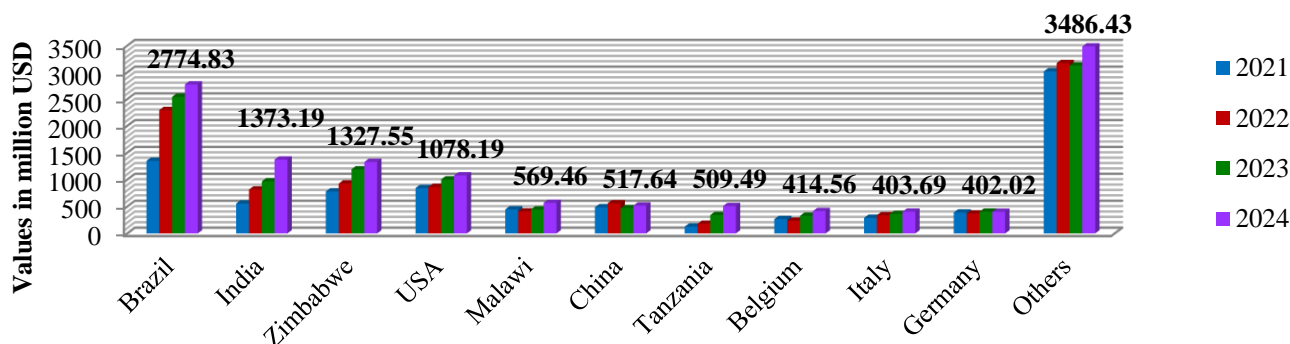
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World's Top 10 exporters of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse (HS Code 2401)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Brazil	1349.30	15.77	2295.54	22.58	2543.78	22.74	2774.83	21.58
2.	India	555.08	6.49	815.93	8.03	968.67	8.66	1373.19	10.68
3.	Zimbabwe	780.53	9.12	926.08	9.11	1190.96	10.65	1327.55	10.33
4.	USA	843.40	9.86	863.88	8.50	1003.61	8.97	1078.19	8.39
5.	Malawi	447.41	5.23	407.58	4.01	447.22	4.00	569.46	4.43
6.	China	486.56	5.69	560.74	5.52	469.69	4.20	517.64	4.03
7.	Tanzania	127.50	1.49	178.52	1.76	340.49	3.04	509.49	3.96
8.	Belgium	267.18	3.12	236.66	2.33	327.28	2.93	414.56	3.22
9.	Italy	290.67	3.40	337.30	3.32	361.17	3.23	403.69	3.14
10.	Germany	388.93	4.55	369.90	3.64	404.11	3.61	402.02	3.13
	Others	3018.40	35.28	3173.38	31.22	3127.89	27.97	3486.43	27.12
	Total	8554.97	100	10165.51	100	11184.86	100	12857.04	100

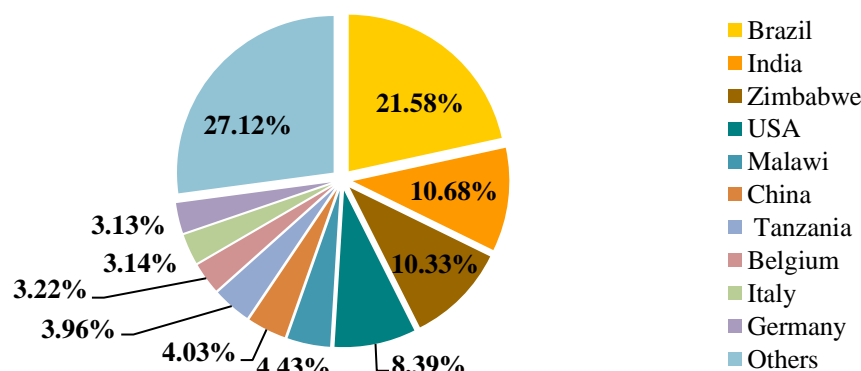
Source: UN Comtrade

Leading Exporters of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse globally from 2021 to 2024

(Data labels signified for 2024)



World's 10 leading exporters of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse by Percentage share in 2024



In 2024, the global trade of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse, reached US\$ 12857.04 million, a 14.95% increase from 2023's figure of US\$ 11184.86 million. In 2024 a significant portion of global exports for Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse were from Brazil (US\$ 2774.83 million), accounting for 21.58% share and **India** (exporting goods worth a total of US\$ 1373.19 million) with a share of 10.68% stood at 2nd position followed by Zimbabwe (US\$ 1327.55 million)

with 10.33% share globally. These three countries occupied the top three slots in the world export of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse in 2024. Global export value in this segment had continuously positive trend till 2024.

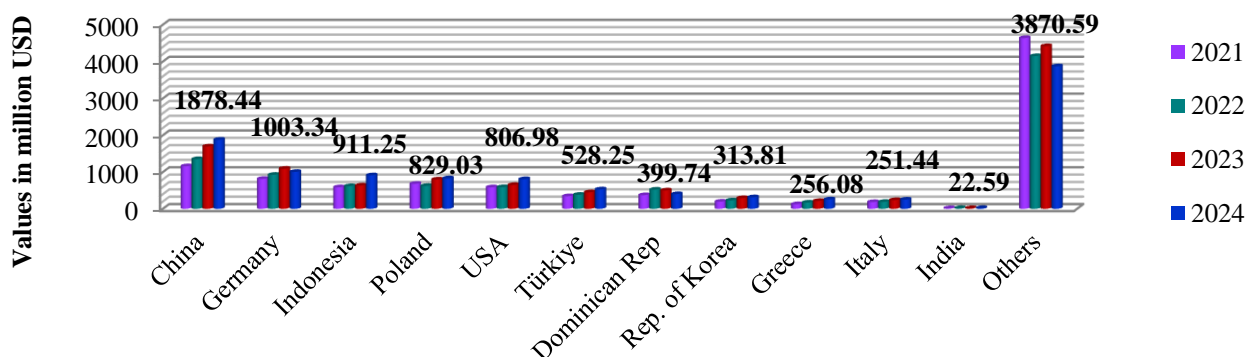
Table – 3
World's top 10 Importers of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse (HS Code 2401)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million \$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	China	1157.74	11.94	1351.16	13.84	1695.50	15.42	1878.44	16.97
2.	Germany	813.69	8.39	925.05	9.48	1091.30	9.93	1003.34	9.06
3.	Indonesia	586.68	6.05	617.12	6.32	633.16	5.76	911.25	8.23
4.	Poland	680.05	7.02	622.02	6.37	797.26	7.25	829.03	7.49
5.	USA	585.52	6.04	589.19	6.03	648.76	5.90	806.98	7.29
6.	Türkiye	342.04	3.53	381.94	3.91	449.90	4.09	528.25	4.77
7.	Dominican Rep	371.22	3.83	521.76	5.34	499.58	4.54	399.74	3.61
8.	Rep. of Korea	193.99	2.00	227.71	2.33	291.23	2.65	313.81	2.83
9.	Greece	125.50	1.29	170.04	1.74	212.84	1.94	256.08	2.31
10.	Italy	183.78	1.90	188.26	1.93	236.92	2.16	251.44	2.27
51.	India	17.00	0.18	20.83	0.21	18.69	0.17	22.59	0.20
	Others	4635.95	47.83	4147.96	42.49	4417.38	40.19	3870.59	34.96
	Total	9693.17	100	9763.04	100	10992.52	100	11071.54	100

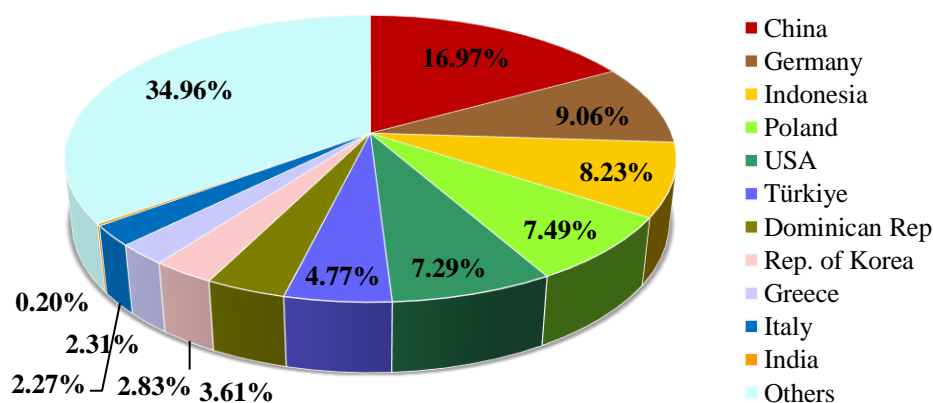
Source: UN Comtrade

Top 10 importers of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse from 2021 to 2024

Data labels signified for 2024



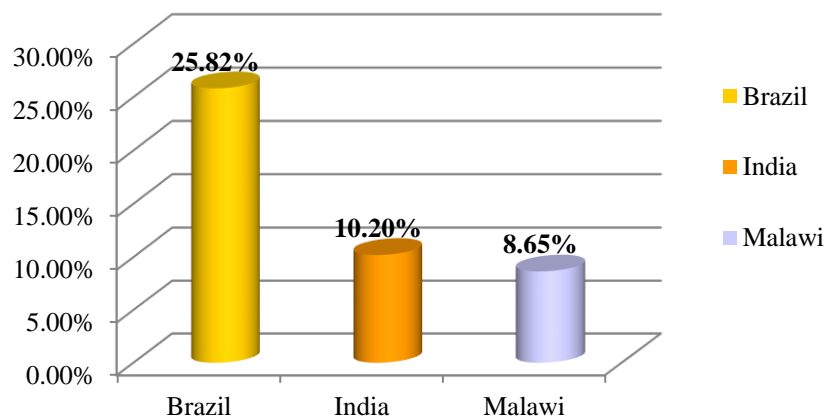
World's 10 leading importers of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco (Percentage share in 2024)



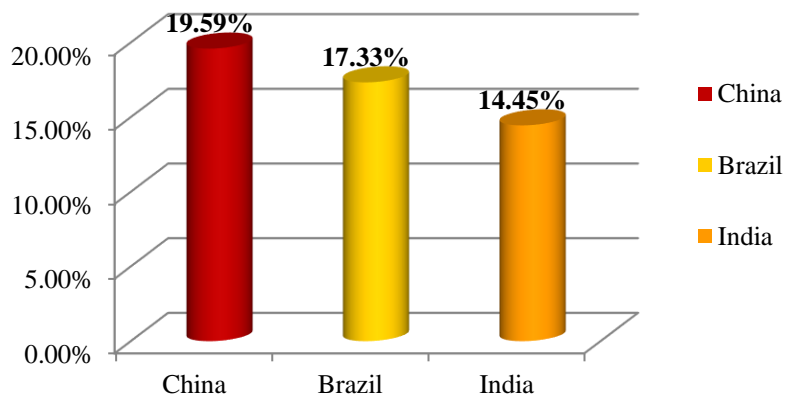
In 2024, the total import value of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse is US\$ 11071.54 million, registering a growth of 0.72% over the last year. The lead importers in this segment in 2024 have been China (16.97%), Germany (9.06%), and Indonesia (8.23%). **India** with a share of only 0.20% in this category, stood at 51st position globally. Over the period under review the Global imports in this segment had continuously increased till 2024.

As per UN Comtrade data base, the top 3 importers of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse globally were **China, Germany and Indonesia**. Out of these three countries, China had no import trade from India in this segment in 2024. Germany and Indonesia imported 10.20% and 14.45% of their total imports of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse from India in 2024 which are presented below.

(i) Top 3 supplier nations of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse to Germany in 2024 (percentage share)



(ii) Top 3 supplier nations of Unmanufactured Tobacco; Tobacco Refuse to Indonesia in 2024 (percentage share)



IMPORT

Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining [ITCHS Code-7402] falls under Chapter -74 (Copper and articles thereof) of Section – XV (Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal) of ITC-HS Classification. India is engaged in the process of importing this commodity and in FY 2024-25, this commodity group had share of 0.34% in India's total Import value basket as per Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India data base.

Table – 4

India's top 10 sources of imports of Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining (HS Code – 7402)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Tanzania	770.98	44.80	1207.52	58.64	856.05	42.62	1359.39	61.66
2.	Chile	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	197.60	9.84	424.85	19.27
3.	Namibia	23.35	1.36	0.00	0.00	243.86	12.14	137.24	6.23
4.	Sweden	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	82.80	3.76
5.	South Africa	693.94	40.32	669.36	32.51	445.43	22.17	71.92	3.26
6.	Mozambique	184.69	10.73	177.23	8.61	194.16	9.67	54.48	2.47
7.	Georgia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52.10	2.36
8.	Philippines	42.25	2.45	0.00	0.00	62.36	3.10	13.71	0.62
9.	Portugal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.93	0.27
10.	Thailand	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.67	0.08
	Others	5.76	0.33	5.07	0.25	9.28	0.46	0.45	0.02
	Total	1720.96	100	2059.18	100	2008.75	100	2204.54	100

Source: DGCI&S, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India's Import includes re-import also

In 2024, India's import of Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining reached US\$ 2204.54 million, reflecting a 9.74% increase from 2023, when imports were US\$ 2008.75 million. From 2021, imports in this category to India has been rising till 2022 and in 2023 it showed little decline and it has again increased in 2024. Tanzania tops the list with US\$ 1359.39 million worth of Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining supplied to India, which equates to a 61.66% share of India's total Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining import in 2024. Chile and Namibia with 19.27% and 6.23% share accounted for second and third position in terms of import partners of India in this segment.

Table – 5
World’s Top 10 Importers of Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining (HS Code – 7402)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	China	8573.75	57.75	10333.52	59.32	8418.06	56.37	8370.36	47.19
2.	India	1721.08	11.59	2057.62	11.81	2009.00	13.45	2171.32	12.24
3.	Belgium	1690.18	11.39	1726.50	9.91	1822.14	12.20	1753.78	9.89
4.	Germany	304.28	2.05	1002.46	5.75	66.71	0.45	1491.37	8.41
5.	Canada	697.88	4.70	1306.09	7.50	1276.75	8.55	1310.99	7.39
6.	Austria	549.71	3.70	263.68	1.51	216.31	1.45	554.60	3.13
7.	Finland	0.13	0.00	0.09	0.00	305.27	2.04	482.56	2.72
8.	Kazakhstan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	109.69	0.73	384.68	2.17
9.	Rep. of Korea	526.67	3.55	387.43	2.22	385.37	2.58	334.66	1.89
10.	Australia	51.57	0.35	13.15	0.08	56.13	0.38	216.83	1.22
	Others	730.28	4.92	329.24	1.89	267.77	1.79	668.28	3.77
	Total	14845.53	100	17419.78	100	14933.22	100	17739.43	100

Source: UN Comtrade

In 2024, the global trade of Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining, reached US\$ 17739.43 million. This represents 18.79% increase from 2023, when global imports were US\$ 14933.22 million. Globally, **India** was the 2nd largest importer of Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining in 2024, accounting for nearly 12.24% of Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining imports worldwide based on value followed by Belgium with 9.89% share globally. The lead importer in this segment in 2024 was China, which imported 47.19% share of global imports of Unrefined Copper; Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining.
