

April exports up 9% to \$38.49 b

Trade deficit widens to 5-month high of \$26.42 b

PTI, NEW DELHI: India's exports rose by 9.03% to \$38.49 billion in April on healthy growth in sectors such as electronics and engineering goods, while the trade deficit widened to a five-month high of \$26.42 billion.

According to the commerce ministry data released on Thursday, imports increased by 19.12% year-on-year to \$64.91 billion in April due to a rise in shipments of crude oil and fertiliser.

The spurt in imports widened the trade deficit – the difference between the value of imports and exports – to the highest since November 2024 when it was recorded at \$31.77 billion.

The sectors which recorded export growth during the month included tobacco, coffee, marine products, tea, ready-made garments of all textiles, rice, gems and jewellery, spices, petroleum products

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and pharmaceuticals.

The outbound shipments of electronics and engineering goods rose by 39.51% and 11.28% to \$3.69 billion and \$9.51 billion, respectively.

Crude oil imports in April rose by 25.6% to \$20.7 billion while gold imports were up by 4.86% to \$3.09 billion.

Commenting on the data, Commerce Secretary Sunil Barthwal said, "I hope India will maintain this export momentum and it should be a good year for us" despite global uncertainties.

"We have opened this year with a bang," he told reporters here adding exporters have achieved resiliency in their businesses.

The secretary also said that the strategy to focus on 20 countries and six

commodities is yielding positive results and the commerce ministry will continue to focus on this.

He added that many free trade agreements are going to be concluded soon.

According to the data, the estimated value of services exports for April 2025 was \$35.31 billion compared to \$30.18 Billion in April 2024.

The estimated value of services imports for April 2025 was \$17.54 billion as compared to \$16.76 billion in April 2024.

Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC) Secretary General Mithileshwar Thakur said India's apparel

exports grew by 14.43% despite ongoing global economic challenges, currency fluctuations and the uncertainty surrounding US reciprocal tariff policy.

India-US trade agreement talks progressing 'very' well: Comm Secy

PTI, NEW DELHI: Negotiations for the proposed bilateral trade agreement between India and the US are progressing "very" well and a team will soon be leaving for Washington to further give an impetus to the talks, a top government official said on Thursday.

Commerce Secretary Sunil Barthwal said that an Indian team will be going to Washington for further discussions.

Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal will lead the team of senior Indian officials to Washington for discussions, starting May 17, with their US counterparts on the agreement.

He will hold meetings with US Trade Representative (USTR) Jamieson Greer and US Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick during his visit.

While Goyal will be in Washington from May 17-20, India's chief negotiator Rajesh Agrawal will hold the deliberations with his US counterpart from May 19-22.

April unemployment rate at 5.1%

PTI, NEW DELHI: The rate of unemployment in the country, measured in monthly term for the first time, stood at 5.1% in April this year, showed the government data released on Thursday.

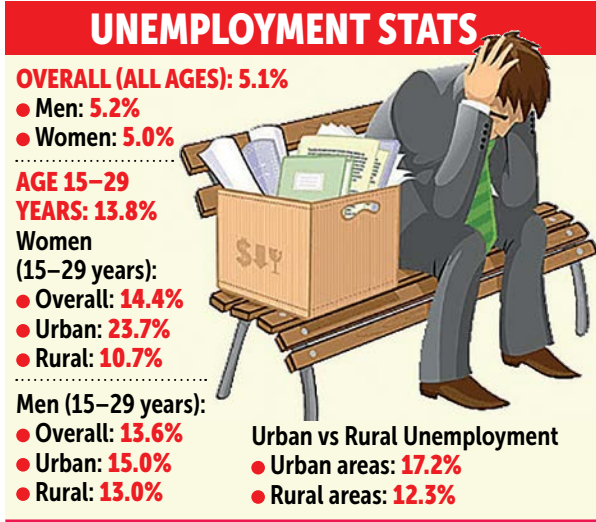
The Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation released the first monthly Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) as part of efforts to monitor the proportion of unemployed people among those eligible for jobs in the country in real time.

GOVT'S MONTHLY DATA

Until now, the labour force survey was released on a quarterly as well as annual basis.

The latest data collected in current weekly status (CWS) showed that unemployment rate for persons of all ages during April 2025 worked out to be 5.1% in April 2025. The pace of joblessness among men stayed slightly higher at 5.2% compared to that of women at 5%.

Joblessness among those in the age group of 15-29 was 13.8% across the country. The rate of unemployment



ment in urban areas stood at 17.2%, while it was 12.3% in rural areas.

CWS refers to the activity status determined on the basis of a reference period of last 7 days preceding the date of survey.

The study further showed that unemployment rate (UR) among women in the age group of 15-29 was 14.4 across the country (rural+urban), while it was 23.7 in cities and 10.7% in villages.

Joblessness among men aged 15-29 years was recorded at 13.6% in the country, while it was 15% in cities and 13% in villages.

The data also showed

that Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) among people aged 15 years and above was 55.6% during April 2025.

The participation rate in rural areas was 58.0% while it was 50.7% in urban areas.

LFPR among males aged 15 years and above in rural and urban areas were 79.0% and 75.3%, respectively.

Among females aged 15 years and above, the rate of labour force participation was 38.2% for rural areas during April 2025.

LFPR refers to the percentage of persons in labour force (i.e. working or seeking or available for

work) in the population.

Worker Population Ratio (WPR) defines the proportion of those who are employed among total population.

WPR in rural areas among those aged 15 years and above was 55.4% in April, the data showed.

The ratio in urban areas was 47.4%, while the overall WPR at the national level was recorded at 52.8% last month.

WPR among females aged 15 years and above in rural and urban areas were 36.8% and 23.5% respectively. The overall female WPR of the same age group at the country level was 32.5%.

Considering the need for high-frequency labour force indicators with enhanced coverage, the sampling methodology of PLFS has been revamped from January 2025.

Across the country, a total of 7,511 first-stage sampling units have been surveyed during April 2025.

The number of households surveyed was 89,434 (49,323 in rural areas and 40,111 in urban areas) and number of persons surveyed was 3,80,838 (2,17,483 in rural areas and 1,63,355 in urban areas).

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Wanted Ambulance Driver for Borkar Multispecialty Hospital, Abade faria road Margao-Goa. Free food and accommodation will be provided in addition to salary Contact: 7448094626/ 9561932487

2025013791

Sales Girl part time / full time wanted for Shop in Fatorda. Contact: 9325518688

2025013804

Urgently looking for receptionist boy or girl for a store in panjim Call : 8411027042.

2025013805

Om fast food Quepem Wanted kitchen helper, Dish washer & Chinese Cook contact 9075631712 / 9834592117

2025013808

Required for a hotel : Stewards . Contact : 8329355698 (timing 9 am to 6pm) or whatsapp

2025013811

Wanted Goan Cook, Dishwasher, kitchen helpers. Food and accommodation provided in North Goa. 9890422440.

2025013816

Vacancy for Drivers for private vehicles on shift basis at Margao (South Goa). Retired individuals are also welcome to apply. Contact 9922922162.

2025013818

Wanted Driver- Experienced LMV Driver, staying in & around Margao, valid license, having two wheeler, age above 40yrs, polite demeanour preferred. Send biodata & Aadhar card on email- sanoxypoy@gmail.com or WhatsApp to 9699272850

2025013819

Wanted Full time Female Cook (morning, afternoon, evening) for a Residence in TALEIGAO. Timings: 9am to 9pm. Salary: 25,000. Food & Restroom provided. Contact: 9823060393. 9552009393.

2025013823

Wanted Dishwasher/ waiter for Bar Restaurant in Ribandar food accommodations provided call 9822102472

2025013832

Need Back Office Accounting Associate for night shift. Requirements: Fluent in English speaking over the phone. Basic computer skills necessary. (Microsoft office & email writing) Hours 8.00pm to 3.00am. Pay starts from 18K. email: bkoffice2019@gmail.com and aparna.raut1971@gmail.com Address: Raia- Santimol.

2025013837

Wanted experienced Tandoor Cook for restaurant at Candolim. Salary 28k plus free food and accommodation. Contact: 9021134611

2025013841

Wanted Waiters, Dish Washers, Kitchen Helper, Tandoiri Cook Required for a Restaurant in Margao, Food and Accommodations available. 8605016391

2025013846

Wanted urgently all-rounder cook, waiters and cashier for a bar and restaurant in fatorda margao 7499224898

2025013847

Wanted a sales girl and boy for a jewellery store in mapusa. Experience in same field will be preferred. Contact no: 9764215087/ 8830109162

2025013895

Wanted Driver for Taxi Service in Panjim, Goa. Contact: +91 8605007400

2025013900

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Office Peon/ Drivers/ 12th Pass Candidates/ B.Com Graduates Accounts/ Computer Technicians/ CCTV Technicians. Walk In Interview on Friday 16.05.2025 10.00 a.m to 5.00 p.m. Shilpa Computers, Next to Popular High School, Margao- Goa 0832 2706262 Email: siddharthnaki1977@gmail.com (WhatsApp CV on 9422059762)

2025013907

Wanted experienced Driver urgently, of Goan origin, resident of Panjim and surrounding area. Contact – 9175462754, 7028715764

2025013909

Wanted an Optometrist for Eye Clinic in Margao. Whatsapp your CV to 9371834012

2025013915

Wanted Architectural Assistant / Draftsman / Civil Engineer to prepare plans for Margao Office. Contact: 9623770612

2025013916

Hiring for a Restaurant in varca Waiter should have good English communication and experience Weekly off provided with alternative break Contact 7972257453; 8554052904

2025013922

We are Hiring Accountant having Minimum 6 Months Experience in accounts. Interested Candidate can mail their CV on Below Email Id. digicomtrainingacademy@gmail.com

2025013923

Work from home/ Additional Income Job opportunity for 10th pass above in Financial Sector Call-Whatspp 8310140135

2025013935

Require a Driver Location : Margao Contact : 8010954515

2025013936

Require a Driver Location: Margao Contact: 8010954515Job opening for the post of Civil Engineer for Billing & Estimation preferably females. Education: Diploma/ Degree in Civil Engineering Experience: Min. 1 year Location: South Goa Kindly Whatsapp your CV on 8010954515

2025013938

Job opening for the post of Site Supervisor (construction) Education: 10th pass Location: South Goa Two wheeler license a must. Kindly Whatsapp your CV on 8010954515

2025013939

Wanted Site Engineer / Site Supervisor for a residential project in Margao. Contact: +919404435945.

2025013940

Wanted waiters, Allrounder cooks, Receptionist in utorda Goa 9048299100

2025013943

Urgently required for 7 Star hotel in Dubai Waiters bell boy kitchen helper cashiers billing clerk Contact on WhatsApp number 8806761023.

2025013948

Require Front Office Associate (Male/Female) for Resort in Salcete, South Goa. Candidate should be minimum HSSC or Graduate. Can be a fresher or experienced and able to work in Shifts. Interested candidate can Whatsapp CV / Call on 8550998280.

2025013949

Looking for driver for Tata 207/ ace or similar vehicles in Cuncolim IDC. He should be willing to handle the outdoor sales of chilled water jars. Contact- 9763820508 / 7020626533

2025013952

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Wanted Accounts Assistant for office in Margao. Candidates in & around Margao preferred. Contact: 7350680835

2025013954

Wanted Immediately Service advisors- 3 no, floor incharge- 1no, for two wheeler service centre at borda, Margao, and at ponda Contact no. 8087073756

2025013974

Wanted for Liquor Supermarket / Wineshop in Margao Store incharge /Salesboys. Call whatsapp 9326103411

2025013991

Teacher Vacancy for Grade 1st to 8th *Subjects- * English, Math, Science, Social studies B.A/ B.S.C D. ed, *B.Sc/ M.S.C B.ed, with /without experience can APPLY.Attractive Salary Accommodation Provided School location New Swami Samarth English SchoolSant Aabadev Maharaj Marg, Shirur Kasar Taluka- Shirur Kasar District-Beed MaharashtraEmail Id:- Send your resume to nsse99999@gmail.c o m 7 0 2 0 2 3 0 3 3 5 / 9421349999

2025014013

Wanted for family bar n restaurant in Margao Goan cook salary 30 to 35k, minimum 10 years experience. And four wheeler driver having professional licence. Contact: 7887456676

2025014019

Wanted 24 hours Live In House Maid for a Doctor's small family at Old Goa. Call 9970177962

2025014023

Female Tutor, to teach all subjects Class VII, VIII urgently wanted. (9.30 -6.30 -HSSC). Honest, Hardworking, Dedicated Females Call 9067206967 (Borda- Margao).

2025014025

Vacancy Male/ Female required for accounting job, having full Tally knowledge, job area verna Industrial area Contact+91 9823555870, +91 9637222959

2025014029

Urgently required IT/ Diploma Electrician and AC Technician for South and North Goa Five star hotel. Contact 9225900481

2025014030

Wanted One Female Trained Under Graduate Teacher (B.E.d) to Teach Maths& Science with Computer Knowledge in the Secondary Section on Contract basis. Candidates should submit hand-written application with photo & relevant documents by 24-05-2025, 10.00 a.m at St. Mary of the Angels Convent High School, Chinchinim.

2025014031

Wanted One Female Trained Under Graduate Teacher (B.E.d) to Teach English, Social Science with Computer Knowledge in the Secondary Section till the end of Academic year 2025-26 on Contract basis. Candidates should submit hand-written application with photo & relevant documents by 24-05-2025, 10.00 a.m at St. Mary of the Angels Convent Chinchinim.

2025014032

Wanted One Female Trained Under Graduate Teacher (B.E.d) English & Social Science with IDA subject, Computer Knowledge to teach in the Secondary Section till the end of Academic year 2025-26 on Contract basis. Candidates should submit hand- written application with photo & relevant documents by 24-05-2025, 10.00 a.m at St. Mary of the Angels Convent High School, Chinchinim

2025014033

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Wanted One Female Primary Teacher with D.El.Ed for Child Care Leave of 180 days on Contract basis. Candidates should submit hand-written application with photo & relevant documents by 24-05-2025, 10.00 a.m at St. Mary of the Angels Convent High School, Chinchinim.

2025014034

Wanted One L.D.C. with Computer Knowledge on Contract basis. Candidates should submit hand-written application with photo & relevant documents by 24-05-2025, 10.00 a.m at St. Mary of the Angels Convent High School, Chinchinim.

2025014035

Wanted One Special Educator on Contract Basis. Candidates should submit hand-written application with photo & relevant documents by 24-05-2025, 10.00 Angels Convent a.m at St. Mary of the Angels Convent High School, Chinchinim.

2025014036

Wanted Accounts Assistant For a Tax Consultant St.linez- Panaji .B.Com With Knowledge of Tally. Freshers may also apply. Contact -9890219115

2025014040

Wanted an LDC on Contract basis till the end of the academic year (April 2026). Applications along with all the testimonials to be sent by 22/05/2025 to Our Lady of Remedies High School, Nerul- Bardez, Goa.

2025014046

Wanted a trained teacher to teach in the Pre-Primary at Our Lady of Remedies High School Nerul, Bardez, Goa. Candidates may send their applications and other testimonials by 22/05/2025.

2025014047

Opportunity to earn 6 digit income, rewards and recognitions (within Government Regulations) location South Goa. Call 9022780694 to schedule interview.

2025014048

Wanted Housemaid in an around Benaulim, Fulltime from 1st of June. Contact 7767025378

2025014049

Wanted Beautician in Navelim, candidate must have basic understanding of Beauty Techniques, Products, Strong Communications, Marketing Skills. (Freshers May Apply) 7796691011

2025014051

Wanted one Primary Teacher, XII/D.El.Ed., TETC contact basis from 04/05/25- 29/10/25. Candidates as per Govt. Recruitment Rules, Attend interview on 23/05/2025 at 08:30 am, with application, testimonials, employment card, original, photocopies in Pope John XXIII Primary School, Quepem

2025014052

Join Our Team at Café de Coelho! We're hiring a full-time female with cooking experience. Position Details:- Location: Café de Coelho, Gogol, Margao- full time- timings shift 1: 11 am- 9 pm- timings shift 2: 3pm- 9pm For more Details Call ☎+918999605994

2025014053

Wanted driver with 5 years LMV license, Area in and around Donapaula, Taliegao, Panaji. Contact: 8999735371, 0832-2423001

2025014055

Wanted a female maid for a Hindu family in Fatorda, Margao on urgent basis plz contact Adi 9112281070 Payment will b discussed on call

2025014056

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Vacancy for a Waiter Kitchen Helper & Dish Washer for a restaurant in Curchorem, Goa. Good Salary, Food & Stay provided. Call 9822120033

2025014067

Wanted all rounder chef/ continental chef, salary: 25000+ and Kitchen helper Salary: 17000+ to work for Hotel in Donapaula. Salary: 25,000+ contact: 8806448765

2025014071

Wanted Receptionist to work for small hotel in Donapaula. Freshers Welcome. Salary: 17000+ Contact: 8806448765.

2025014072

Wanted Operations and Marketing Executive. Attractive Incentives. Male candidates apply. Interidegoa@gmail.com / 9699953561.

2025014076

Wanted P.E. Teacher (B. PED) on Contract basis for the academic year 2025-2026. Walk in with original Testimonials and valid Employment Exchange Card on 26/05/2025 at 9 am at Regina Mundi School, Chicalim.

2025014077

Wanted L.D.C. (XII, Computers) on Contract basis for the academic year 2025-2026. Walk in with original Testimonials and valid Employment Exchange Card on 23/05/2025 at 9 am at Regina Mundi School, Chicalim.

2025014078

Require Female Billing Staff with Computer knowledge for medical distributor Margao. Staff must have Konkani knowledge. In and around Margao Preferred. Call 9970817543

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Jasminn hotel, Betalbatim South Goa is looking for the below position: Front Office Manager/Supervisor, Sr. Front Office Associate & Ast F&B Manager Local would be preferred) WhatsApp Us: +91 95791 26309 Email us: hrd@jasminn.in

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