

Monthly report – Trade in Goods & Qualitative
Name of Mission (Country): Bahrain
October 2025

A. Trade in Goods

a) Total trade in goods (non-oil) during

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	Export (US \$ Million)	Import (US \$ Million)	Status Provisional (P) / Final (F)
Country's Trade with India	31.42 (Cumulative during Jan-Oct: 321.02)	52.65 (Cumulative during Jan-Oct: 660.71)	P
Country total global trade	841.95 (Cumulative during Jan-Oct: 9015.93)	1383.44 (Cumulative during Jan-Oct: 13505.34)	P

Source : Information & e Government Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain

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)
-	Nil	NA	NA

(Source: Customs/National Trade Statistics of reporting country)

S. No.	Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India	Preferential Exports to India (US\$ million)	Preferential Exports to World (US\$ million)
-	Nil	NA	NA

(Source: based on Certificate of Origin issued by reporting country)

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c) Top 10 items of Import from India during

S No	Commodity (8 Digit HS code)	Value (US \$ million)	Quantity	Unit of Measurement	% share in the total import of the commodity
1	OTHER BONELESS MEAT OF BOVINE ANIMALS, FROZEN 02023090	2.98	671990	KG	81
2	SEMI-MILLED OR WHOLLY MILLED RICE, WHETHER OR NOT POLISHED OR GLAZED 10063000	2.81	3304495.415	KG	74
3	TUBES, PIPES AND HOLLOW PROFILES, OF CAST IRON 73030000	2.72	4160065.572	KG	88

4	JEWELLERY OF GOLD 71131910	2.21	16009	G	6
5	Smartphones 85171300	1.46	5302	NO	6
6	BUTTER 04051000	1.11	222798	KG	19
7	PRIVATE CARS, CURRENT, SPARK IGNITION, 1001 TO 1500 CC 87032211	0.97	69	NO	11
8	OTHER NON-INDUSTRIAL DIAMONDS 71023900	0.97	6363	G	73
9	PRIVATE CARS, CURRENT, SPARK IGNITION, 1501 TO 3000 CC 87032311	0.95	70	NO	7
10	OTHER MEDICAMENTS PUT IN FORMS OR PACKINGS FOR RETAIL SALE 30049090	0.80	15641.484	KG	5

Source : Information & e Government Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain

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d) Top 10 items of export to India

S No	Commodity (8 Digit Hs Code)	Value (Us \$ Million)	Quantity	Unit Of Measurement	% Share In The Total Export Of The Commodity
1	METHANOL (METHYL ALCOHOL) 29051100	9.01	30080297	L	68
2	UNWROUGHT ALUMINIUM ALLOYS 76012000	8.53	3008763	KG	3
3	WASTE AND SCRAP OF TINNED IRON OR STEEL 72043000	3.63	9615	T	85
4	Flattened aluminium alloys coils and strips of a thickness of 0.2 mm or more but not exceeding 0.4 mm 76061220	3.00	928276	KG	26
5	ALUMINIUM WASTE AND SCRAP 76020000	1.48	670	T	96

6	COPPER WASTE AND SCRAP 74040000	1.22	149	T	26
7	Aluminium alloys flattened or grained coils and strips of a thickness exceeding 0.4 mm but not exceeding 8 mm 76061230	1.04	330213	KG	5
8	Waste and scrap of lead-acid accumulators; spent lead- acid accumulators 85491100	0.97	840	T	100
9	ROVINGS OF GLASS FIBERS 70191200	0.69	1286459.33	KG	8
10	OLD NEWSPAPERS 47079010	0.49	3884360	KG	100

Source : Information & e Government Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain

e) Potential item of imports from India

S No	Commodity (6 Digit HS code)	Rationale (Max 200 words)
1	Engineering Goods	In view of upcoming Infrastructure and energy projects including renewable Energy in Bahrain, there is a considerable scope to increase export of Engineering goods & project exports.
2	Pharmaceuticals (300220)	India's share in Bahrain's pharma market has remained less than 2% of its import. Patented medicines and foreign drug companies dominate the Bahraini pharmaceutical market. However, the generic drug sector is expected to grow as the government is looking to introduce mandatory health insurance scheme and control costs. This provides Indian pharma companies opportunity to make inroads in Bahraini market. Recognition of the Indian Pharmacopoeia (IP) has been taken up by the Mission and the proposed annex to the MoU in Healthcare Sector to promote trade of pharmaceutical products may help in boosting the pharma exports .
3.	Electronic Goods (including mobile phone)	Smartphones are the single largest export items from China to Bahrain which is the largest exporting country to Bahrain. Similarly, other electronic goods constitute important part of Chinese export basket to Bahrain. With India emerging as hub for Smartphones and other electronic goods , there is considerable scope to increase our export of these products to Bahrain.
4	Jewellery of gold (71131910)	Gold jewellery is among top ten import items of Bahrain of which our share last year (2024) was only 10%. However, considerable amount of Indian jewellery is coming through UAE which captures 54% of Bahraini market. There is scope to increase our direct export to Bahraini market given popularity of Indian designs and craftsmanship.
5	Organic and processed food products	There is considerable scope to increase export of organic food, processed cereals, protein bars, healthy beverages,

		dairy products etc.
6	Coffee Products	The Coffee market in Bahrain is well positioned for continued growth, driven by growing consumer interest in specialty coffee, sustainable sourcing and home brewing equipment. There is a scope for increased import from India, especially in specialty, single origin Arabica, and value added coffee products. Currently the Mission is conducting a market survey on Coffee products in Bahrain with an objective to increase export of coffee products from India to Bahrain. This survey will develop a better understanding for enhancing trade of coffee products from India to Bahrain.
7	Renewable energy products	Bahrain is actively working towards diversifying energy sources, with solar power especially expected to generate up to 1,300 MW by 2040. So there will be a considerable scope to increase the export of renewable energy products and related investments from India to Bahrain.

B. Qualitative

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a. Alerts on customs tariff changes:

S.No.	Notification no. and date	HS code	Description	Original customs tariff	Present customs tariff	Effective from	Remarks if any
NIL during the period							

b. Alerts on non tariff measures (SPS/TBT/ import and export procedures/ restrictions/ prohibitions, licensing/ STEs etc.):

S.No	Notification no./ date	Measure	Effective from	Remarks if any
NIL during the period				

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
NIL during the period					

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	Effective from	Remarks if any
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NIL during the period					

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
NIL during the period					

2. Feedback

a). Feedback from major Indian Industries/ other commercial concerns and Indian trade visitors to Bahrain.

S No.	Name of Business House	Activity Sector	Name(s) of large / key participants	General Feed Back (Max 200 words)
Nil				

b). Feedback from major trade activities including logistic events (trade fairs/ tourism events/ BSM including Indian participation) -

S No.	Activity (Trade fair)	Date and Venue	Name(s) of large / key participants	Feedback received
1	Promotion of Andhra Pradesh & Telangana cuisine and Malabar coffee	12 October 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ambassador Shri Vinod K. Jacob - Mr. Rajiv Kumar Mishra (Counsellor) - Ms. Nivetha S, Second Secretary (Commerce) - H.E. Abdulnabi Al Shoala, Member of Shura Council - Dr. Abdulhassan Al Dairi, Chairman of the Bahrain Small & Medium Enterprises Society - Dr. Jassim Haji, a leading AI expert 	Stall exhibiting rich taste of India's culinary heritage- Hyderabad biryani, cuisine of Telangana under Embassy's "Focus State/UT Initiative" was highlighted during the ITEC Alumni meet. There was a coffee counter promoting Monsooned Malabar coffee.

c). Feedback from local commercial visitors to trade fairs in India, including under BSM / local commercial establishments,

No	Activity (trade fair)	Date and Venue	List of large / key participants from Bahrain	Number of Business Visa issued	Feed Back received (Max 200 words)
Nil					

D) Total business visa issued during the month of October, 2025 – 7

3. Trade & investment:

a. Significant Trends in trade & investment

S No	Category	Details of Significant Trends (200 Words)
1	Trade in Goods	<p>I) Global Trends for the period (Oct 2024 to Oct 2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Rise in Global Imports by Bahrain: 7% ◆ Rise in Global Exports by Bahrain: 10% <p>II) Trends in Trade with India (Oct 2024 to Oct 2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Fall in Import from India : -2% ◆ Rise in Export to India : 3% <p>III) Monthly Global Trends for Bahrain (Sep 2025 to Oct 2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Rise in Import by Bahrain: 11% ◆ Rise in Export by Bahrain: -16% <p>IV) Monthly Trends with India (Sep 2025 to Oct 2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Fall in Imports from India: -20% ◆ Fall in Exports to India: -42% <p>(Sources: https://www.data.gov.bh/en/ResourceCenter)</p>
2	Trade in Services	-----
3	Investment	<p>Total cumulative Indian investment in Bahrain stands roughly at USD 1.86 billion in (Q3) 2025. India is the 6th largest investor in Bahrain. (Source: EDB). There are about 7521 Indian companies registered in Bahrain, some with partnership. (Source : NV Ref 424/2020:MOFA,Bahrain) as on 22nd October 2020</p> <p>2) As per RBI/DIPP statistics, cumulative FDI equity inflows from Bahrain into India have registered marked increase in recent years [US\$ 187.18 mn from April 2000 to September 2025) Source : (https://dpiit.gov.in/publications/fdi-statistics)</p>

b. Opportunities for investments/assets on offer/major company divestment

S.No.	Sector Name (List attached)	Particulars of the asset/company	Contact details
Nil			

c. Information on tender Notice for projects and procurement's of Interest to Indian Project exporters/ suppliers (USD15 million & above):

S.No.	Tender/procurement notice No and date	Sector	Value of tender/procurement
Nil			

(Tender notifications are available on: (<http://www.tenderboard.gov.bh>))

c. Trade Queries for Import / Export

No.	Enquiry originator	Products	Nature (Import/Export)	Action Taken (Max.200 words)
1	Indian Companies (attached at Annexure -I)	Mixed	Export	The Mission has received 104 trade queries from India during October 2025 . All the queries have been replied. The queries were mainly on food, ceramic & tiles, spices, pharmaceutical etc.

4. Important India related statements of commercial significance by political leader, think tanks, chambers, associations etc. Significant stories/features on India related trade, Investment, services and logistic sector, publications in foreign journals/details etc.

- i. **(Daily Tribune/Al Bilad /Al Watan 01.10.2025) ASRY takes part in INMEX SMM India 2025:** The Arab Shipbuilding and Repair Yard Company (ASRY) took part in the 14th INMEX SMM India 2025, one of South Asia's largest specialized maritime industry exhibitions. Held in Mumbai in September 2025, the event drew wide participation from leading names in logistics and sea freight, both regional and global.
- ii. **(Daily Tribune/Al Bilad 04.10.2025) India and China to resume direct flights after 5 years:** India and China will resume direct flights between their two countries this month after a five-year suspension, officials said, with bookings opening yesterday. The Indian Embassy in China said in a post on the social media platform WeChat that flights between select cities will resume by late October, subject to the decisions of commercial airlines, according to the Associated Press (AP).
- iii. **(Al Bilad/Daily Tribune 08.10.2025) Billion-dollar deals: Britain seeks to bolster trade ties with India:** British Prime Minister Keir Starmer begins a two-day visit to India on Wednesday, accompanied by more than 100 business and cultural leaders, in an effort to bolster the recently signed trade agreement. The agreement between the world's fifth and sixth largest economies aims to increase bilateral trade by £25.5 billion (\$34 billion) by 2040.
- iv. **(Gulf Daily News 10.10.2025) Britain and India vow trade boost:** Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and British counterpart Keir Starmer hailed their new trade deal as potentially transforming commercial links, as London unveiled new Indian investment that would be a

'launch pad' for closer ties. Starmer is in the financial capital of Mumbai on a twoday visit to India, joined by more than 100 leaders from Britain's business, culture and university sectors, as he rushes to harvest the trade deal signed in July.

- v. **(The Daily Tribune 14.10.2025) Knowledge Unites:** The Embassy of India in Bahrain organised the Indian University & ITEC Alumni Meet and Technology Conclave 2025 on October 12, bringing together over 70 participants to celebrate shared learning, vibrant connections and collaborative growth. The event also commemorated 54 years of diplomatic relations between India and Bahrain.
- vi. **(BNA/AI Bilad 14.10.2025) Google announces one of its largest-ever investments in India to build an AI data center:** Google announced Tuesday that it will invest \$15 billion over the next five years to build an AI data center in the Indian state of Andhra Pradesh, one of its largest-ever investments in the country. The move comes amid intensifying competition among major tech companies, which are spending heavily on new data center infrastructure to meet the growing demand for AI services. Google alone has committed to spending about \$85 billion this year to build data center capacity.
- vii. **(BNA 14.10.2025) DANAT participates in AGDRT 2025 in Mumbai:** The Bahrain Institute of Pearls and Gemstones (DANAT) took part in the two-day "Advances in Gem & Diamond Research and Technology (AGDRT) 2025" symposium, held on September 22 – 23 in Mumbai, India, bringing together leading global experts and researchers in the fields of gemmology.
- viii. **(BNA 13.10.2025) India's retail inflation slows to eight-year low in September:** India's annual retail inflation slowed to an eight-year low of 1.54% in September, government data showed on Monday, as food prices eased, leaving room for the central bank to cut rates one more time when it meets in December. The report indicated that Food prices fell 2.28% year-on-year in September versus a revised 0.64% drop in August. Vegetable prices declined 21.38% after a 15.92% fall in the previous month. Softer food prices prompted the RBI this month to trim its inflation forecast for the current financial year to 2.6% from 3.1%.
- ix. **(Gulf Daily News/ The Daily Tribune 15.10.2025) Kerala chief minister to visit Bahrain:** The chief minister of an Indian state is set to visit Bahrain for an exclusive event that will be held on Friday. Keralites Meet, a landmark gathering, will be jointly hosted by the Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam (BKS), Loka Kerala Sabha and Malayalam Mission, at the BKS DJ Hall from 6.30pm onwards.
- x. **(The Daily Tribune 18.10.2025) Kerala Chief Minister receives Grand Welcome from Malayali Diaspora:** Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan was accorded a massive reception by the Bahrain Malayali community upon his official visit to the Kingdom. The event, titled 'Pravasi Malayali Sangamam' (Expatriate Malayali Gathering), took place at the Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam (BKS) in Segaya and witnessed an enthusiastic turnout of over 3,000 attendees.
- xi. **(Gulf Daily News 18.10.2025) India halves Russian oil purchases says US:** INDIA has halved its purchases of Russian oil, a White House official said, but Indian sources said no immediate reduction had been seen, as President Donald Trump's administration presses New Delhi and other nations to buy less Russian crude.
- xii. **(Gulf Daily News 19.10.2025) China Eastern Airlines to resume Delhi flights:** STATE-BACKED China Eastern Airlines will resume Shanghai-Delhi flights from November 9, the airline's website showed yesterday, as China and India resume direct air links amid a diplomatic thaw after a five-year freeze. The flights will operate three times a week on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays, the airline's online ticket sales platform showed.
- xiii. **(The Daily Tribune 23.10.2025) Blackstone COO picks India as top investment destination: 'Massive infra push, rising middle class':** Blackstone President and Chief Operating Officer Jon Gray has identified India as one of the most attractive investment destinations globally, calling it "the fastest growing country in the G10." Speaking at a recent address, Gray said India's strong

economic fundamentals, expanding middle class, and infrastructure push make it a compelling longterm bet for global investors.

- xiv. **(The Daily Tribune 22.10.2025) Nissan B-segment MPV spied ahead of February 2026 launch in India:** Nissan is gearing up to launch three new models in India, one of which will be a new B-segment MPV. Scheduled for debut in February 2026, the first spy images of the vehicle have now surfaced.
- xv. **(The Daily Tribune 23.10.2025) Modi and Trump talk trade as India, US seek to repair ties:** Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi said yesterday he had held a conversation with Donald Trump, with the US president saying the pair had discussed trade as the countries negotiate a deal that could mend strained ties. Relations plummeted in August when Trump raised tariffs on Indian exports to the United States to 50 percent and US officials accused India of financing Russia's war in Ukraine by buying Moscow's discounted oil.
- xvi. **(Al Bilad 23.10.2025) India's Trade Minister: We will not sign any hasty trade agreement:** Indian Trade Minister Piyush Goyal confirmed on Friday that his country will not sign any trade hasty agreement hastily. Informed sources said that India and the United States are close to concluding a trade deal that could reduce US tariffs on Indian exports from around 50% to between 15% and 16%.
- xvii. **(Al Bilad 25.10.2025) India's largest buyer of Russian oil confirms compliance with sanctions on Moscow:** A spokesperson for Reliance Industries, India's largest buyer of Russian oil, said the company will comply with Western sanctions imposed on Moscow while maintaining its relationships with existing oil suppliers. The company, controlled by billionaire Mukesh Ambani and operating the world's largest refining complex in Jamnagar in the western state of Gujarat, is in a long-term deal to buy about 500,000 barrels per day of crude oil from Russian oil giant Rosneft.
- xviii. **(The Daily Tribune/ Al Bilad) 27.10.2025 India and China to resume direct flights:** India and China resume direct flights on Sunday after a five-year suspension, a move important both for trade and a symbolic step as Asia's giants cautiously rebuild relations.

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 report executive summary, date of publication) (Max 200 words)
1.	Indiasoft 2026	March 23-25, 2026 in New Delhi	Information disseminated to Chambers and importers in Bahrain
2.	6th edition of the Global Fintech Fest (GFF)(VC)	7th October 2025	Information disseminated to Chambers and importers in Bahrain
3.	18th Urban Mobility India (UMI) Conference cum Exhibition 2025	7th –9th November 2025 at Haryana	Information disseminated to Chambers and importers in Bahrain
4.	India Maritime Week (IMW) 2025	27th –31st October 2025 in Mumbai	Information disseminated to Chambers and importers in Bahrain

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

BE for current financial year(2025-2026)	RE for current financial year	Amount Utilized	Details of Activity (Max 200 words)
Rs 2,00,000 (Funds provided in Trade Promotion, MOCI)		Rs.94,098.47	<p>Expenditure towards roll up banner on GST reforms at Diplomat hotel during FIEO B2B event</p> <p>Expenditure towards photography charges at Diplomat hotel during FIEO B2B event</p> <p>Expenditure towards printing and fixing of roll up banner with stand sticker for podium at Diplomat hotel during B2B event.</p> <p>Expenditure towards foam board cut out of Araku Valley Arabica Coffee.</p> <p>Expenditure towards foam board cut out of Telangana Cuisine.</p> <p>Expenditure towards installation of coffee stall during B2B event.</p> <p>Expenditure towards coffee counter during Itec Alumni meet.</p>
Rs. 3,00,000.00 (Funds provided in Market Expansion activity, MEA)		Rs. 1,47,318.95	<p>Expenditure towards 30% advance payment to carry out market study on coffee sector of Bahrain.</p> <p>Expenditure towards procurement of coffee from India.</p>
Rs. 5,50,000.00 (Funds provided in State facilitation, MEA)		Rs. 3,44,931.03	<p>Expenditure towards sticker printing and affixing-Tamil Nadu tourism and ODOP in the Consular hall of the Chancery.</p> <p>Expenditure towards payment for making roll up banner with stand -Bihar & Jharkhand.</p> <p>Expenditure towards payment for Brochure printing Jharkhand tourism and Exquisite products.</p> <p>Expenditure towards payment for making of sticker and affixing-Bihar and Jharkhand tourism and ODOP.</p>

			<p>Expenditure towards sticker printing and affixing Andhra Pradesh & Telangana odop & Tourism walls</p> <p>Expenditure towards payment for making roll up banner with stand and brochures of Andhra Pradesh & Telangana.</p>
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7. Action taken on previous JWG's Joint Commissions, Sub-Commissions etc. (issues that Mission had follow up with host Government):

S No.	Details of JWG/JEC with date & Venue	Action Point (Max 200 words)	Action Taken (Max 200 words)
NIL			

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.	Any Outcome
NIL						

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

1	Navkar International	Najam Plastic	The payment of USD 43953.96 outstanding against the supply of goods.	Embassy of India, Bahrain (07.10.25)	Mail sent to M/s Najam Plastic to settle the matter amicably. Mr. Hozepa informed us that, the outstanding will be settled in 3 installments starting from Jan 2026
2	Rapid Reach Global Inc	Refad Al Alam Trading Est	The payment of USD 21,388.5 outstanding against the supply of red onions.	Embassy of India, Bahrain (07.10.25)	Mail sent to M/s Refad Al Alam Trading Est group of companies to settle the matter amicably
3	Rapid Reach Global Inc	M& Jutt Trading Company WLL	The payment of USD 20,054.33 outstanding against the supply of red onions.	Embassy of India, Bahrain (07.10.25)	Mail sent to M/s M& Jutt Trading Company WLL group of companies to settle the matter amicably
4	Global Trading	Ali Alzaki Fruits & Vegetables	Outstanding payment of BHD 23300 was not paid by the importer against the supply of millet (Jowar) and Bamboo salt.	Embassy of India, Bahrain (08.10.25)	Mail sent to M/s Ali Alzaki Fruits & Vegetables to resolve the issue amicably. Informed them to register with BCCI portal.

10. Any other issues for importance (Max 500 words)

This issues with the approval of Cd'A.

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