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ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL REPORT

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2025

NAME OF THE MISSION: EMBASSY OF INDIA, ZAGREB (CROATIA)

MONTHLY REPORT FOR CROATIA

A. TRADE IN GOODS

I. Quantitative data

a) Bilateral trade during 2025 (January – February, including February)

	Croatian export (US$ million)	Croatian import (US$ million)
Croatia's trade with India	5.07	39.54

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

	Croatian export (US$ million)	Croatian import (US$ million)
Croatia's trade with India	13.58	46.79

Data source: Government of India, Ministry of Commerce and Industry - Department of Commerce

b) Top 10 items of import from India during 2025 (January – February, including February)

S. No.	CN code	Commodity	Value (US$ million)
1	2924	Carboxyamide-function compounds; amide-function compounds of carbonic acid	4.75
2	2933	Heterocyclic compounds with nitrogen hetero-atom[s] only	4.65
3	2922	Oxygen-function amino-compounds	4.27
4	9021	Orthopaedic appliances, incl. crutches, surgical belts and trusses; splints and other fracture appliances; artificial parts of the body; hearing aids and other	3.64

		appliances which are worn or carried, or implanted in the body, to compensate for a defect or disability	
5	6204	Women's or girls' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, dresses, skirts, divided skirts, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (excl. knitted or crocheted, wind-jackets and similar articles, slips, petticoats and panties, tracksuits, ski suits and swimwear)	2.3
6	6907	Ceramic flags and paving, hearth or wall tiles; ceramic mosaic cubes and the like, whether or not on a backing (excl. of siliceous fossil meals or similar siliceous earths, refractory goods, tiles specially adapted as table mats, ornamental articles and tiles specifically manufactured for stoves)	1.77
7	3004	Medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, put up in measured doses "incl. those for transdermal administration" or in forms or packings for retail sale (excl. goods of heading 3002, 3005 or 3006)	1.72
8	9018	Instruments and appliances used in medical, surgical, dental or veterinary sciences, incl. scintigraphic apparatus, other electro-medical apparatus and sight-testing instruments, n.e.s.	1.22
9	2934	Nucleic acids and their salts, whether or not chemically defined; heterocyclic compounds (excl. with oxygen only or with nitrogen hetero-atom[s] only)	1.13
10	8419	Machinery, plant or laboratory equipment whether or not electrically heated (excl. furnaces, ovens and other equipment of heading 8514), for the treatment of materials by a process involving a change of temperature such as heating, cooking, roasting, distilling, rectifying, sterilising, pasteurising, steaming, drying, evaporating, vaporising, condensing or cooling (excl. those used for domestic purposes); instantaneous or storage water heaters, non-electric; parts thereof	1.06

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

S. No.	HS code	Commodity	Value (US$ million)
1	6907	CERAMIC FLGS AND PAVING,HEARTH OR WALL TLS CERAMIC MOSAIC CUBES AND LIKE, WHETHER OR NOT ON A BACKING; FINISHING CERAMICS	3.61
2	2921	AMINE- FUNCTION COMPOUNDS	3.52
3	9021	ORTHPDC APLNCS,ARTFCL PRTS OF TH BODY;HRNGAIDS AND OTHR APLNCS WHCH ARE WRN/CRRD/ IMPLNTD IN THE BODY TO CMPNST DFCT	3.33
4	2933	HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUNDS WITH NITROGEN	2.21
5	8504	ELECTRICAL TRANSFORMERS, STATIC CONVERTERS (FOR EXAMPLE, RECTIFIERS) AND INDUCTORS	1.48

6	4011	NEW PNEUMATIC TYRES, OF RUBBER	1.39
7	3004	MDCMNTS (EXCL ITMS OF 3002,3005 / 3006) FR THRPUTC/PRPHYLCTC USES IN MEASURD DOSESOR IN PCKNGS FR RTL SALE	1.24
8	9018	INSTRMNTS AND APPLNCS USED IN MDCL,SURGCL, DNTL/VTRNRY SCNCS,INCL SCNTGRPHC APPRTS ELCTRO-MDCL APPRTS AND SIGHT-TSTNG	1.21
9	3602	PRPD EXPLOSIVES OTHR THN PROPELLENT PWDRS	1.02
10	2401	UNMANUFACTURED TOBACCO; TOBACCO REFUSE	0.85

Data source: Government of India, Ministry of Commerce and Industry - Department of Commerce

c) Top 10 items of export to India during 2025 (January – February, including February)

S. No.	CN code	CN name	Value (US$ million)
1	8530	Electrical signalling, safety or traffic control equipment for railways, tramways, roads, inland waterways, parking facilities, port installations or airfields (excl. mechanical or electromechanical equipment of heading 8608); parts thereof	1
2	4407	Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or end-jointed, of a thickness of > 6 mm	0.85
3	7308	Structures and parts of structures "e.g., bridges and bridge-sections, lock-gates, towers, lattice masts, roofs, roofing frameworks, doors and windows and their frames and thresholds for doors, shutters, balustrades, pillars and columns", of iron or steel; plates, rods, angles, shapes, sections, tubes and the like, prepared for use in structures, of iron or steel (excl. prefabricated buildings of heading 9406)	0.51
4	8457	Machining centres, unit construction machines "single station" and multi-station transfer machines for working metal	0.27
5	4707	Recovered "waste and scrap" paper or paperboard (excl. paper wool)	0.25
6	8443	Printing machinery used for printing by means of plates, cylinders and other printing components of heading 8442 (excl. hectograph or stencil duplicating machines, addressing machines and other office printing machines of heading 8469 to 8472); other printers, copying machines and facsimile machines, whether or not combined; parts thereof	0.24
7	8458	Lathes, incl. turning centres, for removing metal	0.24
8	6506	Headgear, whether or not lined or trimmed, n.e.s.	0.22
9	4107	Leather further prepared after tanning or crusting "incl. parchment-dressed leather", of bovine "incl. buffalo"	0.13

		or equine animals, without hair on, whether or not split (excl. chamois leather, patent leather and patent laminated leather, and metallised leather)	
10	8460	Machine tools for deburring, sharpening, grinding, honing, lapping, polishing or otherwise finishing metal or cermets by means of grinding stones, abrasives or polishing products (excl. gear cutting, gear grinding or gear finishing machines of heading 8461 and machines for working in the hand)	0.11

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

S. No.	HS code	Commodity	Value (US$ million)
1	8530	OTHE PARTS OF HDG 8525 TO 8528 EQPMNT FR RLWYS, TRMWYS,ROADWYS,WTRWYS ETC(OTHR THAN THOSE OF HDG NOS.8608)	1.03
2	4407	WOOD SAWN OR CHIPPED LENGTHWISE, SLICED OR PEELED, WHETHER OR NOT PLANED, SANDED OR ENDJOINTED, OF A THICKNESS EXCEEDING	0.45
3	6506	OTHER HEADGEAR, WHETHER OR NOT LINED OR TRIMMED	0.35
4	8482	BALL OR ROLLER BEARINGS	0.31
5	8413	PUMPS FOR LIQUIDS, WHETHER OR NOT FITTED WITH A	0.27
6	4707	RECOVERED (WASTE AND SCRAP) PAPER OR PAPERBOARD	0.25
7	8443	PRINTNG MACHNRY,INCL INK-JET PRINTNG MCHNSEXCL HDNG. NO 8471; MCHNS FR USES ANCILARY TO PRINTNG.	0.25
8	2309	PREPARATIONS OF A KIND USED IN ANIMAL FEEDING	0.22
9	4701	MECHANICAL WOOD PULP	0.22
10	8431	PRTS SUITBL FR USE SOLELY/PRNCPLY WTH THE MCHNRY OF HDGS.NOS.8425 TO 8430	0.19

Data source: Government of India, Ministry of Commerce and Industry - Department of Commerce

d) Import overview of Croatia from India during 2025 (January – February, including February)

Commodity	Net mass (t)	Statistical value (US$ million)
Food and live animals	305.25	0.48
Beverages and tobacco	19.04	0.17

Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	260.46	0.58
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.08	0.00
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	0.26	0.00
Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	310.94	18.6
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	6,265.9	6.54
Machinery and transport equipment	655.93	3.64
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	339.39	9.53
		39.54

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

e) Export overview of Croatia to India during 2025 (January – February, including February)

Commodity	Net mass (t)	Statistical value (US$ million)
Food and live animals	2.91	0.02
Beverages and tobacco	NA	NA
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	3,877.16	0.12
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	NA	NA
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	NA	NA
Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	18.92	0.15
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	106.08	0.75
Machinery and transport equipment	330.67	2.36
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	22.19	0.54
		5.07

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

f) Countries exports to Croatia ranking during 2025 (January – February, including February)

1. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials

Rank	Country name	Quantity in SUQ	Net mass (t)	Statistical value (US$ million)
1.	Slovenia	1,187,517	127,105.49	223.65
2.	Angola	NA	269,018.75	159.54
3.	Hungary	710,873	83,879.49	152.38
4.	United States	10,481	190,625.32	133.38
5.	Greece	NA	89,177.1	65.1
42.	**India**	**-**	**0.08**	**0.00**

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

2. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.

Rank	Country name	Quantity in SUQ	Net mass (t)	Statistical value (US$ million)
1.	Germany	2,521,733	31,587.88	168.17
2.	Slovenia	2,743,408	37,508.74	124.33
3.	Hungary	17,394,777	64,271.07	112.15
4.	Italy	3,644,236	45,261.63	78.21
5.	France	286,051	15,882.08	57.05
15.	**India**	**6,000**	**310.94**	**18.6**

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

3. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material

Rank	Country name	Quantity in SUQ	Net mass (t)	Statistical value (US$ million)
1.	Italy	7,542,641	178,970.25	219.72
2.	Germany	5,780,080	48,998.06	149.22
3.	Slovenia	160,330,531	132,988.33	147.96
4.	Austria	16,756,408	82,950.51	87.64

5.	Bosnia and Herzegovina	395,611	118,745.13	76.62
20.	**India**	**478,715**	**6,265.9**	**6.54**

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

4. Machinery and transport equipment

Rank	Country name	Quantity in SUQ	Net mass (t)	Statistical value (US$ million)
1.	Germany	3,965,224	23,081.86	393.9
2.	France	61,489	7,598.57	178.6
3.	Slovenia	547,686	13,804.78	171.97
4.	China	2,465,379	19,326.63	159.66
5.	Italy	1,217,118	12,582.13	152.17
29.	**India**	**2,015**	**655.93**	**3.64**

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

5. Miscellaneous manufactured articles

Rank	Country name	Quantity in SUQ	Net mass (t)	Statistical value (US$ million)
1.	Germany	26,630,266	8,338.01	160.37
2.	Italy	33,382,154	8,227.52	143.98
3.	Slovenia	25,395,640	6,003.79	79.26
4.	Poland	10,191,516	7,954.51	67.37
5.	Austria	6,678,755	2,666.15	52.24
22.	**India**	**747,533**	**339.39**	**9.53**

Data source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics

II. Qualitative data

Month: April 2025

a) Market access alerts (attach copy of notification)

1. Alerts on tariff changes, non-tariff barriers (SPS, TBT measures, import and export procedures/restrictions/prohibitions/licencing etc); trade policy developments

S. No.	Notification no. and date or other references	Details	Effective from
1	Croatia is a member of the European Union (EU) and commercial policy is regulated by the European Commission. EU trade system, exporting and importing are covered by EC Regulations: https://taxation-customs.ec.europa.eu/index_en	NA	NA

2. Alerts on trade defence measures taken by respective country (Safeguards including special safeguard, antidumping, CVD or anti-subsidy)

S. No.	Notification no. and date or other references	Details of products/sectors affected (including HS codes)	Effective from
1	Croatia is a member of the European Union (EU) and commercial policy is regulated by the European Commission. EU trade system, exporting and importing are covered by EC Regulations: https://taxation-customs.ec.europa.eu/index_en	NA	NA

III. Other feedback

Month: April 2025

a) Feedback from major Indian industries/other commercial concerns set-up in that country 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	NA	NA	NA	NA

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	No. of participants from India	Name(s) of large/key participants from India	Feedback received	Source of funding (MAI TA/TC)
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

d) Number of Business Visas issued

S. No.	No. of Business Visa issued during the month (April 2025)
1	15

IV. Any other submission

1. February 2025 sees a 0.2% increase in tourist arrivals and a 0.7% rise in tourist nights.
In February 2025, there were 313 thousand tourist arrivals and 708 thousand tourist nights realised in commercial accommodation establishments, which was an increase of 0.2% in tourist arrivals and of 0.7% in tourist nights compared to February 2024. Domestic tourists realised 154 thousand arrivals and 301 thousand nights, which was 7.9% more arrivals and 4.8% more nights than in February 2024. Foreign tourists realised 159 thousand arrivals and 407 thousand nights, which was 6.4% less arrivals and 2.2% less nights compared to February 2024. The most foreign tourist nights were realised, as in January 2025, by tourists from Slovenia, as many as 88 thousand of them, which accounted for 21.7% of the total realised foreign tourist nights. These were followed by nights realised by tourists from Austria (13.7%), Germany (8.1%), Bosnia and Herzegovina (5.8%), Italy (5.5%), Serbia (4.3%) and the USA (3.8%). In February 2025, the City of Zagreb realised the highest number of tourist nights, as many as 133 thousand, which accounted for 18.8% of the total number of tourist nights realised in Croatia. In February 2025, hotel accommodation was the most preferred choice for tourists with as many as 453 thousand realised nights, which accounted for 64.0% of the total nights realised in commercial accommodation establishments. (Source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics)

2. The prices in March 2025 increased by 3.2% at the annual level.
In March 2025 compared to March 2024 (at the annual level), the prices of goods and services for personal consumption, measured by the consumer price index, increased by 3.2% on average, while, compared to February 2025 (at the monthly level), they increased by 0.4% on average. Observing the main divisions of the ECOICOP classification, at the annual level, the highest increase on average in consumer prices was recorded in the following divisions: Restaurants and hotels, of 9.4% (contribution to the growth of +0.48 percentage points), Recreation and culture as well as Miscellaneous goods and services, of 5.7% in each division (contribution to the growth of +0.30 percentage points in the division Recreation and culture and +0.36 percentage points in the division Miscellaneous goods and services), Health, of 5.4% (+0.17 percentage points), Education, of 5.3% (+0.04 percentage points), Food and non-alcoholic beverages, of 4.7% (+1.25 percentage points), Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels, of 4.5% (+0.76 percentage points) and Alcoholic beverages and tobacco, of 2.6% (+0.13 percentage points). The increase in prices at the annual level was alleviated by a decrease in the prices in the divisions of Clothing and footwear, of 2.7% (contribution to the decrease of -0.18 percentage points) and Communication, of 1.3% (-0.07 percentage points). In March 2025, the prices of goods and services for personal consumption, measured by the harmonised index of consumer prices, increased by 4.3% on average compared to March 2024 (at the annual level) and by 0.4% on average compared to February 2025 (at the monthly level). (Source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics)

3. Average net earnings amounted to 1 416 euro in February 2025.
The average monthly paid net earnings per person in paid employment in legal entities in the Republic of Croatia for February 2025 amounted to 1 416 euro, which represented a nominal increase of 1.7% and a real one of 1.8%, as compared to January 2025. The average monthly paid net earnings per person in paid employment in legal entities in the Republic of Croatia for February 2025 were 13.5% higher in nominal terms and 9.5% higher in real terms, as compared to the same month

of the previous year. The average monthly gross earnings per person in paid employment in legal entities in the Republic of Croatia for February 2025 amounted to 1 964 euro, which represented a nominal increase of 2.0% and a real one of 2.1%, as compared to January 2025. The average monthly gross earnings per person in paid employment in legal entities in the Republic of Croatia for February 2025 were 14.9% higher in nominal terms and 10.8% higher in real terms, as compared to the same month of the previous year. The highest average monthly paid net earnings per person in paid employment in legal entities for February 2025 were paid in the activity Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations and amounted to 3 624 euro, while the lowest earnings were paid in the activity Manufacture of wearing apparel and amounted to 920 euro. The highest average monthly gross earnings per person in paid employment in legal entities for February 2025 were paid in the activity Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations and amounted to 5 741 euro, while the lowest earnings were paid in the activity Manufacture of wearing apparel and amounted to 1 203 euro. (Source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics)

4. Retail trade in March 2025 sees a 3.6% increase at the annual level.
In March 2025, the total seasonally and working-day adjusted retail trade turnover of all business entities engaged in this activity was 1.4% higher in real terms than in February 2025. Out of that, the retail trade turnover of food products increased by 2.1% and the retail trade turnover of non-food products (except for automotive fuels and lubricants) by 0.8%. In March 2025, compared to the same month of the previous year, the working-day adjusted retail trade turnover increased by 3.6% in real terms. Out of that, the retail trade turnover of food, beverages and tobacco decreased by 2.2%, whereas the retail trade turnover of non-food products (except for automotive fuels and lubricants) increased by 7.7%. In the first three months of 2025, the working-day adjusted retail trade turnover increased by 3.5% in real terms compared to the same period of the previous year. Retail trade in furniture, hardware, paints and glass and other household articles had the largest impact on the increase in nominal turnover. (Source: Croatian Bureau of Statistics).

B. TRADE AND INVESTMENT

a) Significant trends in trade and investment

S. No.	Details of significant trends (Max. 200 words)	Analysis (Max. 200 words)
1	NA	NA

b) Information on tender Notices for projects and procurements of interest to Indian project exporters/suppliers (USD 50 million & above)

S. No.	Tender/procurement notice no. and date	Sector	Value of tender/procurement
1	2025/S F05-0000232 10.02.2025 Works on the reconstruction of the existing and construction of a second track on the Dugo Selo - Novska railway line https://eojn.hr/tender-eo/30943	Railway construction works	EUR 620 million
2	2025/S F05-0000542 19.03.2025 CONSTRUCTION OF THE BOSILJEVO-SISAK GAS MAIN	Construction work for gas pipelines	EUR 147 million

	PIPELINE DN 800/100 on a turnkey basis https://eojn.hr/tender-eo/41060		
3	2025/S F05-0000713 04.04.2025 Improvement of the water utility infrastructure of the Vir agglomeration - Wastewater drainage and water supply of the island of Vir https://eojn.hr/tender-eo/42931	Construction work for water and sewage pipelines	EUR 99.33 million
4	2025/S F02-0005118 05.05.2025 Non-hazardous waste transportation service https://eojn.hr/tender-eo/45520	Hire of goods-transport vehicles with driver	EUR 64.09

c) Information regarding upcoming major investment in India from respective country

S. No.	Particular of the asset/company	Sector of investment	Quantum of investment
1	NA	NA	NA

d) Trade Queries for imports/exports (if not uploaded on the Indian Trade Portal)

Trade Queries from India for Import/Export attended by the Mission in April 2025				
No.	**Enquiry Originator**	**Product**	**Import/Export**	**Action Taken (Max.200 words)**
1	Meditech	Medical devices	Export	Query rcv: 01/04/2025 Query answ: 01/04/2025
2	Dalai Impex	Agricultural products, spices, moringa powder, forest products, granite slabs, minerals, iron ore, coal and gypsum powder	Export	Query rcv: 01/04/2025 Query answ: /04/2025
3	Lepono Porcelano	Tiles	Export	Query rcv: 03/04/2025 Query answ: 04/04/2025
4	Aegis Market Solutions	Handicrafts, leather bags and agro products	Export	Query rcv: 03/04/2025 Query answ: 04/04/2025
5	Inmount Global Trade	Ferro alloys	Export	Query rcv: 04/04/2025

				Query answ: 04/04/2025
6	Setva Enterprises	Turmeric powder and red chilli powder	Export	Query rcv: 04/04/2025 Query answ: 07/04/2025
7	MetaScop	Bags	Export	Query rcv: 06/04/2025 Query answ: 07/04/2025
8	Anji Exports	Chemicals, fertilizers, activated carbon, castor oil, dyes & inks, and water treatment chemicals.	Export	Query rcv: 07/04/2025 Query answ: 07/04/2025
9	Mahadule Exports	Fruits	Export	Query rcv: 07/04/2025 Query answ: 07/04/2025
10	VAAHE	Spices	Export	Query rcv: 07/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
11	Dominus Paper	Paper	Export	Query rcv: 07/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
12	Ankita Kumari	Turmeric	Export	Query rcv: 07/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
13	ZEN Mobility	Electric vehicles	Export	Query rcv: 08/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
14	Ashtal Global	Bags	Export	Query rcv: 08/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
15	Impox World	Soyabean, fox nuts, dried fruits and coffee	Export	Query rcv: 08/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
16	Waystar	Tiles	Export	Query rcv: 08/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
17	Virtuous Industries	Automotive parts, health supplements, cleaning and hygiene products, warehousing solutions, towels and hand tools	Export	Query rcv: 08/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
18	Alok Glassworks	Glass products	Export	Query rcv: 09/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
19	Sumati Enterprise	Agricultural commodities	Export	Query rcv: 12/04/2025 Query answ:

				24/04/2025
20	Proprietrix	Rose onions	Export	Query rcv: 11/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
21	Shree Ambica Enterprise	Rubber products	Export	Query rcv: 12/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
22	Purestone Jeweller	Lab-grown diamonds	Export	Query rcv: 10/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
23	Apanimex	Dyes and pigments	Export	Query rcv: 10/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
24	North Star International	Bags	Export	Query rcv: 14/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
25	Shree Global Exim	Food powders	Export	Query rcv: 14/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
26	J.J. Plastalloy	Plastic products	Export	Query rcv: 14/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
27	Aeonroots Exim	Mango	Export	Query rcv: 14/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
28	Ogha Global	Agricultural commodities	Export	Query rcv: 15/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
29	Nashik Premium Agro Producer	Agricultural commodities	Export	Query rcv: 15/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
30	Farm Made Industries	Turmeric powder	Export	Query rcv: 15/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
31	Ajith Exim	Rice, spices, fruits and vegetables, honey, flour	Export	Query rcv: 15/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
32	Surya Agro Overseas	Turmeric	Export	Query rcv: 15/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
33	Shiso Creation	Textile products	Export	Query rcv: 16/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
34	Sunrise Mart	Clothing	Export	Query rcv: 16/04/2025

				Query answ: 24/04/2025
35	Sumati Enterprise	Food products	Export	Query rcv: 12/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
36	Varity Exim	Paper products	Export	Query rcv: 17/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
37	Divine Vitrified	Tiles	Export	Query rcv: 17/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
38	Trivitron Healthcare	Medical products	Export	Query rcv: 18/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
39	Cogninextx Solutions	Fox nuts, peanuts and garbage bags	Export	Query rcv: 18/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
40	VK Export Import	Onion	Export	Query rcv: 17/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
41	Deep Cable	Wires and cables	Export	Query rcv: 19/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
42	MicroTech Industries	Valves	Export	Query rcv: 21/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
43	Deep Bhalja	Textiles	Export	Query rcv: 22/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
44	Ghosal International	Clothing	Export	Query rcv: 24/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
45	Inconntem UG	Clothing, aluminium, leather products, carpets, granite and marble	Export	Query rcv: 23/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
46	Confide Industries	Pipe fittings, hooks, lifting components and suspension components	Export	Query rcv: 23/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
47	Avlon	Kitchenware	Export	Query rcv: 24/04/2025 Query answ: 24/04/2025
48	Verbinding International	Mechanical parts and tools	Export	Query rcv: 16/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
49	Asia Cordage	Ropes	Export	Query rcv:

				16/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
50	Soniak Organico Greens	Spices, pulses and rice	Export	Query rcv: 17/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
51	Rajnikem Pharmaceuticals	Rice, moringa and maize	Export	Query rcv: 17/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
52	Golden Silk	Fabrics	Export	Query rcv: 17/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
53	IndoAsian	Electrical products	Export	Query rcv: 17/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
54	Sandesh Bajaj	Air purifier cake	Export	Query rcv: 22/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
55	Mahadule Exports	Onion	Export	Query rcv: 21/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
56	Kondeti Imports & Exports	Steel bars	Export	Query rcv: 21/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
57	PRKRY Global Services	Red chilli and turmeric powder	Export	Query rcv: 21/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
58	DK Zones Treads	Rice, garlic and pickles	Export	Query rcv: 21/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
59	Dabur	Skin care, cosmetics, oral care products and ayurvedic products	Export	Query rcv: 21/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
60	Belson Ceramic	Tiles	Export	Query rcv: 21/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
61	Everlink Exim	Dried vegetables products	Export	Query rcv: 20/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
62	Pipavav Exim	Spices and agricultural products	Export	Query rcv: 20/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
63	Gracias International	Laminate decorative sheets	Export	Query rcv: 18/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025

64	Tushar Sharma	Spices	Export	Query rcv: 18/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
65	Vintage Coffee	Coffee and ending machines	Export	Query rcv: 25/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
66	Amravati	Coffee	Export	Query rcv: 26/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
67	Saaz Foods	Peanut butter	Export	Query rcv: 26/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
68	Reliable Agro Developers and Herbal Exports	Food products	Export	Query rcv: 26/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
69	MESAC International	Psyllium husk	Export	Query rcv: 25/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
70	Tē tī M3 Worldwide & Global Supplier	Quartz	Export	Query rcv: 27/04/2025 Query answ: 28/04/2025
71	Awgroni Business Consulting & Projects	Bedsheets	Export	Query rcv: 29/04/2025 Query answ: 30/04/2025
72	Lomoly Agricom Exports	Agricultural commodities	Export	Query rcv: 28/04/2025 Query answ: 30/04/2025
73	Starship Overseas	Food products	Export	Query rcv: 28/04/2025 Query answ: 01/05/2025
74	Pneucons	Pneumatics, hydraulics, electricals, valves and fire safety equipment	Export	Query rcv: 29/04/2025 Query answ: 01/05/2025
75	Manish Innovations	Fox nuts	Export	Query rcv: 30/04/2025 Query answ: 30/04/2025
76	Jyotsna International Exports	Agricultural commodities	Export	Query rcv: 29/04/2025 Query answ: 30/04/2025
77	JG Industries	Spices and fox nuts	Export	Query rcv: 29/04/2025 Query answ: 30/04/2025

Trade Queries from Croatia for Import/Export attended by the Mission in April 2025				
No.	**Enquiry Originator**	**Product**	**Import/Export**	**Action Taken (Max.200 words)**
1	Metalobrada	Metal parts	Import	The company requested assistance in identifying Indian companies seeking Croatian distributors for their products (such as metal parts, tools, machinery, etc.) The Embassy has asked for a more detailed letter that can be shared with Indian Chambers of Commerce for dissemination among their members.
For the month of **April 2025**, the Mission has received 1 **trade query** from Croatia.				

e) 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

Advance.hr, TRUMP IMPOSES 26% TARIFFS ON INDIA, SPARES PHARMACEUTICAL SECTOR – NEW DELHI SEEKS $23 BILLION COMPROMISE
Advance.hr reported that the United States has imposed a 26% tariff on Indian imports, a rate lower than those applied to other Asian countries like China and Vietnam. Notably, the Indian pharmaceutical industry was exempted from these tariffs, recognizing its critical role in supplying affordable generic medicines to the U.S. market. India's pharmaceutical exports to the U.S. amounted to approximately $9 billion in 2024, highlighting the sector's significance. In response to the tariffs, New Delhi is seeking a compromise to protect $23 billion worth of exports, aiming to mitigate the impact on key industries. The situation underscores the delicate balance in U.S.-India trade relations and the importance of the pharmaceutical sector in bilateral economic ties. **(03/04)**
https://www.advance.hr/telegrafska-zica/7619/trump-uveo-carine-indiji-od-26-posto-postedio-farmaceutsku-industriju-new-delhi-trazi-kompromis-za-23-milijarde-dolara/

Zadar.net.hr, TURMERIC LOWERS CHOLESTEROL AND BLOOD PRESSURE
eZadar reported that turmeric, a traditional Indian spice, may naturally aid in reducing cholesterol and blood pressure, thereby lowering the risk of heart disease. Turmeric, derived from the root of the Curcuma longa plant, is rich in curcuminoids, particularly curcumin, which possesses anti-inflammatory and antioxidant properties. These properties help combat oxidative stress and improve vascular health. Studies suggest that curcumin can enhance nitric oxide production, leading to vasodilation and better blood pressure regulation. Research indicates that consistent intake of curcumin supplements over 12 weeks or more can yield beneficial effects on blood pressure control. **(04/04)**
https://ezadar.net.hr/lifestyle/4486821/kurkuma-snizava-kolesterol-i-krvni-tlak/?ticker_type=latest_news

No Planet B – tportal.hr, SOARING AIR CONDITIONER USAGE WITH RISING TEMPERATURES: HOW TO ACHIEVE SUSTAINABLE COOLING

T-portal.hr reported that as global temperatures rise, the demand for air conditioning is increasing significantly, particularly in countries like India. Currently, only about 10% of Indian households have air conditioners, but this figure is projected to rise to 40% by 2050. This surge could lead to a substantial increase in electricity consumption, equivalent to the annual production of a country like Norway. Experts emphasize the need for sustainable cooling solutions, including the use of renewable energy sources, development of energy-efficient air conditioners, and urban planning measures like green spaces and reflective building materials. These strategies aim to mitigate the environmental impact of increased air conditioning usage while ensuring public health and comfort. **(06/04)**
https://noplanetb.tportal.hr/vrtoglavo-raste-broj-klima-uredaja-s-porastom-temperatura-kako-do-odrzivog-hladenja/

Jutarnji.hr – Dom i Dizajn, LAMPS AND SIDE TABLES INSPIRED BY CORAL REEFS: THIS SEASON'S MOST BEAUTIFUL INTERIOR DESIGN ACCENTS
Jutarnji.hr's Dom i Dizajn reported on the Coralitte collection, a series of lamps and side tables inspired by the organic forms and textures of coral reefs. Designed by Mumbai-based architectural firm Sanjay Puri Architects, the collection features pieces made from FEFS panels—a type of foamed concrete—comprising 80% recycled materials. The production process is notably sustainable, requiring minimal water and electricity, resulting in an almost zero carbon footprint. The lighting elements emit a soft, diffused glow through intricate, coral-like structures, creating a unique ambiance in interior spaces. This collection exemplifies India's innovative approach to eco-friendly and aesthetically captivating design. **(06/04)**
https://www.jutarnji.hr/domidizajn/inspiracije/lampe-i-stolici-inpririrani-koraljnim-grebenima-naljepsi-su-dizajnerski-dodatak-u-interijeru-koji-smo-ove-sezone-vidjeli-15570300

Glas Istre, INDIA CONFIRMS ECONOMIC GROWTH FORECASTS; OIL PRICE REMAINS KEY
India has reaffirmed its economic growth projections, emphasizing the pivotal role of oil prices in achieving these targets. The government highlighted that stable and affordable oil prices are crucial for sustaining economic momentum. Analysts suggest that fluctuations in global oil markets could significantly impact India's fiscal health and inflation rates. The administration is closely monitoring international developments to mitigate potential risks. **(07/04)**
https://www.glasistre.hr/gospodarstvo/2025/04/07/indija-potvrdila-prognoze-gospodarskog-rasta-kljucna-cijena-nafte-993307#google_vignette

Bug.hr, APPLE URGENTLY RELOCATES 15 MILLION IPHONES FROM INDIA TO AVOID TARIFFS
In response to impending tariffs imposed by the U.S., Apple has swiftly transported approximately 15 million iPhones from its Indian manufacturing facilities to the American market. This strategic move aims to circumvent the financial impact of new trade policies. The company has increased production in India, particularly at its Foxconn-operated plant in Chennai. Analysts warn that such tariffs could significantly raise iPhone prices if costs are passed onto consumers. **(10/04)**
https://www.bug.hr/biznis/apple-hitno-prebacio-15-milijuna-iphonea-iz-indije-kako-bi-izbjegao-trumpove-49011

Index.hr, BAVARIAN CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS ADVOCATE FOR FREE TRADE ZONE BETWEEN EUROPE AND INDIA
The leader of Bavaria's Christian Democrats has proposed the establishment of a free trade zone between Europe and India. The initiative aims to strengthen economic ties and facilitate smoother trade relations. Proponents believe this could lead to increased investment opportunities and economic growth for both regions. Discussions are ongoing to explore the feasibility of such an agreement. **(10/04)**
https://www.index.hr/amp/vijesti/clanak/sef-bavarskih-demokrscana-trazi-zonu-slobodne-trgovine-izmedju-europe-i-indije/2660881.aspx

Index.hr, NEW 'NOTHING' PHONE COMES WITH CHARGER, BUT ONLY IN INDIA
The latest smartphone from the brand 'Nothing' is set to include a charger in its packaging, a move that deviates from current industry trends. However, this inclusion will be exclusive to the Indian market. The decision has sparked discussions about regional marketing strategies and consumer expectations. It remains to be seen if this approach will influence other markets. **(11/04)**
https://www.index.hr/amp/shopping/clanak/uvedite-to-globalno-novi-nothing-telefon-dolazi-s-punjacem-ali-samo-u-indiji/2661031.aspx

Financije.hr, INDIA INTRODUCES TAXES ON FOREIGN COMPANIES WHILE AIMING TO IMPROVE BUSINESS CLIMATE
The Indian government plans to introduce new taxes for foreign companies to increase revenue and improve the business environment. Measures include tax incentives for domestic startups and reducing bureaucracy. The goal is to attract more foreign investment and stimulate economic growth. These policies are part of a broader economic reform strategy. Experts have mixed opinions on the effectiveness of these measures. **(15/04)**
https://financije.hr/indija-uvodi-poreze-stranim-tvrtkama-dok-pokusava-poboljsati-poslovnu-klimu/

Bolja Energija (24sata), NEW GIANT: INDIA INSTALLED 24 GW OF PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY IN THE LAST YEAR
India installed nearly 24 GW of solar capacity in the last fiscal year, marking a 58.5% increase from the previous year. This growth was driven by utility-scale projects, rooftop installations under the Surya Ghar initiative, and a significant rise in off-grid systems. Solar energy now accounts for 48% of India's total renewable capacity, positioning the country as a major player in global solar energy development. **(15/04)**
https://boljaenergija.24sata.hr/Novi-div-Indija-je-instalirala-velikih-24-GW-fotonaponske-energije-u-posljednjih-godinu-dana-

Dnevno.hr, INDIA PLANS TO LEVERAGE GEOPOLITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES FOR ARMS EXPORTS
India plans to increase arms exports by leveraging current geopolitical opportunities. The aim is to reduce import dependency and become a global player in the defence industry. The government encourages domestic production and signs agreements with other countries. The plan includes modernising military equipment and technology. A significant increase in arms export revenue is expected in the coming years. **(15/04)**
https://www.dnevno.hr/geopolitika-news/indija-kuje-veliki-plan-da-iskoristi-geopoliticke-okolnosti-za-izvoz-oruzja-0/

Poslovni.hr, INDIA AIMS TO BECOME LEADING ARMS EXPORTER: MAIN ADVANTAGE 'DISCOUNTED' PRICES
India aims to become a leading arms exporter by offering competitive prices. The strategy includes developing the domestic defence industry and promoting exports. The government supports manufacturers through subsidies and incentives. The goal is to increase India's share in the global arms market. Efforts are underway to enhance production capabilities and international partnerships. **(18/04)**
https://www.poslovni.hr/svijet/indija-zeli-postati-vodeci-izvoznik-oruzja-glavni-adut-diskontne-cijene-4480135

7dnevno.hr, INDIA DEVELOPS NEW STRATEGY: OFFERS LONG-TERM LOW-INTEREST LOANS TO FOREIGN BUYERS
India is developing a new strategy to boost exports by offering long-term low-interest loans to foreign buyers. The initiative aims to make Indian products more competitive globally. The government plans to collaborate with financial institutions to implement this strategy. This move is expected to strengthen India's position in international markets. Experts believe it could significantly increase export volumes. **(17/04)**
https://www.7dnevno.hr/geopolitika/indija-razvija-novu-strategiju-nudi-dugorocne-jeftine-zajmove-stranim-kupcima/

Geopolitika News, COAL REMAINS CRUCIAL FOR INDIA DESPITE STRONG GROWTH IN RENEWABLE ENERGY
Despite significant growth in renewable energy sources, coal remains India's primary energy source. The government plans to gradually reduce coal dependency but currently lacks viable alternatives to meet energy demands. Renewables like solar and wind are growing, but they can't fully replace coal yet. India faces the challenge of balancing environmental goals with energy needs. The strategy includes a gradual transition while maintaining energy security. **(19/04)**
https://www.geopolitika.news/vijesti/ugljen-je-i-dalje-kljucan-za-indiju-unatoc-snaznom-rastu-obnovljivih-izvora-energije/

vijesti.hrt.hr, INDIA HAS TEMPORARILY IMPOSED 12 PERCENT TARIFFS ON IMPORTS OF A GROUP OF STEEL PRODUCTS
India has temporarily imposed 12 percent tariffs on imports of a group of steel products to protect the domestic industry from a wave of cheaper shipments from foreign competition. Some steel mills in India have been forced to cut back in recent years and are considering downsizing as they cannot compete with cheap Chinese steel. **(22/04)**
https://vijesti.hrt.hr/gospodarstvo/indija-privremeno-uvela-carine-na-skupinu-proizvoda-od-celika-12122180

Poslovni.hr, INDIA AND US PREPARE TRADE AND DEFENCE DEAL DURING JD VANCE VISIT
U.S. Vice President J.D. Vance began a four-day visit to India on Monday to meet with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, as New Delhi rushes to avoid steep U.S. tariffs with an early trade deal and strengthen ties with the Trump administration. Their talks will come on the first day of Vance's largely private visit to the country with his family, which includes a tour of the Taj Mahal and a wedding in the city of Jaipur, people familiar with the matter said. **(21/04)**
https://www.poslovni.hr/svijet/indija-i-sad-pripremaju-trgovinski-i-obrambeni-sporazum-tijekom-posjeta-jd-vancea-4480504

f) Sectoral insight from Croatia

Croatia – Croatia Tourism Report I Q3 2025

In 2025, Fitch forecasts Croatia's tourism economy to grow steadily, with arrivals rising 3.3% y-o-y to 18.0mn. Croatia fully recovered to pre-pandemic levels in 2024, driven by strategic marketing and efforts to attract tourists beyond the peak summer months. The upward trend in tourist arrivals is expected to continue, albeit at a slower pace from 2025 to 2029. Competition is likely to intensify, particularly from key Mediterranean destinations. The higher costs of visiting compared to major tourist markets threaten to weaken Croatia's value-for-money appeal, potentially slowing arrival growth. In response, Fitch predicts Croatia will enhance its marketing with targeted strategies to promote itself as a year-round destination. There will be a strong focus on attracting affluent travellers to drive robust growth in tourist receipts. The European region will account for most arrivals due to proximity and established transport links. The expansion of airline connections will bolster year-round arrivals from both short-haul and long-haul markets. Croatia's accession to the eurozone and the Schengen Area as of January 1 2023, will support stronger regional travel.

Fitch predicts Croatia will experience stronger growth in value terms, with international tourist receipts rising by 7.9% to USD13.8bn in 2025. Efforts to reposition Croatia as a higher-value destination and attract year-round tourists are progressing. Traditionally seen as affordable, Croatia faces strong competition due to rising prices, which may impact arrivals growth. Inbound tourism will strengthen over the medium term (2025-2029), supported by improved global economic conditions and increased tourism in shoulder seasons. Easing inflationary pressures will boost consumer confidence, enhancing travel and hospitality spending and driving growth in the hospitality sector.

European travel dominates Croatia's inbound tourism market due to the lack of visa restrictions and the ease and affordability of regional travel (via air, land and sea). Fitch forecasts Croatia to have 15.8mn arrivals from Europe in 2025. This will be followed by North America at 922,420 and Asia Pacific with 675,690. Latin America will be the fourth largest source of regional arrivals with a projected 133,130 arrivals in 2025. The Middle East and Africa will be the fifth and sixth largest source of regional arrivals in 2025 with a projected 28,470 arrivals and 15,180 arrivals respectively in 2025.

Croatia's hotel sector is still relatively underdeveloped in comparison to established Western Europe markets, with a limited presence from international hotel groups. The majority of accommodation comprises private holiday rentals, but quality standards can vary significantly since there is little regulation. Many of these rentals are located in key tourist areas where overtourism is a pressing issue. The project pipeline is expanding with new international hotels attracted by Croatia's diverse tourism product offerings including natural landscapes, historical sites and architecture, as well as festivals and gastronomy. In 2024, the Croatia Ministry of Tourism allocated EUR3.4mn towards 325 projects to support the local tourism industry, of which half will be in the hotel industry. While total overnight stays fell sharply in 2020 by 58.0% to 35.4mn, demand rebounded well over 2021-2022. Fitch forecasts total overnight stays to reach 92.9mn in 2025, up from 85.0mn in 2024. Hotels are expected to

benefit from high levels of pent-up demand, which make it likely that visitors will opt for higher quality accommodation. Efforts to make hotels more sustainable are under way with many adopting environmentally friendly practices and certifications like the Green Key and EU Ecolabel becoming popular.

Economic growth will support the expansion of the outbound travel market. Prior to EU accession, Croatian passport holders faced extensive visa restrictions and costs when travelling abroad, hampering the development of the outbound travel market. Consecutive years of recession earlier were unhelpful. EU membership has now lifted passport restrictions for more popular destinations in Europe, and a return to economic growth has improved spending capacity for potential travellers from Croatia. Fitch projects Croatia's departures to grow by 4.2% y-o-y to 1.5mn departures over 2025, from 1.4mn departures in 2024. European travel will dominate the outbound sector, with Italy, Austria and France being key popular destinations for Croatian travellers.

Croatia's government is taking steps to improve tourism-related infrastructure and to raise awareness of its many attractions. The potential of Croatia's tourism industry is extensive because of the market's many attractions, proximity to major regional source markets and the support of the government. The cities of Dubrovnik, Split and the capital, Zagreb, attract large numbers of visitors drawn to historical and cultural attractions, such as Gornji Grad and Diocletian's Palace. Smaller towns, including Opatija, Mali Lošinj, Zadar and Umag, are proving increasingly popular among visitors, including those travelling outside the main summer holiday season. There are numerous popular island and coastal destinations along the 1,800km picturesque Adriatic coastline and inland destinations, such as the Plitvice Lakes.

Croatia's hotel and accommodation sector offers considerable room for growth and is likely to attract significant foreign investment as international tourism arrivals trend upwards over the coming years. A number of global hotel groups have established a presence in the market, focusing primarily on Zagreb, Dubrovnik and Split. Hotel chains including Hilton, Marriott, Accor and Hyatt are targeting the Croatian market and are expected to open some properties all year round. There are several small-scale local brands operating in the market, alongside a large independent and private rental segment. Though currently still a small hotel market, Fitch expects to see solid growth in the hotel market with room for investment at all budget levels across the market.

Data Source: Croatia Tourism Report Q3 2025 | Fitch Solutions Group Ltd.

C. TOURISM

a) Visa issued: April 2025

S. No.	No. of Visa issued during the month (April 2025)
1	Total (all categories): 25 Tourist visas: 2 Tourist e-Visas: NA

b) Use of Social Media/Print Media/Electronic Media for Promoting Tourism

NA

c) Any advisory issued by the country for travelling to India

S. No.	Advisory	Reason	Action taken

1	NA	NA	NA

d) Interactions held with Tour operators for promoting tourism in India

S. No.	Tour operator	No. of interactions held
1	Kreator Putovanja d.o.o.	The Embassy sent information about the 14th Great Indian Travel Bazaar and proposed that a representative of the agency participate in the Hosted Buyers programme. Mr. Hrvoje Bažon, CEO expressed interest to participate and received approval from the organisers.
2	Jungle Tribe – Neobična putovanja d.o.o.	The Embassy sent information about the 14th Great Indian Travel Bazaar and proposed that a representative of the agency participate in the Hosted Buyers programme. Mr. Denis Aleksić from the travel agency expressed interest to participate and received approval from the organisers.
3	Integral Zagreb d.o.o.	The Embassy sent information about the 14th Great Indian Travel Bazaar and proposed that a representative of the agency participate in the Hosted Buyers programme.
4	Palma Travel d.o.o.	The Embassy sent information about the 14th Great Indian Travel Bazaar and proposed that a representative of the agency participate in the Hosted Buyers programme.
5	MONDO Travel d.o.o.	The Embassy sent information about the 14th Great Indian Travel Bazaar and proposed that a representative of the agency participate in the Hosted Buyers programme.

D. TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY TO INDIA

a) New technology identified/covered in Press

S. No.	Name of technology	Details	Usage	Sector	Company
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

b) Any science/technology exhibition held

S. No.	Details	Sector	Participation	Participation from India
1	ASDA 2025 (April 8-10, 2025, Zagreb) ASDA is the international tri-service Defence, Aerospace, and Security exhibition held every two years, designed to connect supply and	Defence industry	More than 230 exhibitors from 28 countries participated, including Australia, USA, Israel, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Malaysia, Poland,	NA

	demand across these sectors. Key exhibition themes include Land Defence, Air Defence, Sea Defence, Homeland Security, Cyber Defence, and Space Defence. The exhibition is organized by TNT Productions LLC, a U.S.-based company specializing in trade fair organization.		Sweden, Spain, UK, Turkey, and more.	

c) Any press coverage on new patents/designs/IPR filed/granted

S. No.	Name	Date	Sector	Name of applicant
1	NA	NA	NA	NA

d) Any other information

NA

E. DETAILS OF TRADE RESEARCH, INFORMATION DISSEMINATION ACTIVITY OF THE COMMERCIAL WING

a) Business & Commercial

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	Monthly Newsletter for Public Diplomacy and Outreaches	April issue distributed	Monthly newsletter (April 2025) can be found at the link: https://www.indianembassyzagreb.gov.in/page/embassy-of-india-zagreb-newsletter/
2	Meeting with Mr. Igor Pokaz, Vice-president for Trade and Internationalisation of Croatian Chamber of Commerce	04 Apr Croatian Chamber of Commerce	Ambassador Arun Goel met with Mr. Igor Pokaz, Vice-president of Croatian Chamber of Commerce. They discussed the continued strengthening of economic cooperation, with particular emphasis on the areas of energy, shipbuilding, IT industry, tourism,

			pharmaceuticals, and the defence and food industries.
3	ASDA 2025 Expo	08 Apr Arena Zagreb	Ambassador Arun Goel visited the ASDA 2025 exhibition held in Arena Zagreb. ASDA is the international tri-service Defence, Aerospace, and Security exhibition held every two years. The event is hosted in Zagreb, under the auspices of the Croatian Government and with the support of the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Croatia
4	Visit of Commerce Secretary, Mr. Sunil Bhartwal	22-23 Apr Zagreb	Shri Sunil Barthwal, Commerce Secretary, paid an official visit to the Republic of Croatia on 22–23 April 2025. During the visit, Commerce Secretary held bilateral talks with Mr. Zdenko Lucić, State Secretary for Foreign Trade and Development, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs. The discussions focused on taking forward the EU-India FTA and strengthening bilateral trade relations. In the meeting of Commerce Secretary with Mr. Ivo Milatić, State Secretary, Ministry of Economy, discussion was focused on promoting investment flows, and enhancing cooperation across key sectors including Healthcare, Education, Tourism, Entertainment (mentioned about WAVES summit), Supply-Chain integration, Logistics, Transports, Pharmaceuticals, Digital Technology, Renewable Energy and Manufacturing. For the 3rd Session of Joint Commission on Economic Cooperation which is due, both sides exchanged their views on improving the work of the commission with more frequent meetings and directly connecting the entrepreneurs of both the countries for a stronger and faster progress. The Commerce Secretary also participated in a business interaction event “Exploring Economic Cooperation Opportunities between India and Croatia” organized by the Croatian Chamber of Economy (CCE), where he met with the heads of various industry associations and leading Croatian business representatives. A presentation on the Croatian Economy, the trade and investment relations between India and Croatia and Industries potential on key sectors of mutual interest was shown. The event provided a platform to explore opportunities for collaboration, address trade facilitation measures, and promote mutual business interests. Successful business cases of Croatian Companies in the Indian Market were also presented.
5	World Food India – Information dissemination	24 Apr	The Embassy forwarded the invitation for World Food India 2025 to the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Croatia.

b) Government & Political

S. No.	Nature of activity (Max. 200 words)	Discussion content and other details
1	Meeting with Mr. Marin Mandarić, Mayor of Đakovo and MP	On Tuesday, 1st April, Ambassador Arun Goel, met with the Đakovo mayor and parliamentarian Marin Mandarić and his associates in the small town hall. In a cordial conversation, the Indian diplomat spoke with great enthusiasm about the culture, heritage and natural beauties of Croatia, and about Slavonia, the central part of which is Đakovo and the Đakovo region, he said that it reminded him of a very similar region in his country from which he comes. The cordial conversation also covered the economy and other spheres of life, and the Indian Ambassador Goel was particularly interested in agriculture, as well as Indian workers in the Republic of Croatia, especially in this region. He was informed that they also work in Đakovo and the surrounding area, in construction and agriculture. The host Mandarić introduced him, among other things, to the Đakovo embroidery event, which also featured a folklore group from India last year. It is about the Rang Folklore Foundation, Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
2	Meeting with Mr. Dragan Vulin, Deputy Mayor of Osijek	Ambassador Arun Goel visited Osijek on the 1st April, where he met with the Deputy Mayor of Osijek, Dragan Vulin, who, among other things, introduced the ambassador to Osijek's development projects and good economic indicators. Ambassador Goel was particularly interested in reconstructing the city after the Homeland War, developing the IT industry, and exploring the potential of the Nemetin zone. They also discussed significant private investments in Osijek, such as the companies Jabil and IMS Gear. The Ambassador also expressed interest in cooperation between the Osijek and Indian universities, as well as in opportunities for cultural exchange. He was particularly interested in the Osijek Cultural Center, emphasizing the importance of cultural heritage and art.
3	Meeting with Mr. Ivan Penava, Mayor of Vukovar	The Mayor of the City/Grad Vukovar Mr. Ivan Penava and the Head of the Administrative Department for General Affairs, Mrs. Sanja Tokić, received Ambassador Arun on an inaugural visit to the City of Vukovar on the 2nd of April. During the reception, Mayor Penava introduced the Ambassador to the history, culture and tradition of Vukovar, and they also discussed current topics such as the economy and life in Vukovar today. In addition, Mayor Penava welcomed Ambassador Goel to the city of Vukovar and thanked him for his visit. Ambassador Goel thanked him for the hospitality and expressed interest in cooperation in the areas of economy, education and tourism.

F. DETAILS OF ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED OUT OF TRADE PROMOTION BUDGET

Be for current financial year (Rupee)	Re for current financial year (Rupee)	Amount utilized (Rupee)	Details of activity in April 2025 (Max. 200 words)

Rs. 5 lakhs (Market expansion activities)	NA	NA	NA
NA (State facilitation abroad)	NA	NA	NA
NA (Trade & Investment Promotion Activities)	NA	NA	NA

G. ACTION TAKEN ON THE PREVIOUS JWGs, JOINT COMMISSIONS, SUB-COMMISSIONS ETC.

S. No.	Details of JWG/JEC with date and venue	Action Point (Max. 200 words)	Action Taken (Max. 200 words)
1	NA	NA	NA

H. COMPLAINTS FROM FOREIGN BUYER/SUPPLIER ON QUALITY AND TRADE DISPUTE

Name of Indian exporter/importer	Address & contact 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 (Max. 200 char)
NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

I. COMPLAINTS OF INDIAN EXPORTER/IMPORTER

Name of Indian exporter/importer	Address & contact 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 (Max. 200 char)

NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

J. ANY OTHER ISSUE OF IMPORTANCE

NA