#### REPORTING PROFORMA FOR COMMERCIAL WINGS

(Data Source: National Trade Statistics of the reporting country)

- I. Monthly- Trade in Goods, Tourism & Technologies;
- II. Quarterly- Services, Investment and Logistics; and
- III. Annually- Trade in Goods and Services overall

### Name of the Mission : Kingdom of Morocco

#### **MONTHLY REPORT: NOVEMBER 2023**

#### **A. Market Access Alerts**

#### a. Alerts on customs tariff changes:

S N o	Notification no. and date	HS code	Description	Original customs tariff	Present customs tariff	Effectiv e from	Remar ks if any (Uploa d notific ation (pdf only)
1 .	Circular No. 6512/211 November 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2023	Authorized Pharmaceutical laboratories	The pharmaceutical establishment for veterinary products known as "Gynebio Pharma" is added to the list of pharmaceutical establishments for human products and veterinarians benefiting from the 7% value added tax on the importation of medicines, raw materials and packaging intended for the conditioning of medicines human and veterinary use.	Common law	7% of value added tax	From Novemb er 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2023.	NIL

Source: Customs and Indirect Taxes Administration, Kingdom of Morocco

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

S	Notification	Measure	HS Codes	Effective	Remarks if any
N	no./ date			from	
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1	Circular No. 6511/311 November 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Quantitative import restrictions	- Used carpets and floor coverings: Chapter 57/ 39.18/3924.90.00.00/3 926.90.92.90/4008.11 (except 4008.11.00.10)/4008.2 1.00.1/4016.91.00.00/4 418.73/4418.74/4418.7 5/4418.79/4412/ 5904.	November 13th, 2023	- Import of used carpets and floor coverings, used wooden furniture, used mattresses and bedding items and household appliances used, is subject to import license.

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	- Used wooden	
	structures: 4418/	
	4419/4420	
	- Used wooden	
	furniture: 9401 (except	
	9401.10 &	
	9401.20)/94.02/9403.3	
	0/9403.40/9403.50/940	
	3.60/9403.82/9403.83/	
	9403.89.	
	-Used bedding items:	
	- Made-up, used textile	
	articles of Chapter 63:	
	6306.40/6306.90/6309.	
	00.00.90/9404	
	Used household	
	appliances: 7321	
	(except 7321.90)/ 8415	
	(except 8415.20 &	
	8415.90)/8418.10.00.1	
	2/8418.10.00.18/8418.	
	21/8418.29/8418.30/84	
	18.40/8418.50.15.00/8	
	418.50.80.20/8418.50.	
	80.80/8418.91.00.90/8	
	421.12/8422.11.00.00/	
	8450 (except	
	8450.90)/8451.21.00.0	
	0/8451.29.00.00/8516	
	(except	
	8516.90)/8528.71.00.2	
	0/8528.71.00.99/8528.	
	72.00.20/8528.72.00.9	
	9/8528.73.00.00	
	7/03/20.73.00.00	

Source: Customs and Indirect Taxes Administration, Kingdom of Morocco

#### c. Alerts on standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures:

S N o	Notification no./ date	Standard/ technical regulation/ conformity assessment procedure	HS Codes	Effective from	Remarks if any
1	Circular No. 6510/232 November 03 <sup>rd</sup> , 2023	Classification in the tariff of the import duty tariff of an item called "Leg Protection"		November 03rd, 2023	-The article called "Leg Protection" is classified by application of RGI 1 and 6, under subheading 6406.90.20.00 of the import duty tariff.

Source: Customs and Indirect Taxes Administration, Kingdom of Morocco

**d.** Alerts on trade defense measures taken by respective country: NIL (Safeguards including special safeguard, anti-dumping, CVD or anti-subsidy)

S	Notification	Type (initiation,	Details of	Effective	Remarks if any
N	no., date or	final, prov., sunset,	products/	from	
0	other	consultations, new	sectors		
	references	shipper review)	affected		
			(including HS		
			codes)		
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Source: Ministry of Trade and Industry, Kingdom of Morocco

e. Alert on services, regulatory regime, qualification requirement, licensing procedures, visa regime, barriers etc.:  $\,$  NIL

S	Notification no., and date or other	Service sectors	Modes	Effective	Remarks if
N	references	affected		from	any
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#### B. Stakeholders' Feedback and Action Taken

# a. Feedback from major Indian industries/other commercial concerns and Indian trade visitors to that country

S.N.o.	Name of the Firm/Company	Sector	Trade barrier issues if any (incl. HS codes)	General Feedback (Max.200 words)
1.	<ul> <li>India Trade Promotion</li> <li>Organisation (ITPO)</li> <li>Ruparel Foods Pvt. Ltd</li> <li>Harsh Nutricare Pvt. Ltd.</li> <li>-Rayjog Overseas</li> </ul>	Food	Morocco Customs authorities were contacted to facilitate clearance of the food samples carried by ITPO delegates, for their participation in Africa Food show, from 21 to 23 November 2023, in Casablanca.	ITPO and the Indian companies appreciated the support provided by the Indian Embassy

#### b. Feedback on major trade promotion activities/events,

S.N.	Activity/Events	Date and venue	Number of	Name of	Mission's
0.	(trade fair, BSM		participant	EPC/Trade Body	Feedback
	etc.)		s from	coordinating	(Max.200 words)
	·		India	participants	
1.					

# c. Feedback from local commercial visitors to trade fairs in India, including under RBSM; number of Business Visas issued:

S	Activity (trade	Date and venue	Number	List of	Number	Mission's Feedback
N	fair)		of	large / key	of	
0.			participan	participan	Business	
			ts from	ts from the	Visas	
			the	relevant	issued	
			relevant	country		
			country			

1.	World Food	3-5 November		Activity	was
	India (WFI)	2023 at Pragati		promoted	on
		Maidan, New		social	media,
		Delhi		website,	related
				chambers	and
				importers	in
				Morocco.	
2.	International	5-11 November		- do -	
	Business	2023 in Goa			
	Conference &				
	Exhibition				
3.	Global	14-16		- do -	
	Exhibition on	November			
	Services	2023 at IEML,			
	(GES)	New Delhi			
	(GES)				
4.	Itme Africa &	30 Nov -02 Dec		- do -	
	Middle East				
	2023	Kenyatta			
		International &			
		Convention			
		Centre, Nairobi,			
		Kenya.			
5.	EIMA	30 <sup>th</sup> November		- do -	
	Agrimach	to 03 <sup>nd</sup> Dec at			
	India	the University			
		of Agricultural			
		Sciences			
		(UAS), GKVK,			
		Bangalore			

<u>63 Business Visas</u> issued for the Month of November 2023 showing a very good number of business exchanges between the both countries. Also there is significant increase in normal tourist visas, indicating that there is ample interest from Moroccan side to visit India for tourism and business purposes.

#### d. Opportunities for investments/ assets on offer/major company divestment:

S N o.	Sector Name (List attached)	Particulars of the asset /company	Contact details
1.	Sanitary-ware and bathroom fittings	Partenership between Jaquar Group and Pernova Company of Morocco to set up Jaguar Experience Centre, inaugurated by the Ambassador.	M/s. Jaquar & M/s Pernova 24 Bd Sidi Abderrahmane, Beausejour, Casablanca – Morocco M. Mohamed Karroum General Director +212 6 61 31 94 92 m.karroum@pernova.ma www.pernova.ma

e. Information on tender Notices for projects and procurements which are open to Indian project exporters/ suppliers (USD 5 million & above) – Government Procurement (GP) as well as non-GP.

S N o	Tender/ procurement notice No and date	GP/Non-GP	Sector	Value of tender/ procurement
1.	ONCF is issuing a call for competition to acquire 168 trains (150 trains for Intercity Services, Rapid Shuttle Trains, and Mass Transit Trains, and 18 high-speed trains for the extensions of high-speed lines)  Deadline: February 2024	GP	Supply	
2.	Ref:19/2023/OR/OZ/BG  Supply of vitro plants of the Majhoul variety date palm to the Regional Agricultural Development Office of Ouarzazate.  Regional Agricultural Development Office Of Ouarzazate  Deadline: 20/12/2023 10:30	GP	Supplies / Food, livestock, fishing, agriculture, horticulture and nursery products / Food products for human use	15 000 000.00 Dhs equivalent to \$ 1.5 M
3.	Ref: 2AOF0418/PFL/2023  Supply and maintenance of thermal handling equipment. Casablanca  ONCF - National Railways Office  Deadline: 27/12/2023 11:00	GP	Supplies / Construction machinery, handling and lifting equipment / construction vehicles (mixer truck, tanker truck, bulldozer, etc.)	14 500 000.00 Dhs equivalent to \$ 1.4 M
4	Ref: 50/2023  Acquisition of Prints, Casablanca  Morocco Post Office  Deadline: 21/12/2023 09:00		Supplies / Prints, printing, reproduction, and photography products	10 930 584.00 DH equivalent to \$ 1 M

#### C. Tourism:

#### a. Tourist Visa Issued:

S. No.	No. of Tourist Visa issued during the <november>, &lt;2023&gt;</november>
1.	229

<u>229 Tourist Visas</u> issued for the Month of November 2023 showing a very good number of tourists between the both countries as compared to 188 tourist visas issued in November 22. The cumulative number of issued visas from January to November, 2023, is 755, significantly higher than the cumulative number registered in the same period last year (543). This important increase is indicating that there is ample interest from Moroccan side to visit India for tourism and business purposes.

### b. Indian Tourism Promotion Events/Interactions held / organised:

S N o	Details of Event/ Interaction	Theme/Topic	Description about No. of Participants and type of participation (tour operators/ tourism companies/ social influencers etc.)
1	Diwali event organised by Indian Association in Casablanca	Multi-cultural	On 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov, a major event was organised in Casablanca showcasing the different aspect of Indian culture, music and cuisine. More than 150 people attended and the event was inaugurated by the Ambassador
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#### c. Any advisory issued by the country for travelling to India: NIL

S	Date	Advisory	Reason	Action Taken
N				

#### D. a. Opportunities in technology: NIL

S N o	 Sector	Potential opportunity for ToT/ collaboration	B2B partnership possible/ identified companies

### b. Any press coverage/notification on new / Technology / IPR Regulations:

S	Sector	Details	Remarks	Upload Documents
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# E. <u>Details of trade research, information dissemination activity of the commercial wing</u>

<b>S</b>	Nature of activity (trade research, information dissemination,	Details of Seminar/ webinar conference (date/ venue, no of	Details of trade research (title of the report,
N	seminars/webinars etc)	participants) or research	executive summary, date
0	(Max.200 words)	(Max.200 words)	of publication)
			(Max.200 words)
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# F. <u>Details of activities conducted out of Trade promotion budget:</u>

BE for current financial year	RE for current financial year	Amount utilized	Details of Activity (Max.200 words)

## G. Action taken on **Complaints from foreign/ Indian Buyer/Supplier**:

No.	of	Trade	From	Local	From	Indian	No. of co	omplaints	on which Action is
complaints received companies		Companies		Taken					
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