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India's Unilateral Tariff Withdrawal for South Asian Countries

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Abstract

This paper studies economic integration in the South Asian region using an India-centric approach. It recommends that the gains from India withdrawing its tariff on imports from South Asian countries hugely outweigh the losses for the region. The four bilateral trade relationships analysed cover India-Pakistan, India-Bangladesh, India-Sri Lanka and India-Nepal. The Indo-Pakistan relationship shows Pakistan's exports to India contribute much less to India's total imports than to Pakistan's GDP. The benefits of India unilaterally withdrawing tariffs, thus, are much greater than the costs. Similarly, the India-Bangladesh trade relationship, despite having many complementary characteristics, is not very well established. India announced duty free access to some textile imports from Bangladesh in September 2011³ and should be encouraged to declare 'zero tariff' rates on all major Bangladeshi imports. The India-Sri Lanka relationship, despite having a Free Trade Agreement (FTA), is restricted in many ways. Similarly, the Indo-Nepal trade relationship, despite a 60 year FTA, is still protectionist in nature. It is important that these protective criteria be removed in favour of improving trade between the countries. Each of the countries mentioned in the paper will gain immensely if India opens up its borders to their exports. These gains will outweigh the minor losses for India which will be more than compensated for by its increased goodwill. Economic integration is important to maintain stability in this region and the four bilateral relationships described above are crucial.

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³ 'PM announces duty-free import from Bangladesh', LiveMint.com, 7 September 2011, Viewed on 15 September 2011 (<http://www.livemint.com/2011/09/07105023/PM-announces-dutyfree-import.html>).

The South Asian region is said to be the least economically integrated region in the world. Given that India is one of the world's fastest growing economies, this comes as a bit of a surprise. The smaller countries of the region look to India to take initiative in this regard and promote bilateral and multilateral trade. This paper advocates unilateral tariff withdrawal by India for its South Asian neighbours, thereby benefiting the entire region. The paper looks at four countries in South Asia and studies their bilateral trade relations with India to prove this hypothesis. The time frame for this study is the last six years, starting from 2005-2006 to 2010-2011(from April to December). Data is extracted from the Export Import Data Bank of the Ministry of Commerce, Government of India.

The first bilateral trade relationship studied is that of India and Pakistan. Since this study is more India-centric, the first step is to determine the commodity-wise import into India from Pakistan in the last six years. The first stage is using trade data at the two-digit level in order to give an overall view of the trade relationship. This figure is then divided by India's total imports of that commodity, from all countries, to determine Pakistan's share in India's imports categorised by commodities. This helps in two ways, not only is it easy to determine Pakistan's importance as India's import partner, it also helps determine the major commodities India imports from them. It is at this stage that India's imports from Pakistan that form a negligible share, i.e. less than 2%, of its total imports of that specific commodity are deleted. Table 9 in the Appendix shows India's share of imports from Pakistan after deleting negligible import commodities at the two-digit level. Looking at this data, 12 commodities that feature consistently and majorly in India's imports are then identified. Six-digit data for each of these 12 commodities is then extracted and the share of imports from Pakistan is calculated for each commodity as was done previously for each of the six years. Another exercise of elimination was then conducted at the six-digit level in order to make the study more rigorous. This was done based on two criteria: consistency and quantity. If a particular commodity appeared in four or more years as an import from Pakistan and if its share in India's total imports of that commodity was larger than 5%, it was deemed important. The rest of the commodities were then deleted, leaving 69 commodities at the six-digit level as shown in Table 10 in the Appendix. As the six-digit level for data goes into extreme detail, the 69 commodities are clubbed together into 26 commodities at the four-digit level. Table 1 shows the four-digit figures.

Table 1: Pakistan's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the four-digit level (per cent)

S. No	HSCode	Commodity	2005-2006 %	2006-2007 %	2007-2008 %	2008-2009 %	2009-2010 %	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec) %
1	306	Crstcns W/N In Shl,Live,Frsh,Chld,Frzn,Drdsltd/In Brine;Crstcns,In Shl,Ckd By Stmng Or Boiling,W/N Chld,Frzn,Drd,Sltd/In Brine	0.65	0.00	2.24	9.33	14.71	16.72
2	713	Drid Leguminous Veg Shld W/N Skinned/Split	10.49	0.14	0.01	0.00	0.24	0.40
3	804	Dates, Figs, Pineapples, Avocados, Guavas, Mangoes, And Mangosteens, Fresh Or Dried	37.72	54.82	33.84	34.83	33.20	38.15
4	806	Grapes, Fresh Or Dried	0.30	50.22	4.97	0.05	0.53	0.87
5	813	Fruit, Dried, Other Than That Of Headings 0801 To 0806; Mixtures Of Nuts Or Dried Fruits Of This Chapter	0.72	50.98	1.02	1.51	1.50	1.56
6	1207	Other Oil Seeds And Oleaginous Fruits, Whether Or Not Broken	0.00	0.00	0.24	1.55	6.03	0.62
7	1211	Plnts & Prts Of Plnts Incl Seds & Fruts Usd For Prfumry Phrmacy/Inscitidl Or Smlr Purposes Frsh/Drid W/N Cut Crshd Or Powdrd	8.66	6.32	10.20	13.74	12.71	8.97
8	2009	Fruit Juices (Incl Grape Must)/Vgtbl Juiceunfrmtd & Not Wth Added Sprt,W/N Sweetnd	0.00	6.42	2.87	8.33	6.94	6.74
9	2501	Salt (Incl Table Salt & Denatr Salt) & Pure Sodim Chlrde W/N Aqs Soln Sea Wtr	93.10	92.23	83.33	70.93	67.20	71.76
10	2523	Portland Cement Almous Cement("Cement Fondu")Slag Cement Etc & Smlr Hydrlic Cements W/N Clrd/In The Form Of Clinkers	0.00	1.02	55.92	73.56	34.28	45.10
11	2526	NatrI Steatite W/N Roughly Trmmd/Merely Cut By Sawings/Othrwse Into Blks/ Slabs Of A Rectnglar Shape	0.00	0.00	4.94	11.79	12.61	37.99
12	4104	Taned/Crust Hide & Skin Of Bvne(Inclding Buffalo) Or Equine Animal Without Hair Wonsplt But Nt Further Prepared	0.37	0.98	3.45	3.34	2.83	2.30
13	4105	Taned/Crust Skin Of Sheep Or Lamb Without Wool Whether Or Not Split But Not Further Prepard.	0.02	0.04	0.71	1.21	0.13	0.34
14	4106	Taned/Crust Hide & Skins Of Other Anims Wout Wool/Hair Won Split But Not Furtherprepared.	3.31	0.85	3.58	4.36	0.35	0.32
15	4107	Leather Further Prepared After Tanning Or Crusting, Including Parchment-Dressed Leather, Of Bovine (Including Buffalo)	0.83	3.90	8.69	5.09	6.95	4.75
16	4112	Leather Further Prepared After Tanning Or Crusting, Including Parchment-Dressed Leather, Of Sheep Or Lamb, Without Wool On	0.00	3.40	11.51	2.03	0.72	3.17
17	4113	Leather Further Prepared After Tanning Or Crusting, Including Parchment-Dressed Leather, Of Other Animals, Without Wool	1.42	2.48	4.53	1.52	1.42	12.63
18	5101	Wool Not Carded Or Combed	1.04	1.57	1.92	1.52	1.88	2.81
19	5205	Cotn Yrn(Othr Thn Swng Thrd)Cntng 85% Or More By Wt Of Coton Nt Put Up Fr Retl Sale	45.43	67.42	61.48	65.08	44.09	22.70
20	5206	Coton Yrn(Othr Thn Sewng Thrd)Contng Coton	15.20	68.43	41.27	0.00	60.66	57.94
21	5208	Wovn Fbrcs Of Coton Contng>=85% By Wt Of Coton Weghng Nt More Thn 200 G/M2	7.58	8.17	5.34	3.69	8.25	4.45
22	5209	Wovn Fbrcs Of Cotton, Contng >=85% Cotn By Wt Weighing>200 Gm Per Sqm	13.47	20.84	21.60	21.18	26.35	19.12
23	5210	Wovn Fbrcs Contng<=200g/M2	1.51	0.65	6.73	5.46	0.00	0.35
24	5212	Other Woven Fabrics Of Cotton	13.45	7.48	6.81	10.82	6.75	1.01
25	6116	Gloves, Mittens And Mitts, Knitted Or Crocheted	21.43	16.26	19.28	18.21	21.90	20.59
26	7801	Unwrought Lead	1.29	2.94	6.74	0.69	4.07	3.55

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 20 September 2011.

Up till now, the story has been fairly one-sided by using India's total imports of a commodity as the denominator. This helps to foretell the impact of India's unilateral tariff withdrawal on its imports. To complete the analysis, it is important to consider the situation in Pakistan as well. Here it is assumed that India's imports from Pakistan are exactly equal to Pakistan's exports to India. To determine the importance of its exports to India, Pakistan's export figures are divided by its Gross Domestic Product (GDP) as shown by Table 2.

Table 2: Pakistan's share in India's total imports and Pakistan's exports as a share of its GDP

	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec)
Pakistan's Exports to India (US\$ million)	179.56	323.62	287.97	370.17	275.94	244.27
India's Total Import (US\$ million)	149165.73	185735.24	251654.01	303696.31	288,372.88	258,843.59
Pakistan's share of India's Imports (per cent)	0.12 %	0.17 %	0.11 %	0.12 %	0.10 %	0.09 %
Pakistan GDP (US\$ million)	127500.00	143171.18	163891.68	161989.98	174799.15	
Pakistan's Exports as a share of Pakistan GDP (per cent)	0.141 %	0.226 %	0.176 %	0.229 %	0.158 %	

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 20 September 2011. And The World Bank development indicators. Retrieved from <http://data.worldbank.org/indicator> on 21 September 2011.

It's clear that, although Pakistan's exports to India contribute only a very small percentage to its GDP, these exports contribute lesser to India's total imports. Thus, although India will lose some revenue through customs by withdrawing tariffs, Pakistan stands to gain much more.

To make the study more comprehensive, Pakistan exports of the 12 major commodities identified at the two-digit level are divided by its GDP to analyse how much each of the commodities contribute to Pakistan's total output. This is shown by Table 11 in the Appendix. Pakistan is studied using more relatively general data because it is understood that it will gain if India unilaterally removes tariffs. This degree of gain can be gauged through Pakistan's exports to India as a percentage of its GDP.

Referring to the four-digit data shown in Table 1, we can identify some of the major commodities in which Pakistan has a relative comparative advantage and which are, therefore, likely to be impacted in case of unilateral tariff withdrawal by India. The most obvious of these are fruits, salt and sodium chloride, types of cement, natural steatite, types of cotton and gloves and other woollen apparel. Removing tariff will result in increased supply

of these goods. Given the high inflation seen in food articles, including fruits and vegetables, increasing import of fruits will help bring prices down by increasing supply. An increased supply of salt and sodium chloride will not negatively harm India as the country has a limited supply of salt and needs to import the commodity anyway. An increase in cement supply is needed with the large infrastructure projects taking place in India today, thereby increasing demand. So, in effect, cotton is the only sensitive commodity being imported from Pakistan, with the Indian government trying to protect its small and marginal cotton growers by levying import tariffs on the commodity. Certain Non-Tariff Barriers (NTBs) may be put in place to limit cotton import from Pakistan if necessary, but as is clear from the above analysis, the benefits of India unilaterally withdrawing tariffs are much greater than the costs. More economic cooperation between the countries is important as India did not even feature in Pakistan's top six exporting partners. Economic cooperation between these two countries is crucial for integration of the entire region.

Moving on to another large economy, the bilateral relationship between India and Bangladesh is studied. Using the same methodology as in the case of Pakistan, we analyse the importance of Bangladeshi goods in India's imports. The share of Bangladesh in India's imports at the two-digit level is analysed, commodity wise and goods that contribute less than 2% to India's imports of a particular commodity are then deleted. This leaves the 17 commodities shown in Table 12 of the Appendix. Again, six-digit data for the 17 commodities identified is used to calculate share of Bangladeshi goods in India's imports. To comprehensively identify the import commodities, more items are deleted at the six-digit level based on the same two criteria of consistency and quantity. A commodity that appeared less than four of the six years of data it was deleted. From among the remaining, if a commodity contributed less than 5% to India's imports of that commodity, it was deleted. This left us with 53 items at the six-digit level as shown in Table 13 of the Appendix. These criteria ensure a comprehensive understanding of India's dependence on imports from Bangladesh. The 53 items are then combined into 38 commodities at the four-digit level to explain the larger picture. Table 3 shows the four-digit figures for Bangladesh.

Table 3: Bangladesh's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the four-digit level (per cent)

S. No.	Hscode	Commodity	2005-2006 %	2006-2007 %	2007-2008 %	2008-2009 %	2009-2010 %	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec) %
1	302	Fish Fresh Or Chilled Excluding Fish Fillets & Othr Fish Meat Of Hedng No 0304	96.22	96.13	95.76	98.49	97.41	98.03
2	305	Fish Dried Salted Or In Brine;Smoked Fish Cooked Or Not Before Or During The Smokingprocess;Fish Meal Fit For Consumption	44.78	34.26	46.62	57.82	62.07	73.26
3	506	Acided/Dglitnsd Bones&Hm/Cors,Nt Shaped, Deftd,Unwrkd,SmPLY Prpd;Pwdr&Wste Thereof	73.08	86.96	50.00	14.29	20.00	38.10

4	1703	Molasses Residue From The Extraction/Refining Of Sugar	6.41	32.26	57.89	52.82	8.20	1.46
5	2001	Veg Fruits Nuts & Other Edible Parts Of Plants Prepared/Preserved By Vinegar/Acetic Acid			3.85	7.69	14.93	7.00
6	2004	Other Vegetables Prepared Or Preserved Otherwise Than By Vinegar Or Acetic Acid, Frozen, Other Than Products Of Heading 200	3.14	0.49	0.45	0.59	7.26	0.77
7	2008	Fruits Nuts & Other Edible Parts Of Plants otherwise Prepared/Preserved, W/N Sweetened N.E.S.	0.32		0.37	1.71	3.96	4.42
8	2009	Fruit Juices (Including Grape Must)/Vgetable Juice unfromented & Not With Added Sugar, W/N Sweetened	1.15	1.18	1.31	3.96	6.99	1.40
9	4101	Raw Hides And Skins Of Bovine (Including Buffalo) Or Equine Animals (Fresh Or Salted, Dried, Limed, Pickled Or Otherwise	0.41	0.51	0.18	0.70	3.05	1.31
10	4104	Tanned/Crust Hide & Skin Of Bovine (Including Buffalo) Or Equine Animal Without Hair Worn Split But Not Further Prepared	1.03	1.31	1.57	3.39	3.07	3.55
11	4107	Leather Further Prepared After Tanning Or Crusting, Including Parchment-Dressed Leather, Of Bovine (Including Buffalo)	2.12	2.70	2.34	2.84	2.55	2.30
12	5202	Cotton Waste (Including Yarn Waste & Granted Stock)	45.30	54.26	71.79	81.73	92.22	94.43
13	5205	Cotton Yarn (Other Than Spun Thread) Containing 85% Or More By Weight Of Cotton Not Put Up For Retail Sale	0.57	1.28	3.01	2.58	0.17	0.29
14	5208	Woven Fabrics Of Cotton Containing >=85% By Weight Of Cotton Weighing Not More Than 200 G/M ²	0.01	0.11	0.61	0.21	0.35	1.90
15	5209	Woven Fabrics Of Cotton, Containing >=85% Cotton By Weight Weighing >200 Gm Per Sqm	0.01	0.03	0.50	1.03	1.83	3.91
16	5212	Other Woven Fabrics Of Cotton		0.62	1.26	0.33	2.40	0.41
17	5303	Jute & Other Textile Bast Fibres (Excluding Flax, True Hemp & Ramie) Raw/Processed But Not Spun; Tow & Waste (Including Yarn Waste & Granted Stock)	94.44	96.97	97.17	95.44	99.01	99.41
18	5307	Yarn Of Jute Or Of Other Textile Bast Fibres Of Heading 5303	93.91	92.99	97.33	98.36	99.33	98.46
19	5310	Woven Fabrics Of Jute Or Of Other Textile Base Fibres Of Heading 5303	14.05	38.28	25.66	25.04	40.61	44.92
20	5607	Twine, Cordage, Ropes & Cables, W/N Plaited/Braided & W/N Impregnated, Coated, Covered/Sheathed With Rubber/Plastics	19.32	21.59	13.11	8.39	11.83	16.27
21	6002	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics Of Width >=5% By Weight, Except Heading No 6001			4.44	12.32	5.12	3.21
22	6006	Other Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics	0.50	3.05	4.54	2.94	4.00	0.52
23	6103	Men's Or Boys' Suits, Ensembles, Jackets, Blazers, Trousers, Bib and Brace Overalls, Breeches And Shorts (Other Than Swimwear)			1.44	0.57	1.26	36.19
24	6105	Men's/Boys' shirts, Knitted/Crocheted	0.83		0.53	1.03	6.19	12.73
25	6107	Men's/Boys' underpants, Briefs, Nightshirts, Pyjamas, Bathrobes Etc, Knitted/Crocheted			21.69	19.84	9.23	11.25
26	6109	T-Shirts, Singlets & Other Vests, Knitted/Crocheted	1.90	0.30	0.50	3.17	4.43	10.12
27	6110	Jerseys, Pullovers, Cardigans, Waistcoats And Similar Articles, Knitted Or Crocheted	1.38		3.65	2.98	2.69	9.49
28	6203	Men's Or Boys' Suits, Ensembles, Jackets, Blazers, Trousers, Bib & Brace Overalls, Breeches & Shorts (Other Than Swimwear)	1.65	1.38	8.30	7.74	12.59	13.94
29	6204	Women's Or Girls' Suits, Ensembles, Jackets, Blazers, Dresses, Skirts, Divided Skirts, Trousers, Bib And Brace Overalls,	1.73	2.77	1.18	3.58	5.86	8.23
30	6205	Men's Or Boy's Shirts		1.26	3.25	4.98	10.87	5.48
31	6209	Babies Garments And Clothing Accessories	6.52	0.63	1.98	1.06		5.94

32	6304	Other Furnishing Articles, Excluding Those Of Heading 9404	6.36	11.30	10.33	14.86	10.03	3.35
33	6305	Sacks And Bags, Of A Kind Used For The Packing Of Goods	76.45	79.66	37.17	70.38	66.46	54.22
34	6307	Other Made Up Articles, Including Dress Patterns	0.07	0.53	0.49	3.19	1.27	4.63
35	6310	Used/New Rags, Scrap Twine, Cordage, Rope & Cables & Worn Out Articles Of Twine, Cordage, Rope/Cables, Of Textile Materials	0.13	3.87	15.69	26.37	29.76	21.06
36	6501	Hat-Forms, Hat Bodies And Hoods Of Felt, Neither Blocked To Shape Nor With Made Brims; Plateaux And Manchons (Including Sl	47.62	18.42	25.00	4.35	13.79	3.33
37	6505	Hats And Other Headgear, Knitted Or Crocheted, Or Made Up From Lace, Felt Or Other Textile Fabric, In The Piece	2.08	3.70	6.98	2.02	10.60	0.90
38	6506	Other Headgear, Whether Or Not Lined Or Trimmed			2.81	26.07	31.07	23.91

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 30 September 2011.

Similar to the Pakistan analysis, we now use Bangladesh's exports to India to explain India's importance in Bangladesh trade. Bangladesh exports to India are divided by its GDP to show the percentage share these exports contribute to Bangladesh's economy. These figures are shown in Table 4.

Table 4: Bangladesh's share in India's total imports and Bangladesh's exports as a share of its GDP

	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec)
Bangladesh's Exports to India (US\$ million)	127.03	228	257.02	313.11	254.66	286.66
India's Total Import (US\$ million)	149,165.73	185,735.24	251,654.01	303,696.31	288,372.88	258,843.59
Bangladesh's share of India's Imports (per cent)	0.09	0.12	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.11
Bangladesh GDP (US\$ million)	61901.12	68415.42	79554.35	89359.77	100075.93	
Bangladesh's Exports as a share of Bangladesh GDP (per cent)	0.21	0.33	0.32	0.35	0.25	

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 30 September 2011. And The World Bank development indicators. Retrieved from <http://data.worldbank.org/indicator> on 1 October 2011.

The table very clearly shows India's importance to the Bangladeshi economy. From India's perspective, Bangladesh imports constitute around 0.1% of its total imports while from Bangladesh's perspective, its exports to India contributing 0.2% – 0.35% of its GDP. Thus, there is much more to gain from India unilaterally withdrawing tariffs on imports from Bangladesh as the loss for India is negligible and outweighed by the gains for Bangladesh. To take the analyses even further, specific commodity-wise contribution to Bangladesh's

economy is calculated. The 17 major commodities in the bilateral relationship, which were identified at the two-digit level, are divided by Bangladesh's GDP to analyse how much each of the commodities contributes to Bangladesh's total output. These figures are shown in Table 14 in the Appendix.

Studying the four-digit data shown in Table 3, it is possible to identify some important commodities which India consistently imports from Bangladesh. It is these commodities that will be impacted the most if India withdraws tariffs on imports from Bangladesh leading to the logical conclusion that their supply will increase. The most apparent imports are textiles and all types of apparel. Other important imports are cotton, jute, fish, vegetables, fruits and nuts, raw animal hides and skin. Increasing jute imports is not controversial as India does not have a sensitive jute industry. Similarly, increased fish imports and raw animal hides and skins will not harm the Indian economy. An increase in vegetables, fruits and nuts will benefit India in helping control inflation by increasing supply. And again, cotton is the only sensitive commodity imported from Bangladesh. Thus, to protect domestic producers, NTBs can be used to limit cotton imports as both Pakistan and Bangladesh export the commodity to India. The Bangladesh-India trade relation, despite having many complementary characteristics, is not very well established. India did not feature in Bangladesh's top five export partners in 2010 and was second to China in Bangladesh's importing partners with 12.7%. To improve this trade deficit for Bangladesh, India announced duty free access to 46 textile commodities from Bangladesh in September 2011⁴. Thus, as India is already removing tariffs on its main import from Bangladesh, i.e. textiles, the other important imports, not accounting for much in India's imports, can also be made 'zero tariff' without much harm. The Bangladesh-India bilateral relationship is one with a lot of potential that needs to be realised. As the two stable economies in the region, increased trade between them would result in benefits for the entire region.

The third relationship is between India and Sri Lanka. After the end of a long civil war in the country, Sri Lanka is now in a position to concentrate on its economy. The two countries already have a trade agreement in place, the Indo-Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement (ISFTA), which was signed in 1998 and took effect from 1 March 2000⁵. However, there are still a number of items in India's negative list for imports from Sri Lanka, mentioned in Annexure D (I)⁶. These Sri Lankan exports are not entitled for duty concessions from India. The number of items on India's negative list has been consistently increasing over the last few

⁴ 'PM announces duty-free import from Bangladesh', LiveMint.com, 7 September 2011, Viewed on 15 September 2011, <http://www.livemint.com/2011/09/07105023/PM-announces-dutyfree-import.html>.

⁵ 'India-Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement', Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, Viewed on 14 October 2011, http://commerce.nic.in/trade/international_ta_indsl.asp.

⁶ 'Duty Concessions', Indo-Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement, Department of Commerce, Sri Lanka, Viewed on 14 October 2011, http://www.doc.gov.lk/web/indusrilanka_freetrade_dutycon.php.

years with Weerakoon and Thennakoon estimating that the list increased from 30 items in 1999 to 70 in 2006⁷.

To understand this bilateral trade relationship we follow the same methodology as was the case in the previous two relationships. Sri Lanka's share in India's imports is calculated, commodity wise, at the two-digit level. Items which contribute less than 3% to India's imports of a particular commodity are then deleted. This leaves the 20 commodities shown in Table 15 of the Appendix. The share of Sri Lanka in India's imports is then calculated at the six-digit data level for the 20 commodities identified as important. To make the study more thorough, the six-digit data is filtered through the same two criteria used before: consistency and quantity. A commodity that appears in anything less than four out of the six years specified is deleted to ensure consistency. From those remaining, a quantity check is to delete any commodity that contributes less than 5% to India's imports of that commodity. This left 56 items at the six-digit level as shown in Table 16 of the Appendix. These criteria ensured a holistic and detailed analysis of Sri Lanka's contribution to Indian imports. To present a slightly more macro picture, the 56 items are then categorised into 41 commodities at the four-digit level. Table 5 shows the four-digit figures for Sri Lanka.

Table 5: Sri Lanka's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the four-digit level (per cent)

S. No	Hscode	Commodity	2005 - 2006 %	2006 - 2007 %	2007 - 2008 %	2008- 2009 %	2009 - 2010 %	2010- 2011 (Apr-Dec) %
1	508	Coral And Similar Materials, Unworked Or Simply Prepared But Not Otherwise Worked; Shells Of Molluscs, Crustaceans Or Echinod	40.30	42.47	23.69	26.44	35.75	32.47
2	902	Tea	3.64	2.14	6.11	2.38	5.71	1.80
3	904	Pepper Of The Genus Piper; Dried Or Crushed Or Ground Fruits Of The Genus Capsicum Or Of The Genus Pimenta Pepper :	36.81	41.56	39.65	38.39	33.31	45.01
4	907	Cloves (Whole Fruit, Cloves And Stems) Cloves (Whole Fruit, Cloves And Stems):	47.00	25.43	41.02	56.14	57.11	63.98
5	908	Nutmeg, Mace And Cardamoms	19.09	27.54	13.12	21.80	20.98	21.85
6	1106	Flour, Meal And Powder Of The Dried Leguminous Vegetables Of Heading 0713, Of Sago Or Of Roots Or Tubers - Heading 0714	85.71	92.00	86.79	77.33	89.87	78.26
7	1516	Anml/Veg Fats & Oils,Its Fractns Prtly Or Wholy Hydrogenated Intr-Estrfied Re-Estrfdelaidinsd W/N Refnd But Nt Furthr Prpd	62.96	63.82	66.03	40.59	2.88	0.87
8	1517	Margarine; Edible Mixture Or Preparations Of Animal Or Vegetable Fats Or Oils Or Of Fractions Of Different Fats Or Oils	95.93	86.90	98.36	54.64	0.00	0.00

⁷ Weerakoon, D and J Thennakoon J (2006): "India-Sri Lanka FTA: Lessons from SAFTA", Paper written under a research grant from the Commonwealth Secretariat, London to CUTS International, Jaipur.

9	1520	Glycerol, Crude; Glycerol Waters And Glycerol Lyes	53.87	31.58	7.56	6.14	0.29	0.00
10	1601	Sausages & Similar Products Of Meat Meat Offal Or Blood Food Products Based On These Products	83.33	94.12	93.33	95.89	96.35	100.00
11	1905	Bread, Pastry, Cakes, Biscuits And Other Bakers Wares, Whether Or Not Containing Cocoa; Communion Wafers, Empty Cachets	6.61	5.76	6.77	6.94	1.05	0.73
12	2008	Fruits Nuts & Other Edible Parts Of Plants otherwise Prepared/Preserved, With/Without Sweetened N.E.S.	0.32	0.39	0.74	2.70	3.00	1.88
13	2302	Bran Sharps & Other Residues With/Without In The Form Of Pellets Derived From The Sifting Milling/ Other Working Of Cereals/Of Leguminous Plants	45.63	52.32	46.67	43.03	63.68	73.99
14	2306	Oil-Cake And Other Solid Residues, Whether Or Not Ground Or In The Form Of Pellets, Resulting From The Extraction Of Vegetable	0.30	7.61	7.70	11.64	17.02	12.03
15	2309	Preparations Of A Kind Used In Animal Feeding	0.64	13.73	19.42	28.74	28.56	27.05
16	4202	Trunks, Suit-Cases, Vanity-Cases, Executive-Cases, Brief-Cases, School Satchels, Spectacle Cases, Binocular Cases	7.11	4.52	0.78	0.01	0.02	0.00
17	5805	Hand-Woven Tapestries Of The Type Gobelins, Flanders Etc & Needle-Woven Tapestries (E.G. Petit Point Cross Stitch), With/Without Made Up	0.00	4.12	2.13	9.64	7.69	0.00
18	5806	Narrow Woven Fabrics Other Than Goods Of Heading 5807; Narrow Fabrics Consisting Of Warp Without Weft Assembled	4.03	6.57	5.90	6.29	5.98	11.40
19	5807	Labels, Badges And Similar Articles Of Textile Materials, In The Piece, In Strips Or Cut To Shape Or Size, Not Embroidered	0.44	0.38	0.58	2.26	1.69	5.65
20	5808	Braids In The Piece; Ornamental Trimmings In The Piece, Without Embroidery, Other Than Knitted Or Crocheted; Tassels, Pompons	1.44	2.18	1.86	6.34	1.73	0.83
21	6001	Pile Fabrics Including "Long Pile" Fabrics And Terry Fabrics, Knitted/Crocheted	0.83	2.96	3.09	0.43	0.07	0.00
22	6002	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics Of Width $\geq 5\%$ By Weight, Except Heading No 6001	0.35	2.46	2.02	0.26	1.02	13.90
23	6003	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics Of A Width	0.31	0.00	0.35	12.56	2.35	3.79
24	6004	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics Of Width $\geq 30\text{cm}$, Containing Elastomeric Yarn/Rubber $\geq 5\%$ By Weight, Except Heading No. 6001	1.19	0.49	12.21	3.64	0.20	0.53
25	6005	Warp Knit Fabrics (Including Those Made On Galloon Knitting Machines), Other Than Those Of Headings 6001 To 6004	1.21	3.09	2.12	1.52	0.46	0.23
26	6006	Other Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics	0.56	3.67	1.30	2.24	5.29	3.00
27	6105	Men's/Boys' shirts, Knitted/Crocheted	1.67	1.32	6.32	7.93	5.01	5.59
28	6108	Women's Or Girls' Slips, Petticoats, Briefs, Panties, Night Dresses, Pyjamas, Negligees, Bathrobes, Dressing Gowns And S	0.00	1.63	4.91	10.26	9.83	26.15
29	6109	T-Shirts, Singlets & Other Vests, Knitted/Crocheted	3.33	4.64	4.22	5.28	5.87	3.96
30	6116	Gloves, Mittens And Mitts, Knitted Or Crocheted	4.29	0.81	4.93	6.29	6.20	4.36
31	6203	Men's Or Boys' Suits, Ensembles, Jackets Blazers, Trousers, Bib & Brace Overalls Breeches & Shorts (Other Than Swimwear)	3.73	2.92	2.82	3.05	14.86	21.63

32	6204	WomenS Or GirlsSuits, Ensembles, Jackets, Blazers, Dresses, Skirts, Divided Skirts, Trousers, Bib And Brace Overalls,	1.04	1.11	2.12	2.41	5.37	6.15
33	6206	WomenS Or GirlsBlouses, Shirts And Shirt-Blouses	1.86	0.50	1.25	1.46	2.54	3.26
34	6208	WomenS Or GirlsSinglets And Other Vests, Slips, Petticoats, Briefs, Panties, Nightdresses, Pyjamas, Negliges, Bathrobe	0.00	0.00	4.92	8.16	2.74	7.14
35	6212	Brssrs,Grdls,Corsts,Brcs,Suspndrs,Grtrs & Smlr Artcls & Prts Throf,W/N Kntd/Crochtd	0.00	0.63	17.34	32.31	34.67	59.39
36	6217	Other Made Up Clothing Accessories; Parts Of Garments Or Of Clothing Accessories, Other	0.27	0.34	0.32	13.14	0.81	0.93
37	6802	Wrkd Monmnt/Bldg Stone (Excpt Slate)Etc Excpt Hdg 6801 Mosaic Cubes Artfcly Colrd Grnls Etc Of Natrl Stone (Incl Slate)	26.56	34.15	19.49	6.30	4.87	5.87
38	7403	Refined Copper And Copper Alloys, Unwrought	59.90	32.68	17.69	3.16	1.82	8.47
39	7601	Unwrought Aluminium	4.39	0.65	0.12	0.04	0.06	0.13
40	8007	Other Articles Of Tin	77.01	40.54	4.00	2.05	0.00	0.00
41	8901	Cruise Ships, Excursion Boats , Ferry- Boats, Cargo Ships, Barges And Similar Vessels For The Transport Of Persons Or Go	0.02	0.00	7.09	0.87	0.00	0.10

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 10 October 2011.

Similar to the previous two cases, we now outline the Sri Lankan perspective using the country's exports to India as an important part of its economy. Sri Lankan exports to India are divided by its GDP to show the percentage share these exports contribute to Sri Lanka's economy. These figures are shown in Table 6.

Table 6: Sri Lanka's share in India's total imports and Sri Lankan exports as a share of its GDP

	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec)
Sri Lanka's Exports to India (US\$ million)	577.70	470.33	634.96	356.57	392.19	342.55
India's Total Import (US\$ million)	149165.73	185735.24	251654.01	303696.31	288372.88	258843.59
Sri Lanka's share of India's Imports (per cent)	0.39	0.25	0.25	0.12	0.14	0.13
Sri Lanka's GDP (US\$ million)	24405.79	28267.41	32351.18	40715.25	42067.97	49551.75
Sri Lanka's Exports as a share of Sri Lankan GDP (per cent)	2.37	1.66	1.96	0.88	0.93	0.69

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 10 October 2011. And The World Bank development indicators. Retrieved from <http://data.worldbank.org/indicator> on 11 October 2011.

The contribution of Sri Lanka's India exports to its GDP has been declining over the years, as seen from the table. Despite this, they still contribute approximately 0.69% to the Sri Lankan

GDP. This is five times the share of Sri Lanka in India's total imports. Thus, the table very clearly displays India's importance to the Sri Lankan economy. From the Indian perspective, the Sri Lankan imports contribute a little more than 0.1% of its total imports while from Sri Lanka's perspective, its exports to India contribute a relatively substantial 0.7% – 0.9% of its GDP. Thus, there is much more to gain from India deleting its negative list restricting duty free imports from Sri Lanka as the loss for India is negligible and outweighed by the gains for Sri Lanka. To further the analysis, specific commodity-wise contribution to the Sri Lankan economy is calculated. The 20 major commodities in the bilateral relationship, which were identified at the two-digit level, are divided by Sri Lanka's GDP to analyse how much each of the commodities contributes to Sri Lanka's total output. These figures are shown in Table 17 in the Appendix.

Studying the four-digit data shown in Table 5, it is possible to identify major commodities India imported from Sri Lanka over the last six years. Some of the most important items were spices like pepper, cloves, nutmeg and mace, prepared foods like sausages and other similar products, apparel and copper. Imports of spices and prepared foods from Sri Lanka are beneficial as food items are currently fuelling inflation in India and these imports would help increase supply. Copper also needs to be imported into India due to its limited supply of the resource. Garments, on the other hand, are included in Annexure III outlining the Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) arrangement between the two countries⁸. Garments imported from Sri Lanka are subject to the payment of a preferential import duty and have a quota of eight million pieces along with other restricting criteria. Some of the other items included in India's negative list are vegetable products, plastics and rubber, paper products and textile articles. Thus, despite having a free trade agreement, the India-Sri Lanka bilateral trade is still restricted in many ways. The ISFTA has been in operation for more than 10 years now but it has not produced the benefits it was meant to largely because of the restrictive trade. The ISFTA has the potential to expand to a much larger scale as both countries are domestically stable and therefore it is the right time for India to remove the negative list of imports from Sri Lanka. Data suggests that India, which ranked as the 16th largest export destination of Sri Lanka in 2000, emerged as the third largest buyer in 2003. Accounting for 6.7% of Sri Lanka's total exports to the world, India was third to the United States (US) and the United Kingdom (UK) in 2007 as Sri Lanka's largest export partners.

Nevertheless, there remains tremendous room for improvement. There are two main reasons why India should drastically reduce its negative list. Firstly, the European Union (EU) temporarily cut its Generalised System of Preferences (GSP) plus concessions to Sri Lanka⁹.

⁸ 'India-Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement', Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, Viewed on 14 October 2011, http://commerce.nic.in/trade/international_ta_indsl.asp.

⁹ B Muralidhar Reddy, 'EU cuts GSP+ concessions for Sri Lanka', *The Hindu*, 6 July 2010, Viewed on 1 October 2011, <http://www.thehindu.com/news/international/article501623.ece>.

The GSP plus used to allow products originating from Sri Lanka to be imported into the EU region at zero tariffs. The Sri Lankan balance of payments gets adversely affected by the removal of these concessions. It is an opportune time for India to improve bilateral trade with Sri Lanka. The second reason is that the Sri Lankan economy is now growing steadily, after years of civil war, India can capitalise on this growth by increasing trade with the country.

The fourth and final bilateral trade relationship is that of India and Nepal. The Nepal-India relationship is fairly established with the Indo-Nepal Treaty of Trade going back more than 60 years. The treaty was recently revised in 2009, increasing economic integration between the two countries¹⁰. The agreement specifically lays down certain criteria and categories of commodities that are exempt from import duty in India. This leads us to conclude, naturally, that there are certain items that are excluded from this concession. Some of the items excluded may be sensitive items but if not they should all be given the same concession of zero tariffs.

The methodology, to find the major commodities imported from Nepal into India is the same as it was for the previous countries. Nepal's share in India's imports is calculated, commodity-wise, at the two-digit level. Items which contribute less than 3% to India's imports of a particular commodity are then deleted. This leaves the 22 commodities shown in Table 18 of the Appendix. The share of Nepal in India's imports is then calculated at the six-digit data level for the 22 important commodities. To make the study more thorough, the six-digit data is filtered through the same two criteria used before: consistency and quantity. A commodity that appears in anything less than four out of the six years specified is deleted to ensure consistency. From those remaining, a quantity check is done to delete any commodity that contributes less than 5% to India's imports of that commodity. This filter leaves 86 items at the six-digit level as shown in Table 19 of the Appendix. These criteria ensured a holistic and detailed analysis of Nepal's contribution to Indian imports. To present a slightly more macro picture, the 86 items are then categorised into the 45 commodities at the four-digit level shown in Table 7 below.

Table 7: Nepal's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the four-digit level (in per cent)

S. No.	Hscode	Commodity	2005-2006 %	2006-2007 %	2007-2008 %	2008-2009 %	2009-2010 %	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec) %
1	405	Butter And Other Fats And Oils Derived From Milk; Dairy Spreads	82.22	11.64	88.02	15.11	3.79	1.53
2	406	Cheese And Curd	11.79	15.70	7.10	4.33	4.36	7.09
3	409	Natural Honey	0.00	6.15	4.83	0.25	0.62	0.00

¹⁰ 'Revised Indo-Nepal Treaty of Trade', Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, October 2009, Viewed on 14 October 2011, <http://commerce.nic.in/trade/nepal.pdf>.

4	902	Tea	24.27	18.41	43.05	39.72	25.22	44.36
5	908	Nutmeg, Mace And Cardamoms	55.45	3.19	56.68	58.87	54.71	59.15
6	910	Ginger, Saffron, Turmeric (Curcuma), Thyme, Bay Leaves, Curry And Other Spices	21.63	37.15	42.79	37.97	29.26	18.43
7	1008	Buckwheat, Millet And Canary Seed; Other Cereals	72.00	96.30	100.00	97.22	100.00	100.00
8	1204	Linseed, Whether Or Not Broken	100.00	100.00	100.00	93.33	100.00	100.00
9	1211	Plnts & Prts Of Plnts Incl Seds & Fruts Usd For Prfumry Phrmacy/Insectcidl Or Smlr Purposes Frsh/Drid W/N Cut Crshd Or Powdrd	9.48	4.68	6.38	3.63	6.12	2.95
10	1213	Cereal Straw And Husks, Unprepared, Whether Or Not Chopped, Ground, Pressed Or In The Form Of Pellets	100.00	93.06	92.52	93.81	85.00	79.59
11	1401	Veg Matrls Used Primarily As Plaitng (E.G.Bamboos Rattans Reeds Rushes Osier Etc Clnd Blcd/Dyd Cereal Straw,And Lime Bark	12.50	4.62	1.91	13.99	16.17	45.87
12	1404	Veg Products N.E.S. Or Included	66.67	75.89	50.00	87.40	92.43	73.29
13	1702	Other Sugars, Including Chemically Pure Lactose, Maltose, Glucose And Fructose, In Solid Form; Sugar Syrups Not Containing A	2.23	2.05	1.34	1.26	0.56	0.76
14	1703	Molasses Rsltd From The Extrctn/Rfng Of Suger	6.55	27.96	41.35	27.61	2.09	0.00
15	1902	Pasta, Whether Or Not Cooked Or Stuffed (With Meat Or Other Substances) Or Otherwise Prepared, Such As Spaghetti, Mac	71.13	38.04	71.90	69.62	65.76	62.28
16	1905	Bread, Pastry, Cakes, Biscuits And Other Bakers Wares, Whether Or Not Containing Cocoa; Communion Wafers, Empty Cachets	8.75	7.91	7.40	11.25	2.67	2.10
17	2002	Tomatoes Prepared Or Preserved Otherwise Than By Vinegar Or Acetic Acid	0.40	1.71	4.15	6.55	6.50	5.47
18	2009	Fruit Juices (Incl Grape Must)/Vgtbl Juiceunfrmtd & Not Wth Added Spert,W/N Sweetnd	3.10	6.36	0.60	0.65	4.85	1.36
19	2106	Othr Food Preprns N.E.S.	4.94	1.66	7.52	3.58	1.29	0.79
20	2202	Waters, Including Mineral Waters And Aerated Waters, Containing Added Sugar Or Other Sweetening Matter Or Flavoured	74.11	71.37	75.87	71.94	54.51	50.57
21	2302	Bran Sharps & Othr Residus W/N In The Formof Pellets Drvd Frm The Sifting Mllng/ Othr Working Of Cereals/Of Leguminous Plan	44.51	23.17	25.78	19.72	18.51	4.53
22	2306	Oil-Cake And Other Solid Residues, Whether Or Not Ground Or In The Form Of Pellets, Resulting From The Extraction Of Vegetable	10.64	23.10	58.48	61.45	31.02	32.78

23	2309	Preparations Of A Kind Used In Animal Feeding	15.31	1.77	2.27	2.43	0.88	0.72
24	3301	Esnl Ols (Cncrts/Abslts);Rsnds,Extrtd Ologrn,Cncntrts In Fats Etc;Trpnc By-Prdctaqus Dstlts/Sltn	0.56	0.56	0.26	0.33	0.21	0.22
25	3305	Preparations For Use On The Hair	6.85	4.06	3.34	2.00	5.23	3.34
26	3306	Prpartn Fr Orl/Dntl Hygn,Dntur Fixatv Pst/Pwdr & Dntl Flos In Indvdl Packgs.	95.88	95.17	93.18	80.57	68.16	53.50
27	5310	Woven Fabrics Of Jute Or Of Other Textile Base Fibres Of Heading 5303	82.14	54.54	69.45	70.41	52.84	50.89
28	5402	Synthtc Filamnt Yrn(Othr Thn Sewng Thrd) Not Put Up For Retail Sale Incl Synthetic Monofilament Of Less Than 67 Decitex	0.95	1.20	7.90	5.57	5.34	4.03
29	5403	Artificial Filament Yarn(Excl Sewing Thread),Not Put Up For Retail Sale,Incl Artificial Monofilament Of < 67 Decitex	0.28	0.18	0.12	0.18	0.09	0.30
30	5407	Wovn Fbrcs Of Synthtc Filament Yarn Incl Wovn Fbrcs Obtnd From Mtrls Of Hdg No.5404	4.74	7.06	1.72	3.75	4.54	0.00
31	5505	Waste (Including Noils, Yarn Waste And Garnetted Stock) Of Man-Made Fibres	0.22	0.88	1.89	0.87	3.48	5.05
32	5506	Synthetic Staple Fibres, Carded Combed Or Otherwise Processed For Spinning	0.31	0.83	2.63	0.00	3.60	7.37
33	5509	Yarn(Othr Thn Swng Thread)Of Synthtc Staple Fibres,Not Put Up For Retail Sale	50.62	35.33	55.07	52.81	42.04	33.85
34	5510	Yarn(Othr Thn Swng Thread)Of Artfcl Staple Fibres Not Put Up Fr Rtl Sale	67.29	20.18	42.62	46.06	20.59	34.75
35	5607	Twne,Cordge,Rop & Cbls,W/N Pltd/Brdd & W/ Nimprgntd,Cotd,Covrd/Shthd Wth Rubr/Plstcs	48.61	32.26	55.37	41.30	46.26	46.90
36	6001	Pile Fabrics Including"Long Pile" Fabrics And Terry Fabrics,Knitted/Crocheted	14.49	21.14	34.48	13.15	18.76	17.25
37	6002	Knitd Or Crocheted Fbrcs Of Width =5% By Wt , Excpt Hdg No 6001	14.66	13.91	22.38	9.83	28.33	29.95
38	6110	Jerseys, Pullovers, Cardigans, Waistcoats And Similar Articles, Knitted Or Crocheted	12.41	16.62	7.30	4.47	0.83	0.36
39	6112	Track Suits, Ski Suits And Swimwear, Knitted Or Crocheted	31.58	3.08	29.03	12.70	0.00	0.00
40	6203	Men's Or Boys' Suits,Ensembles,Jackets Blazers,Trousers,Bib & Brace Overalls Breeches & Shorts(Other Than Swimwear)	23.93	10.84	13.25	11.61	6.49	8.59
41	6205	Men's Or Boy's Shirts	39.20	38.17	26.20	12.01	15.60	28.36
42	6214	Shwls,Scrvs,Muflrs,Mntls,Vels & The Like	88.65	60.66	70.42	54.94	36.19	23.03
43	6305	Sacks And Bags, Of A Kind Used For The Packing Of Goods	6.59	7.17	53.08	24.23	28.25	41.34
44	6404	Ftwear Wth Outr Soles Of Rubr-Plstcs Etc & Upprs Of Txtl Matrls	24.92	14.23	30.86	32.61	36.25	16.83
45	6405	Other Footwear	0.00	3.16	1.63	1.49	1.21	1.70

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 12 October 2011.

It is important, now, to show the Nepal point of view and quantify its dependence on trade with India. Nepal's exports to India are then divided by its GDP to show the percentage share these exports contribute to Nepal's economy. These figures are shown in Table 8.

Table 8: Nepal's share in India's total imports and Nepal's exports as a share of its GDP

	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec)
Nepal's Exports to India (US\$ million)	379.85	306.02	628.56	496.04	452.61	397.92
India's Total Import (US\$ million)	149165.73	185735.24	251654.01	303696.31	288372.88	258843.59
Nepal's share of India's Imports (per cent)	0.25	0.16	0.25	0.16	0.16	0.15
Nepal's GDP (US\$ million)	8130.26	9074.83	10277.62	12572.61	12896.79	15701.06
Nepal's Exports as a share of Nepal GDP (per cent)	4.67	3.37	6.12	3.95	3.51	2.53

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 12 October 2011. And The World Bank development indicators. Retrieved from <http://data.worldbank.org/indicator> on 13 October 2011.

The table very clearly displays India's importance to the Nepalese economy. From India's perspective, Nepal imports constitute a negligible 0.15% - 0.25% of its total imports whereas Nepal's exports to India contribute anywhere from 2.5% to 3.9% of its GDP. This is a large disparity and therefore, there is much to gain from increasing trade between the two countries. To take it even further, specific commodity-wise contribution to Nepal's economy is calculated. The 22 major commodities in the bilateral relationship, which were identified at the two-digit level, are divided by Nepal's GDP to analyse how much each of the commodities contribute to Nepal's total output. These figures are shown in Table 20 in the Appendix.

Studying the four-digit data shown in Table 7 it is possible to identify some important commodities which India consistently imports from Nepal. These include tea, spices, some specific cereals and oilseeds, vegetable plaiting materials, dentifrices and textiles. None of these commodities are sensitive and India gains from importing these goods. The real issues in the case of Nepal are some other restrictive means that India has put in place to control trade. Despite the 2009 revision, certain measures adopted by India, including the fulfilment

of stringent Rules of Origin (ROO) criteria by manufactured goods, remain unchanged¹¹. India had also put quantitative restrictions (like the TRQ, as was in the case of Sri Lanka) on some of Nepal's most important exports to India like vegetable ghee and copper products, thus reducing their imports into the country. These TRQ provisions are still in place for most of Nepal's important exports to India, with zero-duty treatment provided to exports up to the quota and Most Favoured Nation (MFN) tariffs applied to exports exceeding the quota. Thus, despite having a free trade agreement, India-Nepal bilateral trade is still protectionist in nature. It is important that these protective criteria be removed in favour of improving trade between the two countries. India is Nepal's largest exporting partner, with approximately 61.7% of Nepal's exports going to the country. The Indo-Nepal Treaty of Trade is in dire need of a drastic revision.

In conclusion, looking at each of the countries individually, we are able to analyse the importance of India's role in this region as the main trading partner for these four South Asian countries. It is, therefore, important that India takes the lead in integrating this region in order to develop itself. Although one might argue that India could suffer if it removed its tariff barriers for all the South Asian countries as individually it may not seem like a loss but collectively it may harm India more than it seems; this argument does not hold as each of the countries have a comparative advantage in different goods, thereby making trade complementary between India and the other South Asian countries. Regular government to government talks to improve bilateral trade relations should be encouraged and India should unilaterally eliminate tariffs on a country specific, bilateral basis. It is important for India to take the initiative to economically integrate this region as increased trade would have immense benefits for all the countries involved and especially India, thereby promoting stability in the region and allowing it to look beyond just its close neighbours.

Appendix

Table 9. Pakistan's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the two-digit level (in per cent)

S. No	Hscode	Commodity	2005-2006 %	2006-2007 %	2007-2008 %	2008-2009 %	2009-2010 %	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec) %
1	2	Meat And Edible Meat Offal.	0.00	0.00	5.41	1.23	0.00	0.00
2	3	Fish And Crustaceans, Molluscs And Other Aquatic Invertebrates.	2.91	0.87	2.61	1.46	2.10	0.77
3	7	Edible Vegetables And Certain Roots And Tubers.	10.66	0.14	0.10	0.00	0.25	0.42
4	8	Edible Fruit And Nuts; Peel Or Citrus Fruit Or Melons.	3.32	10.77	4.76	3.31	3.72	5.03

¹¹ "Promoting Nepal's Trade in the Perspective of Bilateral and Multilateral Trade", Economic Policy Network II, Asian Development Bank and Ministry of Finance, Government of Nepal, December 2010, Viewed on 14 October 2011 (http://www.mof.gov.np/economic_policy/pdf_2/Promotin_Nepal.pdf).

5	12	Oil Seeds And Olea. Fruits; Misc. Grains, Seeds And Fruit; Industrial Or Medicinal Plants; Straw And Fodder.	2.39	1.68	2.21	3.63	4.83	2.15
6	13	Lac; Gums, Resins And Other Vegetable Saps And Extracts.	1.58	1.82	0.79	1.63	1.36	1.26
7	17	Sugars And Sugar Confectionery.	4.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	20	Preparations Of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts Or Other Parts Of Plants.	0.00	4.20	1.24	3.68	3.47	2.94
9	22	Beverages, Spirits And Vinegar.	0.00	0.00	4.33	0.39	0.48	0.06
10	25	Salt; Sulphur; Earths And Stone; Plastering Materials, Lime And Cement.	0.09	0.13	2.25	2.37	2.53	2.09
11	41	Raw Hides And Skins (Other Than Furskins) And Leather	0.57	1.06	2.89	2.61	2.04	1.73
12	51	Wool, Fine Or Coarse Animal Hair, Horsehair Yarn And Woven Fabric.	0.81	1.34	1.57	1.23	1.60	2.56
13	52	Cotton.	6.42	10.50	8.32	7.04	7.83	6.39
14	55	Man-Made Staple Fibres.	1.49	2.17	0.76	0.44	0.26	0.12
15	61	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Knitted Or Crocheted.	1.33	0.92	1.18	1.29	1.25	2.24
16	78	Lead And Articles Thereof.	1.29	3.10	6.15	0.61	3.48	2.83

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 20 September 2011.

Table 10. Pakistan's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the six-digit level (in per cent)

S. No	Hscode	Commodity	2005 - 2006 %	2006 - 2007 %	2007 - 2008 %	2008 - 2009 %	2009 - 2010 %	2010- 2011 %
1	30613	Shrimps & Prawns Frozen	0.70		2.91	9.88	16.09	18.42
2	71339	Oter Beans Dried & Shld	21.00	0.29	0.04		1.53	7.44
3	80410	Dates Fresh Or Dried	46.88	42.03	46.35	48.39	45.66	52.23
4	80420	Figs Fresh Or Dried		96.27	8.12	0.03	0.03	
5	80620	Grapes Dried	0.34	58.42	6.91	0.07	0.72	1.48
6	81310	Apricots, Dried		54.37	0.62	0.28	1.06	1.35
7	81340	Other Fruit Dried	8.33	15.38	3.57	11.81	12.50	5.26
8	120740	Sesame Seeds W/N Broken			1.18	5.42	28.88	0.60
9	121190	Othr Plnts & Prts Of Plnts Of Hdng 1211	5.53	4.47	9.87	13.75	12.72	9.08
10	200911	Orange Juice Frozn		27.84	21.33	32.48	49.64	62.94
11	200980	Juice Of Any Othr Single Fruit Or Vegtbl				3.86	2.46	5.38

12	250100	Salt (Incl Table Salt & Denatrd Salt) & Pure Sodim Chlrde W/N Aqs Soln Sea Wtr	93.10	92.23	83.33	70.93	67.20	76.42
13	252321	White Cement W/N Artificially Clrd					11.04	21.21
14	252329	Other Portland Cement		8.47	84.11	85.00	74.49	59.68
15	252610	Natrl Steatite Not Crushed Not Pwdrd			26.67	27.06	36.84	91.40
16	410411	Full Grains-Unsplit/Grain-Splits Of Bovine in Wet State Inclndg Wet-Blue		0.27	0.90	3.28	2.04	9.32
17	410441	Full Grains-Unsplit/Grain-Splits Of Bovine In Dry State(Crust)		2.06	5.24	0.25	0.28	
18	410530	Taned/Crust Skin Of Sheep Or Lamb Without Wool Whether Or Not Split But Not Further Prepared In Dry State	0.18	0.14	13.85	19.33	1.70	2.34
19	410621	Taned/Crust Hide &Skins Of Goat Or Kids In wet State Including Wet-Blue.	5.07	0.28	1.98	8.36	0.13	
20	410622	Taned/Crust Hide & Skins Of Goat Or Kids In Dry State (Crust)	7.69	5.70	31.25	22.09	4.00	8.82
21	410719	Other Whole Hides/Skins	0.10	1.02	1.93	1.76	6.76	2.14
22	410799	Other/Hides/Skins Including Sides	1.26	9.77	23.95	12.14	7.62	3.13
23	411200	Leather Further Prepard After Tanning/Crust Leather Of Sheep/Lamb Without Wool W.O.N. Split		3.40	11.51	2.03	0.72	2.25
24	411310	Leather Further Of Goats/Kids	13.33	12.30	13.83	6.12	1.19	18.27
25	411390	Leather Further Of Other Animals			2.74	0.63	1.94	14.44
26	510129	Othr Degrees Wool Nt Crbnsd Nor Crded/Cmbd	1.89	2.90	4.42	3.64	5.68	8.58
27	520511	Sngl Yrn Of Uncmbd Fbrs Measurng 714.29 Dctx/More(Nt Excdng 14 Mtrc No)	65.57	88.62	83.05	81.56	47.65	39.52
28	520528	Sngl Yrn Of Combd Fbrs Msrng 120 Mtrc No.	100.0 0				52.17	32.69
29	520531	Mltpl(Flded)/Cbld Yrn Of Uncmbd Fbrs Measurng Per Sngl Yrn 714.29 Dctx/More (Nt Excdng 14 Mtrc No Per Sngl Yrn)		100.0 0	100.0 0	100.0 0	100.0 0	
30	520548	Mltpl (Foldd)/Cabld Yrn Of Combd Fbrs Msrng Per Sngl Yrn 120 Mtrc No.	27.71	61.19	21.35	81.41	47.52	25.00
31	520622	Sngl Yrn Of Cmbd Fbrs Measurng=232.56 Dctx(>14 But<=43 Mtrc No)		31.25	51.20		82.93	79.22
32	520625	Sngl Yrn Of Cmbd Fbrs Measurng Less Thn 125 Dctx(Excdng 80 Mtrc No)	100.0 0	72.76	17.78		100.0 0	
33	520811	Cotn Fabrcs Contng>=85% By Wt Of Cotn, Unbleached Plain Weave Weighing <=100 G/M2	4.51	2.50	9.68	1.09	16.22	1.80
34	520812	Cotn Fabrcs Contng >=85% By Wt Of Cotn Unbleached Plainweave Weighing > 100 G/M2	1.51	1.57	6.18	3.98	20.54	

35	520813	Cotn Fabrics Contng>=85% By Wt Of Cotn Unblchd 3/4 Thread will Incl Cross Twill Weighing Not More Thn 200 Gm Per Sqm	4.82	0.71	6.31	32.31	11.42	
36	520819	Other Cotn Fabrics Unbleached Contng 85% Or More By Wt Of Cotn Weighing<=200 Gm Persqm	8.81	16.60	15.93	5.65	40.40	29.32
37	520822	Cotn Fabrics Contng >=85% By Wt Of Cotton Bleached Plain Weave Weingng > 100 G/M2	7.84	17.19	2.25	8.06	7.92	1.92
38	520823	Cotn Fabrics Contng>=85% By Wt Of Cotn Blechd,3/4 Thread Twill Incl Cross Twill Weighing Not More Thn 200 Gm Per Sqm	22.22	10.53	9.09		3.13	
39	520829	Other Cotton Fabrics,Bleached Contng 85% Or More By Wt Of Cotton Weing Not More Than 200 Gm Per Sqm	8.79	12.17	10.51		3.70	12.14
40	520831	Cotn Fabrics Contng >=85%By Wt Of Cotn Dyed Plain Weave Weingng<=100 G/M2	6.24	7.06	0.98	5.43	2.05	2.38
41	520832	Cotn Fabrics Contng>=85% By Wt Of Cotn Dyed,Plain Weave Weighng >=100 G/M2	11.79	17.56	11.59	8.31	5.12	4.21
42	520833	Cotn Fabrics Contng>=85% By Wt Of Cotn, Dyed,3/4 Thred Twill Incl Cross Twill, Weighing Not More Thn 200 G/M2	5.67	8.53	7.81	20.35	29.57	8.62
43	520839	Other Coton Fabrics,Dyed Contng 85% Or More By Wt Of Cotton Weingng Not More Thn 200 Gm Per Sqm	3.44	5.58	5.97	16.39	30.23	7.04
44	520843	Cotn Fabrics Comtng>85% By Wt Of Cotn 3-Thread/4-Thread Twill Imcl Cross Twill Of Yarn Of Diff Clrs Weighng <=200 Gsm	7.90	3.65	25.79	4.21	3.45	1.47
45	520851	Cotn Fabrics Contng >=85% By Wt Of Cotn Printed Plain Weave Weingng <=100 G Per Sqm	19.77	8.06	0.13	1.42	1.82	15.84
46	520852	Cotn Fabrics Contng >=85% By Wt Cotn Printed,Plain Weave Weighing >100 G/M2	1.24	6.34	1.10	1.43	1.73	3.59
47	520859	Othr Cotn Fabrics Contng>=85% By Wt Of Cotn,Prntd,Weighing 200 G/M2	5.10	1.78	1.72	5.78	30.00	7.23
48	520911	Plain Weave,Unbleached Cotton Fabrics Weighing More Thn 200 Gm Per Sqm	21.97	34.38	37.30	23.03	21.05	1.52
49	520912	Unblchd 3/4 Thred Twill Incl Cross Twill Cotton Fabrics Weighing More Than 200 Gm Per Sqm		1.21	59.03	61.05	50.00	33.04
50	520919	Other Cotton Fabrics,Unbleached Weighing More Than 200 Gm Per Sqm	2.92	13.73	3.28		18.03	
51	520921	Bleached Coton Fabrics,Plain Weave Weighing More Thn 200 Gm Per Sqm	2.86	30.39	4.84	8.20		
52	520922	Blechd 3/4 Thread Twill Incl Cross Twill Cotton Fabrics Weing More Thn 200 Gm Per Sqm	9.09	30.88	2.94	15.15	11.11	6.67
53	520929	Othr Bleachd Cotton Fabrics More Than 200 Gm Per Sqm	13.41	19.55	9.43	5.52	21.67	14.78
54	520931	Dyed Plain Weave Cotton Fabrics Weghng More Than 200 Gm Per Sqm	49.47	28.54	16.99	15.75	17.53	25.82
55	520932	Dyed 3/4 Thread Twill Inclng Cross Twill Cotton Fabrics Weighing>200 Gm Per Sqm	39.66	41.74	49.72	54.34	62.30	19.76

56	520939	Other Dyed Cotton Fabrics Weighing More Than 200 Gm Per Sqm	55.22	75.21	67.76	69.74	66.67	72.34
57	520941	Plain Weave Cotton Fabrics Of Yarn Of Diff Clrs, Weighing >= 200 G/M2	17.72	16.41	5.38	7.22	31.90	20.92
58	520942	Denim	1.57	3.08	5.33	8.28	12.34	8.66
59	520943	3-Thread Or 4-Thread Twill Of Yarn Of Different Colour Fabric Incl Cross Twill Weighing More Than 200gm Per Sqm	20.00	3.70	0.35	1.33	5.56	
60	520951	Plain Weave,Printed Cotn Fabrics Weighing More Than 200 Gm Per Sqm	20.00	25.00	29.87	6.90	20.00	
61	520959	Other Printed Cotton Fabrics Weighing More Than 200 Gm Per Sqm	2.78	8.80	14.54	32.45	43.51	68.15
62	521011	Unbleached Plain Weave Mxd Cotton Fabrics Weighing<= 200 G/Sm	8.54	9.18	53.65	43.84	12.24	
63	521019	Other Mixd Cotn Fabrics, Unbleached Weighngnot More Than 200 Gm Per Sqm	20.00			0.35	21.35	4.76
64	521213	Othr Dyed Woven Fbrcs Wghng <=200 G/M2	3.03	6.51	8.60	9.06	12.15	1.51
65	521223	Othr Dyed Wovn Fbrcs Wghng >200 G/M2	8.05	11.94	10.74	33.63	3.03	
66	611610	Gloves Mittens & Mitts Impregnated Cotd/ Covrd Wth Plstc/Rubr, Knitd/Crochtd	50.00	60.61	54.55	50.00	27.87	10.71
67	611692	Other Gloves Etc Of Cotton	25.00	8.33	16.67	41.38	16.67	28.57
68	611699	Othr Gloves Etc Of Other Textile Materials	10.34		4.03	5.19	24.82	22.90
69	780199	Other Unrefined Lead & Lead Alloys	2.92	6.75	15.14	1.50	8.60	5.88

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 20 September 2011.

Table 11. Pakistan's share in India's total imports and Pakistan's exports as a share of its GDP, commodity-wise (in per cent)

S. No	Hsc ode	Commodity	2005-2006 (Pak)	2006-2007 (Pak)	2007-2008 (Pak)	2008-2009 (Pak)	2009-2010 (Pak)	2005-2006 (% Of Gdp)	2006-2007 (% Of Gdp)	2007-2008 (% Of Gdp)	2008-2009 (% Of Gdp)	2009-2010 (% Of Gdp)
1	3	Fish And Crustaceans, Molluscs And Other Aquatic Invertabrates.	0.65	0.21	0.89	0.74	0.89	0.00051	0.000147	0.000543	0.000457	0.000509
2	7	Edible Vegetables And Certain Roots And Tubers.	67.94	1.38	1.35	0.05	5.55	0.053286	0.000964	0.000824	3.09e-05	0.003175
3	8	Edible Fruit And Nuts; Peel Or Citrus Fruit Or Melons.	26.14	88.76	42.40	36.68	46.41	0.020502	0.061996	0.025871	0.022643	0.02655
4	12	Oil Seeds And Olea. Fruits; Misc. Grains, Seeds And	1.73	1.60	3.02	5.39	8.29	0.001357	0.001118	0.001843	0.003327	0.004743

		Fruit; Industrial Or Medicinal Plants; Straw And Fodder.										
5	13	Lac; Gums, Resins And Other Vegetable Saps And Extracts.	0.86	1.28	0.62	1.27	1.25	0.000675	0.000894	0.000378	0.000784	0.000715
6	20	Preparations Of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts Or Other Parts Of Plants.	0.00	1.31	0.48	1.41	1.64	0	0.000915	0.000293	0.00087	0.000938
7	25	Salt; Sulphur; Earths And Stone; Plastering Materials, Lime And Cement.	0.66	1.13	31.77	58.20	42.58	0.000518	0.000789	0.019385	0.035928	0.024359
8	41	Raw Hides And Skins (Other Than Furskins) And Leather	1.71	3.94	12.54	12.17	8.28	0.001341	0.002752	0.007651	0.007513	0.004737
9	51	Wool, Fine Or Coarse Animal Hair, Horsehair Yarn And Woven Fabric.	2.15	3.77	5.19	3.52	3.98	0.001686	0.002633	0.003167	0.002173	0.002277
10	52	Cotton.	28.11	48.88	45.29	44.76	39.10	0.022047	0.034141	0.027634	0.027631	0.022369
11	61	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Knitted Or Corched.	0.23	0.23	0.45	0.66	0.55	0.00018	0.000161	0.000275	0.000407	0.000315
12	78	Lead And Articles Thereof.	2.27	7.34	24.01	2.53	16.14	0.00178	0.005127	0.01465	0.001562	0.009233
		Pakistan Exports (India's Imports From Pakistan) (US\$ million)	179.56	323.62	287.97	370.17	275.94	0.140831	0.226037	0.175708	0.228514	0.157861
		Pakistan Gdp (US\$ million)	12750 0.00	14317 1.18	16389 1.68	16198 9.98	17479 9.15	100	100	100	100	100

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 20 September 2011. And The World Bank development indicators. Retrieved from <http://data.worldbank.org/indicator> on 21 September 2011.

Table 12. Bangladesh's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the two-digit level (in per cent)

S. No	Hscode	Commodity	2005-2006 %	2006-2007 %	2007-2008 %	2008-2009 %	2009-2010 %	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec) %
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1	3	Fish And Crustaceans, Molluscs And Other Aquatic Invertebrates.	45.46	62.10	63.81	72.21	59.96	73.65
2	5	Products Of Animal Origin, Not Elsewhere Specified Or Included.	3.13	3.39	0.29	0.27	0.05	0.33
3	6	Live Trees And Other Plants; Bulbs; Roots And The Like; Cut Flowers And Ornamental Foliage.	100.00	0.00	0.41		0.00	
4	14	Vegetable Plaiting Materials; Vegetable Products Not Elsewhere Specified Or Included.	0.00	0.00	3.92	1.69	0.14	1.31
5	17	Sugars And Sugar Confectionery.	0.53	2.36	1.89	1.45	0.05	0.03
6	19	Preparations Of Cereals, Flour, Starch Or Milk; Pastrycooks Products.	0.32	0.19	0.35	0.43	0.85	3.62
7	20	Preparations Of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts Or Other Parts Of Plants.	1.41	0.80	0.75	2.30	5.58	1.78
8	23	Residues And Waste From The Food Industries; Prepared Animal Foder.	0.57	1.49	2.55	3.39	1.07	1.07
9	41	Raw Hides And Skins (Other Than Furskins) And Leather	0.74	1.01	1.02	1.79	1.95	2.16
10	52	Cotton.	0.50	0.62	1.03	0.82	1.23	2.48
11	53	Other Vegetable Textile Fibres; Paper Yarn And Woven Fabrics Of Paper Yarn.	29.00	33.05	39.67	33.14	43.31	52.94
12	56	Wadding, Felt And Nonwovens; Spacial Yarns; Twine, Cordage, Ropes And Cables And Articles Thereof.	4.12	3.11	3.12	1.77	3.05	3.64
13	60	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics.	0.39	1.16	2.37	2.02	2.02	0.37
14	61	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Knitted Or Corched.	0.98	0.32	1.26	2.01	3.32	9.03
15	62	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Not Knitted Or Crocheted.	1.47	2.13	3.68	4.98	6.80	15.80
16	63	Other Made Up Textile Articles; Sets; Worn Clothing And Worn Textile Articles; Rags	13.85	19.88	13.29	22.98	25.68	16.68
17	65	Headgear And Parts Thereof.	4.70	3.57	6.21	14.57	17.18	13.39

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 30 September 2011.

Table 13. Bangladesh's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the six-digit level (in per cent)

S.No.	Hscode	Commodity	2005-2006 %	2006-2007 %	2007-2008 %	2008-2009 %	2009-2010 %	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec) %
1	30269	Othr Fish Frsh/Chld Excl Livrs & Roes	96.47	97.82	97.17	98.56	97.41	98.03

2	30559	Other Dried Fish W/N Salted Nt Smoked	75.00	80.00	89.61	97.70	96.43	96.92
3	50610	Ossein & Bones Treated With Acid	84.62	90.63	50.00	15.38	25.00	47.06
4	170310	Cane Molasses Rsltd Frm Extrctn/Rfng Of Sugr	6.79	72.00	57.85	54.26	7.11	
5	170390	Othr Molasses Rsltd Frm Extrctn/Rfng Of Sugr	2.19	5.41	58.33	44.64	90.00	100.00
6	200190	Other Edible Parts Of Plants Prepared Or Preserved By Vinegar/Acetic Acid			4.17	10.00	15.04	7.07
7	200410	Potatoes Prpd/Prsvd, Frzn	3.37	0.51	0.52	0.64	8.01	0.90
8	200819	Othr Nuts & Seeds Incl Mixtrs Prpd/Prsvd	1.22		3.13	6.15	24.00	25.81
9	200980	Juice Of Any Othr Single Fruit Or Vegtbl	4.10	4.31	3.64	8.02	13.90	4.07
10	200990	Mixtrs Of Juices Unfrmtd Nt Contng Spirit			1.38	7.14	10.43	0.39
11	410150	Whol Hids & Skns Of Bvne Anmls Of Wt Excdng 16 Kg	0.27	2.20	0.15	1.91	9.01	7.83
12	410449	Other Grain Of Bovine In Dry State (Crust)	1.18	2.67	3.01	8.54	7.61	8.71
13	410799	Other/Hides/Skins Including Sides	1.33	4.43	1.84	6.31	2.94	2.20
14	520210	Yarn Waste (Incl Thread Waste)	40.00	48.15	65.22	20.83	73.91	100.00
15	520299	Other Cotton Waste	45.54	54.78	72.58	90.43	93.41	93.66
16	520522	Sngl Yrn Of Cmbd Fbrs Measurng= 232.56 Dctx(>14 But <=43 Mtrc No)	66.67	65.38	73.53	80.95		
17	520811	Cotn Fabrcs Contng>=85% By Wt Of Cotn, Unbleached Plain Weave Weiging <=100 G/M2	0.00	2.34	7.92	1.09	0.47	0.40
18	520849	Other Cotn Fabrics Of Yarn Of Different Colour With Cotn Content More Thn 85% Weighng Not More Thn 200 Gm Per Sqm	1.56	2.11	5.04	1.75	8.96	
19	520911	Plain Weave, Unbleached Cotton Fabrics Weighing More Thn 200 Gm Per Sqm		1.56	5.56	9.55	31.58	53.03
20	520941	Plain Weave Cotton Fabrics Of Yarn Of Diff Clrs, Weighing >= 200 G/M2			5.38	9.35	16.81	33.33
21	521211	Othr Unblched Woven Fabrics Of Cotton Weighing Not More Than 200 G/M2		3.70	12.12	5.71		4.17
22	530310	Jute & Othr Txtl Bast Fbrs, Raw Or Retted	99.95	98.00	99.84	100.00	100.00	99.98
23	530710	Yarn Of Jute & Othr Txtl Bast Fbrs, Single	96.30	96.22	97.33	98.36	99.33	98.80
24	531010	Unblechd Woven Fabrics Of Jute/Other Textile Bast Fibres	14.40	39.73	26.39	26.24	43.28	49.77
25	560790	Other Twine, Cordage, Rope & Cables			0.08	5.98	9.58	20.50
26	600290	Othr Knitd Or Crochtd Fbrs Of Width			4.79	13.72	5.62	3.47
27	600634	Othr Knitd Or Crochtd Fbrs Of Syn Fibres, Printd	28.57	53.65	43.50	20.49	32.05	7.52
28	610342	Trousers, Shorts Etc Of Cotton			2.47	2.50	4.76	32.00
29	610510	Men's/Boys' Shirts Of Cotton	1.05		0.72	1.44	5.80	17.98
30	610791	Bathrobs Dressing Gown Etc. Of Cotton			62.50	75.76	50.00	75.00
31	610910	T-Shirts Etc Of Cotton	1.23	0.54	0.36	4.38	6.75	14.74
32	611020	Jerseys Etc Of Cotton	13.79		0.49	5.76	4.35	8.39
33	620319	Suits Of Other Textile Materials		14.61	1.94		19.35	50.98
34	620332	Jackets & Blazers Of Cotton			1.72	1.10	5.67	14.29

35	620333	Jacks & Blazers Of Synthetic Fibres			13.17	6.70	4.08	1.18
36	620342	Trousers Bib & Brace Overalls Breeches & Shorts Of Cotton For Men's & Boys'	0.22	0.66	10.67	16.14	16.92	15.32
37	620343	Trousers,Bib & Brace,Overalls,Breeches & Shorts Of Synthetic Fibres,Men's Or Boys'	2.68		11.73	11.73	9.84	
38	620349	Trousers Bib & Brace Overalls,Breeches & Shorts Of Other Txtl Materials- Men's/Boys'		0.46	0.38	0.56	8.75	55.45
39	620432	Jackets Of Cotton		19.15	2.33	3.70	2.70	24.32
40	620462	Trousers,Bib And Brace Overalls, Breeches And Shorts Of Cotton	0.36	0.68	1.23	6.50	9.72	8.88
41	620463	Trousers,Bib And Brace Overalls, Breeches And Shorts Of Synthetic Fibres	4.44	10.98	6.93	5.26	9.26	3.03
42	620520	Men's Or Boys' Shirts Of Cotton		1.70	3.51	4.91	11.27	6.36
43	620590	Shirts Of Other Textile Materials			2.92	6.56	10.00	6.58
44	620990	Babies Garments And Clothing Accessories Of Other Textile Materials	9.43	0.81		1.73		9.47
45	630492	Othr Frnshng Artcls Of Cotn,Nt Kntd/Crcht	14.36	19.40	16.71	24.59	14.41	7.06
46	630510	Sacks & Bags For Packing,Made Of Jute Or Of Othr Txtl Bast Fbres Of Hdg No.5303	88.88	90.62	40.26	73.51	69.39	59.53
47	630520	Sacks And Bags Of Cotton		5.41	41.27	88.46	42.86	48.00
48	630710	Floor-Cloths,Dish-Cloths,Dusters And Similar Cleaning Cloths		9.30	13.24	39.39	17.95	37.96
49	631010	Sorted Rags,Scrp Twne,Cordge,Rope Etc	3.33	48.61	74.16	92.28	90.16	91.36
50	631090	Othr Rags,Scrp Twne,Cordge,Rope Etc	0.09	1.85	7.33	16.51	18.11	14.78
51	650100	Hat-Forms-Hat-Bodies & Hoods Of Felt Nthr Blckd To Shape Nor Wth Made Brims Plateaux& Manchons(Incl Slit Manchons) Of Felt	47.62	18.42	25.00	4.35	13.79	3.57
52	650590	Other Headgear, Hats, Knitted/Crocheted Made Up From Laces Etc W/N Lind/Trmmd	2.13	4.29	7.06	2.04	10.60	0.93
53	650699	Other Headgear Of Other Materials			5.88	53.92	63.97	56.76

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 30 September 2011.

Table 14. Bangladesh's share in India's total imports and Bangladesh's exports as a share of its GDP, commodity-wise (in per cent)

S. No	Hsc ode	Commodity	2005-2006 (B)	2006-2007 (B)	2007-2008 (B)	2008-2009 (B)	2009-2010 (B)	2005-2006 (% Of Gdp)	2006-2007 (% Of Gdp)	2007-2008 (% Of Gdp)	2008-2009 (% Of Gdp)	2009-2010 (% Of Gdp)
1	3	Fish And Crustaceans, Molluscs And Other Aquatic Invertabrates.	10.17	14.91	21.76	36.72	25.43	0.01643	0.02179	0.02735	0.04109	0.02541
2	5	Products Of Animal Origin, Not Elsewhere Specified Or Included.	0.38	0.6	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.00061	0.00088	0.00006	0.00004	0.00001

3	6	Live Trees And Other Plants; Bulbs; Roots And The Like; Cut Flowers And Ornamental Foliage.	4.06		0.04			0.00656		0.00005		
4	14	Vegetable Plaiting Materials; Vegetable Products Not Elsewhere Specified Or Included.			0.16	0.09	0.01			0.00020	0.00010	0.00001
5	17	Sugars And Sugar Confectionery.	0.94	0.63	0.84	2.25	0.72	0.00152	0.0009 2	0.00106	0.00252	0.00072
6	19	Preparations Of Cereals, Flour, Starch Or Milk; Pastrycooks Products.	0.09	0.05	0.11	0.13	0.26	0.00015	0.0000 7	0.00014	0.00015	0.00026
7	20	Preparations Of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts Or Other Parts Of Plants.	0.31	0.25	0.29	0.88	2.64	0.00050	0.0003 7	0.00036	0.00098	0.00264
8	23	Residues And Waste From The Food Industries; Prepared Animal Foder.	0.55	1.28	2.75	4.52	1.95	0.00089	0.0018 7	0.00346	0.00506	0.00195
9	41	Raw Hides And Skins (Other Than Furskins) And Leather	2.21	3.76	4.41	8.36	7.91	0.00357	0.0055 0	0.00554	0.00936	0.00790
1 0	52	Cotton.	2.17	2.88	5.63	5.24	6.16	0.00351	0.0042 1	0.00708	0.00586	0.00616
1 1	53	Other Vegetable Textile Fibres; Paper Yarn And Woven Fabrics Of Paper Yarn.	29.8 2	38.2 5	48.5 9	31.8 4	55.2 6	0.04817	0.0559 1	0.06108	0.03563	0.05522
1 2	56	Wadding, Felt And Nonwovens; Spacial Yarns; Twine, Cordage, Ropes And Cables And Articles Thereof.	3.47	2.65	3.29	1.67	3.1	0.00561	0.0038 7	0.00414	0.00187	0.00310
1 3	60	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics.	0.39	1.17	3.35	2.99	3.22	0.00063	0.0017 1	0.00421	0.00335	0.00322
1 4	61	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Knitted Or Corcheted.	0.17	0.08	0.48	1.03	1.46	0.00027	0.0001 2	0.00060	0.00115	0.00146
1 5	62	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Not Knitted Or Crocheted.	0.58	1.04	2.75	4.36	4.32	0.00094	0.0015 2	0.00346	0.00488	0.00432
1 6	63	Other Made Up Textile Articles; Sets; Worn Clothing And Worn Textile Articles; Rags	14.8 3	20.9 3	16.2 7	55.4 1	51.1 8	0.02396	0.0305 9	0.02045	0.06201	0.05114
1 7	65	Headgear And Parts Thereof.	0.11	0.09	0.21	0.59	1.11	0.00018	0.0001 3	0.00026	0.00066	0.00111
		Bangladesh Exports (India's Imports From Bangladesh) (US\$ million)	127. 03	228	257. 02	313. 11	254. 66	0.20521	0.3332 6	0.32307	0.35039	0.25447
		Bangladesh Gdp (US\$ million)	619 01.1 2	684 15.4 2	795 54.3 5	893 59.7 7	100 075. 93	100	100	100	100	100

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 30 September 2011. And The World Bank development indicators. Retrieved from <http://data.worldbank.org/indicator> on 1 October 2011.

Table 15. Sri Lanka's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the two-digit level (in per cent)

S. No	Hsc ode	Commodity	2005 - 2006 %	2006 - 2007 %	2007 - 2008 %	2008- 2009 %	2009 - 2010 %	2010- 2011 (Apr- Dec) %
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1	5	PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED OR INCLUDED.	4.86	3.50	3.94	6.35	6.21	5.20
2	9	COFFEE, TEA, MATE AND SPICES.	17.81	16.11	18.27	17.19	17.07	18.46
3	11	PRODUCTS OF THE MILLING INDUSTRY; MALT; STARCHES; INULIN; WHEAT GLUTEN.	0.72	1.59	2.38	3.09	2.65	0.85
4	15	ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS AND THEIR CLEAVAGE PRODUCTS; PRE. EDIBLE FATS; ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE WAXEX.	7.35	4.45	4.61	0.36	0.00	0.00
5	16	PREPARATIONS OF MEAT, OF FISH OR OF CRUSTACEANS, MOLLUSCS OR OTHER AQUATIC INVERTEBRATES	15.47	35.29	27.72	39.12	47.56	40.14
6	18	COCOA AND COCOA PREPARATIONS.	0.12	0.17	0.19	2.66	10.76	14.59
7	19	PREPARATIONS OF CEREALS, FLOUR, STARCH OR MILK; PASTRYCOOKS PRODUCTS.	1.24	1.63	2.14	4.72	0.46	0.39
8	20	PREPARATIONS OF VEGETABLES, FRUIT, NUTS OR OTHER PARTS OF PLANTS.	0.14	0.10	0.16	0.52	1.52	4.37
9	21	MISCELLANEOUS EDIBLE PREPARATIONS.	0.00	0.12	1.92	3.01	2.64	0.82
10	23	RESIDUES AND WASTE FROM THE FOOD INDUSTRIES; PREPARED ANIMAL FODER.	2.05	12.07	18.43	27.64	26.86	27.59
11	42	ARTICLES OF LEATHER,SADDLERY AND HARNESS;TRAVEL GOODS, HANDBAGS AND SIMILAR CONT.ARTICLES OF ANIMAL GUT(OTHR THN SILK-WRM)GUT.	5.74	3.79	0.67	0.02	0.04	0.00
12	58	SPECIAL WOVEN FABRICS; TUFTED TEXTILE FABRICS; LACE; TAPESTRIES; TRIMMINGS; EMBROIDERY.	1.74	2.96	2.57	4.08	3.39	6.44
13	60	KNITTED OR CROCHETED FABRICS.	0.76	3.06	2.30	1.73	2.61	1.64
14	61	ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES, KNITTED OR CORCHETED.	1.38	1.80	2.59	3.55	3.34	3.87
15	62	ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES, NOT KNITTED OR CROCHETED.	1.47	1.17	2.17	3.81	7.73	10.38
16	68	ARTICLES OF STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, MICA OR SIMILAR MATERIALS.	8.80	10.90	5.49	1.67	1.36	1.70
17	74	COPPER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.	15.84	7.87	1.99	0.91	0.89	1.18
18	76	ALUMINIUM AND ARTICLES THEREOF.	5.73	2.05	0.08	0.02	0.04	0.05
19	80	TIN AND ARTICLES THEREOF.	3.14	0.53	0.04	0.03	0.00	0.00
20	89	SHIPS, BOATS AND FLOATING STRUCTURES.	0.02	0.00	4.17	0.48	1.22	0.80

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 10 October 2011.

Table 16. Sri Lanka's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the six-digit level (in per cent)

S. No	Hscode	Commodity	2005-2006 %	2006-2007 %	2007-2008 %	2008-2009 %	2009-2010 %	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec) %
1	50800	Coral, Shells Of Molluscs, Crustaceans/Echinoderms & Cuttle Non Simply Prepd Not Shaped, Powder & Waste	40.30	42.47	23.69	26.44	35.75	32.47
2	90210	Green Tea In Packets Not Exceeding 3 Kg	0.00	1.35	18.64	1.82	0.00	3.57
3	90230	Black Tea (Fermented) & Partly Fermented Tea In Immediate Packaging Of A Content Not Exceeding 3 Kg	4.06	1.68	6.68	10.72	10.84	6.86
4	90240	Other Black Tea (Fermented) And Other Partly Fermented Tea :	3.70	2.21	6.10	1.54	5.42	1.51
5	90411	Pepper Neither Crushed Nor Ground	38.57	44.68	41.26	40.51	36.93	48.02
6	90700	Cloves (Whole Fruit Cloves & Stems)	47.00	25.43	41.02	56.14	57.11	63.98
7	90810	Nutmeg	73.61	52.40	44.20	63.67	70.99	71.13
8	90820	Mace	32.76	21.17	28.24	46.38	38.33	48.73
9	110630	Flour, Meal & Powder Of The Products Of Chapter 8	85.71	95.83	86.79	77.33	91.03	78.26
10	151620	Vegetable Fats & Oils & Their Fractions	62.94	63.90	66.03	40.59	2.88	0.87
11	151710	Margarine Excluding Liquid Margarine	95.89	86.84	84.13	16.67	0.00	0.00
12	151790	Other Edible Mixtures/Preparations Of Animal/Vegetable Fats/Oils/Of Fractions Of Different Fats/Oils	96.01	86.85	99.76	56.34	0.00	0.00
13	152000	Glycerol, Crude; Glycerol Waters & Lyes	53.87	31.58	7.56	6.14	0.29	0.00
14	160100	Sauces & Similar Products Of Meat Meat Offal Or Blood Food Preparations Based On These Products	83.33	94.12	93.33	95.89	96.35	100.00
15	190590	Other Bread, Pastry, Rice Paper & Similar Products	13.69	10.47	12.04	11.57	0.40	0.26
16	200819	Other, Including Mixtures:	1.22	0.00	6.25	10.06	19.20	10.97
17	230240	Bran Sharps & Other Residues Of Other Cereals	0.00	84.44	100.00	52.17	79.71	76.98
18	230650	Oil-Cake & Other Residues Of Coconut/Copra	0.34	9.96	18.77	30.77	32.86	27.17
19	230990	Other Preparations Of A Kind Used In Animal Feeding	0.66	14.26	20.49	30.03	30.23	28.75
20	420212	Trunks Suit Cases Etc And Similar Containers With Outer Surface Of Plastic/Of Textile Materials	20.69	9.87	2.19	0.00	0.06	0.00
21	580500	Hand-Woven Tapestries Of The Type Gobelins, Flanders Etc & Needle-Worked Tapestries (E.G. Petit Point Cross Stitch), Woven Made Up	0.00	4.12	2.13	9.64	7.69	0.00
22	580620	Other Woven Fabrics, Containing By Weight 5% Or More Of Elastomeric Yarn Or Rubber Thread	18.55	23.34	16.67	12.14	25.54	40.33
23	580639	Other Narrow Woven Fabrics Of Other Textile Materials	1.96	5.38	8.29	10.67	3.36	1.49

24	580710	Labels Badges & The Like,Woven	0.43	0.23	0.63	2.84	1.67	6.86
25	580890	Ornmntl Trmmngs, Tasels,Pompons & The Like	1.58	2.57	1.98	6.78	1.84	0.88
26	600199	Other Pile Fabrics Of Othr Txtl Materials	2.27	3.10	9.52	0.70	0.00	0.00
27	600290	Othr Knitdor Crocheted Fbrcs Of Width	0.38	2.64	2.18	0.29	1.12	14.45
28	600320	Fbrcs Of Cotton	0.00	0.00	9.09	17.65	8.00	4.08
29	600410	Knitd Or Crocheted Fbrcs Of Width>30cm Contng Elastomeric Yarn>=5% By Wt But Not Ruber Thread	0.00	0.00	49.36	28.74	2.56	4.29
30	600522	Warp Knit Fbrcs Of Cotton, Dyed	1.16	14.78	1.04	34.62	21.88	9.43
31	600621	Othr Knited Or Crochetd Fbrcs Of Cotton , Unblehd Or Blehd	28.57	0.00	9.38	18.18	23.53	26.92
32	600622	Othr Knited Or Crochetd Fbrcs Of Cotton , Dyed	0.21	1.29	1.20	3.86	7.76	9.23
33	600632	Othr Knitd Or Crochetd Fbrcs Of Syn Fibrs, Dyed	0.00	5.84	0.68	0.70	0.44	0.21
34	600642	Othr Knitd Or Crochetd Fbrcs Of Artifcl Fibrs , Dyed	0.00	3.41	7.30	0.15	0.39	0.00
35	600690	Othr Knitd Or Crochetd Fbrcs Of Other Fibrs	0.32	5.77	1.93	6.00	18.91	10.01
36	610510	Men's/Boys' Shirts Of Cotton	2.11	0.00	5.80	2.88	4.71	5.70
37	610520	Men's/Boys' Shirts Of Man-Made Fibrs	0.00	2.94	9.09	15.00	11.43	7.14
38	610821	Briefs And Panties Of Cotton	0.00	0.00	3.61	26.32	22.58	25.71
39	610822	Briefs And Panties Of Man-Made Fibrs	0.00	0.00	2.00	13.33	28.57	72.00
40	610990	T-Shirt Etc Of Other Textile Materials	2.27	7.74	7.71	9.64	12.19	8.72
41	611610	Gloves Mittens & Mitts Impregnated Cotd/ Covrd Wth Plstc/Rubr, Knitd/Crochtd	15.00	0.00	13.64	9.72	3.28	16.07
42	620342	Trousers Bib & Brace Overalls Breeches & Shorts Of Cotton For Men's & Boys'	0.22	1.55	5.89	7.84	25.82	33.66
43	620462	Trousers,Bib And Brace Overalls, Breeches And Shorts Of Cotton	0.36	1.03	3.89	3.58	11.21	11.95
44	620463	Trousers,Bib And Brace Overalls, Breeches And Shorts Of Synthetic Fibrs	11.11	6.10	5.94	1.32	5.56	23.08
45	620469	Trousers,Bib And Brace Overalls,Breeches And Shorts Of Other Textile Materials	0.00	0.00	1.16	9.09	1.54	4.12
46	620690	Blouses,Shirts Etc Of Othr Txtl Materials	0.00	0.52	1.16	11.54	12.00	17.39
47	620822	Nightdresses & Pyjamas Of Man-Made Fibrs	0.00	0.00	7.69	20.00	33.33	28.57
48	621210	Brassieres	0.00	0.79	19.00	36.14	55.00	76.65
49	621710	Accessories For Artcls Of Apparel	0.60	0.26	0.00	26.00	1.48	1.31
50	680221	Simply Cut/Sawn Marble Travertine & Alabaster With A Flat Or Even Surface	29.03	44.28	22.49	7.79	6.66	7.81
51	740312	Wire-Bars Of Refined Copper	81.81	75.71	77.13	52.47	12.68	54.56
52	740319	Other Refined Copper,Unwrought	78.73	56.31	25.22	2.31	3.76	16.64
53	740321	Copper-Zinc Base Alloys(Brass)	27.13	16.27	6.29	6.94	0.00	0.00
54	760120	Aluminium Alloys	12.20	0.73	0.22	0.08	0.14	0.23
55	800700	Other Articles Of Tin	77.01	40.54	4.00	2.05	0.00	0.00

56	890110	Cruise Ships,Excursion Boats & Smaller Vessels Prncply Dsgnd Fr Trnsprt Of Persons, Ferry- Boats Of All Kinds	0.50	0.00	14.48	0.00	0.01	0.87
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Table 17. Sri Lanka's share in India's total imports and Sri Lanka's exports as a share of its GDP, commodity-wise (in per cent)

S · N o	Hs co de	Commodity	2005 - 2006 (S)	2006 - 2007 (S)	2007 - 2008 (S)	2008 - 2009 (S)	2009 - 2010 (S)	2010- 11 (Apr- Dec) (S)	2005- 2006 (% Of Gdp)	2006- 2007 (% Of Gdp)	2007- 2008 (% Of Gdp)	2008- 2009 (% Of Gdp)	2009- 2010 (% Of Gdp)	2010- 2011 (Apr- Dec) (% Of Gdp)
1	5	Products Of Animal Origin, Not Elsewhere Specified Or Included.	0.59	0.62	0.68	0.93	1.28	1.26	0.0024 2	0.0021 9	0.0021 0	0.0022 8	0.0030 4	0.00254
2	9	Coffee, Tea, Mate And Spices.	34.01	28.51	46.20	42.27	53.81	42.70	0.1393 5	0.1008 6	0.1428 1	0.1038 2	0.1279 1	0.08617
3	11	Products Of The Milling Industry; Malt; Starches; Inulin; Wheat Gluten.	0.06	0.23	0.46	0.58	0.71	0.18	0.0002 5	0.0008 1	0.0014 2	0.0014 2	0.0016 9	0.00036
4	15	Animal Or Vegetable Fats And Oils And Their Cleavage Products; Pre. Edible Fats; Animal Or Vegetable Wax.	168.4 8	100.7 4	127.3 4	12.56	0.28	0.09	0.6903 3	0.3563 8	0.3936 2	0.0308 5	0.0006 7	0.00018
5	16	Preparations Of Meat, Of Fish Or Of Crustaceans, Molluscs Or Other Aquatic Invertebrates	0.28	0.48	0.84	1.42	1.85	1.14	0.0011 5	0.0017 0	0.0026 0	0.0034 9	0.0044 0	0.00230
6	18	Cocoa And Cocoa Preparations.	0.03	0.05	0.09	1.40	8.59	13.10	0.0001 2	0.0001 8	0.0002 8	0.0034 4	0.0204 2	0.02644
7	19	Preparations Of Cereals, Flour, Starch Or Milk; Pastrycooks Products.	0.35	0.43	0.67	1.43	0.14	0.11	0.0014 3	0.0015 2	0.0020 7	0.0035 1	0.0003 3	0.00022
8	20	Preparations Of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts Or Other Parts Of Plants.	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.20	0.72	2.14	0.0001 2	0.0001 1	0.0001 9	0.0004 9	0.0017 1	0.00432
9	21	Miscellaneous Edible Preparations.	0.00	0.03	0.82	1.70	1.48	0.52	0.0000 0	0.0001 1	0.0025 3	0.0041 8	0.0035 2	0.00105
10	23	Residues And Waste From The Food Industries; Prepared Animal Foder.	1.97	10.40	19.87	36.87	48.75	40.12	0.0080 7	0.0367 9	0.0614 2	0.0905 6	0.1158 8	0.08097
11	42	Articles Of Leather,Saddlery And Harness;Travel Goods,	1.94	1.78	0.51	0.02	0.04	0.00	0.0079 5	0.0063 0	0.0015 8	0.0000 5	0.0001 0	0.00000

		Handbags And Similar Cont.Articles Of Animal Gut(Othr Thn Silk-Wrm)Gut.												
1 2	58	Special Woven Fabrics; Tufted Textile Fabrics; Lace; Tapestries; Trimmings; Embroidery.	1.50	2.61	2.51	4.32	3.19	4.98	0.0061 5	0.0092 3	0.0077 6	0.0106 1	0.0075 8	0.01005
1 3	60	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics.	0.76	3.08	3.25	2.56	4.16	3.11	0.0031 1	0.0109 0	0.0100 5	0.0062 9	0.0098 9	0.00628
1 4	61	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Knitted Or Crocheted.	0.24	0.45	0.99	1.82	1.47	2.12	0.0009 8	0.0015 9	0.0030 6	0.0044 7	0.0034 9	0.00428
1 5	62	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Not Knitted Or Crocheted.	0.58	0.57	1.62	3.33	4.91	7.56	0.0023 8	0.0020 2	0.0050 1	0.0081 8	0.0116 7	0.01526
1 6	68	Articles Of Stone, Plaster, Cement, Asbestos, Mica Or Similar Materials.	12.09	20.61	13.58	4.98	3.59	4.49	0.0495 4	0.0729 1	0.0419 8	0.0122 3	0.0085 3	0.00906
1 7	74	Copper And Articles Thereof.	140.3 2	87.17	30.14	11.10	10.43	15.31	0.5749 5	0.3083 8	0.0931 7	0.0272 6	0.0247 9	0.03090
1 8	76	Aluminium And Articles Thereof.	47.55	24.00	1.15	0.28	0.64	0.76	0.1948 3	0.0849 0	0.0035 5	0.0006 9	0.0015 2	0.00153
1 9	80	Tin And Articles Thereof.	1.34	0.30	0.04	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.0054 9	0.0010 6	0.0001 2	0.0000 7	0.0000 0	0.00000
2 0	89	Ships, Boats And Floating Structures.	0.61	0.00	180.2 2	22.06	39.25	18.93	0.0025 0	0.0000 0	0.5570 7	0.0541 8	0.0933 0	0.03820
		Sri Lanka Exports (India's Imports From Sri Lanka) (US\$ million)	577.7 0	470.3 3	634.9 6	356.5 7	392.1 9	342.55	2.3670 6	1.6638 6	1.9627 1	0.8757 7	0.9322 8	0.69130
		Sri Lanka Gdp (US\$ million)	2440 5.79	2826 7.41	3235 1.18	4071 5.25	4206 7.97	49551. 751	100	100	100	100	100	100

Source: The Export Import Data Bank, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Retrieved from <http://commerce.nic.in/eidb/Default.asp> on 10 October 2011. And The World Bank development indicators. Retrieved from <http://data.worldbank.org/indicator> on 11 October 2011.

Table 18. Nepal's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the two-digit level (in per cent)

S. No	Hscode	Commodity	2005-2006 %	2006-2007 %	2007-2008 %	2008-2009 %	2009-2010 %	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec) %
1	4	Dairy Produce; Birds' Eggs; Natural Honey; Edible Prod. Of Animal Origin, Not Elsewhere Spec. Or Included.	19.40	8.58	13.56	7.02	2.84	0.77
2	9	Coffee, Tea, Mate And Spices.	10.01	6.66	15.05	16.14	10.60	16.58
3	10	Cereals.	2.62	0.02	0.08	7.24	1.36	0.69

4	12	Oil Seeds And Olea. Fruits; Misc. Grains, Seeds And Fruit; Industrial Or Medicinal Plants; Straw And Fodder.	3.80	2.19	2.69	1.63	1.45	1.12
5	14	Vegetable Plaiting Materials; Vegetable Products Not Elsewhere Specified Or Included.	52.23	41.58	41.91	67.67	74.79	59.30
6	17	Sugars And Sugar Confectionery.	0.67	3.49	2.23	0.87	0.03	0.04
7	19	Preparations Of Cereals, Flour, Starch Or Milk; Pastrycooks Products.	15.04	6.05	21.94	30.89	24.09	21.90
8	20	Preparations Of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts Or Other Parts Of Plants.	2.37	3.79	0.93	1.02	2.83	1.18
9	21	Miscellaneous Edible Preparations.	2.92	1.05	4.35	2.46	0.91	0.62
10	22	Beverages, Spirits And Vinegar.	7.62	14.88	19.34	12.82	7.40	7.69
11	23	Residues And Waste From The Food Industries; Prepared Animal Foder.	10.87	4.59	10.56	9.60	5.42	3.72
12	33	Essential Oils And Resinoids; Perfumery, Cosmetic Or Toilet Preparations.	11.98	9.75	6.95	4.25	1.86	1.73
13	46	Manufactures Of Straw, Of Esparto Or Of Other Plaiting Materials; Basketware And Wickerwork.	14.29	4.26	4.35	3.45	0.59	0.94
14	53	Other Vegetable Textile Fibres; Paper Yarn And Woven Fabrics Of Paper Yarn.	10.77	6.16	9.25	8.59	6.65	7.46
15	54	Man-Made Filaments.	2.02	2.35	5.20	3.78	3.31	1.83
16	55	Man-Made Staple Fibres.	13.66	8.24	18.02	14.67	13.71	11.87
17	56	Wadding, Felt And Nonwovens; Spacial Yarns; Twine, Cordage, Ropes And Cables And Articles Thereof.	10.35	4.64	13.13	9.41	10.56	11.42
18	60	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics.	6.60	6.20	5.64	3.01	2.33	1.44
19	61	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Knitted Or Corcheded.	6.92	3.84	1.57	1.27	0.30	0.11
20	62	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Not Knitted Or Crocheted.	19.10	16.43	12.72	7.69	6.55	7.46
21	63	Other Made Up Textile Articles; Sets; Worn Clothing And Worn Textile Articles; Rags	1.18	1.59	12.72	6.75	9.12	10.44
22	64	Footwear, Gaiters And The Like; Parts Of Such Articles.	2.97	2.29	3.42	2.81	4.79	2.31

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Table 19. Nepal's share in India's total imports of major commodities at the six-digit level (in per cent)

S. No	Hscode	Commodity	2005-2006 %	2006-2007 %	2007-2008 %	2008-2009 %	2009-2010 %	2010-2011 (Apr-Dec) %
1	40590	Other :	86.55	11.69	95.98	15.82	3.82	1.54
2	40690	Other Cheese	13.19	26.90	14.53	13.87	12.57	0.94
3	40900	Natural Honey	0.00	6.15	4.83	0.25	0.62	0.00
4	90210	Green Tea In Packets Nt Excdng 3 Kg	15.00	17.57	13.56	9.09	6.06	0.00
5	90220	Other Green Tea (Not Fermented):	7.69	0.00	0.58	0.62	2.21	16.47
6	90230	Black Tea(Frmntd) & Prtly Frmntd Tea	83.48	87.71	69.55	13.14	2.41	52.00

		In Immdte Packing Of A Contnt Not Excdng 3 Kg						
7	90240	Other Black Tea (Fermented) And Other Partly Fermented Tea :	14.53	13.78	42.34	46.94	27.91	45.04
8	90830	Cardamoms	89.00	20.00	88.54	94.76	92.00	94.17
9	91010	Ginger	34.04	67.41	61.70	56.13	60.13	32.42
10	91091	Mixtrs Of Two Or Mors Prodcnts Of Diff Hdg	0.00	0.00	50.00	58.82	54.05	9.09
11	91099	Other : Seed :	2.54	1.56	0.00	11.64	8.00	19.86
12	100810	Buck Wheat	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
13	100890	Other Cereals :	61.11	95.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
14	120400	Linseed Whether Or Not Broken	100.00	100.00	100.00	93.33	100.00	100.00
15	121190	Other : Seeds :	9.88	4.81	6.47	3.63	6.13	2.95
16	121300	Cereal Straw & Husks Unprpd W/N Chopped Ground Pressed/In The Form Of Pellets	100.00	93.06	92.52	93.81	85.00	79.59
17	140190	Othr Vegtbl Matrls Excl Bamboo & Rattan	30.61	10.42	1.61	24.69	31.33	70.00
18	140490	Other Vegtbl Materials	71.29	78.68	50.77	87.40	92.43	73.29
19	170240	Chmclly Pure Glucs & Glucs Syrp In Dry State With Fructose Content At Least 20% But Less Than 50%	46.51	69.81	37.17	14.63	6.97	24.24
20	170310	Cane Molse Rsltd Frm Extrctn/Rfng Of Sugr	6.24	28.00	42.15	22.71	2.12	0.00
21	170390	Othr Molse Rsltd Frm Extrctn/Rfng Of Sugr	9.49	27.93	33.33	55.36	0.00	0.00
22	190219	Othr Uncookd Notstfd/Othrwse Prpd Psta	87.31	60.27	88.84	88.56	78.97	72.79
23	190220	Stuffed Pasta W/N Cookd/Othrwse Prpd	0.00	0.00	52.94	34.29	30.00	20.00
24	190230	Other Pasta :	34.74	10.81	14.20	15.58	36.16	49.11
25	190240	Couscous Whether Or Not Prepared	31.25	12.50	33.33	6.25	3.13	3.33
26	190590	Othr Bread,Pstry,Rice Papr & Smlr Products	18.67	15.43	15.23	21.35	6.32	6.05
27	200290	Other Prpd/Prsvd Tomatoes	0.44	1.51	4.83	7.38	6.78	6.05
28	200980	Juice Of Any Othr Single Fruit Or Vegtbl	6.56	12.69	0.81	1.19	5.99	4.22
29	200990	Mixtrs Of Juices Unfrmntd Nt Contng Spirit	7.00	12.65	2.07	1.19	8.27	0.00
30	210690	Other Food Preparations	5.96	2.12	8.57	4.14	1.55	0.95
31	220290	Other Sweetnd Flavrd Waters	80.48	74.64	82.06	78.53	65.18	55.59
32	230230	Bran Sharps & Othr Residues Of Wheat	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	94.95	33.33
33	230240	Bran Sharps&Othr Residues Of Othr Cereals	100.00	2.22	8.33	6.03	3.14	0.53
34	230250	Bran Shrps & Othr Resdus Of Legminus Plnts	100.00	100.00	96.55	100.00	84.00	54.55
35	230620	Oil-Cake & Othr Resdus Of Linseed	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
36	230630	Oil-Cake & Residues Of Sun Flower Seeds	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	1.00	0.00
37	230690	Oil-Cake & Othr Resdus Resltng From Extrctn Of Othr Oil-Seed & Olegns Fruts	99.25	99.39	99.58	100.00	80.76	66.94
38	230990	Othr Prpns Of A Kind Used In Anml	15.71	1.84	2.40	2.54	0.94	0.76

		Feeding						
39	330125	Essential Oils Of Other Mints	10.53	2.20	1.00	1.52	2.04	3.70
40	330590	Other : Hair Oil :	19.56	11.78	6.95	3.23	9.32	3.71
41	330610	Dentrifrices	98.05	96.92	96.50	87.80	77.84	81.33
42	531010	Unblechd Woven Fabrics Of Jute/Other Textile Bast Fibres	83.99	56.59	72.64	73.76	56.32	53.03
43	540232	Texturd Yarn Of Nylon Or Othr Polyamides Measuring Per Single Yarn More Than 50 Tex	5.05	1.22	0.51	0.38	0.00	0.21
44	540233	Textured Yarn Of Polyesters	0.81	1.36	7.33	7.85	13.12	16.77
45	540239	Other Textured Yarn	9.09	5.89	2.11	2.40	1.52	9.86
46	540249	Other Yarn,Single,Untwisted Or With A Twist Not Excdng 50 Turns Per Metre	9.46	17.74	17.46	13.21	6.01	9.44
47	540269	Other Yarn,Multiple(Folded)Or Cabled	4.24	1.43	29.22	19.30	27.34	16.12
48	540310	High Tenacity Yarn Of Viscose Rayon	14.93	0.00	2.70	0.00	20.37	40.48
49	540710	Wovn Fbrcs Obtnd From High Tenacity Yrn Ofnylon Or Othr Polyamides,Or Of Polyesters	2.62	4.42	0.00	5.88	1.10	0.00
50	540720	Woven Fabrics Obtained From Strip/The Like	20.51	36.13	0.00	2.63	1.71	0.00
51	540730	Fabrics Consistng Of Layers Of Parallel Textile Yarns	68.67	84.06	48.22	76.55	84.36	0.00
52	540793	Othr Synthtic Wovn Fabrcs Of Yarns Of Different Colours	90.70	8.45	24.07	0.00	19.05	0.00
53	550510	Waste Etc.Of Synthetic Fibres	0.23	0.94	1.94	0.90	3.58	5.19
54	550620	Staple Fbrs Of Polyesters,Carded/Combed	0.34	0.70	6.82	0.00	30.95	49.02
55	550921	Single Yrn Cntng 85% Or More By Wt Of Polyester Staple Fibres	97.20	98.40	98.30	98.43	86.75	78.60
56	550922	Multiple(Folded)/Cabled Yrn Cntng 85% Or More By Wt Of Polyestr Staple Fibres	0.00	23.72	65.76	87.05	86.90	87.61
57	550931	Single Yrn Cntng 85% Or More By Wt Of Acrylic/Modacrylic Staple Fibres	76.36	34.21	40.00	96.51	89.19	76.00
58	550932	Multiple(Folded)/Cabled Yrn Cntng>=85% Of Acrylic/Modacrylic Staple Fibres	0.00	0.00	96.33	97.87	98.76	98.52
59	550941	Single Yrn Cntng 85% Or More By Wt Of Other Synthetic Stapple Fibres	76.03	5.01	21.88	27.29	14.55	7.43
60	550942	Multiple(Folded)/Cabled Yarn Contng >= 85% Of Other Synthetic Stapple Fibres	51.39	29.63	77.19	63.10	7.20	11.17
61	550951	Othr Yarn Of Polystr Stpl Fbrs Mixed Mainly/Solely With Artificial Staple Fbrs	14.60	0.00	58.67	25.89	25.81	1.29
62	550959	Other Yarn Of Polyester Staple Fibres	10.00	2.44	2.86	23.08	48.00	76.04
63	550999	Othr Synthtc Yrn Mxd Mainly/Solely Wth Fbre Othr Thn Cotton/Fine Anml Hair & Wool	1.02	2.33	3.28	0.66	9.12	18.77
64	551011	Single Yarn Cntng 85% Or More By Wt Of Artificial Staple Fibres	92.46	25.81	53.81	63.68	18.40	0.86

65	551012	Multiple(Folded)/Cabled Yrn Cntng 85% Or More By Wt Of Artfcl Staple Fibres	6.52	25.00	9.09	0.00	0.00	5.26
66	551090	Other Yarn :	2.27	9.71	11.54	11.76	35.42	71.54
67	560729	Othr Twine,Rope Etc Of Sisal Or Other Textile Fibres Of The Genus Agave	25.00	0.00	0.00	14.44	2.86	10.17
68	560790	Other Twine,Cordage,Rope And Cables	0.00	1.98	68.90	57.38	63.24	60.63
69	600192	Other Pile Fabrics Of Man-Made Fibres	0.00	59.35	81.74	29.73	40.31	32.24
70	600199	Other Pile Fabrics Of Othr Ttxtl Materials	0.61	1.86	0.73	7.04	0.00	0.00
71	600240	Knitd Or Crocheted Fbrcs Contng Elastomeric Yarn>=5% By Wt But Not Rubr Thread	17.39	17.78	67.57	24.36	69.23	92.86
72	600290	Othr Knitdor Crocheted Fbrcs Of Width	14.23	13.64	18.74	8.18	24.34	25.43
73	611011	Jerseys, Pullovers, Cardigans Etc Of Wool	42.35	55.56	16.67	16.08	4.17	1.44
74	611219	Track Suits Of Othr Ttxtl Matrls	90.00	28.57	94.74	53.85	0.00	0.00
75	620322	Ensembles Of Cotton	0.00	100.00	0.00	96.97	97.14	90.91
76	620342	Trousers Bib & Brace Overalls Breeches & Shorts Of Cotton For Men's & Boys'	42.21	3.54	16.47	18.47	6.67	9.53
77	620343	Trousers,Bib & Brace,Overalls,Breeches & Shorts Of Synthetic Fibrs,Men's Or Boys'	19.64	0.00	26.26	24.69	6.56	1.79
78	620349	Trousers Bib & Brace Overalls,Breeches & Shorts Of Other Ttxtl Materials-Men's/Boys'	0.00	45.37	31.68	12.99	1.25	0.00
79	620520	Men's Or Boys' Shirts Of Cotton	7.40	30.27	9.66	11.32	10.26	25.97
80	620530	Men's Or Boys' Shirts Of Man-Made Fibres	44.55	26.09	66.96	37.70	4.55	8.70
81	620590	Shirts Of Other Textile Materials	71.67	53.08	36.50	6.56	49.33	61.45
82	621410	Shwls,Scrvs,Mufflers Etc Of Slk/Slk Wste	89.61	80.65	50.00	12.50	0.00	4.55
83	621420	Shwls,Scarves Etc Of Wool/Fine Anml Hair	91.46	71.01	78.82	71.66	56.39	53.73
84	630510	Sacks & Bags For Packing,Made Of Jute Or Of Othr Ttxtl Bast Fbres Of Hdg No.5303	7.66	8.16	58.91	25.68	29.68	43.13
85	640419	Othr Ftwear Wth Outr Soles Of Rubr/Plstcs And With Upper Of Textile Materials	44.90	38.49	61.04	54.56	64.29	35.87
86	640520	Othr Ftwr With Uppers Of Ttxtl Materials	0.00	20.00	42.39	55.56	46.38	55.29

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Table 20. Nepal's share in India's total imports and Nepal's exports as a share of its GDP, commodity-wise (in per cent)

S · N o.	Hs co de	Commodity	2005 - 2006 (N)	200 6- 200 7 (N)	200 7- 200 8 (N)	200 8- 200 9 (N)	200 9- 201 0 (N)	2010- 11 (Apr- Dec) (N)	2005- 2006 (% Of Gdp)	2006- 2007 (% Of Gdp)	2007- 2008 (% Of Gdp)	2008- 2009 (% Of Gdp)	2009- 2010 (% Of Gdp)	2010- 2011 (Apr- Dec) (% Of Gdp)
1	4	Dairy Produce; Birds' Eggs; Natural Honey; Edible Prod. Of Animal Origin, Not Elsewhere Spec. Or Included.	1.80	2.19	2.39	1.79	2.00	1.35	0.0221 4	0.0241 3	0.0232 5	0.0142 4	0.0155 1	0.00860
2	9	Coffee, Tea, Mate And Spices.	19.11	11.7 8	38.0 8	39.6 9	33.4 2	38.35	0.2350 5	0.1298 1	0.3705 1	0.3156 9	0.2591 3	0.24425
3	10	Cereals.	0.18	0.28	0.57	0.71	0.91	0.43	0.0022 1	0.0030 9	0.0055 5	0.0056 5	0.0070 6	0.00274
4	12	Oil Seeds And Olea. Fruits; Misc. Grains, Seeds And Fruit; Industrial Or Medicinal Plants; Straw And Fodder.	2.75	2.08	3.68	2.42	2.49	1.36	0.0338 2	0.0229 2	0.0358 1	0.0192 5	0.0193 1	0.00866
5	14	Vegetable Plaiting Materials; Vegetable Products Not Elsewhere Specified Or Included.	1.76	2.00	1.71	3.60	5.40	4.08	0.0216 5	0.0220 4	0.0166 4	0.0286 3	0.0418 7	0.02599
6	17	Sugars And Sugar Confectionery.	1.18	0.93	0.99	1.35	0.34	0.24	0.0145 1	0.0102 5	0.0096 3	0.0107 4	0.0026 4	0.00153
7	19	Preparations Of Cereals, Flour, Starch Or Milk; Pastrycooks Products.	4.25	1.60	6.86	9.36	7.38	6.22	0.0522 7	0.0176 3	0.0667 5	0.0744 5	0.0572 2	0.03962
8	20	Preparations Of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts Or Other Parts Of Plants.	0.52	1.18	0.36	0.39	1.34	0.58	0.0064 0	0.0130 0	0.0035 0	0.0031 0	0.0103 9	0.00369
9	21	Miscellaneous Edible Preparations.	0.71	0.27	1.86	1.39	0.51	0.39	0.0087 3	0.0029 8	0.0181 0	0.0110 6	0.0039 5	0.00248
1 0	22	Beverages, Spirits And Vinegar.	16.66	16.5 9	27.9 1	25.0 5	21.9 4	15.02	0.2049 1	0.1828 1	0.2715 6	0.1992 4	0.1701 2	0.09566
1 1	23	Residues And Waste From The Food Industries; Prepared Animal Foder.	10.46	3.95	11.3 8	12.8 1	9.83	5.41	0.1286 6	0.0435 3	0.1107 3	0.1018 9	0.0762 2	0.03446
1 2	33	Essential Oils And Resinoids; Perfumery, Cosmetic Or Toilet Preparations.	18.51	18.3 0	16.5 9	13.0 8	5.62	5.14	0.2276 7	0.2016 6	0.1614 2	0.1040 4	0.0435 8	0.03274
1 3	46	Manufactures Of Straw, Of Esparto Or Of Other Plaiting Materials; Basketware And Wickerwork.	0.09	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.0011 1	0.0004 4	0.0004 9	0.0003 2	0.0000 8	0.00013
1 4	53	Other Vegetable Textile Fibres; Paper Yarn And Woven Fabrics Of Paper Yarn.	11.08	7.13	11.3 3	8.25	8.49	9.73	0.1362 8	0.0785 7	0.1102 4	0.0656 2	0.0658 3	0.06197
1 5	54	Man-Made Filaments.	9.24	10.4 2	25.5 1	19.7 0	18.4 0	8.77	0.1136 5	0.1148 2	0.2482 1	0.1566 9	0.1426 7	0.05586
1	55	Man-Made Staple Fibres.	24.67	17.1	46.9	40.9	42.0	34.86	0.3034	0.1886	0.4571	0.3256	0.3259	0.22202

6				2	8	4	4		3	5	1	3	7	
17	56	Wadding, Felt And Nonwovens; Spacial Yarns; Twine, Cordage, Ropes And Cables And Articles Thereof.	8.72	3.95	13.83	8.90	10.74	11.80	0.10725	0.04353	0.13456	0.07079	0.08328	0.07515
18	60	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics.	6.63	6.24	7.98	4.46	3.71	2.74	0.08155	0.06876	0.07764	0.03547	0.02877	0.01745
19	61	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Knitted Or Corched.	1.20	0.96	0.60	0.65	0.13	0.06	0.01476	0.01058	0.00584	0.00517	0.00101	0.00038
20	62	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Not Knitted Or Crocheted.	7.54	8.02	9.51	6.73	4.16	5.43	0.09274	0.08838	0.09253	0.05353	0.03226	0.03458
21	63	Other Made Up Textile Articles; Sets; Worn Clothing And Worn Textile Articles; Rags	1.26	1.67	15.58	16.27	18.18	22.30	0.01550	0.01840	0.15159	0.12941	0.14097	0.14203
22	64	Footwear, Gaiters And The Like; Parts Of Such Articles.	2.75	2.88	5.21	4.49	7.27	4.87	0.03382	0.03174	0.05069	0.03571	0.05637	0.03102
		Nepal Exports (India's Imports From Nepal) (US\$ million)	379.85	306.02	628.56	496.04	452.61	397.92	4.67205	3.37219	6.11581	3.94540	3.50948	2.53435
		Nepal GDP (US\$ million)	8130.26	9074.83	10277.62	12572.61	12896.79	15701.06	100	100	100	100	100	100

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