

Indian Trade Journal - Commodity Profile Report

Commodity EXIM Report for 3rd week of April, 2025 dated 16th April, 2025

Export

ITCHS 3923 – Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods, of Plastics; Stoppers, Lids, Caps and other Closures, of Plastics.

Import

ITCHS 4707 – RECOVERED (WASTE AND SCRAP) PAPER OR PAPERBOARD

Commodity EXIM Report

DGCI&S, ITJ Division

1. The weekly EXIM Report published by ITJ Division of DGCI&S, Kolkata presents some basic insights into India's export and import trade patterns with respect to selected set of commodities identified each week in order to facilitate preliminary commodity group/sector specific analysis for informed trade decision making.

2. For both categories of trade, one commodity group is chosen from the entire ITC-HS 4-digit Classification (latest being 2023-2024 classification system). The Indian Trade Classification based on Harmonized System has been adopted in India for export and import operations. While India specific data are sourced from DGCI&S, M/o C&I database, global export-import data of exactly those sets of commodities are sourced from UN-COMTRDADE database.

3. With regards to the time-period, this report outlines trade statistics over a period of four financial years, i.e., 2020-2021 to 2023-2024. The latest finalized data available on the UN Comtrade database are only up to year 2023 (Calendar Year) and on the DGCI&S database up to January, 2025. So, for each commodity group mentioned in this report, trends from 2020 to 2023 have been showcased where data have been sourced from UN Comtrade and from 2020-2021 and 2023-2024 when sourced from DGCI&S database.

4. In the current report [Commodity EXIM Report of the 3rd week of April, 2025 dated 16th April, 2025] the following two commodities have been dealt with:

Export: Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods, of Plastics; Stoppers, Lids, Caps and other Closures, of Plastics [ITCHS Code - 3923] - In FY 2023-24 this commodity group has 0.24% share in India's total export value basket as per DGCI&S database. India had occupied the 17th slot in export of this commodity (1010.12 million USD) with 1.50% share of total global exports in the year 2023.

Import: RECOVERED (WASTE AND SCRAP) PAPER OR PAPERBOARD [ITCHS Code - 4707] - In FY 2023-24 this commodity group had share of 0.19% in India's total import value basket as per DGCI&S database. India bearing 20.35% share of total global import of this commodity (1420.75 million USD) occupied the topmost slot in the world in 2023.

EXPORT

Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods, of Plastics; Stoppers, Lids, Caps and other Closures, of Plastics classified as HS code 3923 falls under Chapter 39 (Plastics and articles thereof) of Section VII (Plastics and articles thereof, Rubber and Articles thereof) of ITC-HS classification. India is engaged in the process of exporting this commodity and in 2023-2024 FY this commodity group had 0.24% share in India's total export value basket as per DGCIS database.

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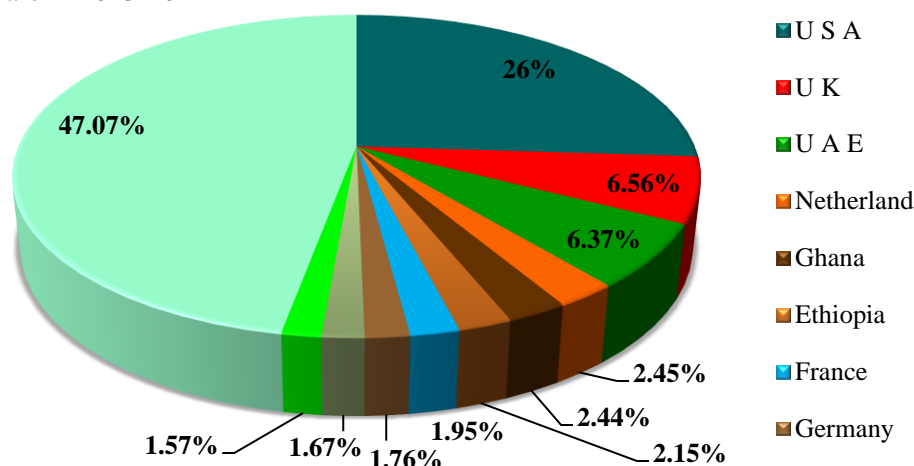
India's Top 10 destination of Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc (ITCHS Code 3923)

Rank	Countries	2020-2021		2021-2022		2022-2023		2023-2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	U S A	191.63	22.02	265.70	23.56	242.76	23.43	276.75	26.00
2.	U K	64.25	7.38	82.58	7.32	70.08	6.76	69.79	6.56
3.	U A E	46.48	5.34	60.56	5.37	60.37	5.83	67.83	6.37
4.	Netherland	31.27	3.59	39.25	3.48	30.00	2.90	26.09	2.45
5.	Ghana	11.49	1.32	12.07	1.07	19.46	1.88	25.98	2.44
6.	Ethiopia	16.56	1.90	6.99	0.62	2.77	0.27	22.90	2.15
7.	France	17.54	2.01	26.71	2.37	14.86	1.43	20.81	1.95
8.	Germany	19.89	2.29	25.64	2.27	21.48	2.07	18.73	1.76
9.	Tanzania	8.09	0.93	15.19	1.35	17.02	1.64	17.81	1.67
10.	Saudi Arab	15.65	1.80	15.35	1.36	16.99	1.64	16.76	1.57
	Others	447.54	51.42	577.83	51.23	540.14	52.14	501.07	47.07
	Total	870.41	100	1127.87	100	1035.94	100	1064.51	100

Source: DGCIS, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India's Export includes re-export also

India's top 10 destinations of Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc by percentage share in 2023-2024



The total value of exports of this commodity group from India amounted to US\$ 1064.51 million in 2023-2024 with a little increment of 2.75% from 2022-23 (US\$ 1035.94 million). India's export in this segment had steadily been rising step by step from 2020-2021 to 2021-2022, then moderately dipped in 2022-23 again rose in 2023-24. USA (US\$ 276.75 million) had been the topmost export destination from India since 2020 and in 2023-24 it shared 26% of India's total export. In second and third place were UK (US\$ 69.79 million) and UAE (US\$ 67.83 million) possessing around 6.56% and 6.37% shares respectively of India's export of Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc in 2023-2024

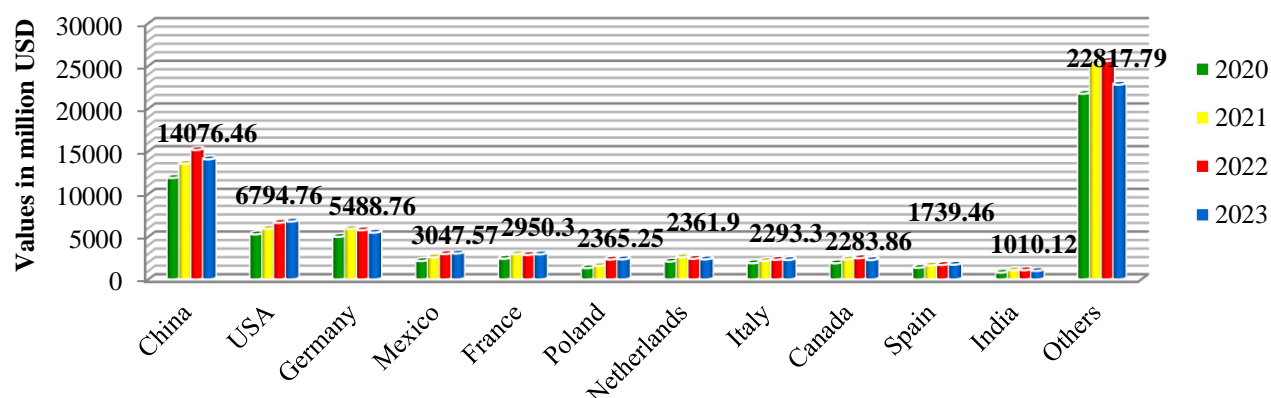
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World's Top 10 exporters of Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc (ITCHS Code 3923)

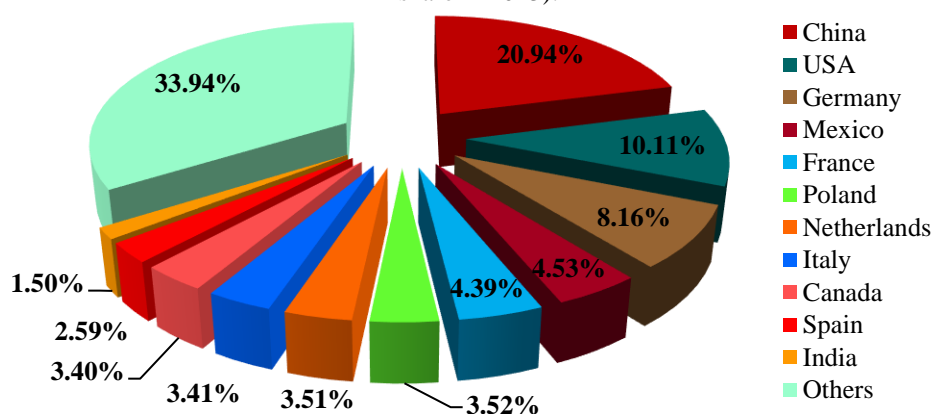
Rank	Countries	2020		2021		2022		2023	
		Value (million \$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	China	11897.64	20.52	13555.65	20.03	15179.79	21.25	14076.46	20.94
2.	USA	5287.17	9.12	5933.87	8.77	6646.45	9.30	6794.76	10.11
3.	Germany	5002.21	8.63	5922.38	8.75	5770.42	8.08	5488.76	8.16
4.	Mexico	2167.94	3.74	2593.45	3.83	2987.20	4.18	3047.57	4.53
5.	France	2435.88	4.20	2960.95	4.38	2876.02	4.03	2950.30	4.39
6.	Poland	1334.46	2.30	1589.39	2.35	2340.37	3.28	2365.25	3.52
7.	Netherlands	2096.45	3.61	2595.03	3.83	2424.10	3.39	2361.90	3.51
8.	Italy	1910.10	3.29	2171.15	3.21	2314.85	3.24	2293.30	3.41
9.	Canada	1902.12	3.28	2340.51	3.46	2497.53	3.50	2283.86	3.40
10.	Spain	1377.56	2.38	1643.11	2.43	1711.78	2.40	1739.46	2.59
17.	India	815.11	1.41	1088.76	1.61	1099.29	1.54	1010.12	1.50
	Others	21767.66	37.53	25278.20	37.35	25591.34	35.82	22817.79	33.94
	Total	57994.32	100	67672.44	100	71439.12	100	67229.52	100

Source: UN Comtrade

Top 10 exporters of Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc from 2020 to 2023



World's 10 leading exporters of Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc (percentage share in 2023):



The export of this selected commodity group worldwide amounted to US\$ 67229.52 million in 2023 declining by 5.89% from the previous year. The lead exporter in this segment had consistently been China (exporting goods worth a total of US \$ 14076.46 million) with a share of 20.94% in 2023, followed by USA (US\$ 6794.76 million) and Germany (US\$ 5488.76 million) with 10.11% and 8.16% shares of total export in this

segment in 2023. India (US\$ 1010.12 million) had occupied the 17th place by exporting 1.50% of total value. Global export value in this segment had steadily increased from 2020 till 2022 with a major leap in 2022 and a moderate dip in 2023.

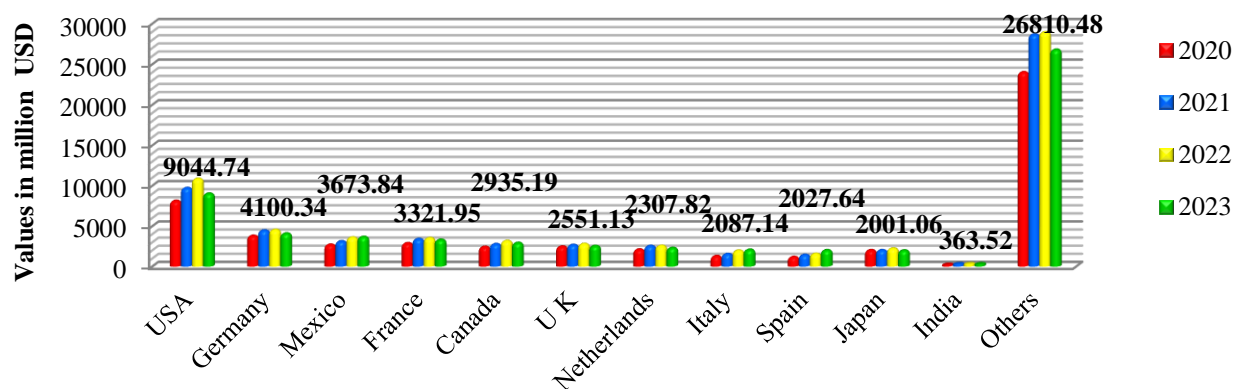
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World's top 10 Importers of Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc (ITCHS Code 3923)

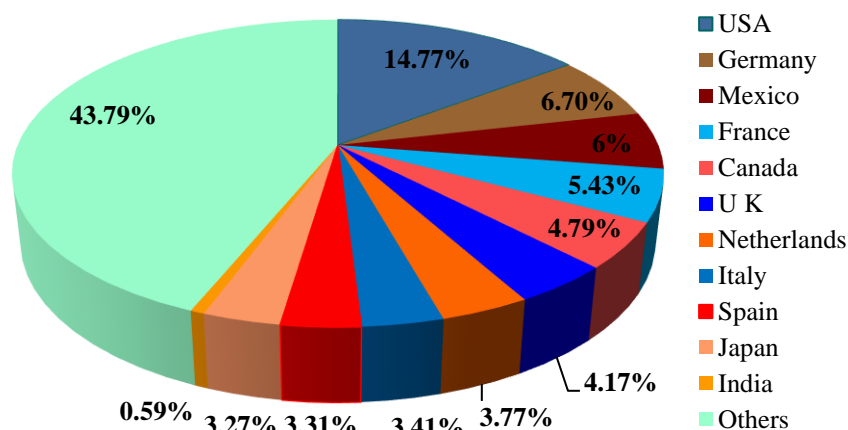
Rank	Countries	2020		2021		2022		2023	
		Value (million \$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	USA	8138.35	15.23	9736.19	15.48	10880.78	16.42	9044.74	14.77
2.	Germany	3815.68	7.14	4479.41	7.12	4548.56	6.87	4100.34	6.70
3.	Mexico	2719.05	5.09	3136.71	4.99	3606.23	5.44	3673.84	6.00
4.	France	2897.66	5.42	3418.04	5.43	3529.60	5.33	3321.95	5.43
5.	Canada	2442.84	4.57	2790.29	4.44	3176.30	4.79	2935.19	4.79
6.	U K	2485.68	4.65	2678.91	4.26	2807.63	4.24	2551.13	4.17
7.	Netherlands	2118.78	3.96	2560.99	4.07	2574.43	3.89	2307.82	3.77
8.	Italy	1300.30	2.43	1557.42	2.48	1979.79	2.99	2087.14	3.41
9.	Spain	1191.09	2.23	1450.55	2.31	1583.94	2.39	2027.64	3.31
10.	Japan	2034.71	3.81	2031.78	3.23	2240.86	3.38	2001.06	3.27
36.	India	265.89	0.50	368.50	0.59	374.27	0.56	363.52	0.59
	Others	24035.60	44.97	28681.90	45.61	28951.90	43.70	26810.48	43.79
	Total	53445.64	100	62890.68	100	66254.29	100	61224.86	100

Source: UN Comtrade

Top 10 importers of Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc from 2020 to 2023



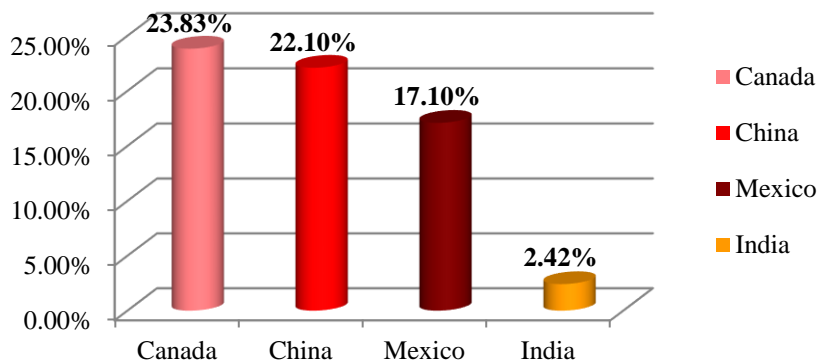
World's 10 leading importers of Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc
percentage share in 2023



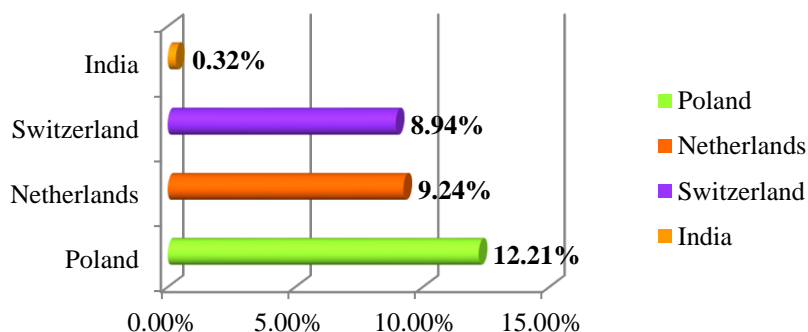
The worldwide import of 'Articles for the Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc' was US\$ 61224.86 million in 2023, a moderate decline of 7.59% from 2022. Over the period under review, global import was at record high in 2022. The lead importer in this segment had primarily been USA (14.77% share in 2023) followed by Germany (6.70%) and Mexico (6%) in 2nd and 3rd spots respectively. **India** had only 0.59% share worldwide thereby standing at 36th spot globally.

As per UN Comtrade database the top 3 importers of this segment were **USA, Germany and Mexico**. These three countries had imported 2.42%, 0.32% and 0.31% shares respectively from India of their individual total imports of this commodity in 2023 which are presented below:

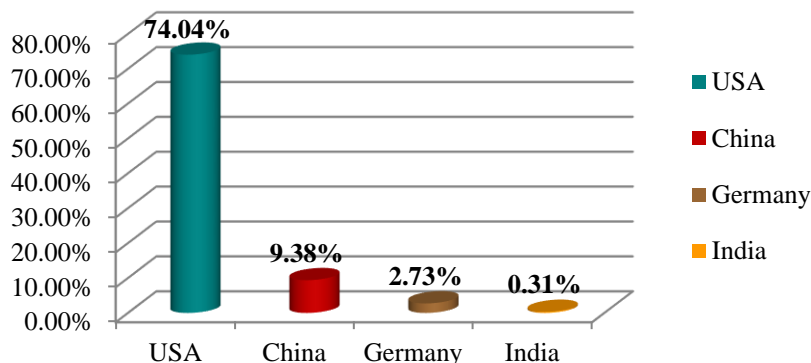
- (i) Top 3 supplier nations of Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc to USA in 2023 (percentage share)



- (ii) Top 3 supplier nations of Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc to Germany in 2023 (percentage share)



(iii) Top 3 supplier nations of Conveyance or Packing of goods of Plastics etc to Mexico in 2023 (percentage share)



IMPORT

RECOVERED (WASTE AND SCRAP) PAPER OR PAPERBOARD with ITC HS Code – **4707** falls under Chapter - 47 [Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; recovered (waste and scrap) paper or paperboard;] of Section – X [Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; recovered (waste and scrap) paper or paperboard; Paper and Paperboard and Articles thereof] of ITC-HS classification.

India is engaged in the process of importing this commodity and in the FY 2023-2024 this commodity group had share of 0.19% of India's total import value basket as per DGCI&S database.

Table – 4

India's Top 10 Source of Recovered (Waste and Scrap) Paper or Paperboard (HS Code – 4707)

Rank	Countries	2020-2021		2021-2022		2022-2023		2023 -2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	U S A	381.20	34.16	778.65	42.06	695.06	36.67	400.03	31.24
2.	U K	152.94	13.71	214.06	11.56	244.20	12.88	161.34	12.60
3.	Italy	46.85	4.20	40.09	2.17	100.07	5.28	118.48	9.25
4.	U A E	51.27	4.59	100.78	5.44	135.45	7.15	74.54	5.82
5.	Canada	68.90	6.17	119.60	6.46	100.92	5.32	67.46	5.27
6.	Saudi Arab	26.60	2.38	17.83	0.96	34.91	1.84	45.18	3.53
7.	Spain	57.55	5.16	84.18	4.55	75.54	3.99	44.08	3.44
8.	Netherland	51.27	4.59	57.08	3.08	54.91	2.90	32.99	2.58
9.	South Africa	14.08	1.26	41.08	2.22	34.65	1.83	25.45	1.99
10.	Ireland	14.89	1.33	24.71	1.33	27.46	1.45	25.18	1.97
	Others	250.35	22.44	373.09	20.15	392.46	20.70	285.89	22.32
	Total	1115.89	100	1851.14	100	1895.63	100	1280.62	100

Source: DGCI&S, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India's import includes re-import also

In 2023-2024 India had imported a total of US\$ 1280.62 million worth of Recovered (Waste and Scrap) Paper or Paperboard, hugely decreasing by 32.44% compared to the year 2022-2023. As per available data, USA stood out as India's top supplier of this segment with a share of 31.24%. Next in line came UK and Italy with shares of 12.60% and 9.25% respectively. India's import value in this segment had been steadily increasing from US\$ 1115.89 million in 2020-2021 to US\$ 1895.63 million in 2022-2023 with a major leap in 2021-2022 and a major dip in 2023-2024 from previous year's values.

Table – 5
World's Top 10 Importers of Recovered (Waste and Scrap) Paper or Paperboard (HS Code – 4707)

Rank	Countries	2020		2021		2022		2023	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	India	963.85	14.04	1789.40	16.23	1946.04	18.11	1420.75	20.35
2.	Germany	594.06	8.66	1234.20	11.19	1260.33	11.73	644.48	9.23
3.	Thailand	196.37	2.86	730.18	6.62	606.30	5.64	634.32	9.08
4.	Malaysia	161.32	2.35	470.22	4.26	492.76	4.59	587.21	8.41
5.	Indonesia	437.89	6.38	923.17	8.37	816.81	7.60	508.00	7.27
6.	Mexico	350.86	5.11	547.63	4.97	727.09	6.77	505.81	7.24
7.	Netherlands	278.08	4.05	528.37	4.79	540.77	5.03	308.13	4.41
8.	Other Asia, nes	186.07	2.71	392.04	3.55	290.25	2.70	215.49	3.09
9.	Rep. of Korea	197.96	2.88	302.61	2.74	312.36	2.91	215.07	3.08
10.	Austria	193.92	2.83	385.64	3.50	360.50	3.36	208.32	2.98
	Others	3302.77	48.12	3724.85	33.78	3391.07	31.56	1735.42	24.85
	Total	6863.17	100	11028.30	100	10744.29	100	6983.00	100

Source: UN Comtrade

Worldwide import of Recovered (Waste and Scrap) Paper or Paperboard only totaled to US\$ 6983 million in 2023 recording a massive decline of 35% from 2022. The import value of Recovered (Waste and Scrap) Paper or Paperboard of **India** was US\$ 1420.75 million in 2023, making it the leading importer of the commodity group worldwide with 20.35% share of world import. Germany (9.23%) and Thailand (9.08%) lined up in second and third places respectively in 2023.
