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Commodity Exim Report for 2nd week of September, 2025
dated 10th September, 2025

Export

ITCHS 1006 – Rice

Import

ITCHS 8517 – Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks; other Apparatus for Communication in a wired or Wireless Network

Commodity EXIM Report **DGCI & S, I T J 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 trades, one commodity group is chosen from the entire ITC-HS 4-digit Classification (latest being 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 is sourced from DGCI&S, M/o C & I Database, global export-import data of exactly those sets of commodities are sourced from UN-COMTRADE Database.
3. As regards the time-period, this report outlines trade statistics over a period of four years, i.e., 2021 to 2024. The latest finalized data available on the UN Comtrade Database is only up to year 2024 (Calendar Year) and on the DGCI&S Database up to July, 2025. So, for each commodity group dealt in this report, trends from 2021 to 2024 have been showcased where data has been sourced from UN Comtrade and from DGCI&S database.
4. In the instant report [2nd weekly Commodity Exim Report of September, 2025 dated 10th September, 2025] the following two commodities have been dealt with.

Export: Rice (ITCHS Code – 1006) - Rice is one of the prime exported item from India by which India earns a healthy Foreign Money in every year. In 2024 this commodity group had 2.67% share in India's total Export value basket as per DGCI&S data base. As per UN Comtrade data base India occupied the 2nd slot in export of this commodity with (11647.54 million USD) with 36.56% share of total global exports in the year 2024.

Import : Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks; other Apparatus for Communication in a wired or Wireless Network (ITCHS Code – 8517) - Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks; other Apparatus for Communication in a wired or Wireless Network is one of the important imported items for which India expend highest foreign money in every year. In 2024 this commodity group had share of 2.46% in India's total Import value basket as per DGCI&S data base. India occupied the 9th slot in import of this commodity with (17387.73 million USD) with 3.34% share of total global imports in the year 2024.

EXPORT

Rice classified as H.S. Code – 1006 falls under Chapter -10 (Cereals) of Section- II (Vegetable Products) of ITC-HS classification. India is engaged in the process of exporting this commodity and in 2024 this commodity group had 2.67% share in India’s total Export value basket as per DGCI&S data base.

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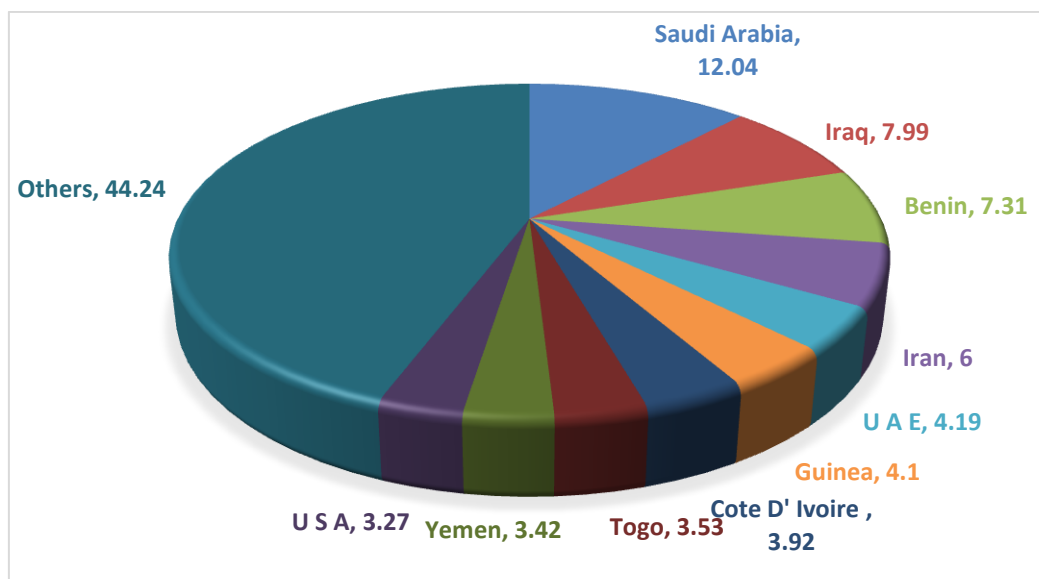
India’s Top 10 destination of Rice (HS Code 1006)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Saudi Arabia	791.36	8.16	990.02	9.18	1279.94	12.23	1423.56	12.04
2.	Iraq	523.60	5.40	357.23	3.31	732.91	7.00	944.77	7.99
3.	Benin	454.80	4.69	553.85	5.14	571.81	5.46	864.89	7.31
4.	Iran	661.27	6.82	1162.01	10.78	735.57	7.03	709.57	6.00
5.	U A E	319.76	3.30	433.45	4.02	463.69	4.43	495.28	4.19
6.	Guinea	263.34	2.72	283.78	2.63	322.77	3.08	485.13	4.10
7.	Cote D' Ivoire	318.48	3.28	413.26	3.83	248.92	2.38	463.09	3.92
8.	Togo	238.23	2.46	310.08	2.88	322.22	3.08	417.46	3.53
9.	Yemen	240.23	2.48	328.67	3.05	334.93	3.20	404.46	3.42
10.	U S A	196.13	2.02	270.68	2.51	332.12	3.17	386.33	3.27
	Others	5688.97	58.67	5676.81	52.66	5118.53	48.92	5231.54	44.24
	Total	9696.18	100	10779.85	100	10463.42	100	11826.09	100

Source: DGCI&S, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India’s Export includes re-export also

India’s top 10 destinations of Rice by percentage share in 2024



India exported rice worth USD 11826.09 million in 2024, maintaining its position as the world's top rice exporter, 13.02% increase in value compared to the year 2023 when the export value of Rice was USD 10463.42 million. Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Benin were the top three Countries importing Rice from India in 2024. Saudi Arabia (importing USD 1423.56 million worth of Rice from India) held the top slot as an export destination in this segment with 12.04% share of India's total exports of Rice recorded in 2024. In second and third place were Iraq (USD 944.77 million) and Benin (USD 864.89 million) to where India exported around 7.99% and 7.31% share respectively in 2024. For, the period under review, exports of Rice from India were at USD 9696.18 million in 2021 followed by a steep rise in 2022, followed a little dip in 2023 and again rose in 2024.

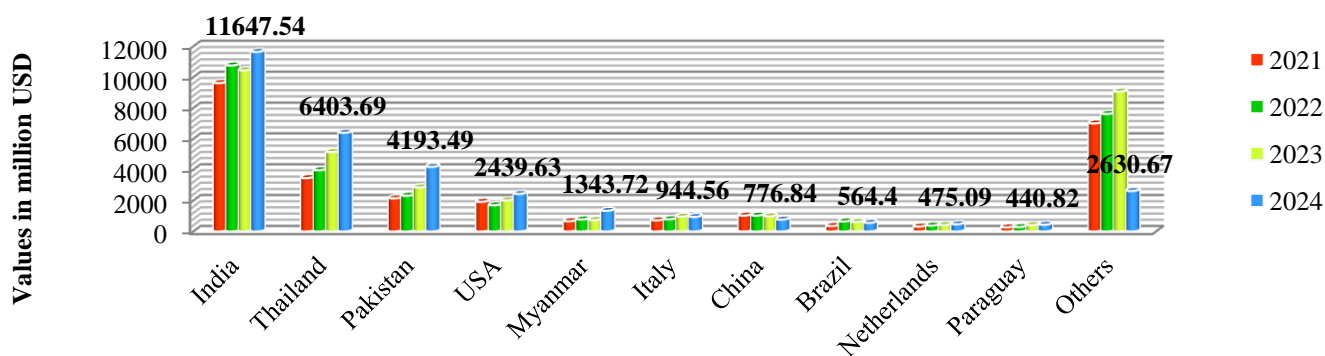
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World's Top 10 exporters of Rice (HS Code 1006)

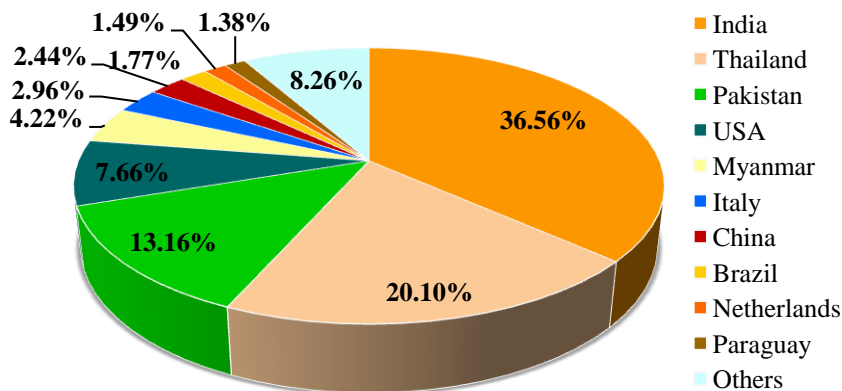
Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	India	9623.56	34.90	10766.62	35.47	10453.28	31.02	11647.54	36.56
2.	Thailand	3463.41	12.56	3977.86	13.11	5147.34	15.27	6403.69	20.10
3.	Pakistan	2152.50	7.81	2322.28	7.65	2860.64	8.49	4193.49	13.16
4.	USA	1928.55	6.99	1703.81	5.61	2015.46	5.98	2439.63	7.66
5.	Myanmar	670.70	2.43	786.84	2.59	743.51	2.21	1343.72	4.22
6.	Italy	727.59	2.64	797.59	2.63	968.23	2.87	944.56	2.96
7.	China	1035.66	3.76	1033.70	3.41	983.75	2.92	776.84	2.44
8.	Brazil	359.09	1.30	657.49	2.17	621.46	1.84	564.40	1.77
9.	Netherlands	324.13	1.18	388.05	1.28	423.98	1.26	475.09	1.49
10.	Paraguay	273.87	0.99	293.35	0.97	414.88	1.23	440.82	1.38
	Others	7012.19	25.43	7623.79	25.12	9070.68	26.91	2630.67	8.26
	Total	27571.25	100	30351.38	100	33703.21	100	31860.45	100

Source: UN Comtrade

Leading Exporters of Rice globally from 2021 to 2024 (Data labels signified for 2024)



World's 10 leading exporters of Rice by percentage share in 2024



Worldwide Rice exports by country were worth a total USD 31860.45 million in 2024, down by an average 5.47% for all exporting countries compared to 2023 when overall rice shipments were valued at USD 33703.21 million. Over the period under review global exports of Rice had upward trends till 2023 and decreased in 2024. **India** dominates the world by exporting (USD 11647.54 million) over 36.56% of the world's rice exports. Thailand (USD 6403.69 million in this category) with 20.10% share, stood at 2nd position globally followed by Pakistan (USD 4193.49 million) with 13.16% share. The top three Rice exporting countries approached 69.82% share of the global value of Rice exported during the year 2024.

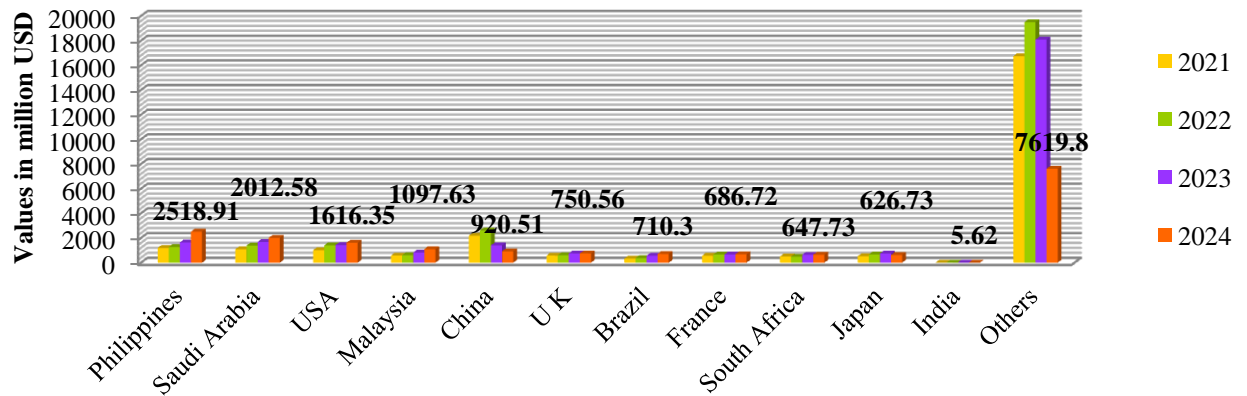
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World's top 10 Importers of Rice (HS Code 1006)

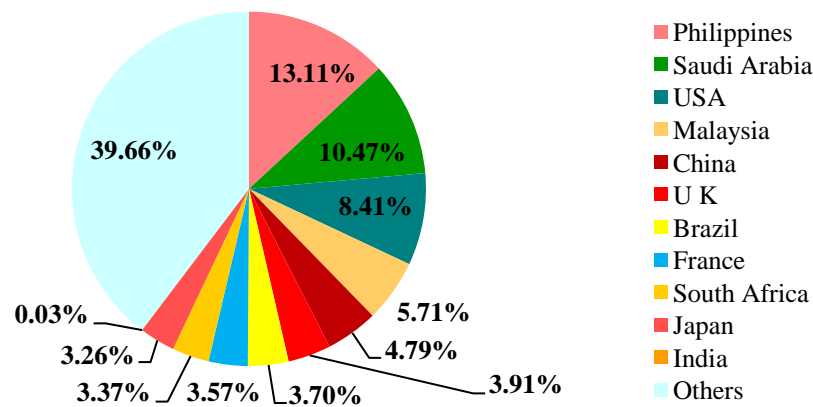
Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million \$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Philippines	1196.91	4.73	1273.46	4.31	1635.58	5.76	2518.91	13.11
2.	Saudi Arabia	1094.95	4.32	1387.97	4.69	1683.08	5.92	2012.58	10.47
3.	USA	1017.75	4.02	1405.74	4.75	1422.52	5.01	1616.35	8.41
4.	Malaysia	575.52	2.27	608.30	2.06	818.87	2.88	1097.63	5.71
5.	China	2187.11	8.64	2622.69	8.87	1407.23	4.95	920.51	4.79
6.	U K	574.72	2.27	601.07	2.03	749.60	2.64	750.56	3.91
7.	Brazil	332.75	1.31	374.26	1.27	558.48	1.97	710.30	3.70
8.	France	572.98	2.26	655.25	2.22	662.91	2.33	686.72	3.57
9.	South Africa	502.85	1.99	477.57	1.61	633.91	2.23	647.73	3.37
10.	Japan	520.16	2.05	665.54	2.25	743.79	2.62	626.73	3.26
78.	India	3.24	0.01	7.42	0.03	5.34	0.02	5.62	0.03
	Others	16741.84	66.12	19500.84	65.93	18088.35	63.67	7619.80	39.66
	Total	25320.77	100	29580.12	100	28409.64	100	19213.45	100

Source : UN Comtrade

Top 10 importers of Rice from 2021 to 2024(Data labels signified for 2024)



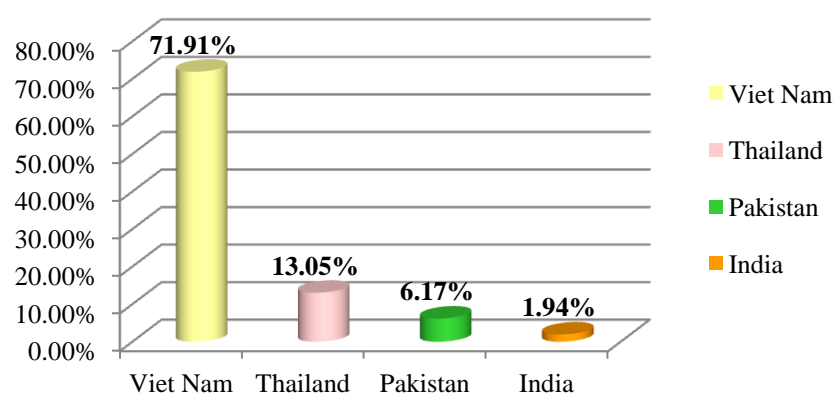
World's 10 leading importers of Rice (Percentage share in 2024)



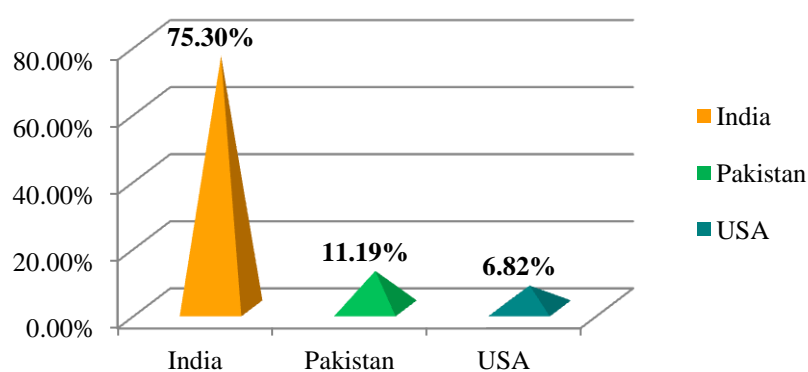
Global demand for imported Rice resulted in USD 19213.45 million worth of sales in 2024. In 2024 globally imported rice decreased by 32.37% compared to USD 28409.64 million in international purchases during 2023. **India** (importing goods worth a total of USD 5.62 million only in this category) with 0.03% share only, stood at 78th position globally. The lead importers in this segment in 2024 were Philippines (13.11%), Saudi Arabia (10.47%) and USA (8.41%). Global imports in this segment increased in 2022 from 2021 level and turned to continuous decrease till 2024.

As per UN Comtrade data base the top 3 importers of rice were Philippines, Saudi Arabia and USA. These three countries imported 1.94%, 75.30% and 26.14% share respectively of their total import of rice from India in 2024 which are presented below:

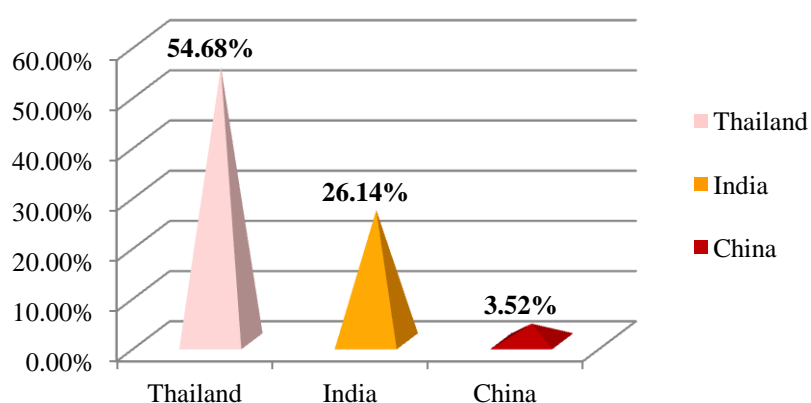
(i) Top 3 supplier nations of Rice to Philippines in 2024 (percentage share)



(ii) Top 3 supplier nations of Rice to Saudi Arabia in 2024 (percentage share)



(iii) Top 3 supplier nations of Rice to USA in 2024 (percentage share)



Source : UN Comtrade

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Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks; other Apparatus for Communication in a wired or Wireless Network [ITCHS Code 8517] falls under Chapter -85 (Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles) of Section-XVI (Machinery & their Parts, Electrical & Electronic Equipment, Parts thereof) of ITC-HS Classification.

India is engaged in the process of importing this commodity and in the 2024 this commodity group had share of 2.46% in India's total Import value basket as per DGCI&S data base

Table – 4

India's Top 10 Source Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks etc (HS Code – 8517)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	China	6583.34	49.78	7042.89	44.15	6091.85	36.82	7679.74	43.44
2.	Ireland	184.35	1.39	984.65	6.17	3352.35	20.26	2847.16	16.11
3.	Hong Kong	2368.48	17.91	1982.13	12.43	1570.63	9.49	1632.20	9.23
4.	Taiwan	268.32	2.03	1077.41	6.75	1388.48	8.39	1152.60	6.52
5.	Vietnam	1316.87	9.96	1390.02	8.71	815.67	4.93	1072.20	6.07
6.	U S A	400.24	3.03	546.55	3.43	720.67	4.36	795.93	4.50
7.	Singapore	435.22	3.29	461.31	2.89	713.41	4.31	695.82	3.94
8.	Thailand	117.29	0.89	165.38	1.04	220.55	1.33	388.52	2.20
9.	Korea RP	496.20	3.75	541.45	3.39	234.63	1.42	305.32	1.73
10.	Mexico	190.50	1.44	140.95	0.88	323.39	1.95	270.71	1.53
	Others	864.15	6.53	1619.47	10.15	1113.25	6.73	838.16	4.74
	Total	13224.96	100	15952.2	100	16544.88	100	17678.36	100

Source: DGCI&S, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India's Import includes re-import also

India's import bill for Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks etc. rose by 6.85% during 2024, reaching USD 17678.36 million compared to USD 16544.88 million in 2023. India's major sources of Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks etc. were China, Ireland and Hong Kong. China accounted for 43.44% of India's imports of Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks etc. in 2024, Ireland 16.11% and Hong Kong 9.23%. Over the period under review, India's import value in this segment were at USD 13224.96 million in 2021, and followed continuous increase till 2024.

Table – 5

World's Top 10 Importers of Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks etc. (HS Code – 8517)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	USA	111542.53	16.73	126687.47	19.92	118366.60	19.08	115085.71	22.11
2.	Hong Kong	81747.55	12.26	59595.38	9.37	60266.18	9.71	59585.30	11.45
3.	Japan	28549.18	4.28	26936.25	4.24	26290.63	4.24	26075.17	5.01
4.	Germany	25982.44	3.90	27043.92	4.25	27430.53	4.42	25009.86	4.81
5.	Netherlands	22693.69	3.40	25333.52	3.98	24774.62	3.99	24404.10	4.69
6.	China	55520.54	8.33	23552.02	3.70	19271.06	3.11	20377.62	3.92
7.	U K	17560.25	2.63	21901.88	3.44	21948.20	3.54	19967.93	3.84
8.	Mexico	13652.19	2.05	16506.59	2.60	16219.36	2.61	17390.37	3.34
9.	India	13239.88	1.99	15969.06	2.51	16542.84	2.67	17387.73	3.34
10.	Czechia	10647.40	1.60	16092.98	2.53	15605.30	2.51	15255.98	2.93
	Others	285433.83	42.82	276325.22	43.45	273792.64	44.12	179883.91	34.56
	Total	666569.47	100	635944.28	100	620507.96	100	520423.69	100

Source: UN Comtrade

In 2024, global trade of Telephone Sets, Smartphone and other Telephones for cellular Networks etc. reached USD 520423.69 million, reflecting a 16.13% decrease from 2023, when trade totaled USD 620507.96 million. Over the period under review, global imports were at record high at USD 666569.47 million in 2021. USA imported USD 115085.71 million worth of the commodity in 2024, making it the leading importer of the commodity group worldwide with 22.11 % share of world imports. Hong Kong (11.45%) lined up in second place in 2024 followed by Japan (5.01%). **India's** imports amounted to USD 17387.73 million in the year 2024 as per UN Comtrade database and **India** ranked 9th in the world with the share of 3.34% of total global imports of this commodity.
