

## MODI'S VISIT TO SINGAPORE

# India, S'pore to upgrade trade cooperation pact

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Singapore, June 1

**INDIA AND SINGAPORE** have agreed to upgrade their Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement soon to boost bilateral trade as the two sides on Friday signed eight agreements in the field of the training of public service officials, cyber security, narcotics control and defence cooperation.

The two sides concluded the second review of the Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Singaporean counterpart Lee Hsien Loong.

The review included expanded tariff concessions



for an additional 30 products and improved rules to provide more flexibility for Singapore exports to India to qualify for preferential tariffs under the agreement, Singapore's Ministry of Trade and Industry said after the completion of review.

Modi is here on a three-day visit. "The upgraded agreement will enable more Singapore companies to qualify for lower tariffs," Singapore's Minister for Trade and Industry S. Iswaran said. "This improves local exporters' access to the Indian market. I encourage our companies to make full use of the upgraded agreement and explore more opportunities for collaboration in India."

Another benefit from the upgraded CECA includes a mutual recognition agreement in making it easier to do business in the areas of cybersecurity.

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better understanding in regulating training and practice of nursing.

The Indo-Singapore CECA extended into force on August 1, 2009, and had its first review concluded on October 1, 2009.

During Modis visit, the two sides signed eight agreements, including a mutual recognition agreement.

Implementation agreement signed between the Indian Navy and Republic of Singapore Navy concerning mutual coordination, policies and services support for naval ships, submarines and naval aircraft (including ship board aviation assets) units.

Execution of the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-IN) and the Singapore Computer Emergency Response Team (SINGCERT) in the area of cybersecurity.

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## Cochin SEZ exports rise record 705% in April '18

RAJESH RAVI  
Kochi, June 1

**MERCHANDISE EXPORTS** from the Cochin special economic zone (SEZ) have shown a remarkable 705% year-on-year increase during April 2018, while the total exports from all special economic zones for the month grew by 54%.

The highest growth has been from Cochin SEZ with 705% increase in CJs 706 crore to 4,461 crore of April 2017.

Total exports in April this year, CJs 502 amounted to 20,435 crore, up against 11,955 crore in April 2017.

Vineet Sharan, managing chairman of Export Promotion Council (EPCo), said:

Gem and jewellery exports

from the six units of SEZ have

been driving the record performance with nearly 90% of the

share, he said, and added that the new government policies have resulted in a healthy growth road map for the manufacturing and services industries.

Data provided by the EPCo shows that exports from SEZ has also registered a huge spike in March 2018, with it 7305% year-on-year increase of CJs 699 crore, for FY18, merchandise exports from SEZ have grown by 11% to touch CJs 27,762 crore from CJs 13,164 crore in the previous fiscal.

The total merchandise export from SEZ clocked CJs 27,73,487 crore during 2017-18 against CJs 20,797 crore in the preceding year.

SEZ is a man-project special economic zone located in Kochi in 100.0 acres with 116 units,

employing nearly 15,000 people.

Exports of software from SEZ have also shown a robust

performance with total shipment value of CJs 629 crore in FY18 as against CJs 61,524 crore in FY17. CJs 21 is the top exporter among all the SEZs in the country with 18.4% year-on-year growth.

The business in 2018 has clocked 18.4% increase year-on-year between 2016-17 and 2017-18. This has been in spite of the challenges faced, with factors such as non-removal of MAT, imposition of dividend distribution tax and pending award of sunset clause from 2020 when the tax benefits will go away. And finally, the tight competition world over, from established and upcoming firms from almost every country has put a lot of pressure on the growth velocity, he said.

Sharma pointed out that textile export from SEZs has also seen a surge of 58% year-on-year.

**CCI imposes ₹97L fine on 4 firms, officials for bid-rigging**

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The Competition Commission of India (CCI) said that the four firms had approached CCI seeking lesser penalties.

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The four firms are Saura

Traders, Economic Enviro Solutions, Fortified Security Solutions and Bagmati Industries.

In an order dated May 31, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) said that the four firms have "entered into an arrangement among themselves pertaining to tender for project worth Rs 21 and 23 of 2013" issued by PMCO. The tenders pertained to design, supply, installation, commissioning, operation and maintenance of municipal sewerage and integrated solid waste processing plants. The firms are responsible for infringement of Section 3 of the Competition Act, CCI added. Section 3 pertains to anti-competitive agreements.

As per the order, the fairtrade regulator had slapped a fine of ₹46.45 lakh on Saura, ₹3.33 lakh on Economic Enviro Solutions, and ₹ 1.11 lakh on Fortified. A penalty of ₹26.40 lakh was also imposed on Bagmati Industries.

Besides, a total fine of ₹3.22 lakh was levied on four officials belonging to Saura, Economic Enviro Solutions.

While the penalties on the firms were at the rate of 10% of their average turnover for the years 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14, in case of officials the glass was at the rate of 10% of their average income for the same three years. During investi-

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In an order dated May 31, the

**Ms SIDDHESWARI GARMENTS LIMITED**  
Regd: 9, India Exchange Place, 3rd Floor, Kolkata-700 001  
(CIN : L1711WB1994PLC065519)

**Extract from the Audited financial Results for the Quarter / Year ended 31.03.2018**

SL. NO.	PARTICULARS	Amount in Lakh			
		Quarter Ended 31.03.2018 (Audited)	Quarter Ended 31.03.2017 (Audited)	Year Ended 31.03.2018 (Audited)	Year Ended 31.03.2017 (Audited)
1.	Total Income From Operation (Net)	7.39	47.84	29.44	69.37
2.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the Period after Tax (After Extra ordinary items)	3.15	-6.08	3.07	4.99
3.	Total Comprehensive Income for the Period (including profit/(Loss) for the Period after tax and other comprehensive income (Net/ Tax))	3.53	-5.64	6.62	121.56
4.	Equity Share Capital	330.98	330.98	330.99	330.99
5.	Other equity	-	-	1917.72	1911.05
6.	Earning Per Share (Before Extra Ordinary Items) of Rs 10/- each (Basic & Diluted)	0.19	-0.13	0.15	0.15

Note: The above is an Extract of the detailed format of Quarterly financial Results filed with stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listed and Other Disclosure Requirements) regulations, 2015.

The Full Formate are available on the Stock Exchange Website : [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com).  
For Siddheshwari Garments Limited  
Smt- Usha Nath Singh  
Director

Telangana IT exports grow by 9.32% at ₹93,442 cr

CAIT lodges complaint with ED against Flipkart

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TRADERS' BODY CAIT on Friday said it has filed a complaint against Flipkart with the Enforcement Directorate for alleged violation of the government's foreign direct investment (FDI) policy.

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