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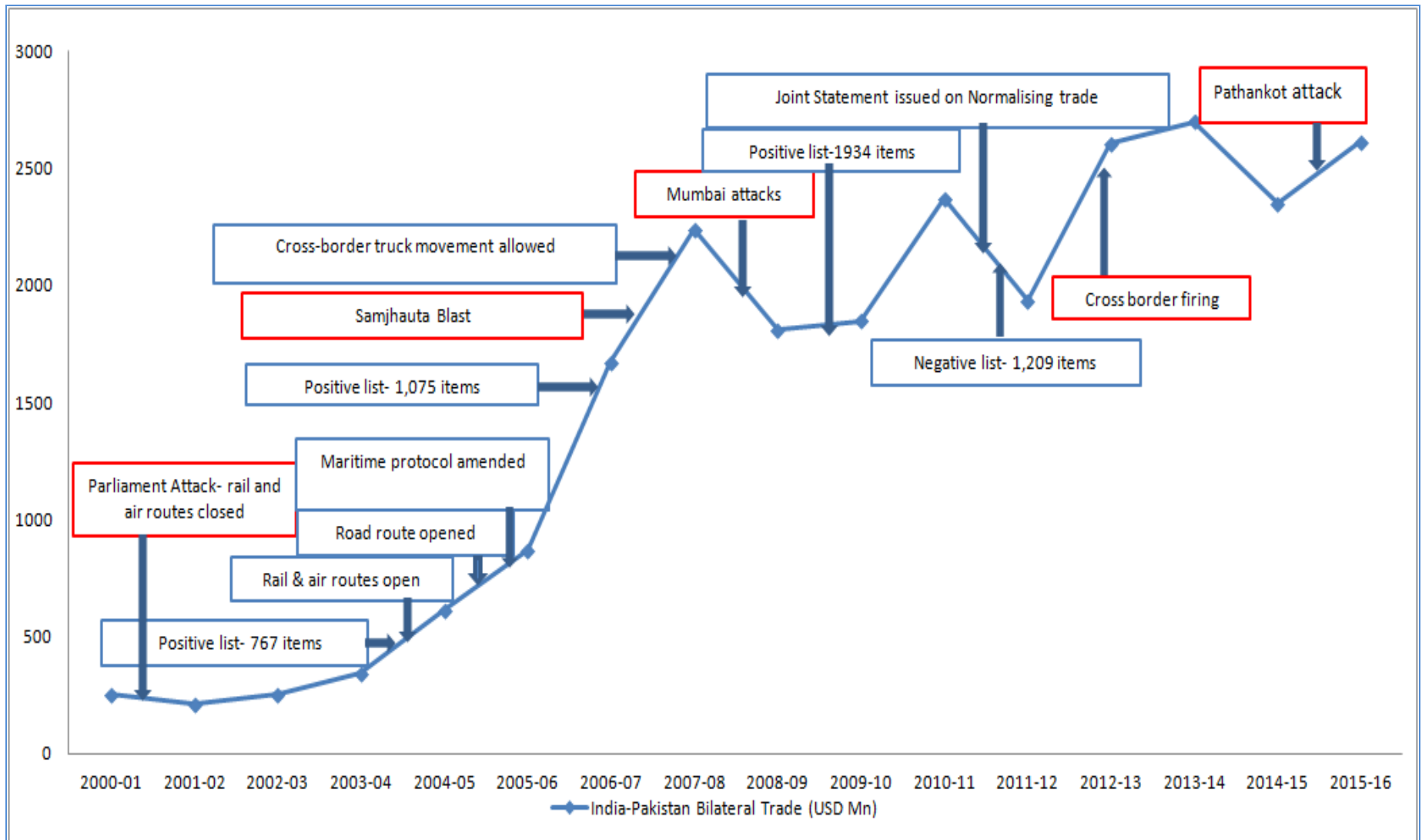
# Recent Trends in India-Pakistan Trade

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Figure 1: Impact of Political Relations between India and Pakistan on Trade



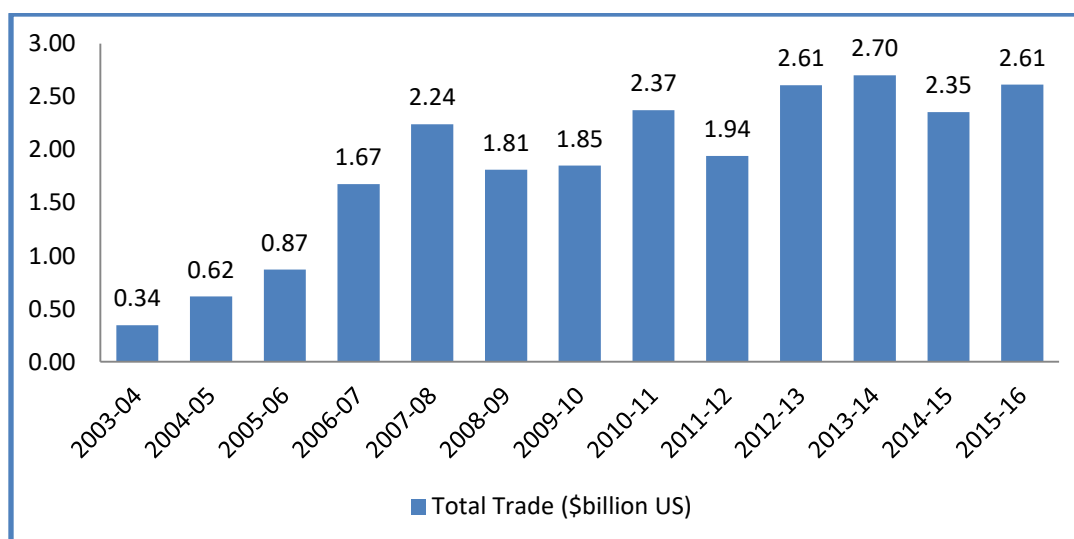
Source: Updated from Taneja et al (2013), Normalizing India-Pakistan Trade. ICRIER Working Paper 267

**Table 1: India's Trade with Pakistan (US\$ million)**

Year	Exports (X)	Imports (M)	Trade Balance (X-M)	Total Trade (X+M)	Trade Balance Ratio (X-M/X+M)*100 (%)
2003-04	287	58	229	345	66
2004-05	521	95	426	616	69
2005-06	689	180	510	869	59
2006-07	1350	324	1026	1674	61
2007-08	1951	288	1663	2239	74
2008-09	1440	370	1070	1810	59
2009-10	1573	276	1297	1849	70
2010-11	2040	333	1707	2372	72
2011-12	1542	398	1144	1939	59
2012-13	2065	542	1523	2607	58
2013-14	2274	427	1847	2701	68
2014-15	1857	497	1360	2354	58
2015-16	2171	441	1730	2612	66

Source: Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India

**Figure 2: India's Trade with Pakistan (US\$ billion)**



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**Table 2: India's Top 20 Exports to Pakistan at HS-6 (2015-16)**

<b>HS Code</b>	<b>Commodity description</b>	<b>Exports (US\$ Million)</b>	<b>Share of the Product in Exports (%)</b>
520100	Cotton, not carded or combed	647.1	29.80
390210	Polypropylene	84.02	3.87
71320	Chickpeas (garbanzos) dried and shelled	62.62	2.88
540710	Woven fabrics obtained from high tenacity yarn of nylon or other polyamides, or of polyesters	45.81	2.11
520527	Single yarn of combined fibers measuring between 83.33 and 106.38 dctx and 94 to 120 mtrc no.	42.18	1.94
170199	Sugar refined not containing flavoring/coloring matter	41.12	1.89
70200	Tomatoes fresh or chilled	38.63	1.78
320416	Reactive dyes and preparations based thereon	33.34	1.54
401120	New pneumatic tyres used on buses/lorries	32.31	1.49
551512	Fabrics of polyester staple fabrics mixed mainly/ solely with man-made filaments	31.26	1.44
90240	Other black tea (fermented) and other partly fermented tea :	30.03	1.38
550410	Viscose rayon staple fibers not carded/combed	29.07	1.34
80119	Other coconuts	27.42	1.26
290243	P-xylene	25.84	1.19
520528	Single yarn of combined fibers measuring <83.83 dctx and > 120 mtrc no.	23.99	1.10
294200	Other organic compounds : cefadroxil and its salts, ibuprofane, nifedipine, ranitidine, danes salt of d(-) pheny	23.29	1.07
711719	Other imitation jewellery of base metal w/n plated with precious metal	23.12	1.06
520513	Single yarn of uncombed fibers measuring<232.56 but >=192.31 dctx(>43 but <=52 mtrc no)	21.99	1.01
520524	Single yarn of combed fibers measuring<192.31 but >=125 dctx(>52 but <=80 mtrc no)	21.02	0.97
120242	Ground-nut, not roasted or otherwise cooked, whether or not shelled or broken-in shelled whether or not broken	18.88	0.87
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1303.04</b>	<b>60.02</b>

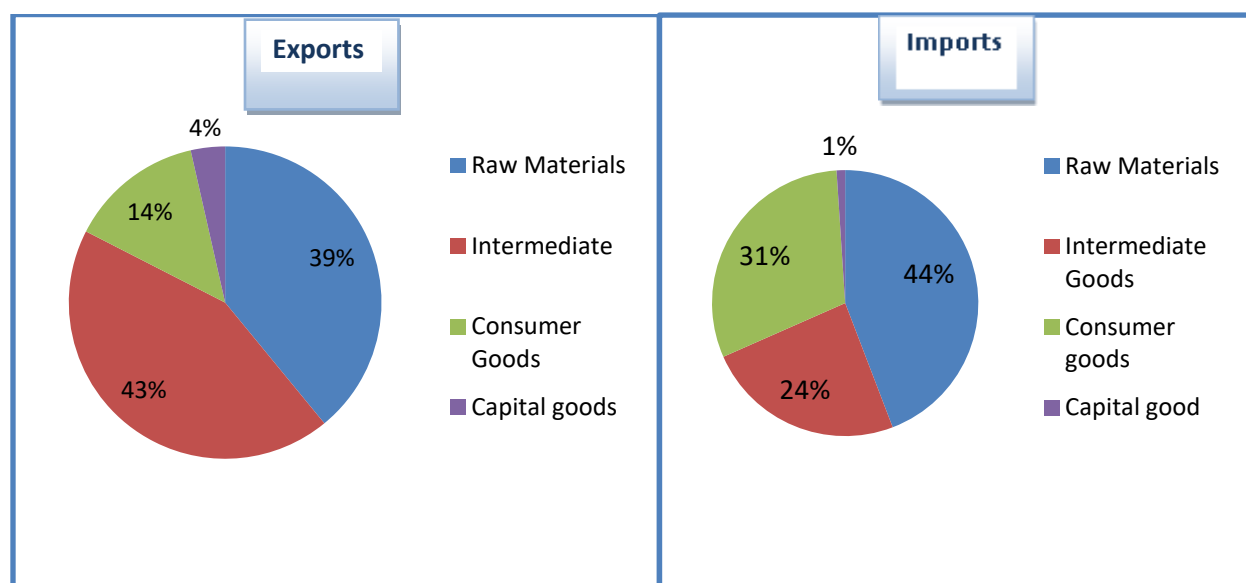
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**Table 3: India's Top 20 Imports from Pakistan at HS-6 (2015-16)**

HS Code	Commodity description	Imports (US\$ Million)	Share of the Product in Imports (%)
271012	Light oils and preparations:	90.62	20.55
80410	Dates fresh or dried	87.98	19.95
252329	Other portland cement	48.61	11.02
271019	Other petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals etc	25.77	5.84
520100	Cotton, not carded or combed	21.59	4.90
270900	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals crude	20.72	4.70
252010	Gypsum; anhydrite	18.14	4.11
260600	Aluminum ores and concentrates	12.29	2.79
283620	Disodium carbonate	11.03	2.50
520942	Denim	7.82	1.77
631090	Other rags, scrap twine, cordage, rope etc	6.23	1.41
410799	Other/hides/skins including sides	5.52	1.25
700529	Other n-wired, float and surface ground/polished glass	4.65	1.05
510129	Other degreased wool not carbonized nor carded/combed	4.61	1.05
521142	Denim of yarns of different colour of mixed cotton fabrics weighing>200 gsm	3.8	0.86
390410	Poly (vinyl chloride), not mixed with other	3.55	0.80
220720	Ethyl alcohol and other spirits denatured of any strength	3.26	0.74
400400	Waste, parings and scrap of rubber(besides hard rubber) and powder 9 grnls obtained there from	3.15	0.71
390421	Other polyvinyl chloride non-plasticized	2.71	0.61
901890	Other instrument and appliances of medical science	2.66	0.60
510119	Other wool, greasy, including fleece-washed	2.58	0.58
91099	Other : seed	2.51	0.57
	<b>Total</b>	<b>389.8</b>	<b>88.38</b>

Source: Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India

**Figure 3: Product Composition of India's Exports to and Imports from Pakistan (2015-16)**



Source: UN ITC-WITS database

Note: Product composition based on WTO Stage of Processing (SoP) categories

**Table 4: India's Trade Potential with Pakistan**

Trade Potential	US\$ Billion
Export	7.9
Import	3.0
Total Trade	10.9

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Note: The estimate of trade potential is the maximum possible trade that two countries can have if they source from each other all items which they source from the rest of the world. Of these the most likely items to be traded are those in which the supplier country is globally competitive. Only those items are included in which Revealed Comparative Advantage (RCA)>1.

**Table 5: Top 10 Commodities with Export Potential at HS-6 (2011)**

HS Code	Commodity description	Export Potential (US\$ Million)
851712	Telephones for cellular networks	629.6
520100	Cotton, not carded/combed	532.8
870322	Vehicles with piston engine, of a cylinder capacity >1000cc but not >1500cc	361.9
390210	Polypropylene	356.7
290243	p-Xylene	308.0
90240	Tea, black (fermented)	304.2
540233	Polyester yarn	277.0
870321	Vehicles with piston engine, of a cylinder capacity not>1000cc	263.0
550320	Synthetic staple fibers	255.1
300490	Medicaments	<b>213.4</b>
	<b>Total of 10 Items</b>	<b>3501.7</b>
	<b>Share in Total Export Potential</b>	<b>44%</b>

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**Table 6: Top 10 Commodities with Import Potential at HS-6 (2011)**

HS Code	Commodity description	Import Potential (US\$ Million)
711319	Articles of jewellery & parts thereof	440.9
901890	Medical/surgical instruments	268.9
520100	Cotton, not carded/combed	180.8
730690	Tubes, pipes of iron & steel	105.3
390760	Poly(ethylene terephthalate)	81.4
740400	Copper waste & scrap	75.5
730890	Structures & parts of structures	60.0
291736	Terephthalic acid & its salts	57.6
950699	Articles & equip. for sports,	44.8
391590	Waste, parings & scrap, of plastics	41.2
	<b>Total of 10 Items</b>	<b>3501.7</b>
	<b>Share in Total Import Potential</b>	<b>45%</b>

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**Table 7: India's Informal Exports to Pakistan- Estimated Value (2012-13)**

Products	Value	Share
	(In Million \$)	(%)
Real Jewelry (Diamond, gold, precious stones, etc.)	910	23%
Textiles	780	20%
Machinery and Machine Parts	305	8%
Electronic Appliances	220	6%
Scraps	193	5%
Paper	190	5%
Chemicals	187	5%
Tyres	187	5%
Packaged Food Items	170	4%
Spices	160	4%
Pulses	156	4%
Consumer Durable Items	150	4%
Industrial Additives	133	3%
Pharmaceutical Products	83	2%
Jewelry (Artificial)	28	1%
Pan Leaves/Betel Leaves	26	1%
Alcohol	22	1%
Coconut Oil	20	1%
Tea	16	0%
Shaving Blades	15	0%
Fruits and Vegetables	12	0%
Pan Masala	8	0%
Tobacco Products	6	0%
Leather	5	0%
Auto Components	4	0%
Stone	3	0%
Furniture	2	0%
Aampapad	0.5	0%
Soda bottles	0.5	0%
<b>Total Informal Exports from India to Pakistan</b>	<b>3992</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: Taneja, N. and Bimal, S. (2016), India's Informal Trade with Pakistan, ICRIER Working Paper 327



**Table 8: India's Informal Imports from Pakistan- Estimated Value (2012-13)**

Products	Value	Share
	(In Million \$)	(%)
Textiles	350	49%
Dry Fruits	230	32%
Spices	75	10%
Cement	15	2%
Carpets	28	4%
Fruits and Vegetables	12	2%
Leather	9	1%
Electronic Goods (Chinese Cameras, ICs, etc)	1	0%
Leather chemicals	1	0%
<b>Total India's Informal Imports from Pakistan</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: Taneja, N. and Bimal, S. (2016), India's Informal Trade with Pakistan, ICRIER Working Paper 327