INDIA-JORDAN
Exploring New Horizons!
India’s historic and excellent relations with Jordan have always been characterized by warmth, cordiality and goodwill based on mutual respect. The two countries signed their first bilateral agreement for cooperation in 1947, which was formalized in 1950 when the diplomatic relations were established.

**INDA-JORDAN BILATERAL TRADE FACTS**
- India is the fourth largest trading partner of Jordan.
- Indian market is the main destination for the export of phosphate and is around 65.5% of the total production in Jordan.
- India is the largest supplier of petroleum products to Jordan.

**INDIAN INVESTMENT IN JORDAN**
(i) Joint venture Phosphoric acid manufacturing plant worth 850 million USD
(ii) 25 garment factories with an investment > 60 million USD

**Bilateral Trade (in US $)**

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<th>Foreign Trade with India</th>
<th>Jan- Dec 2012</th>
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<td>Imports</td>
<td>711 million</td>
<td>1.1 billion</td>
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<td>Exports</td>
<td>722 million</td>
<td>496 million</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>1.43</td>
<td>1.61 billion</td>
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Source: Department of Statistics.

**Five Major Jordanian Exports to India (In JD million)**

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<th>Product</th>
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<td>Potash</td>
<td>82.5 million</td>
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<td>Phosphate</td>
<td>192.3 million</td>
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<td>Fertilizer</td>
<td>45.6 million</td>
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Source: Central bank of Jordan
Other major exports from India include basmati rice, engineering and electrical goods.

The 425 meter long Abdoun Bridge has been constructed by M/S Larsen & Toubro, an Indian company for GAM.

ITEC PROGRAMME & ICCR SCHOLARSHIP

At present, there are over 500 Jordanian students pursuing studies in different universities in India. The number of Jordanian alumni of Indian universities is over 2500. India is committed to sharing its developmental experience with Jordan through capacity building programmes under the ITEC programme. The Programme offers 25 slots every year to Jordanian candidates. In addition, ICCR offers 05 (five) annual scholarships to meritorious Jordanian students for higher education in India. It is a matter of satisfaction that Jordanian nationals have been making good use of the training opportunities under these programmes offered by the Government of India. Further details can be found at:


INDIA – A CLOSER LOOK

- A stable democratic environment.
- Democratic bicameral parliamentary form of Government.
- Constitution guarantees fundamental rights.
- In 2014 India successfully and democratically conducted the biggest election in the history of mankind with 814.5 million voters.
- One of the fastest growing economies in the world with GDP nearing $ 2 trillion.
- India is one of the world’s oldest civilization and has the world’s youngest population.
- A growing middleclass of over 450 million with increasing purchasing power.
- Multilingual society with 22 principal languages. Hindi is the language of a large percentage of people (38%), while English is the preferred business language.
- A large cost-competitive technical English-speaking workforce
- More English speaking/knowing people than the USA.
- World class network of educational and research institutions
- Ranks first in prevalence of foreign technology licensing.
- Large manufacturing capability, spanning almost all areas of manufacturing activities, from needles to airplanes to satellites.
- Well developed R&D infrastructure, and technical and marketing services.
- Large resources of untapped natural wealth and rich biodiversity.
- Advanced information technology industry, international base for outsourcing (BPOs/ KPOs).
- India exports software to 90 countries.
- Vibrant capital market.
- Economic reforms have resulted in unprecedented investor confidence.
- Focus on privatization process and restructuring of public enterprise.
- Developed banking system.
- WTO compliant IPR regime.
**DID YOU ALSO KNOW?**

- The world’s largest, oldest and continuous civilization.
- The largest democracy.
- A $2 trillion economy with over 5.7% GDP growth.
- One of the top industrialized nations with a fast growing services sector.
- Among the select group of six nations with satellite launch capabilities. India has launched more than 70 satellites in space. Also launched self owned satellite launch vehicles, used by other countries to launch their satellites.
- Globally acknowledged software power and leader in the knowledge based economy.
- Has largest number of software engineers in the world.
- One of the first countries along with US and Japan to have built a supercomputer indigenously in 1990.
- Over 100 year old film industry producing the maximum number of films in the world, Bollywood.
- Shahrukh Khan, the superstar actor of Bollywood is the second-richest actor in the world in 2014, with a net worth of US$600 million
- Largest postal network in the world.
- Largest manufacturer of tractors and leather goods.

1st in the production of milk and butter, mango, banana, raw sugar, jute, millets, areca nuts, spices, ginger, chickpea, lemon and lime.

1st in the cutting, processing and manufacturing of gems and jewellery.

1st in the diamond cutting and polishing trade.

2nd largest producer of vegetables and fruits and tea.

2nd largest producer of rice, groundnuts, sugar beet, tobacco, cotton, and silk

2nd largest manufacturer of motorcycle and scooters.

2nd largest road network.

2nd largest producer of wheat.

3rd largest producer of coconut and cashew.

3rd largest economy in terms of purchasing power

Considering the volume of pills produced, the Indian pharmaceutical industry is the world’s third largest.

4th largest producer of natural rubber

4th largest producer of cement

4th largest rail network.

The number system was invented by India.

Chess was invented in India.

Algebra, Trigonometry and Calculus are studies which originated in India.

The place value system and the ‘decimal system’ were developed in 100 BC in India.

The World’s first university was established in Takshila in 700 BC. More than 10,500 students from all over the world studied more than 60 subjects.

Ayurveda is the earliest school of medicine known to mankind. The father of medicine, Charaka, consolidated Ayurveda 2500 years ago.

The art of Navigation & Navigating was born in the river Sindh over 6000 years ago. The very word ‘Navigation’ is derived from the Sanskrit word NAVGATIH. The word navy is also derived from the Sanskrit word ‘Nou’.

Bhaskaracharya rightly calculated the time taken by the earth to orbit the sun hundreds of years before the astronomer Smart. His calculations was - Time taken by earth to orbit the sun: (5th century) 365.258756484 days.

The Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) is Indian Space Research Organization’s most successful launch vehicle till date with 25 consecutively successful flights including Chandrayaan-I lunar probe and the Mars Orbiter Mission. First country to reach Mars in its maiden attempt.

The value of “pi” was first calculated by the Indian Mathematician Budhayana, and he explained the concept of what is known as the Pythagorean Theorem. He discovered this in the 6th century, which was long before the European mathematicians.

Until 1896, India was the only source for diamonds to the world. (Source: Geological Institute of America).

The art of yoga originated in India around 5,000 years ago.

Martial art traces its roots to India that was later spread across Asia by the Buddhist missionaries.

The Indian Railways is the biggest employer in the world, employing over a million people.
GLOBAL EXPORTS BY INDIA (2013-2014)

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<th>S.No.</th>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>Mineral fuels, mineral oils, oil and products</td>
<td>64,685</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Natural or cultured pearls, precious and semi precious stones, jewellery, coin etc</td>
<td>41,692</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Vehicles other than railway or tram rolling stock</td>
<td>12,933</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>Nuclear Reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances</td>
<td>12,077</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>Organic Chemicals</td>
<td>12,017</td>
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<td>6.</td>
<td>Pharmaceuticals products</td>
<td>11,140</td>
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<td>7.</td>
<td>Electrical machinery and equipments and parts thereof</td>
<td>10,238</td>
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<td>8.</td>
<td>Iron and Steel</td>
<td>9,223</td>
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<td>9.</td>
<td>Articles of apparels and clothing accessories, knitted and non-knitted</td>
<td>6,857</td>
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<td>10.</td>
<td>Ores, slag and Ash</td>
<td>2,201</td>
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<td>11.</td>
<td>India’s Total Export</td>
<td>314,405</td>
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Source: Department of commerce.

PRINCIPAL MARKETS FOR INDIAN EXPORTS (2013-14)
USA, United Arab Emirates, China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Saudi Arabia, Netherlands, U.K., Germany and Japan.

PRINCIPAL IMPORT SOURCES (2013-14)
China, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, USA, Switzerland, Iraq, Indonesia, Germany, Hong Kong and Singapore.
A song sequence of recent Blockbuster Bollywood movie 'Krish-3' has been shot in Jordan

Queen Rania interacting with young Indian children during her visit to India in 2006

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- The latest mantra of Government of India for creation of Investor friendly environment for competitive manufacturing for Indian and global markets.
- Cutting down the Red Tape (de-regulation) and laying the Investor friendly Red Carpet.
- Online clearances for various investment projects to make the system hassle free.
- Smart Cities and Industrial corridors launched with trillion dollar investment opportunities.
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**Some Important Websites**

- Ministry of Commerce & Industry: http://commin.nic.in
- Ministry of External Affairs: http://mea.gov.in
- Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry: http://www.ficci.com
- Confederation of Indian Industries: http://www.ciconline.org
- India Trade Promotion Organization: http://www.indiatradefair.com
- Indian Brand Equity Foundation : http://www.ibef.org
- Indian Technical and Economic and Economic Cooperation Programme http://www.itec.mea.gov.in/

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