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MONTHLY EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS**MARCH 2023****1. Balance of Trade**

Balance of Trade showed a deficit of TZS 106,410.1 million in March 2023, increased by 21.1 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2022 and by 15.9 percent the previous month. Trade ratio decreased from 6.5 percent in February 2023 to 6.1 percent in March 2023. (Table 1).

Table 1: Summary of External Merchandise Trade

Description	Value in Million TZS		
	March 2022	February 2023	March 2023
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	20,951.0	6,425.6	6,878.5
Domestic exports	4,385.2	6,407.4	5,878.2
Re-exports	16,565.9	18.2	1,000.4
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	108,853.7	98,240.3	113,288.6
Total International Trade (A + B)	129,804.8	104,665.9	120,167.2
Balance of Trade (A - B)	-87,902.7	-91,814.6	-106,410.1
Trade ratio (A/B) *100	19.2	6.5	6.1

*Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)***2. Exports Statistics**

March 2023, recorded a total exports value of TZS 6,878.5 million, decreased by 67.2 percent compared to March 2022 and increased by 7.0 percent compared to previous month (February 2023). Food and live animals contributed 65.6 percent (TZS 4,514.9 million) of the total exports in March 2023 as seen in table 2.

Table 2: Total Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section

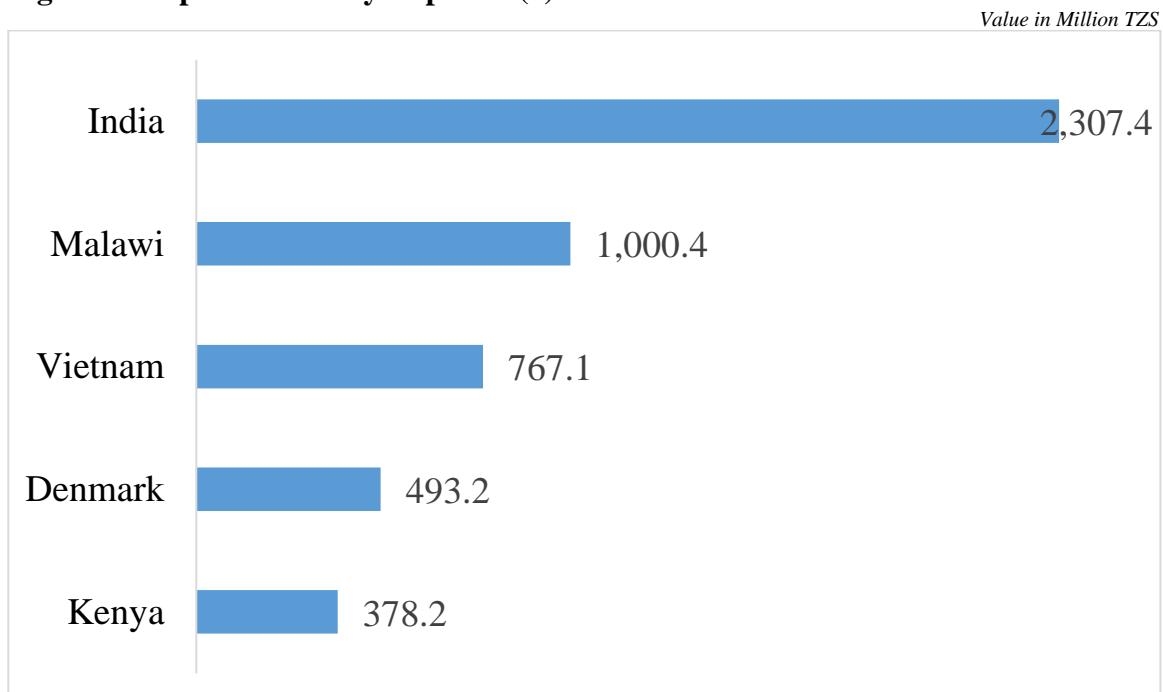
SITC Description	March 2022	February 2023	Value in Million TZS	
			March 2023	% Share
Food and live animals	3,332.9	5,184.1	4,514.9	65.6
Beverages and tobacco	2.6	-	95.5	1.4
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	89.9	2.6	253.4	3.68
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-	-	19.6	0.3
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	2.0	-	-	-
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	2.2	31.2	73.0	1.1
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	949.7	1,153.0	775.9	11.3
Machinery and transport equipment	76.3	20.4	1,000.2	14.5
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	16,495.5	34.3	145.9	2.1
Total	20,951.0	6,425.6	6,878.5	100

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

3. Exports by Top Five Partner in March 2023

The top five trading partners for exported goods in the March 2023 accounted 71.9 percent of the total value of exported goods. Major export destination was India that accounted 33.5 percent (TZS 2,307.4 million) of the total export in March 2023 (Figure 1).

Figure 1: Exports Value by Top Five (5) Partners in March 2023



Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

4. Imports Statistics

March 2023 recorded a total import value of TZS 113,288.6 million, which increased by 4.1 percent compared to March 2022 and by 15.3 percent compared to previous month.

Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials section 47.9 percent (TZS 54,316.6 million) of the total value imported followed by Food and live animals (17.5 percent). The performances of other sections are as shown in table 3.

Table 3: Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section

SITC DESCRIPTION	March 2022	February 2023	Value in Million TZS	
			March2023 Value	% Share
Food and live animals	23,632.4	16,890.3	19,788.7	17.5
Beverages and tobacco	107.1	6.7	73.8	0.07
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1,358.6	2,405.9	1,667.8	1.5
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	46,873.3	35,158.8	54,316.6	47.9
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1,005.7	2,303.1	4,299.7	3.80
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	8,270.9	3,376.4	4,095.5	3.6
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	12,614.9	5,936.9	11,953.9	10.6
Machinery and transport equipment	9,896.8	28,303.4	11,390.9	10.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	5,094.1	3,849.7	5,701.6	5.0
Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	-	8.9	-	-
Total	108,853.7	98,240.3	113,288.6	100.0

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

5. Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

Imported value of consumer goods for March 2023 was TZS 22,743.0 million which decreased by 36.2 percent compared to corresponding month and by 11.2 percent compared to previous month. Imports value of capital goods was TZS 15,189.3 million which increased by 0.2 percent compared to the corresponding month and decreased by 53.9 percent compared to the previous month. Imported value of intermediary goods was TZS 75,356.3 million which increased by 29.8 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2022 and by 90.0 percent compared to previous month. (Table 4).

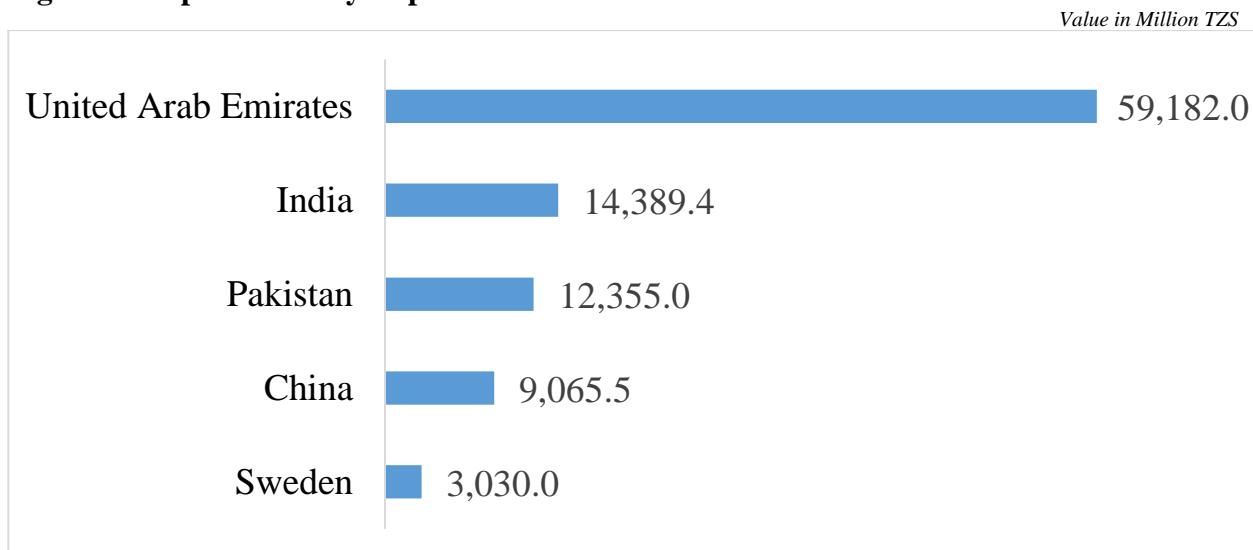
Table 4: Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

Categories	Value in Million TZS		
	March 2022	February 2023	March 2023
Capital Goods	15,165.5	32,950.0	15,189.3
<i>Transport Equipment</i>	3,446.4	3,035.8	3,342.6
<i>Building and Construction material</i>	5,265.2	4,212.1	3,916.7
<i>Machinery</i>	6,453.8	25,702.1	7,929.9
Intermediate Goods	58,056.6	39,667.1	75,356.3
<i>Oil</i>	46,873.3	35,158.8	54,316.6
<i>Industrial raw materials</i>	11,183.3	4,508.2	21,039.7
Consumer Goods	35,631.7	25,623.2	22,743.0
<i>Food and food stuffs</i>	23,669.0	16,879.5	10,052.8
<i>All other consumer goods</i>	11,962.6	8,743.7	12,690.2
Total	108,853.7	98,240.3	113,288.6

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

6. Imports by Top Five Partner in March2023

The top five trading partners for imported goods in the March 2023 contributed 86.5 percent of the total import. Imports were mainly from United Arab Emirates (52.2 percent, TZS 59,182.0 million).

Figure 2: Import value by Top Five Partner in March 2023

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

Note:

“-” = Means no exportation/importation at particular time

C.I.F = Includes Cost, Insurance and Freight

F.O.B = Free in Board

SITC = Standard International Trade Classification (Food and live animals section including Cloves and other spices; seaweeds and other sea products).

Annex 1: Import by HS Code for March2023

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
02	Meat and edible meat offal	1,350,316,956
03	Fish & crustacean, mollusk & other aquatic invertebrate	80,888,177
04	Dairy prod; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible prod not elsewhere specified	222,030,322
06	Live tree & other plant; bulb, root; cut flowers etc.	231,385
07	Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers	22,885,091
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons	629,689,979
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	87,737,544
10	Cereals	54,379,970
11	Prod mill industry; malt; starches; insulin; wheat gluten	9,635,203,965
12	Oil seed, oleagi fruits; miscell grain, seed, fruit etc.	57,223,752
14	Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products not elsewhere specified	2,047,031
15	Animal/veg fats & oil & their cleavage products; etc.	4,362,566,091
16	Prep of meat, fish or crustaceans, mollusks etc.	101,941,601
17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	6,582,006,985
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	130,971,123
19	Prep of cereal, flour, starch/milk; pastry cooks' prod	494,186,392
20	Prep of vegetable, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants	79,081,433
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	181,564,594
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	35,161,356
23	Residues & waste from the food industry; prepare ani fodder	18,642,473
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	39,116,321
25	Salt; Sulphur; earth & stone; plastering mat; lime & cement	2,997,479,740
27	Mineral fuels, oils & product of their distillation; etc.	54,316,634,970
28	Inorganic chemical; compounds of prec met, radio act elements etc.	3,999,800
29	Organic chemicals	1,250,557,985
30	Pharmaceutical products	67,123,669
32	Tanning/dyeing extract; tannins & derives; pigm etc.	81,626,612
33	Essential oils & resinoids; perf, cosmetic/toilet prep	241,188,634
34	Soap, organic surface-active agents, washing prep, etc.	810,829,405
35	Albuminoidal subs; modified starches; glues; enzymes	55,447,881
36	Photographic or cinematographic goods	482,231
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods	696,580
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	222,804,235
39	Plastics and articles thereof	2,639,232,808
40	Rubber and articles thereof	133,088,898
42	Articles of leather; saddlery/harness; travel goods etc.	40,330,173
43	Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	381,054
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	1,365,913,981
46	Manufactures os straw, esparto/other plaiting mat; etc.	3,572,632
47	Pulp of wood/of other fibrous cellulosic mat; waste etc.	32,493,554
48	Paper & paperboard; art of paper pulp, paper/paperboard	711,823,473

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (Tzs)
49	Printed books, newspapers, pictures & other product etc	95,292,128
52	Cotton	291,658,378
54	Man-made filaments	1,022,738,225
55	Man-made staple fibres	882,591,231
56	Wadding, felt & nonwoven; yarns; twine, cordage, etc.	120,085,462
57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	89,976,704
58	Special woven fab; tufted textile fab; lace; tapestries etc.	11,238,173
59	Impregnated, coated, cover/laminated textile fabric etc.	52,290,529
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	30,650,419
61	Art of apparel & clothing access, knitted or crocheted	1,022,964,424
62	Art of apparel & clothing access, not knitted/crocheted	931,622,261
63	Other made up textile articles; sets; worn clothing etc.	1,968,346,387
64	Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	289,076,131
65	Umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, etc.	19,688,530
66	Umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, etc.	8,938,202
67	Prepared feathers & down; artificial flower; articles human hair	5,646,817
68	Art of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica/sim mat	98,675,305
69	Ceramic products	1,063,919,969
70	Glass and glassware	278,878,571
71	Natural/cultured pearls, prec stones & metals, coin etc.	30,121,615
72	Iron and steel	831,439,720
73	Articles of iron and steel	1,026,563,292
74	Copper and articles thereof	103,563,135
76	Aluminum and articles thereof	482,289,494
81	Other base metals; cermet; articles thereof	1,279,795
82	Tool, implement, cutlery, spoon & fork, of base met etc.	152,804,554
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	92,677,051
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance; parts	2,612,554,173
85	Electrical machinery equip parts thereof; sound recorder etc.	5,317,390,786
87	Vehicles or railways /train roll-stock, pts & accessories	3,255,871,254
88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts of	1,713,850
89	Ships, boats and floating structures	85,010,457
90	Optical, photo, cine, meas, checking, precision, etc.	608,570,076
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof	139,370
92	Musical instruments; parts and access of such articles	1,247,864
94	Furniture; bedding, mattress, matt support, cushion etc.	680,759,624
95	Toys, games & sports requisites; parts & access thereof	138,163,713
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	437,501,719
97	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	1,119,390
Total		113,288,639,632

Annex 2: Detailed Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC) for March 2023

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
A.	CAPITAL GOODS	15,189,271,415
	Transport equipment	3,342,595,560
87	Vehicle other than railway or tramway	3,255,871,254
88	Aircraft, pace craft, and parts thereof	1,713,850
89	Ship, boats and floating structures	85,010,457
	Building and Construction material	3,916,730,896
68	Articles of stone	98,675,305
69	Ceramic products	1,063,919,969
70	Glass and glassware	278,878,571
71	Natural or cultured pearls, precious	30,121,615
72	Iron and steel	831,439,720
73	Articles of iron or steel	1,026,563,292
74	Copper and article thereof	103,563,135
76	Aluminum and articles thereof	482,289,494
81	Other base metals	1,279,795
	Machinery	7,929,944,958
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery	2,612,554,173
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	5,317,390,786
B.	INTERMEDIATE GOODS	54,316,634,970
	Oil	54,316,634,970
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	54,316,634,970
	Industrial raw materials	21,039,701,484
14	Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products	2,047,031
23	Residues and waste from the food industries	18,642,473
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	39,116,321
25	Salt; Sulphur; earths and stone; plastering materials	2,997,479,740
28	Inorganic chemicals; organic or inorganic compound	3,999,800
29	Organic chemicals	1,250,557,985
32	Tanning or dying extracts; tannic	81,626,612
33	Essential oils and resinous; perfumery, cosmetic	241,188,634
36	Explosives; pyrotechnic products; matches	482,231
47	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic	32,493,554
52	Cotton	291,658,378
54	Man-made filaments	1,022,738,225
55	Man-made staple fibres	882,591,231
56	Wadding, felt and nonwovens; special yarn	120,085,462
11	Products of the milling industry; malt; starches	9,635,203,965
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit, miscellany	57,223,752

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils	4,362,566,091
C.	CONSUMER GOODS	22,743,031,764
	Food and food stuffs	10,052,841,523
2	Meat and edible meat offal	1,350,316,956
3	Fish and crustaceans, mollusks and other aquatic	80,888,177
4	Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey	222,030,322
7	Edible vegetable and certain roots and tubers	22,885,091
8	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit	629,689,979
9	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	87,737,544
10	Cereals	54,379,970
16	Preparations of meats, of fish or of crustaceans	101,941,601
17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	6,582,006,985
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	130,971,123
19	Preparation of cereals, flour starch or milk	494,186,392
20	Preparation of vegetables, fruit, nuts	79,081,433
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	181,564,594
22	Beverage spirits and vinegar	35,161,356
	All other consumer goods	12,690,190,241
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks	152,804,554
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	92,677,051
90	Optical, photographic, cinematographic	608,570,076
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof	139,370
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39	Plastics and articles thereof	2,639,232,808
40	Rubber and articles thereof	133,088,898
6	Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots	231,385
30	Pharmaceuticals products	67,123,669
34	Soap, organic surface active agents, washing	810,829,405
35	Albuminoidal substances; modified starches, glues	55,447,881
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods	696,580
42	Articles of leather; saddlery and harness	40,330,173
43	Fur skins and artificial fur; manufactured thereof	381,054
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	1,365,913,981
46	Manufactured of straw, of esparto	3,572,632
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp	711,823,473
49	Printed books, newspapers, pictured	95,292,128

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57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	89,976,704
58	Special woven fabrics, tufted textile fabrics	11,238,173
59	Impregnated, coated, covered	52,290,529
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	30,650,419
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1,022,964,424
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	931,622,261
63	Other made up textile articles	1,968,346,387
64	Footwear, gaiters and the like	289,076,131
65	Headgear parts thereof	19,688,530
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking sticks	8,938,202
67	Prepared feathers	5,646,817
	GRAND TOTAL	113,288,639,632

Annex 3: Detailed Import by SITC for March 2023

SITC Code	Description	Value in TZS
0	Food and live animals	19,788,714,343.1
01	Meat and meat preparations	1,350,316,956.2
02	Dairy products and birds' eggs	222,366,907.6
03	Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	182,829,777.6
04	Cereals and cereal preparations	10,141,992,994.8
05	Vegetables and fruit	789,237,148.6
06	Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	6,583,378,649.3
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	220,982,068.6
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	18,642,472.7
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	278,967,367.8
1	Beverages and tobacco	73,751,657.7
11	Beverages	34,635,336.3
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	39,116,321.4
2	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1,667,814,462.6
22	Oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits	3,253,566.7
24	Cork and wood	264,369,502.0
25	Pulp and waste paper	32,493,553.8
26	Textile fibres (other than wool tops and other combed wool) and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	1,249,327,279.2
27	Crude fertilizers, other than those of Division 56, and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)	111,906,693.4
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	3,999,800.0
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	2,464,067.5
3	Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	54,316,634,970

SITC Code	Description	Value in TZS
32	Coal, coke and briquettes	596,938.9
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	54,316,038,030.7
4	Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	4,299,688,905.5
42	Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	4,196,167,223.3
43	Animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed; waxes of animal or vegetable origin; inedible mixtures or preparations of animal or vegetable fats or oils, n.e.s.	103,521,682.2
5	Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	4,095,539,820
51	Organic chemicals	1,250,416,405.1
53	Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	76,181,628.8
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	67,265,248.4
55	Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	1,048,584,346.6
57	Plastics in primary forms	428,044,595.1
58	Plastics in non-primary forms	943,428,686.1
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	281,618,909.5
6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	11,953,948,248
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	133,088,898.1
63	Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	1,101,544,478.7
64	Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard	847,460,310.3
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	3,246,648,089.1
66	Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	3,971,406,748.4
67	Iron and steel	1,386,554,553.0
68	Non-ferrous metals	320,098,542.0
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.	947,146,628.0
7	Machinery and transport equipment	11,390,898,008.0
71	Power-generating machinery and equipment	589,534,030.0
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries	308,894,445.2
73	Metalworking machinery	27,141,591.7
74	General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s., and machine parts, n.e.s.	1,801,396,186.5
75	Office machines and automatic data-processing machines	58,511,576.6
76	Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	2,908,934,310.0
77	Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, n.e.s., and electrical parts thereof (including non-electrical counterparts, n.e.s., of electrical household-type equipment)	2,367,890,307.7
78	Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	3,241,871,253.5
79	Other transport equipment	86,724,306.7
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	5,701,649,218.3
81	Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	569,975,598.2
82	Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	417,332,786.8

SITC Code	Description	Value in TZS
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	40,122,798.4
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1,976,327,222.5
85	Footwear	289,076,131.3
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	547,783,325.2
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks	1,267,375.5
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	1,859,763,980.5
Grand Total		113,288,639,632.0

Annex 4: Detailed Export by SITC for March 2023

SITC	Description	Value in TZS
0	Food and live animals	4,514,946,652
03	Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	167,500,007
04	Cereals and cereal preparations	19,095,002
05	Vegetables and fruit	1,509,547,556
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	2,131,332,504
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	687,471,584
1	Beverages and tobacco	95,495,003
11	Beverages	95,495,003
2	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	253,410,540
23	Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	9,900,002
26	Textile fibres (other than wool tops and other combed wool) and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	74,619,532
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	83,491,004
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	85,400,003
3	Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	19,630,001
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	19,630,001
5	Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	73,036,321
55	Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	4,647,401
56	Fertilizers (other than those of group 272)	1,620,000
58	Plastics in non-primary forms	4,000,000
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	62,768,920
6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	775,901,801
63	Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	3,000,002
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	739,701,798
66	Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	3,200,000
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.	30,000,001
7	Machinery and transport equipment	1,000,207,167
71	Power-generating machinery and equipment	1,214,144
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries	370,897,460
77	Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, n.e.s., and electrical parts thereof (including non-electrical counterparts, n.e.s., of electrical household-type equipment)	18,919,818
78	Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	609,175,744
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	145,899,458
82	Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	3,060,000
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	12,260,000
85	Footwear	9,400,001
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	121,179,457
	Grand Total	6,878,526,942