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MONTHLY EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS

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1. Balance of Trade

Balance of Trade showed a deficit of TZS 86,806.1 million in February 2021, increased by 47.8 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2020 and by 37.8 percent compared with the previous month. (Table 1).

Table 1: Summary of External Merchandise Trade

Description	Value in Million TZS		
	February 2020	January 2020	February 2021
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	16,364.4	1,108.2	4,176.4
Domestic exports	16,299.1	911.6	2,597.0
Re-exports	65.3	196.6	1,579.4
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	75,091.6	64,095.5	90,982.5
Total International Trade (A + B)	91,456.0	65,203.7	95,158.9
Trade Deficit (A - B)	-58,727.2	-62,987.2	-86,806.1

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

2. Exports Statistics

February 2021 recorded a total exports value of 4,176.4 million, decreased by 74.5 percent compared to February 2020 and increased by more than hundred percent compared to previous month. Food and live animals section contributed 57.6 percent of the total exports in February 2021 (table 2).

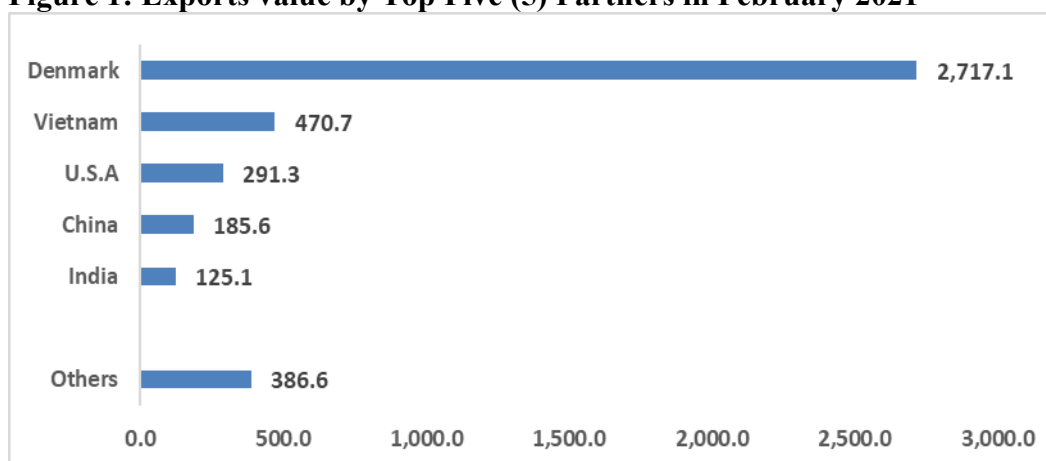
Table 2: Total Exports of goods by S.I.T.C section*Value in Million TZS*

SITC DESCRIPTION	February 2020	January 2020	February 2021
Food and live animals	16,243.9	669.8	2,404.7
Beverages and tobacco	31.5	-	6.0
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	20.1	170.1	106.6
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-	-	-
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	-	0.0	0.0
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	1.3	0.4	4.0
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	7.8	11.8	16.7
Machinery and transport equipment	38.7	244.2	1,614.4
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	21.2	11.9	24.0
Total	16,364.4	1,108.2	4,176.4

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

3. Exports by Top Five Partner in February 2021

The top five trading partners for exported goods in the February 2021 accounted 90.7 percent of the total value of exported goods. Major export destination was Denmark that accounted 65.1 percent of the total export in February 2021 (Table 3).

Figure 1: Exports value by Top Five (5) Partners in February 2021

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

4. Imports Statistics

February 2021 recorded a total import value of 87,029.4 million, which increased by 15.9 percent compared to February 2020 and by 35.8 percent compared to previous month. Machinery and transport equipment section contributed 38.6 percent of the total value imported followed by Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (20.9 percent). The performances of other sections are as shown in table 4.

Table 3: Total Imports of goods by S.I.T.C section

SITC DESCRIPTION	Value in Million TZS		
	February 2020	January 2020	February 2021
Food and live animals	4,860.4	11,771.0	3,257.4
Beverages and tobacco	16.2	193.2	126.8
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	534.5	549.4	918.0
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	35,583.7	20,486.0	18,166.7
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1,512.0	2,602.8	4,441.5
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	942.6	2,018.0	7,003.4
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	6,048.8	9,436.3	13,672.2
Machinery and transport equipment	22,804.6	11,523.0	33,587.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,788.9	5,515.7	5,856.2
Total	75,091.6	64,095.5	87,029.4

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

5. Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

February 2021 imported value of consumer goods was 18,015.8 which increased by more than hundred percent compared to February 2020 and decreased by 18.0 percent compared to previous month. Imports value of capital goods was 37,503.9 which increased by 49.2 compared with corresponding month of 2020 and by more than hundred percent compared to the previous month and Imported value of intermediary goods was 35,462.8 which decreased by 13.5 percent compared to corresponding month of 2020 and increased by 27.0 percent compared to previous month (Table 5).

Table 4: Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

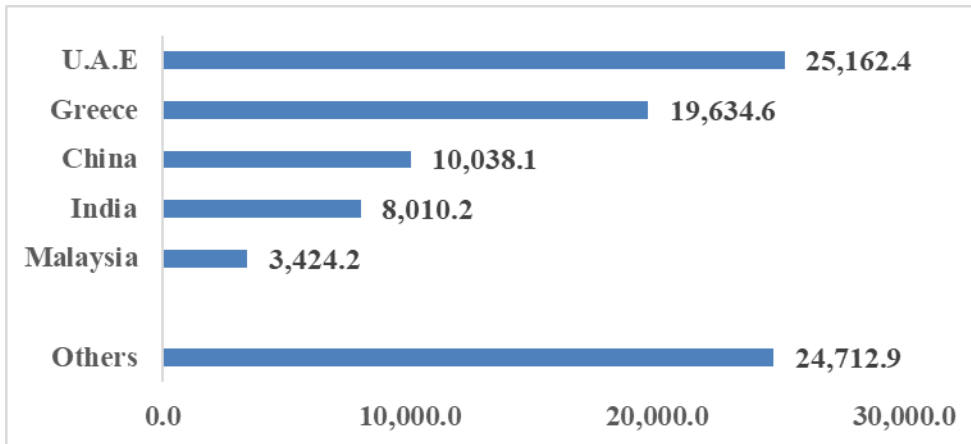
Categories	Value in Million TZS		
	February 2020	January 2020	February 2021
Capital Goods	25,136.1	14,200.4	37,503.9
<i>Transport Equipment</i>	1,865.9	3,647.2	22,397.0
<i>Building and Construction material</i>	2,333.5	2,618.2	3,845.5
<i>Machinery</i>	20,936.7	7,935.0	11,261.4
Intermediate Goods	40,998.7	27,927.9	35,462.8
<i>Oil</i>	35,583.7	20,486.1	22,119.8
<i>Industrial raw materials</i>	5,415.1	7,441.8	13,343.0
Consumer Goods	8,956.8	21,967.2	18,015.8
<i>Food and food stuffs</i>	4,528.1	11,881.7	2,738.8
<i>All other consumer goods</i>	4,428.7	10,085.5	15,277.0
Total	75,091.6	64,095.5	90,982.5

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

6. Imports by Top Five Partner in February 2021

The top five trading partners for imported goods in the February 2021 contributed 72.8 percent of the total import. Imports were mainly from United Arab Emirates (27.7 percent) and Greece (21.6 percent).

Table 5: Import value by Top Five Partner in February 2021



Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

Note:

- “-“ = Means no exportation/importation at particular time
- c.i.f = Includes Cost, Insurance and Freight
- f.o.b = Free in Board