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1. Balance of Trade

Balance of Trade showed a deficit of TZS 113,223.6 million in December 2023, increased by 24.4 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2022 and by 1.8 percent compared to the previous month. Trade ratio increased by 1.3 percent compared to the corresponding and previous month. (Table 1).

Table 1: Summary of External Merchandise Trade

Description	Value in TZS Million		
	December 2022	November 2023	December 2023
A. Total Exports (FOB)	9,567.7	11,727.0	13,702.0
Domestic exports	9,536.3	11,721.9	13,700.5
Re-exports	31.3	5.1	1.5
B. Total Imports (CIF)	100,548.7	122,969.7	126,925.6
Total International Trade (A + B)	110,116.3	134,696.7	140,627.7
Balance of Trade (A - B)	-90,981.0	-111,242.7	-113,223.6
Trade ratio (A/B) *100	9.5	9.5	10.8

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

2. Exports Statistics

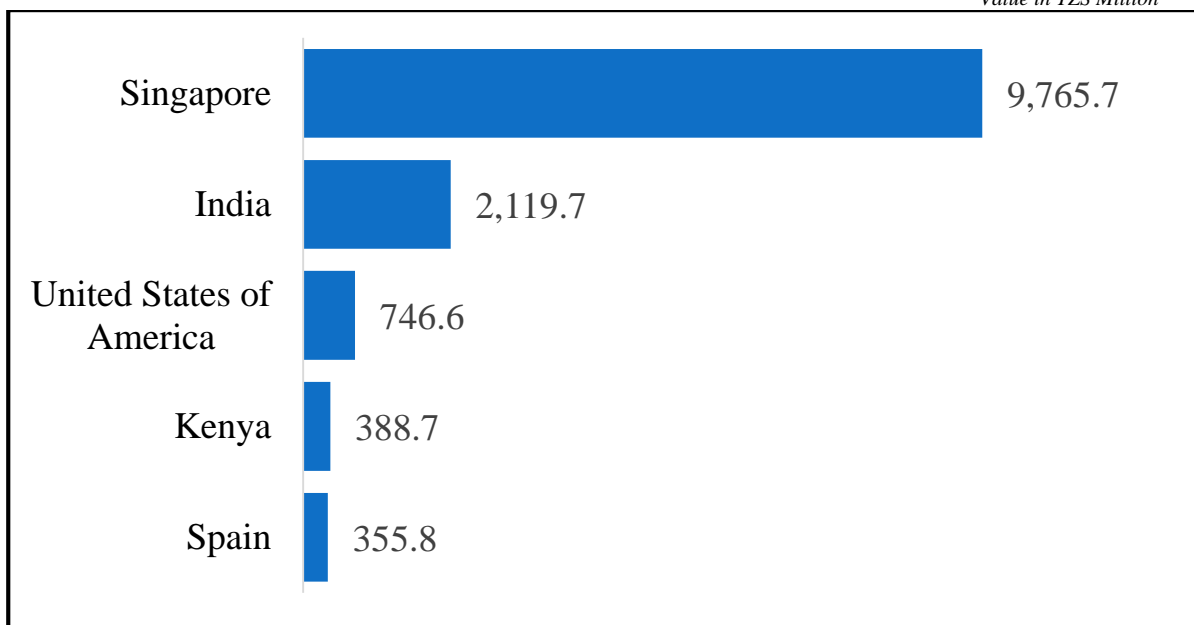
December 2023, recorded a total exports value of TZS 13,702.0 million, increased by 43.2 percent compared to December 2022 and by 16.8 percent compared to previous month (November 2023). Food and live animals contributed 94.7 percent (TZS 12,982.1 million) of the total exports as seen in table 2.

Table 2: Total Exports of Goods by SITC Section*Value in TZS Million*

SITC Description	December 2022	November 2023	December 2023	
			Value	% Share
Food and live animals	7,412.2	9,324.4	12,982.1	94.7
Beverages and tobacco	84.7	35.5	43.1	0.3
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	259.4	117.2	72.7	0.5
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	8.0	-	-	-
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	-	-	-	-
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	198.5	186.4	24.0	0.2
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1,504.3	1,976.1	474.7	3.5
Machinery and transport equipment	14.0	14.8	16.5	0.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	86.5	72.6	89.0	0.6
Total	9,567.7	11,727.0	13,702.0	100

*Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)***3. Exports by Top Five Partner in December 2023**

The top five trading partners for exported goods in the December 2023 accounted 97.6 percent of the total value of exported goods. Major export destination was Singapore that accounted 71.3 percent (TZS 9,765.7 million) of the total export (Figure 1).

Figure 1: Exports Value by Top Five (5) Partners in December 2023*Value in TZS Million**Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)*

4. Imports Statistics

Month of December 2023 recorded a total import value of TZS 126,925.6, which increased by 26.2 percent compared to December 2022 and by 3.2 percent compared to previous month. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials section contribute 55.3 percent (TZS 17,218.3 million) of the total import value followed by Food and live animals section (13.6 percent). The performances of other sections are as shown in table 3.

Table 3: Total Imports of Goods by SITC Section

SITC DESCRIPTION	December 2022	November 2023	Value in TZS Million	
			December 2023	
			Value	% Share
Food and live animals	17,135.8	7,030.7	17,218.3	13.6
Beverages and tobacco	401.8	256.5	392.6	0.3
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1,191.6	906.2	1,039.7	0.8
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	42,896.7	78,837.0	70,248.7	55.3
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	855.3	3,871.5	5,507.8	4.3
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	8,048.6	1,931.9	3,649.7	2.9
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	13,571.7	11,943.0	8,934.0	7.0
Machinery and transport equipment	11,153.7	13,245.8	12,075.4	9.5
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	5,293.5	4,947.2	7,859.3	6.2
Total	100,548.7	122,969.7	126,925.6	100.0

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

5. Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

Imported value of consumer goods for December 2023 was TZS 33,306.0 million, which increased by 11.9 percent compared to corresponding month and by more than hundred percent compared to previous month. Imports value of capital goods was TZS 16,188.0 million, which decreased by 8.0 percent compared with the corresponding month and by 8.8 percent compared with the previous month. Imported value of intermediary goods was TZS 77,431.6 million, which increased by 45.6 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2022 and decreased by 13.4 percent compared to previous month. (Table 4).

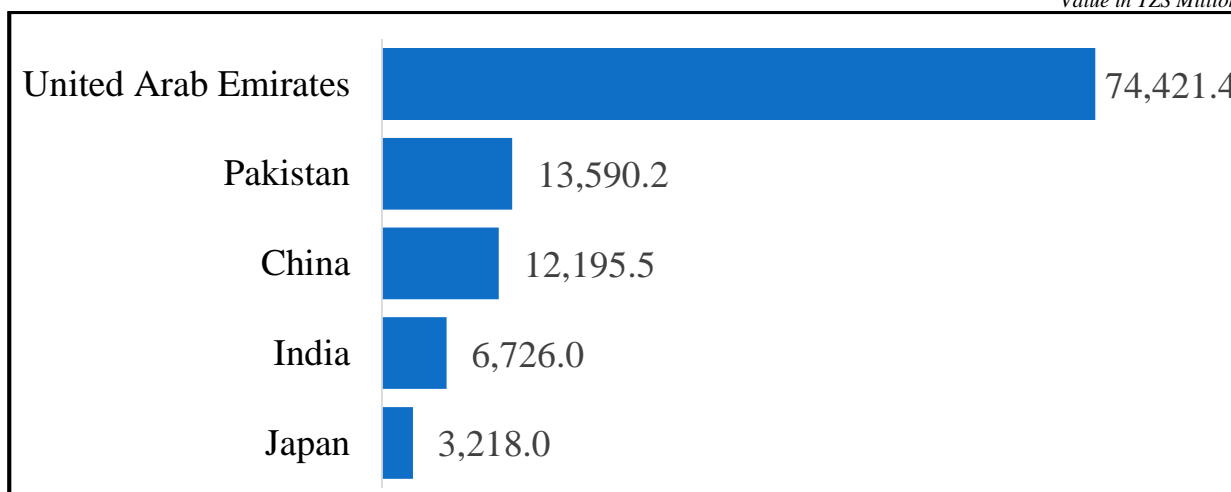
Table 4: Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)*Value in TZS Million*

Categories	December 2022	November 2023	December 2023
Capital Goods	17,588.2	17,758.6	16,188.0
<i>Transport Equipment</i>	3,115.2	3,800.5	5,598.5
<i>Building and Construction material</i>	6,417.2	4,344.7	4,060.6
<i>Machinery</i>	8,055.8	9,613.4	6,528.9
Intermediate Goods	53,199.2	89,417.9	77,431.6
<i>Oil</i>	42,896.7	78,837.0	70,248.7
<i>Industrial raw materials</i>	10,302.5	10,580.9	7,182.9
Consumer Goods	29,761.3	15,793.2	33,306.0
<i>Food and food stuffs</i>	17,306.3	7,225.6	17,528.0
<i>All other consumer goods</i>	12,455.0	8,567.6	15,778.0
Total	100,548.7	122,969.7	126,925.6

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

6. Imports by Top Five Partner in December 2023

The top five trading partners for imported goods in the December 2023 contributed 86.8 percent of the total import. Imports were mainly from United Arab Emirates (58.6 percent, TZS 74,421.4 million).

Figure 2: Import value by Top Five Partner in December 2023*Value in TZS Million*

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

Note:

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

CIF = Includes Cost, Insurance and Freight

FOB = 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 December 2023

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
02	Meat and edible meat offal	172,725,071.1
03	Fish & crustacean, mollusk & other aquatic invertebrate	165,694,807.0
04	Dairy prod; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible prod not elsewhere specified	229,294,605.4
06	Live tree & other plant; bulb, root; cut flowers etc.	3,806,610.7
07	Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers	39,106,565.7
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons	256,804,780.9
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	73,895,174.7
10	Cereals	13,674,367,892.4
11	Prod mill industry; malt; starches; insulin; wheat gluten	17,772,563.7
12	Oil seed, oleagi fruits; miscell grain, seed, fruit etc.	19,358,206.7
14	Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products not elsewhere specified	831,283.4
15	Animal/veg fats & oil & their cleavage products; etc.	5,528,324,816.9
16	Prep of meat, fish or crustaceans, mollusks etc.	23,588,666.5
17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	1,779,431,068.0
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	43,539,377.2
19	Prep of cereal, flour, starch/milk; pastry cooks' prod	361,943,811.3
20	Prep of vegetable, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants	70,226,561.4
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	266,900,067.6
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	370,530,764.8
23	Residues & waste from the food industry; prepare ani fodder	23,380,047.7
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	22,069,924.1
25	Salt; Sulphur; earth & stone; plastering mat; lime & cement	174,066,432.7
27	Mineral fuels, oils & product of their distillation; etc.	70,248,651,980.4
29	Organic chemicals	40,357,649.6
30	Pharmaceutical products	774,811,772.5
32	Tanning/dyeing extract; tannins & derives; pigm etc.	288,111,938.0
33	Essential oils & resinoids; perf, cosmetic/toilet prep	274,225,391.8
34	Soap, organic surface-active agents, washing prep, etc.	1,003,348,204.5
35	Albuminoidal subs; modified starches; glues; enzymes	32,091,043.7
36	Photographic or cinematographic goods	26,195.9
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	111,995,502.5
39	Plastics and articles thereof	2,304,732,499.0
40	Rubber and articles thereof	255,338,735.1
42	Articles of leather; saddlery/harness; travel goods etc.	97,876,408.0
43	Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	5,322,731.6
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	572,973,792.2
46	Manufactures os straw, esparto/other plaiting mat; etc.	4,379,195.4
47	Pulp of wood/of other fibrous cellulosic mat; waste etc.	66,104,019.1
48	Paper & paperboard; art of paper pulp, paper/paperboard	793,982,925.0
49	Printed books, newspapers, pictures & other product etc	85,661,442.7
52	Cotton	150,795,767.2

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
54	Man-made filaments	61,623,411.4
55	Man-made staple fibres	474,388,817.8
56	Wadding, felt & nonwoven; yarns; twine, cordage, etc.	41,495,635.6
57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	42,784,255.3
58	Special woven fab; tufted textile fab; lace; tapestries etc.	9,662,148.2
59	Impregnated, coated, cover/laminated textile fabric etc.	35,685,901.6
61	Art of apparel & clothing access, knitted or crocheted	650,626,323.1
62	Art of apparel & clothing access, not knitted/crocheted	661,371,229.1
63	Other made up textile articles; sets; worn clothing etc.	2,738,918,203.9
64	Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	386,762,316.7
65	Umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, etc.	28,168,776.5
66	Umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, etc.	5,859,723.5
67	Prepared feathers & down; artificial flower; articles human hair	21,970,604.8
68	Art of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica/sim mat	108,893,544.7
69	Ceramic products	766,363,961.6
70	Glass and glassware	262,075,142.0
71	Natural/cultured pearls, prec stones & metals, coin etc.	30,967,910.3
72	Iron and steel	912,682,595.8
73	Articles of iron and steel	1,450,809,878.7
74	Copper and articles thereof	37,331,906.3
75	Nickel and articles thereof	14,986,288.3
76	Aluminum and articles thereof	472,729,001.0
78	Lead and articles thereof	1,582,138.4
81	Other base metals; cermet; articles thereof	2,221,913.5
82	Tool, implement, cutlery, spoon & fork, of base met etc.	124,691,741.6
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	147,194,073.5
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance; parts	4,789,537,831.0
85	Electrical machinery equip parts thereof; sound recorder etc.	1,739,338,205.6
86	railways /train locum, rolling-stock & parts thereof; etc.	6,092,809.5
87	Vehicles or railways /train roll-stock, pts & accessories	5,529,804,771.9
88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts of	504,586.2
89	Ships, boats and floating structures	62,082,847.5
90	Optical, photo, cine, meas, checking, precision, etc.	2,073,281,698.5
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof	3,972,399.2
92	Musical instruments; parts and access of such articles	242,384.6
94	Furniture; bedding, mattress, matt support, cushion etc.	1,994,662,830.9
95	Toys, games & sports requisites; parts & access thereof	141,571,284.7
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	662,664,230.3
97	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	1,569,489.9
	Total	126,925,619,107.5

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

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
A.	CAPITAL GOODS	16,188,005,332
	Transport equipment	5,598,485,015
86	Railway or tramway locomotive, rolling-st	6,092,809.52
87	Vehicle other than railway or tramway	5,529,804,771.92
88	Aircraft, pace craft, and parts thereof	504,586.17
89	Ship, boats and floating structures	62,082,847.49
	Building and Construction material	4,060,644,281
68	Articles of stone	108,893,545
69	Ceramic products	766,363,962
70	Glass and glassware	262,075,142
71	Natural or cultured pearls, precious	30,967,910
72	Iron and steel	912,682,596
73	Articles of iron or steel	1,450,809,879
74	Copper and article thereof	37,331,906
75	Nickel and article thereof	14,986,288
76	Aluminum and articles thereof	472,729,001
78	Lead and articles thereof	1,582,138
81	Other base metals	2,221,913
	Machinery	6,528,876,037
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery	4,789,537,831
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	1,739,338,206
B.	INTERMEDIATE GOODS	77,431,584,082
	Oil	70,248,651,980
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	70,248,651,980
	Industrial raw materials	7,182,932,102
14	Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products	831,283
23	Residues and waste from the food industries	23,380,048
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	22,069,924
25	Salt; Sulphur; earths and stone; plastering materials	174,066,433
29	Organic chemicals	40,357,650
32	Tanning or dyeing extracts; tannic	288,111,938
33	Essential oils and resinous; perfumery, cosmetic	274,225,392
36	Explosives; pyrotechnic products; matches	26,196
47	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic	66,104,019
52	Cotton	150,795,767
54	Man-made filaments	61,623,411
55	Man-made staple fibres	474,388,818

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
56	Wadding, felt and nonwovens; special yarn	41,495,636
11	Products of the milling industry; malt; starches	17,772,564
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit, miscellany	19,358,207
15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils	5,528,324,817
C.	CONSUMER GOODS	33,306,029,693
	Food and food stuffs	17,528,049,214
2	Meat and edible meat offal	172,725,071
3	Fish and crustaceans, mollusks and other aquatic	165,694,807
4	Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey	229,294,605
7	Edible vegetable and certain roots and tubers	39,106,566
8	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit	256,804,781
9	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	73,895,175
10	Cereals	13,674,367,892
16	Preparations of meats, of fish or of crustaceans	23,588,667
17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	1,779,431,068
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	43,539,377
19	Preparation of cereals, flour starch or milk	361,943,811
20	Preparation of vegetables, fruit, nuts	70,226,561
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	266,900,068
22	Beverage spirits and vinegar	370,530,765
	All other consumer goods	15,777,980,479
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks	124,691,742
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	147,194,073
90	Optical, photographic, cinematographic	2,073,281,698
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof	3,972,399
92	Musical instruments; parts and accessories	242,385
94	Furniture; bedding, mattresses	1,994,662,831
95	Toys, game and sports requisites; parts	141,571,285
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	662,664,230
97	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	1,569,490
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	111,995,502
39	Plastics and articles thereof	2,304,732,499
40	Rubber and articles thereof	255,338,735
6	Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots	3,806,611
30	Pharmaceuticals products	774,811,773
34	Soap, organic surface active agents, washing	1,003,348,205
35	Albuminoidal substances; modified starches, glues	32,091,044
42	Articles of leather; saddlery and harness	97,876,408
43	Fur skins and artificial fur; manufactured thereof	5,322,732
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	572,973,792

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
46	Manufactured of straw, of esparto	4,379,195
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp	793,982,925
49	Printed books, newspapers, pictured	85,661,443
57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	42,784,255
58	Special woven fabrics, tufted textile fabrics	9,662,148
59	Impregnated, coated, covered	35,685,902
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	650,626,323
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	661,371,229
63	Other made up textile articles	2,738,918,204
64	Footwear, gaiters and the like	386,762,317
65	Headgear parts thereof	28,168,777
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking sticks	5,859,724
67	Prepared feathers	21,970,605
	Total	126,925,619,107

Annex 3: Detailed Import by SITC for December 2023

SITC Code	Description	Value in TZS
0	Food and live animals	17,218,279,189.5
01	Meat and meat preparations	196,313,737.6
02	Dairy products and birds' eggs	231,871,830.8
03	Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	165,694,807.0
04	Cereals and cereal preparations	13,975,045,150.9
05	Vegetables and fruit	378,395,217.4
06	Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	1,790,758,481.1
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	134,224,850.9
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	24,789,940.2
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	321,185,173.6
1	Beverages and tobacco	392,600,688.9
11	Beverages	370,530,764.8
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	22,069,924.1
2	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1,039,748,635.4
22	Oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits	5,252,093.4
23	Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	1,770,600.9
24	Cork and wood	107,207,593.8
25	Pulp and waste paper	66,104,019.1
26	Textile fibres (other than wool tops and other combed wool) and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	702,300,473.7
27	Crude fertilizers, other than those of Division 56, and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)	152,037,048.9
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	5,076,805.5
3	Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	70,248,651,980.4
32	Coal, coke and briquettes	2,990,064.5
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	70,245,661,915.9
4	Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	5,507,827,510.7
42	Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	5,435,164,488.2
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.	72,663,022.5
5	Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	3,649,749,302.5
51	Organic chemicals	40,357,649.6
53	Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	287,919,053.4
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	774,811,772.5
55	Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	1,252,686,306.8
57	Plastics in primary forms	133,272,897.3
58	Plastics in non-primary forms	999,348,535.7
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	161,353,087.2
6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	8,934,023,703.3
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	249,185,458.0
63	Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	465,766,198.4
64	Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard	1,235,894,180.8

SITC Code	Description	Value in TZS
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	2,922,224,543.6
66	Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	909,158,492.0
67	Iron and steel	1,481,133,169.2
68	Non-ferrous metals	215,725,453.7
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.	1,454,936,207.6
7	Machinery and transport equipment	12,075,427,554.6
71	Power-generating machinery and equipment	491,921,398.4
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries	1,478,462,332.0
73	Metalworking machinery	64,409,566.3
74	General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s., and machine parts, n.e.s.	2,152,176,031.9
75	Office machines and automatic data-processing machines	304,359,213.4
76	Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	316,835,718.4
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)	1,705,541,348.6
78	Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	5,499,134,511.9
79	Other transport equipment	62,587,433.7
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	7,859,310,542.1
81	Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	423,756,710.1
82	Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	1,736,518,172.4
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	95,489,318.5
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1,355,726,670.6
85	Footwear	386,762,316.7
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	2,063,655,673.8
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks	25,646,461.4
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	1,771,755,218.7
Total		126,925,619,107.5

Annex 4: Detailed Export by SITC for December 2023

SITC	Description	Value in TZS
0	Food and live animals	12,982,106,502.2
03	Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	1,000,001.5
05	Vegetables and fruit	1,137,265,921.5
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	11,831,140,577.7
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	12,700,001.5
1	Beverages and tobacco	43,100,005.9
11	Beverages	43,100,005.9
2	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	72,661,402.3
26	Textile fibres (other than wool tops and other combed wool) and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	1,500,000.2
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	26,140,001.5
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	45,021,400.6
5	Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	24,000,002.5
55	Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	2,500,000.4
56	Fertilizers (other than those of group 272)	17,500,001.5
58	Plastics in non-primary forms	4,000,000.6
6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	474,672,250.6
64	Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard	3,000,000.5
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	387,672,250.1
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.	84,000,000.0
7	Machinery and transport equipment	16,503,225.4
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)	15,000,000.0
78	Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	1,503,225.4
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	89,000,010.4
81	Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	10,000,001.5
82	Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	45,000,005.6
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	34,000,003.3
	Total	13,702,043,399.2