

# **MARKET AND COUNTRY BRIEF ON Afghanistan 2023**



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## 1. INTRODUCTION TO TRADE BETWEEN SRI LANKA & AFGHANISTAN

Afghanistan is the 138<sup>th</sup> export destination for Sri Lanka. The total export value from Sri Lanka to Afghanistan was USD 0.77 Mn in 2022 and total imports from Afghanistan to Sri Lanka for the same period were USD 0.09 Mn. Afghanistan is the 121<sup>st</sup> import origin for Sri Lanka.

Sri Lanka's exports to Afghanistan has decreased by 21.23% in 2022 compared to the year 2021. Imports from Afghanistan has increased by 53.07% in 2022 compared to the year 2021.

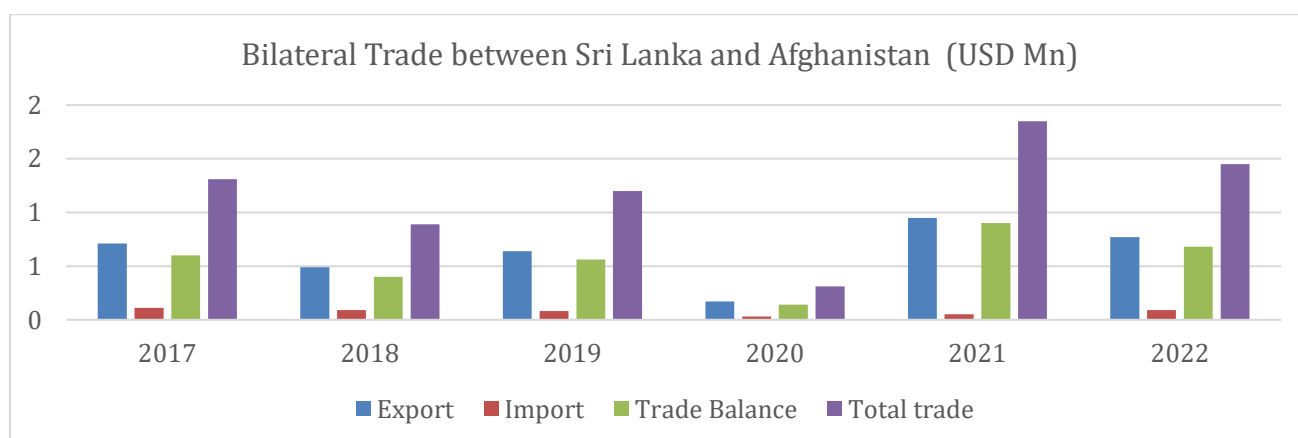
Sri Lanka's main export products to Afghanistan in 2022 were Desiccated Coconut, Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes, Defatted Coconut, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Shampoos & Makeup Preparations, Products of Base Metal, Processed Vegetables, Fruits & Juices, Products of Plastics.

Sri Lanka's main import products from Afghanistan in 2022 were Mineral Products, Fruits, Rubber Plates, Sheets Rods of Vulcanized or Unhardened Rubber, Plants and Parts of Plants, Telephone Sets, Audio/Video Equipment & Parts, Saffron, Automatic Data Processing Machines, Other Electrical & Electronic Products, Tools, Implements, Cutlery & Parts, Processed Vegetables, Fruits & Juices

## 2. SRI LANKA'S BILATERAL TRADE WITH AFGHANISTAN (2017-2022)

*Values in USD Million*

Year	Export	Import	Trade Balance	Total trade
2017	0.71	0.11	0.6	1.31
2018	0.49	0.09	0.4	0.89
2019	0.64	0.08	0.56	1.2
2020	0.17	0.03	0.14	0.31
2021	0.95	0.05	0.9	1.85
2022	0.77	0.09	0.68	1.45



*Source: Sri Lanka Customs*

### 3. SRI LANKA'S TOP EXPORT PRODUCTS TO AFGHANISTAN (2020-2022)

*Values in USD Millions*

No	Product	2020	2021	2022	% Avg. Growth
1	Desiccated Coconut	0.07	0.02	0.62	105.63
2	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes		0.05	0.06	
3	Defatted Coconut			0.06	
4	Perfumes, Cosmetics, Shampoos & Makeup Preparations			0.03	
5	Other Products of Base Metal		0.84		
6	Processed Vegetables, Fruits & Juices		0.04		
7	Other Products of Plastics		...		
8	Tea in Bulk	0.07			
9	Other Chemical Products	0.02			
10	Tea Packets	...			
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>0.17</b>	<b>0.95</b>	<b>0.77</b>	

*Source: Sri Lanka Customs*

### 4. SRI LANKA'S TOP IMPORT PRODUCTS FROM AFGHANISTAN (2020-2022)

*Values in USD Millions*

No	Product	2020	2021	2022	% Avg. Growth
1	Other Mineral Products			0.08	
2	Other Fruits	...	...	0.01	36.71
3	Rubber Plates, Sheets Rods of Vulcanized or Unhardened Rubber			...	
4	Plants and Parts of Plants	0.01	0.04		
5	Telephone Sets, Audio/Video Equipment & Parts	...	...		
6	Saffron	...	...		
7	Automatic Data Processing Machines	...	...		
8	Other Electrical & Electronic Products	...	...		
9	Tools, Implements, Cutlery & Parts	...	...		
10	Processed Vegetables, Fruits & Juices	...	...		
	<b>Total :</b>	<b>0.03</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>63.61</b>

## 5. POTENTIAL PRODUCTS FROM SRI LANKA TO AFGHANISTAN - 2022

- Tea & mate
- Apparel
- Plastics & rubber
- Cereals (processed)
- Fruits
- Food products (processed or preserved)
- Spices
- Metal products
- Nuts
- Vegetable oils & fats

*Source: ICT Trade Map -<https://exportpotential.intracen.org/>*

## 6. TOP SRI LANKAN EXPORTERS TO AFGHANISTAN - 2022

No	Company Details	Products Exported within this Period
1	LANKA COMMODITY TRADING PVT LTD	Desiccated Coconut, Defatted Coconut
2	TROPIKAL LIFE INTERNATIONAL PVT LTD	Desiccated Coconut, Defatted Coconut
3	K M N EXPORT & IMPORT PVT LTD	Desiccated Coconut
4	FARWAY LANKA EXPORTS PVT LTD	Desiccated Coconut
5	SAMSON RUBBER INDUSTRIES PVT LTD	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes
6	EXPOLANKA PVT LTD	Desiccated Coconut
7	E-MOX MANUFACTURING LANKA PVT LTD	Perfumes, Cosmetics, Shampoos & Makeup Preparations
8	EXPAT CARGO & LOGISTICS PVT LTD	Desiccated Coconut

*Source: Sri Lanka Customs*