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

Netherlands is the 7<sup>th</sup> export destination for Sri Lanka. Total export value from Sri Lanka to Netherlands was USD 343.47 Mn in 2023 and total imports from Netherlands to Sri Lanka for the same period were USD 89.64 Mn. Netherlands is the 32<sup>nd</sup> import origin for Sri Lanka in 2023.

Sri Lanka's exports to Netherlands have decreased by 19.80% in 2023 compared to the year 2022. Imports from Netherlands has increased by 3.71% in 2023 compared to the year 2022.

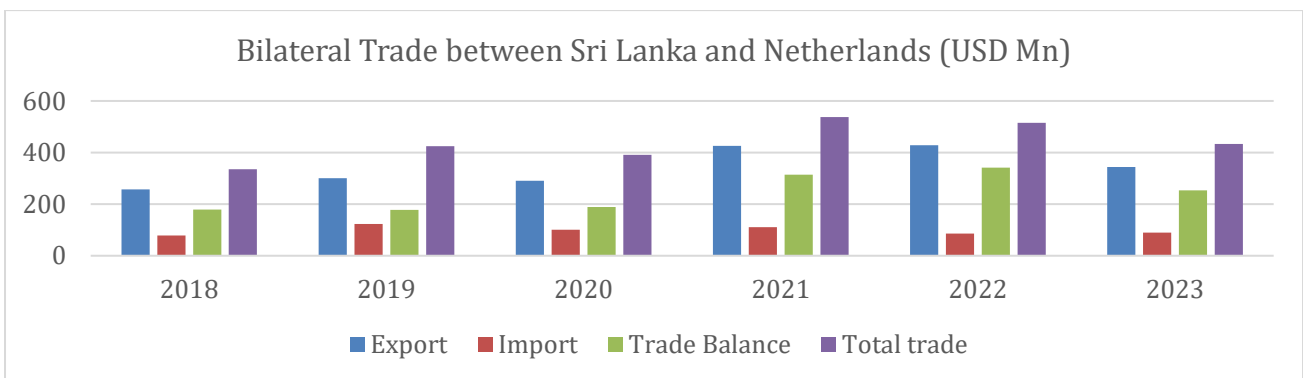
Sri Lanka's main export products to Netherlands in 2023 were Men's and Women's Under Garments, Men's Outerwear, T-shirts, Liquid Coconut Milk, Tea Packets, Frozen Fish, Women's Outerwear, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Activewear/Sportswear, and Industrial & Surgical Gloves of Rubber.

Sri Lanka's main imports products from Netherlands in 2023 were Structures of Iron & Aluminum, Tea Bagging, Packing, Cleaning, Weighing Machines, Other Electrical & Electronic Products, Pharmaceutical Products, Yarn, Woven Fabrics, Meat, preparations of Meat/Fish & Dairy Produce, Rubber Plates, Sheets Rods of Vulcanized or Unhardened Rubber, Boat Building, Cocoa and Cocoa Preparations.

## 2. SRI LANKA'S BILATERAL TRADE WITH NETHERLANDS (2018-2023)

*All Values in USD Million*

| Year | Export | Import | Trade Balance | Total trade |
|------|--------|--------|---------------|-------------|
| 2018 | 257.16 | 78.66  | 178.5         | 335.82      |
| 2019 | 300.89 | 123.36 | 177.53        | 424.25      |
| 2020 | 290.17 | 100.85 | 189.32        | 391.02      |
| 2021 | 425.72 | 111.35 | 314.37        | 537.07      |
| 2022 | 428.27 | 86.43  | 341.84        | 514.7       |
| 2023 | 343.47 | 89.64  | 253.83        | 433.11      |



*Source: Sri Lanka Customs*

### 3. SRI LANKA'S TOP EXPORT PRODUCTS TO NETHERLANDS (2021-2023)

*All Values in USD Million*

| No | Product  | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | % Avg. Growth |
|----|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1  | Men's and Women's Under Garments                               | 95.38         | 104.51        | 69.64         | -15.72        |
| 2  | Men's Outerwear  | 43.92         | 49.06         | 42.63         | -1.49         |
| 3  | T-shirts   | 45.05         | 36.75         | 26.44         | -26.64        |
| 4  | Liquid Coconut Milk  | 22.51         | 19.49         | 19.81         | -6.39         |
| 5  | Tea Packets  | 19.27         | 16.94         | 17.41         | -5.08         |
| 6  | Frozen Fish  | 17.7          | 18.73         | 15.93         | -5.27         |
| 7  | Women's Outerwear  | 16.21         | 17.27         | 12.57         | -12.73        |
| 8  | Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc)                           | 16.17         | 22.32         | 10.24         | -22.81        |
| 9  | Activewear/Sportswear  | 11.78         | 11.92         | 10.17         | -7.38         |
| 10 | Industrial & Surgical Gloves of Rubber                         | 17.42         | 12.46         | 9.57          | -29.96        |
| 11 | Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes                     | 7.2           | 8.37          | 9.06          | 11.47         |
| 12 | Switches, Boards & Panels                                      | 3.91          | 9.37          | 8.17          | 36.81         |
| 13 | Coconut Cream  | 12.19         | 9.47          | 7.59          | -23.67        |
| 14 | Other Textile  | 3.14          | 3.6           | 7.22          | 41.63         |
| 15 | Miscellaneous Edible Preparations                              | 5.28          | 5             | 5.67          | 3.56          |
| 16 | Coco Peat, Fiber Pith & Moulded products                       | 7.34          | 15.05         | 5.57          | -13.82        |
| 17 | Other Toys, Games & Sport Requisites                           | 3.41          | 5.49          | 4.17          | 9.98          |
| 18 | Coconut Oil  | 6.62          | 5.98          | 3.81          | -27.58        |
| 19 | Jewellery Boxes, Cloth Hangers and Handicraft                  | 3.4           | 2.11          | 3.64          | 3.43          |
| 20 | Made-up Textile Articles (Blankets, Rugs, Linen, Curtains etc) | 8.61          | 6.81          | 3.63          | -43.22        |
|    | Other Products   | 59.2          | 47.56         | 50.53         | -7.91         |
|    | <b>Total :</b>   | <b>425.72</b> | <b>428.27</b> | <b>343.47</b> | <b>-10.73</b> |

*Source: Sri Lanka Customs*

#### 4. SRI LANKA'S TOP IMPORT PRODUCTS FROM NETHERLANDS (2021-2023)

*All Values in USD Million*

| No | Product   | 2021          | 2022         | 2023         | % Avg. Growth |
|----|---|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1  | Structures of Iron & Aluminum                                 | 1.76          | 0.14         | 26.2         | 135.13        |
| 2  | Tea Bagging, Packing, Cleaning, Weighing Machines             | 2.23          | 0.52         | 5.88         | 48.52         |
| 3  | Other Electrical & Electronic Products                        | 11.59         | 7.08         | 4.36         | -48.84        |
| 4  | Pharmaceutical Products                                       | 4.25          | 4.35         | 4.23         | -0.24         |
| 5  | Yarn  | 6.42          | 7.47         | 3.84         | -25.67        |
| 6  | Woven Fabrics   | 1.64          | 2.29         | 3.77         | 41.54         |
| 7  | Meat, preparations of Meat/Fish & Dairy Produce               | 10.63         | 20.28        | 3.31         | -58.41        |
| 8  | Rubber Plates, Sheets Rods of Vulcanized or Unhardened Rubber | 2.55          | 3.26         | 3.08         | 9.41          |
| 9  | Boat Building   | 0.16          | -            | 2.92         | -             |
| 10 | Cocoa and Cocoa Preparations                                  | 0.92          | 1.45         | 2.74         | 54.8          |
| 11 | Other Textile   | 1.9           | 2.17         | 2.45         | 12.7          |
| 12 | Paints, Varnishes and Dyeing Extracts                         | 3.1           | 1.23         | 2.15         | -18.32        |
| 13 | Animal Feed   | 2.23          | 3.75         | 1.96         | -6.54         |
| 14 | Other Products of Plastics                                    | 2.68          | 2.06         | 1.95         | -16.01        |
| 15 | Miscellaneous Edible Preparations                             | 2.04          | 2.26         | 1.83         | -5.24         |
| 16 | Other Rubber Products   | 1.12          | 2.49         | 1.77         | 23.04         |
| 17 | Other Products of Base Metal                                  | 1.63          | 1.17         | 1.49         | -4.27         |
| 18 | Other Paper & Paper Products                                  | 0.48          | 0.49         | 1.33         | 51.05         |
| 19 | Other Manufactures  | 5.78          | 5.66         | 1.32         | -73.81        |
| 20 | Other Chemical Products                                       | 1.21          | 1.17         | 1.03         | -7.66         |
|    | Other Products  | 47.05         | 17.14        | 12.03        | -68.2         |
|    | <b>Total :</b>  | <b>111.35</b> | <b>86.43</b> | <b>89.64</b> | <b>-10.84</b> |

*Source: Sri Lanka Customs*

## 5. POTENTIAL PRODUCTS FROM SRI LANKA TO NETHERLANDS

- Apparel
- Vegetable oils & fats
- Fruits
- Spices
- Plastics & rubber
- Machinery, electricity
- Chemicals
- Miscellaneous manufactured products
- Tea & mate
- Food products (processed or preserved)

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

## 6. TOP SRI LANKAN EXPORTERS TO NETHERLANDS- 2023

| No | Company Details                           | Products Exported within this Period  |
|----|---|---|
| 1  | MAS INTIMATES PVT LTD                     | Men's and Women's Under Garments, Women's Outerwear, Men's Outerwear, Other Garments  |
| 2  | EAM MALIBAN TEXTILES PVT LTD              | Men's Outerwear, Women's Outerwear  |
| 3  | BRANDIX APPAREL PVT LTD                   | Men's and Women's Under Garments, Men's Outerwear, T-shirts, Women's Outerwear, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Other Products of Plastics            |
| 4  | HIRDARAMANI INTERNATIONAL EXPORTS PVT LTD | Men's Outerwear, Activewear/Sportswear, Women's Outerwear, T-shirts, Men's and Women's Under Garments, Babies' Garments                                     |
| 5  | FOUNDATION GARMENTS PVT LTD               | Men's and Women's Under Garments, T-shirts, Men's Outerwear, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Women's Outerwear, Activewear/Sportswear, Other Garments |
| 6  | JAY JAY MILLS LANKA PVT LTD               | T-shirts, Women's Outerwear, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Babies' Garments,  |

|    |                                  |  |
|----|----------------------------------|--|
|    |                                  | Men's Outerwear, Articles Apparel & Clothing of Leather, Other Garments  |
| 7  | MAS ACTIVE TRADING PVT LTD       | T-shirts, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Women's Outerwear, Men's and Women's Under Garments, Men's Outerwear, Other Garments |
| 8  | CBL GLOBAL FOODS LTD             | Liquid Coconut Milk, Coconut Cream, Cartons, Boxes & Bags, Other Products of Base Metal  |
| 9  | CONTRINEX CEYLON PVT LTD         | Switches, Boards & Panels, Telephone Sets, Audio/Video Equipment & Parts, Other Electrical & Electronic Products                     |
| 10 | KANDETIYA AGRO PRODUCTS PVT LTD  | Coconut Cream, Liquid Coconut Milk, Coconut Water, Cartons, Boxes & Bags   |
| 11 | JOHN SEA FOODS PVT LTD           | Frozen Fish, Fish Fresh or Chilled, Printed Books & Printed Matter   |
| 12 | AMSAFE BRIDPORT PVT LTD          | Other Textile Made-up Textile Articles (Blankets, Rugs, Linen, Curtains etc), Glass & Glassware, Other Products of Base Metal        |
| 13 | PENGUIN SPORTSWEAR PVT LTD       | Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), T-shirts, Men's Outerwear, Women's Outerwear, Men's and Women's Under Garments, Other Garments |
| 14 | GLOBAL RUBBER INDUSTRIES PVT LTD | Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes   |
| 15 | LALAN RUBBERS PVT LTD            | Industrial & Surgical Gloves of Rubber, Gloves, Mitts & Mittens of Textile, Gaskets, Washers, Seals etc. of Hard Rubber              |

*Source: Sri Lanka Customs*