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Post: Mumbai

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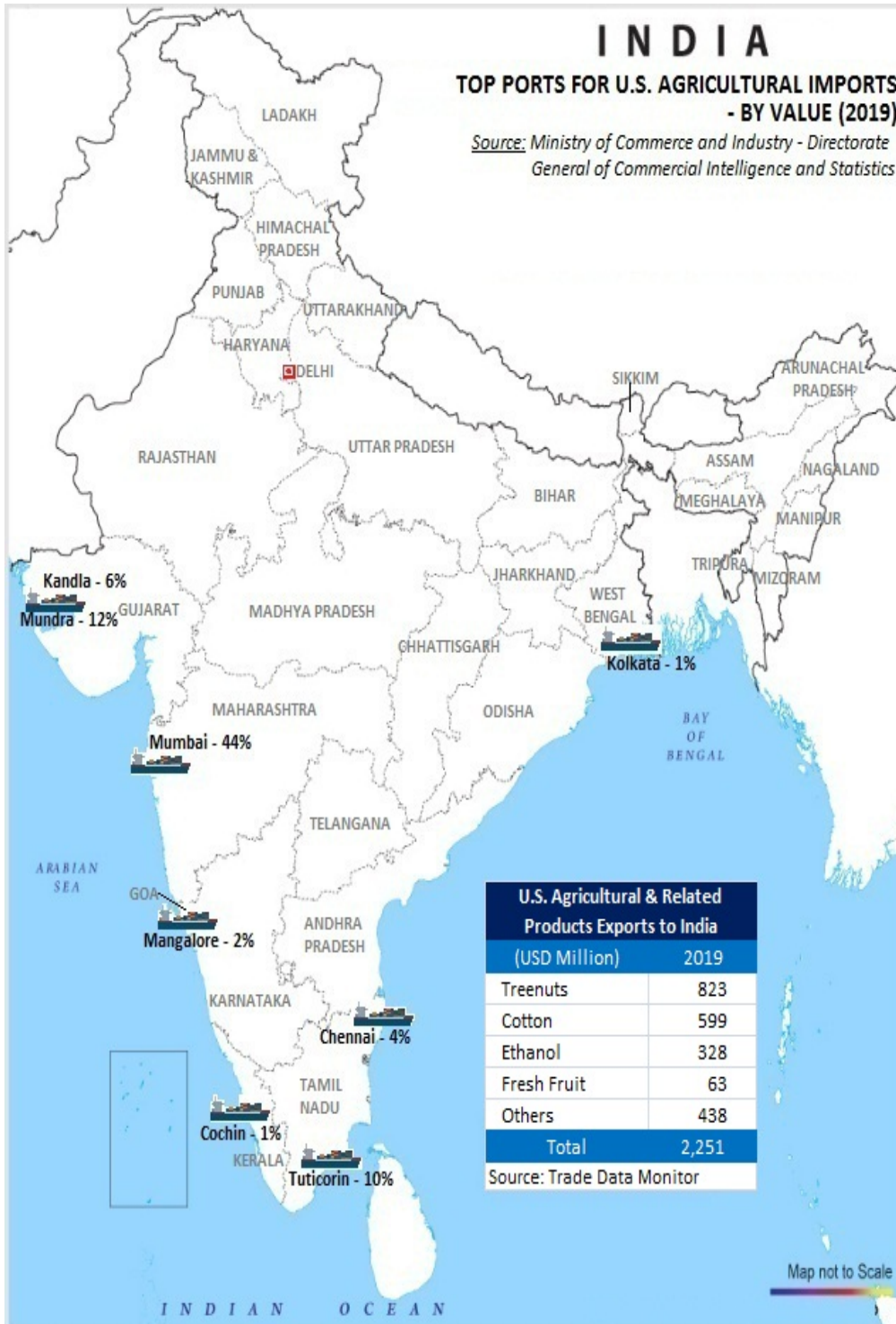
Report Highlights:

Weekly report as of October 1, 2020, of COVID-19 impact on Indian port operations.

INDIA

TOP PORTS FOR U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS - BY VALUE (2019)

Source: Ministry of Commerce and Industry - Directorate
General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics



U.S. Agricultural & Related Products Exports to India (USD Million)		2019
Treenuts		823
Cotton		599
Ethanol		328
Fresh Fruit		63
Others		438
Total		2,251

Source: Trade Data Monitor

India Port Situation Update as of Thursday, October 1, 2020

1. Mumbai: According to local media reports, cargo truck and laborer availability is rising as lockdown restrictions continue to gradually decline. Observers believe this may lower the use of freight rail, which had significantly increased in early April during the initial stage of the lockdown.

2. Mundra: Mundra Port will introduce a new access charge to all trains arriving at the port beginning November 1. The charge has been set at INR 7,500 (approximately USD \$103) plus the standard Goods and Service Tax (GST) and will be levied on the container train operator upon entry.

3. Tuticorin: No update available at this time.

4. Kandla: No update available at this time.

5. Chennai: No update available at this time.

6. Mangalore: According to local media reports, over 175 fishing boats anchored suddenly at New Mangalore Port Trust due to recent adverse weather conditions. This led to a minor disruption of port operations due to the confusion that resulted from this emergency anchoring.

7. Kolkata: In an effort to make port operations more efficient and prevent physical interaction amid COVID-19, Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port Trust is accelerating its efforts to digitize port operations. Port authorities believe this initiative will ensure greater accountability and reduce delays and logistical costs.

8. Cochin: No update available at this time.

Note: Each featured port includes air freight imports arriving at that city.

Attachments:

No Attachments.