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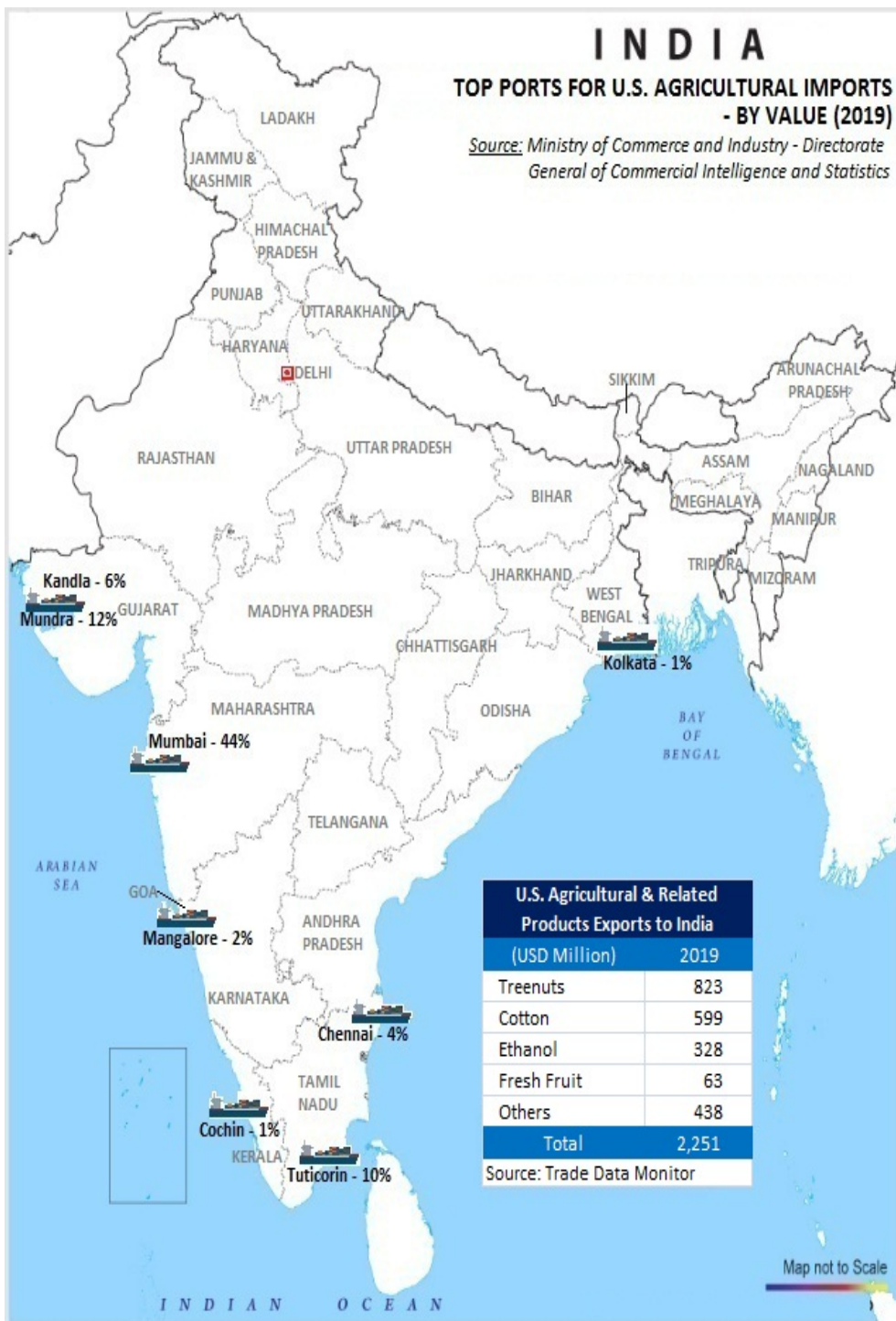
**Report Highlights:**

Weekly report as of October 23, 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



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

## India Port Situation Update as of Friday, October 23, 2020

**1. Mumbai:** According to local media reports, the Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) sent a letter to the Shipping Ministry to express its concerns over the “unprecedented” increase in freight rates due to “monopolistic and unfair practices” by shipping companies. FIEO stated that freight rates have increased by 20 to 40 percent from June to September 2020. FIEO also mentioned that container availability continues to decline in major ports such as Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (Mumbai) and Mundra, in addition to inland container depots around the country.

**2. Mundra:** Based on available information, port operations are running normally.

**3. Tuticorin:** Truck movement is slow due to a shortage of drivers.

**4. Kandla:** Labor availability continues to be an issue, especially for bagged cargo operations. Truck movement is slow due to a shortage of drivers.

**5. Chennai:** No update available.

**6. Mangalore:** Based on available information, port operations are running normally.

**7. Kolkata:** No update available.

**8. Cochin:** No update available.

**Attachments:**

No Attachments.