



# India–EFTA Agreement Sets New Ground in Trade & Economic Cooperation

The India–EFTA (European Free Trade Association) **Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA)**, involving **Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein**, became operational on 1 October 2025. It marks India’s first implemented trade pact with a developed European bloc.

## Here is how it will impact different sectors:

Sector	How It Is Impacted	
Agriculture & Allied	⇒	Tariff concessions on select processed foods, fruits and grains.
Processed Foods	⇒	Reduced duties on confectionery, beverages and packaged foods.
Coffee & Tea	⇒	Zero duty on all coffee lines; improved access for premium teas.
Marine Products	⇒	Tariff concessions on shrimp, squid and other seafood.
Engineering & Industrial Goods	⇒	Better access for machinery, precision goods and components.
Textiles, Apparel & Leather	⇒	Smoother entry via simpler standards and predictable duties.
Gems & Jewellery	⇒	Duty-free access for diamonds and key gemstone categories.
Electronics & EV-linked Manufacturing	⇒	Supportive environment for medical electronics, EV parts and smart-tech systems.
Chemicals & Plastics	⇒	Zero/reduced tariffs on most chemical exports.

A dedicated India–EFTA Desk and an investment facilitation mechanism have been set up as single-window platforms to monitor progress on the **USD 100 billion investment and 1 million direct jobs commitment over 15 years**, and to help investors navigate TEPA-linked opportunities.

**These developments remain supportive of a consumption uptick in the upcoming quarter.**

Sources: PIB, DGFT Trade Notices | Data as on 30th November, 2025

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