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**Commodity Exim Report for 3rd week of November, 2025
dated 19th November, 2025**

Export

ITCHS 5205 – Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by Weight of Cotton

Import

ITCHS 7204 – Ferrous waste and Scrap; Remelting Scrap Ingots of Iron or Steel

Commodity EXIM Report

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1. The weekly EXIM Report published by ITJ Division of DGCI&S, Kolkata presents some basic insights into India's export and import trade patterns with respect to selected set of commodities identified each week in order to facilitate preliminary commodity group/sector specific analysis for informed trade decision making.
2. For both categories of trades, one commodity group is chosen from the entire ITC-HS 4-digit Classification (latest being 2024 classification system). The Indian Trade Classification based on Harmonized System has been adopted in India for Export and Import Operations. While India specific data is sourced from DGCI&S, M/o C&I Database, global export-import data of exactly those sets of commodities are sourced from UN-COMTRADE Database.
3. As regards the time-period, this report outlines trade statistics over a period of four years, i.e., 2021 to 2024. The latest finalized data available on the UN Comtrade Database is only up to year 2024 (Calendar Year) and on DGCI&S Database up to September, 2025. So, for each commodity group dealt in this report, trends from 2021 to 2024 have been showcased where data has been sourced from UN Comtrade and from DGCI&S database.
4. In the instant report [3rd weekly Commodity Exim Report of November ,2025 dated 19th November, 2025] the following two commodities have been dealt with.

Export : Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by Weight of Cotton. [ITCHS Code –5205] -In 2024 this commodity group had 0.76% share in India's total Export value basket as per DGCI&S database. As per UN Comtrade database India occupied the top slot in export of this commodity (3305.31 million USD) with 33.98% share of total global exports in the year 2024.

Import : Ferrous waste and Scrap; Remelting Scrap Ingots of Iron or Steel [ITCHS Code – 7204] – In 2024 this commodity group had share of 0.71% in India's total Import value basket as per DGCI&S database. India having 12.93% share of total global imports of this commodity (5049.44 million USD) occupied the 2nd slot in the world in 2024.

EXPORT

Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by Weight of Cotton classified as H.S. Code – 5205 falls under Chapter -52 (Cotton) of Section XI (Textiles and Textile Articles) of ITC-HS classification. India is engaged in the process of exporting this commodity and in 2024 this commodity group had 0.76% share in India's total Export value basket as per DGCIS database.

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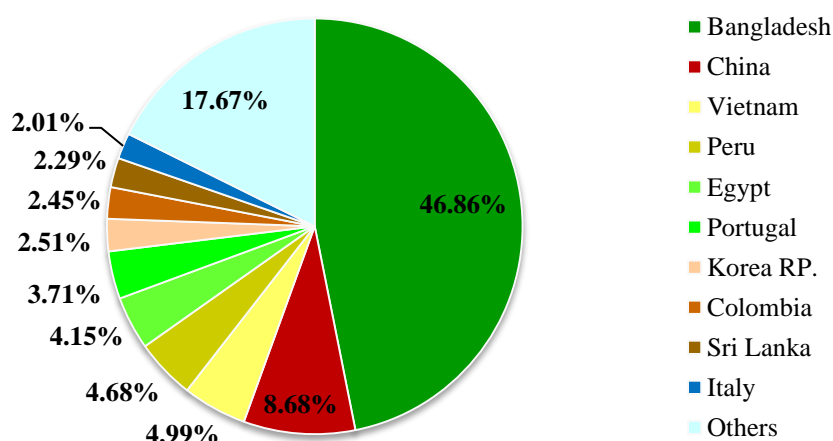
India's Top 10 destination of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton (ITCHS Code 5205)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Bangladesh	1723.58	36.76	1392.76	44.53	1194.79	34.14	1573.54	46.86
2.	China	949.89	20.26	109.77	3.51	720.18	20.58	291.47	8.68
3.	Vietnam	189.01	4.03	101.34	3.24	129.83	3.71	167.48	4.99
4.	Peru	175.26	3.74	123.05	3.93	121.62	3.48	157.10	4.68
5.	Egypt	188.07	4.01	180.17	5.76	183.60	5.25	139.33	4.15
6.	Portugal	210.79	4.50	128.29	4.10	149.12	4.26	124.49	3.71
7.	Korea RP	145.91	3.11	93.63	2.99	81.26	2.32	84.23	2.51
8.	Colombia	93.38	1.99	57.22	1.83	60.32	1.72	82.43	2.45
9.	Sri Lanka	90.53	1.93	89.69	2.87	76.87	2.20	77.04	2.29
10.	Italy	49.61	1.06	81.01	2.59	65.62	1.88	67.42	2.01
	Others	873.03	18.62	770.81	24.64	716.30	20.47	593.26	17.67
	Total	4689.07	100	3127.75	100	3499.51	100	3357.81	100

Source: DGCIS, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India's Export includes re-export also

India's top 10 destinations of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton (percentage share in 2024)



The total value of exports of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton from India amounted to USD 3357.81 million in 2024, decreased by 4.05% from 2023 levels.

Bangladesh (importing goods worth USD 1573.54 million in this segment from India) held the top position as an export destination in this segment from India with 46.86% share of India's total exports of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton in 2024. In second and third place in the year 2024 were China (USD 291.47 million) and Vietnam (USD 167.48 million) to where India exported around 8.68% and 4.99% share of total Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton respectively. Exports from India in this segment (as measured in value terms) decreased in 2022 over the year 2021 and followed by a leap in 2023 and again a little dip in 2024.

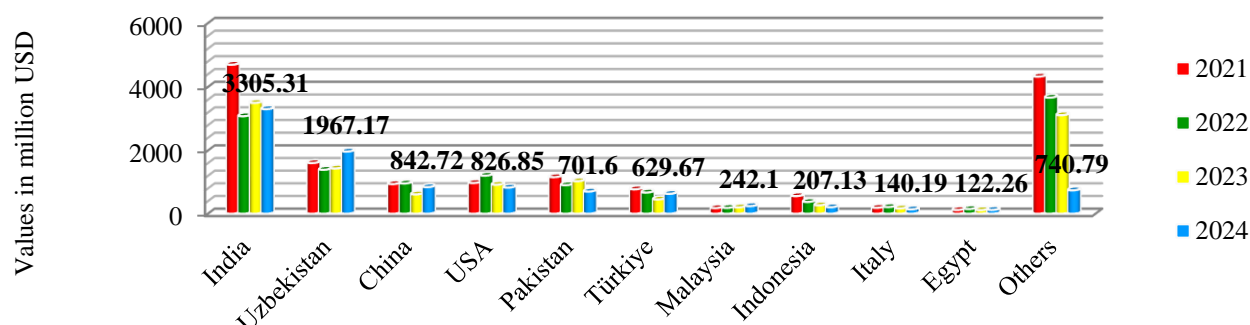
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World's Top 10 exporters of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton (ITCHS Code 5205)

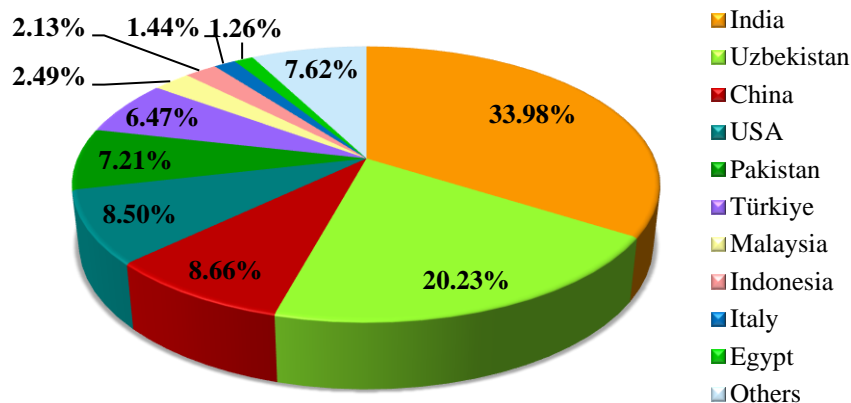
Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million \$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	India	4696.02	30.28	3082.70	24.09	3500.25	29.64	3305.31	33.98
2.	Uzbekistan	1603.30	10.34	1390.65	10.87	1430.91	12.12	1967.17	20.23
3.	China	939.46	6.06	958.53	7.49	610.66	5.17	842.72	8.66
4.	USA	973.29	6.28	1204.56	9.41	916.74	7.76	826.85	8.50
5.	Pakistan	1157.43	7.46	903.53	7.06	1030.04	8.72	701.60	7.21
6.	Türkiye	772.59	4.98	670.11	5.24	451.49	3.82	629.67	6.47
7.	Malaysia	178.79	1.15	185.22	1.45	201.91	1.71	242.10	2.49
8.	Indonesia	558.29	3.60	373.57	2.92	268.13	2.27	207.13	2.13
9.	Italy	188.11	1.21	212.28	1.66	168.60	1.43	140.19	1.44
10.	Egypt	119.09	0.77	149.59	1.17	116.01	0.98	122.26	1.26
	Others	4323.51	27.88	3666.17	28.65	3115.11	26.38	740.79	7.62
	Total	15509.88	100	12796.91	100	11809.86	100	9725.79	100

Source: UN Comtrade

Top 10 exporters of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton from 2021 to 2024 (Data labels signified only for 2024)



World's 10 leading exporters of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton (percentage share in 2024):



The global export of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton reached USD 9725.79 million in 2024, decreasing by more than 17.64% vis-à-vis the previous year's figure. The lead exporter in this segment has consistently been **India** (exporting goods worth a total of USD 3305.31 million) with 33.98% share in 2024 followed by Uzbekistan (USD 1967.17 million) and China (USD 842.72 million) with 20.23% and 8.66% respectively.

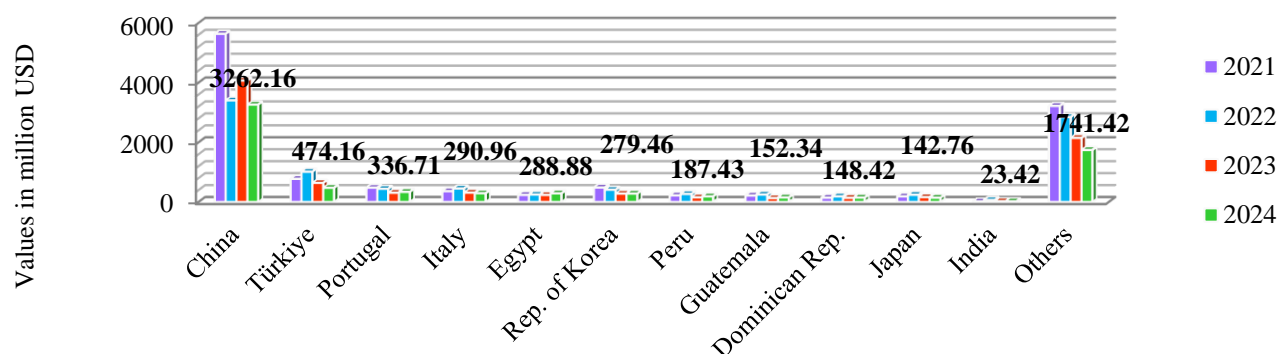
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World's top 10 Importers Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton (ITCHS Code 5205)

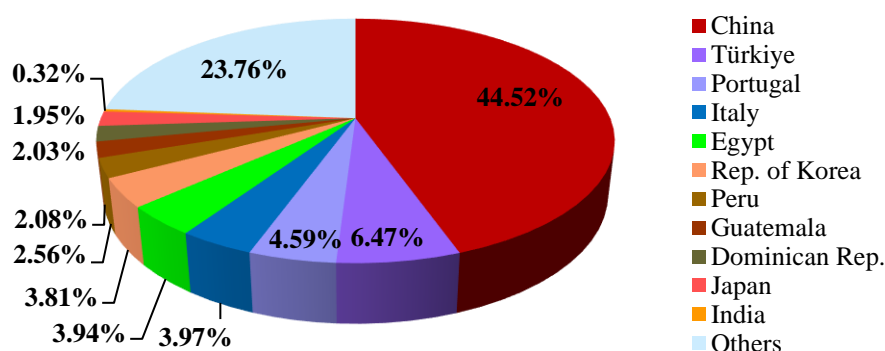
Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million \$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	China	5633.25	47.09	3404.34	34.66	4067.22	47.30	3262.16	44.52
2.	Türkiye	773.74	6.47	1014.17	10.33	638.34	7.42	474.16	6.47
3.	Portugal	477.09	3.99	440.24	4.48	308.47	3.59	336.71	4.59
4.	Italy	362.99	3.03	451.67	4.60	312.31	3.63	290.96	3.97
5.	Egypt	234.93	1.96	246.32	2.51	234.57	2.73	288.88	3.94
6.	Rep. of Korea	483.06	4.04	408.06	4.15	278.64	3.24	279.46	3.81
7.	Peru	219.04	1.83	266.62	2.71	155.28	1.81	187.43	2.56
8.	Guatemala	214.98	1.80	248.53	2.53	129.08	1.50	152.34	2.08
9.	Dominican Rep.	143.31	1.20	188.96	1.92	139.21	1.62	148.42	2.03
10.	Japan	188.57	1.58	241.45	2.46	164.68	1.92	142.76	1.95
34.	India	16.77	0.14	64.87	0.66	24.45	0.28	23.42	0.32
	Others	3215.88	26.88	2846.21	28.98	2146.35	24.96	1741.42	23.76
	Total	11963.62	100	9821.43	100	8598.60	100	7328.13	100

Source: UN Comtrade

Top 10 importers of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton from 2021 to 2024 Data labels signified for 2024



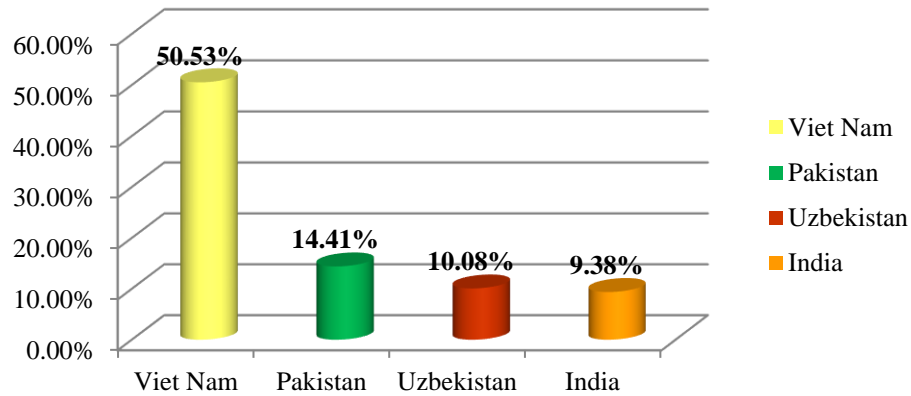
World's 10 leading importers of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton percentage share in 2024



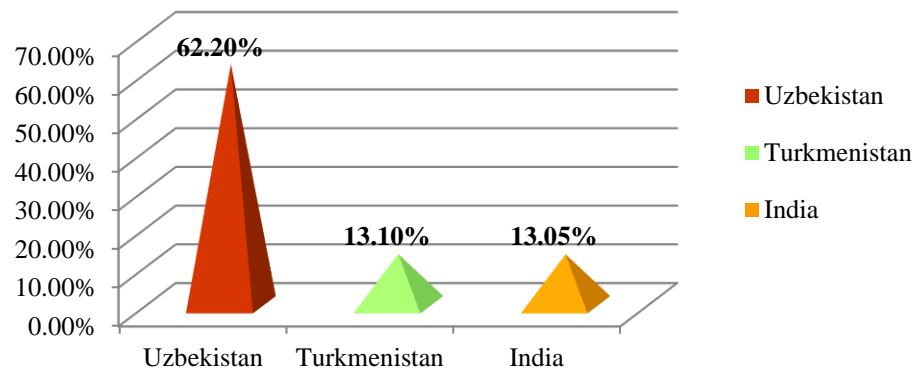
In 2024, the total global imports of goods in this segment amounted to USD 7328.13 million, decreased by 14.77% vis-à-vis the previous year's figure. In 2024, **India** occupied the 34th position by way of importing up to 0.32 % of global imports in this segment. Top 3 major importing countries were China, Türkiye and Portugal with 44.52%, 6.47% and 4.59% shares respectively. Total Import value in this segment continuously decreased till 2024.

As per UN Comtrade database the top 3 importers of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton were **China, Türkiye and Portugal**. These three country China, Türkiye and Portugal imported 9.38%, 13.05% and 37.46% share of their total import of this commodity from India in 2024 which are presented below:

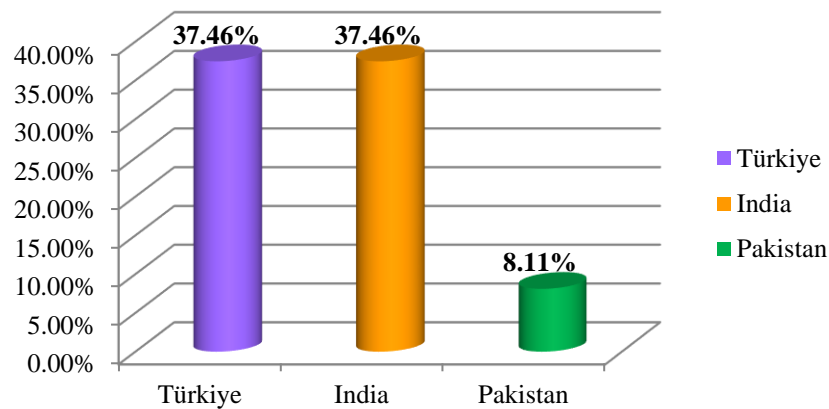
- (i) Top 3 supplier nations of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton to USA in 2024 (percentage share)



- (ii) Top 3 supplier nations of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton to Turkiye in 2024 (percentage share)



- (iii) Top 3 supplier nations of Cotton Yarn (other than Sewing Thread), Containing 85% or more by weight of Cotton to Portugal in 2024 (percentage share)



IMPORT

Ferrous waste and Scrap; Remelting Scrap Ingots of Iron or Steel as ITCHS Code – **7204** falls under Chapter -72 (Iron and steel) of Section – XV (Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal) of ITC-HS Classification.

India is engaged in the process of importing this commodity and in the 2024 this commodity group had share of 0.71% in India's total Import value basket as per DGCI&S database.

Table – 4

India's Top 10 sources of Ferrous waste and Scrap; Remelting Scrap Ingots of Iron or Steel (HS Code – 7204)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	U S A	408.00	10.27	848.02	13.94	1095.23	16.14	770.03	15.02
2.	U K	175.31	4.41	542.07	8.91	805.43	11.87	477.77	9.32
3.	U A E	724.27	18.23	913.88	15.02	575.45	8.48	334.60	6.53
4.	Singapore	323.22	8.13	385.22	6.33	391.41	5.77	317.45	6.19
5.	Malaysia	226.30	5.70	274.56	4.51	246.27	3.63	281.70	5.49
6.	Australia	92.99	2.34	87.61	1.44	142.49	2.10	212.11	4.14
7.	Brazil	56.12	1.41	69.71	1.15	208.28	3.07	204.87	4.00
8.	Bahrain IS	43.36	1.09	53.36	0.88	84.58	1.25	173.78	3.39
9.	Canada	115.05	2.90	180.24	2.96	263.52	3.88	170.61	3.33
10.	Poland	31.57	0.79	86.69	1.43	249.46	3.68	144.14	2.81
	Others	1777.08	44.73	2641.07	43.42	2723.26	40.13	2039.52	39.78
	Total	3973.28	100	6082.43	100	6785.37	100	5126.58	100

Source: DGCI&S, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India's Import includes re-import also

In 2024 India imported a total of USD 5126.58 million worth of Ferrous waste and Scrap; Remelting Scrap Ingots of Iron or Steel, a huge decline by 24.45% compared to the year 2023. As per available data, USA stood out as India's top importing partner in this segment with a share of 15.02% of India's total import value in this segment in 2024. Next in line comes UK and UAE with shares of 9.32% and 6.53% respectively. India's import value in this segment steadily increased till 2023 and then a huge dip in 2024 from 2023.

Table – 5

World's Top 10 Importers of Ferrous waste and Scrap; Remelting Scrap Ingots of Iron or Steel (HS Code – 7204)

Rank	Countries	2021		2022		2023		2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Türkiye	11126.30	20.12	9719.32	19.12	7601.86	17.43	8327.07	21.32
2.	India	3978.24	7.19	6129.48	12.06	6788.12	15.57	5049.44	12.93
3.	Belgium	3200.52	5.79	3218.85	6.33	2442.43	5.60	2694.85	6.90
4.	Italy	3222.55	5.83	2633.60	5.18	2608.31	5.98	2646.92	6.78
5.	USA	2603.04	4.71	2530.93	4.98	2281.99	5.23	1951.12	5.00
6.	Germany	2595.87	4.69	2343.49	4.61	1671.27	3.83	1898.25	4.86
7.	Netherlands	2067.26	3.74	1863.14	3.67	1558.14	3.57	1649.07	4.22
8.	Egypt	1896.50	3.43	1695.58	3.34	1450.21	3.33	1611.29	4.13
9.	Other Asia, nes	1553.13	2.81	1476.48	2.91	1635.31	3.75	1300.20	3.33
10.	Spain	2166.16	3.92	1590.83	3.13	1419.61	3.26	1290.02	3.30
	Others	20892.96	37.78	17621.06	34.67	14144.47	32.44	10636.18	27.23
	Total	55302.54	100	50822.77	100	43601.73	100	39054.41	100

Source: UN Comtrade

Worldwide import of Ferrous waste and Scrap; Remelting Scrap Ingots of Iron or Steel totalled to USD 39054.41 million in 2024, declined by nearly 10.43% over 2023 levels. Türkiye imported USD 8327.07 million worth of the commodity in 2024, making it the leading importer of the commodity group worldwide with 21.32% share of world imports. The import value of Ferrous waste and Scrap; Remelting Scrap Ingots of Iron or Steel in **India** amounted to approximately USD 5049.44 million in the year 2024 and ranked 2nd slot in the world with the share of 12.93% of total global import value of goods in this segment, followed by Belgium with a share of 6.90%. Over the period under review the trends of Global import of Ferrous waste and Scrap; Remelting Scrap Ingots of Iron or Steel was downward till 2024.
