

# 15<sup>th</sup> ASIAN Chemical Fiber Industries Federation (ACFIF) Conference 2026

Country Report : Malaysia

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Venue: Marriot Hotel, Penang, Malaysia



**MALAYSIAN TEXTILE MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION**



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## **Part 1: Malaysia's Economic Overview**

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## **Part 2: Malaysia's Chemical Fiber Industry**




# Malaysia's Economy Overview

# MALAYSIA AT A GLANCE


## Current Population

 **34.3 mil**  
(4Q 2025)


## Economic Growth

 **6.3%**  
(4Q 2025)


## Unemployment

 **2.9%**  
(Feb 2026)

## Inflation


 **1.4 %**  
(Feb 2026)

## Labour Force


 **17.30 mil**  
(Feb 2026)




## Minimum Wage

 **422 USD**  
(Since Feb 2025)


## Production Costs

 **-3.4 %**  
(Feb 2026)


## Manufacturing Output

 **+3.9%**  
(Feb 2026)

## Industrial Production

 **+3.1%**  
(Feb 2026)

## Wholesale & Retail Trade

 **+4.4%**  
(Feb 2026)

# TRADE PERFORMANCE 2025

The Highest Ever Value For Trade, Exports and Imports



*Total in USD is based on RM Exchange value with USD 1 as per 31 Dec 2025 : 4.05*

## GLOBAL TRADE RANKING 2025

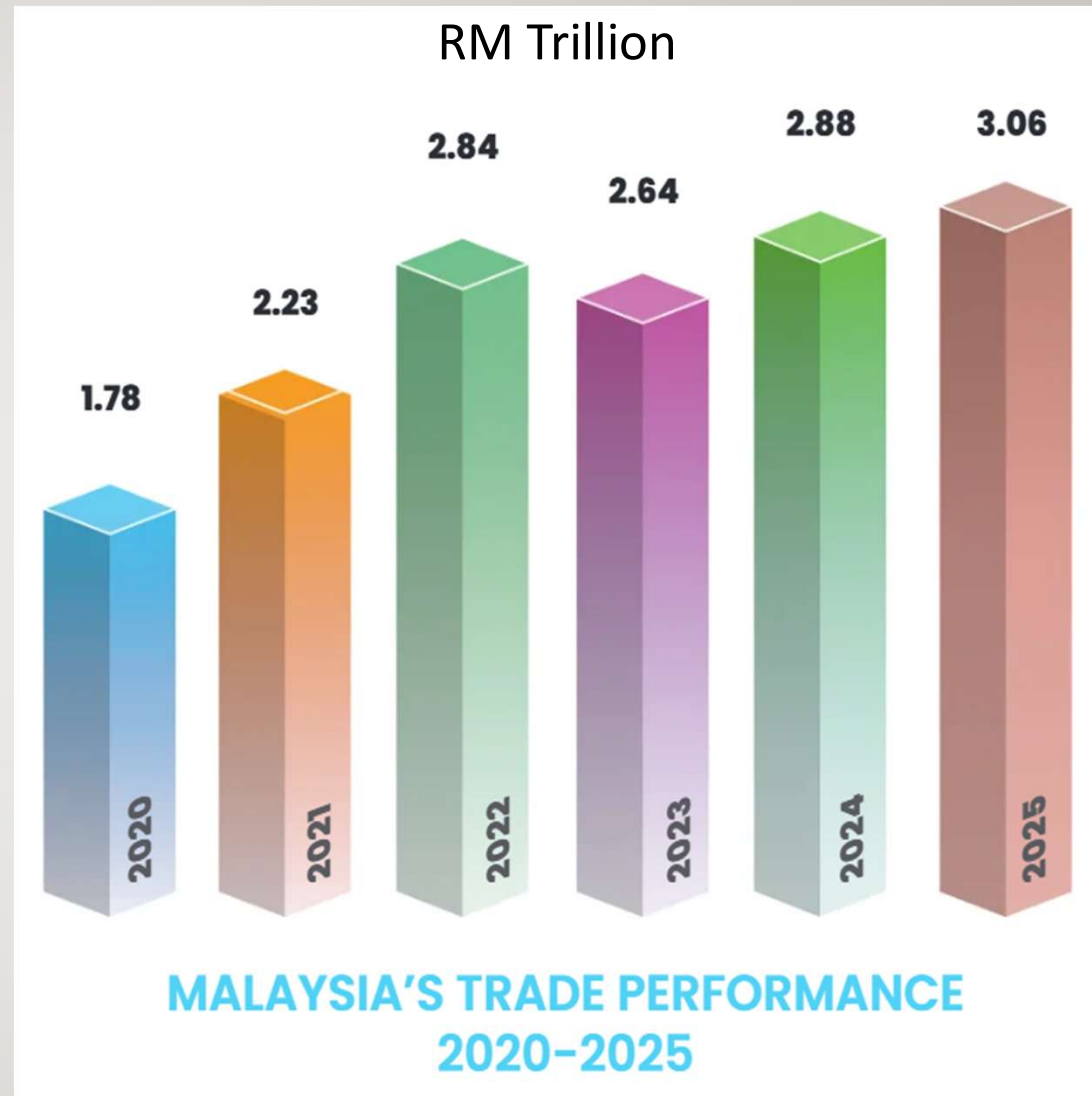
**RANKED 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**OUT OF 200**  
**MARKETS GLOBALLY**

## WORLD COMPETITIVENESS RANKING 2025



**23<sup>rd</sup> (2025)**  
**34<sup>th</sup> (2024)**  
**POSITION**

Source :  
Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (MATRADE)  
World Trade Organization



## ■ Total Approved Investment in 2025

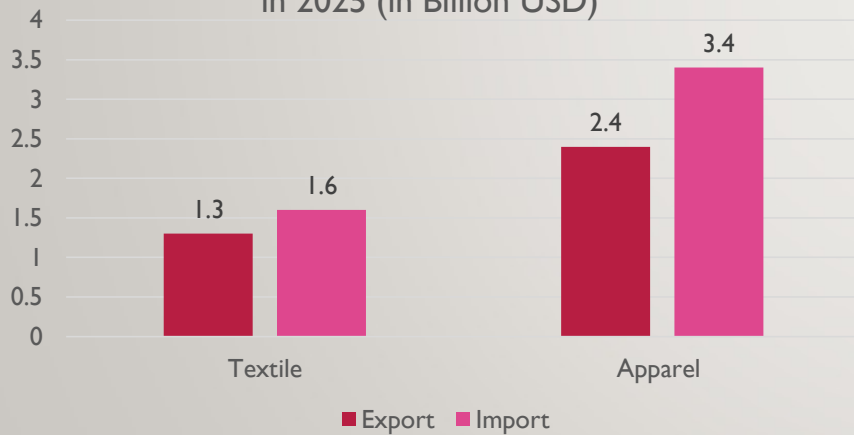
**USD 105 Bil**

**54.2 : 51.1 (Domestic-to-Foreign Investment Ratio)**

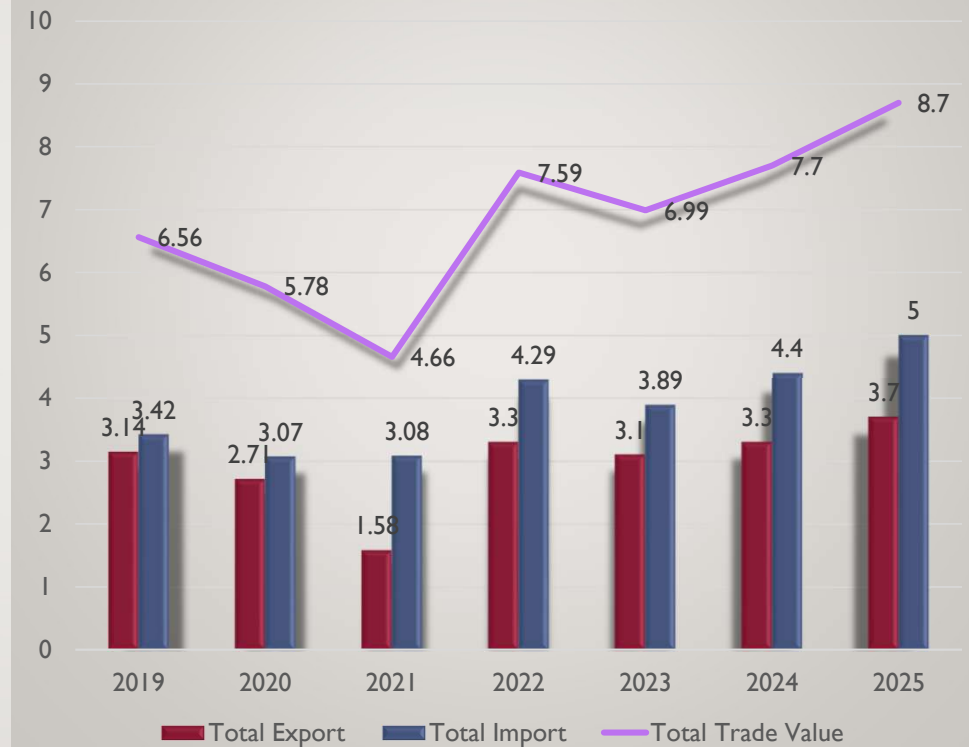
- FI is USD 51.1 Bil
- DI is USD 54.2 Bil

## ■ Textile & Apparel Trade Performance

Malaysia: Import and Export of Textile & Apparel in 2025 (in Billion USD)



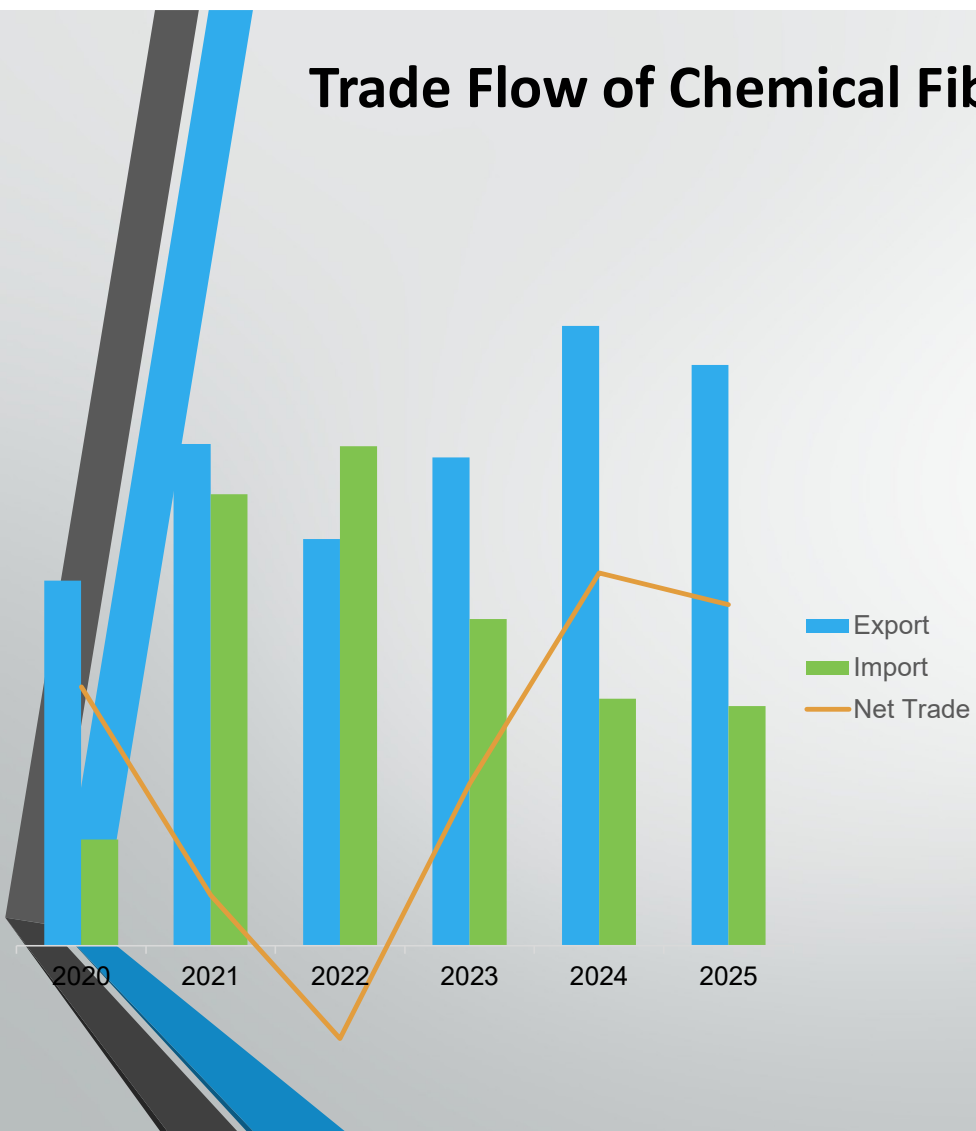
## Malaysia: Total Export and Import of Textile/ Apparel from 2019- 2025 (in Billion USD)





# Malaysia's Chemical Fiber Industry

## Trade Flow of Chemical Fiber Raw Material (2020 – 2025)

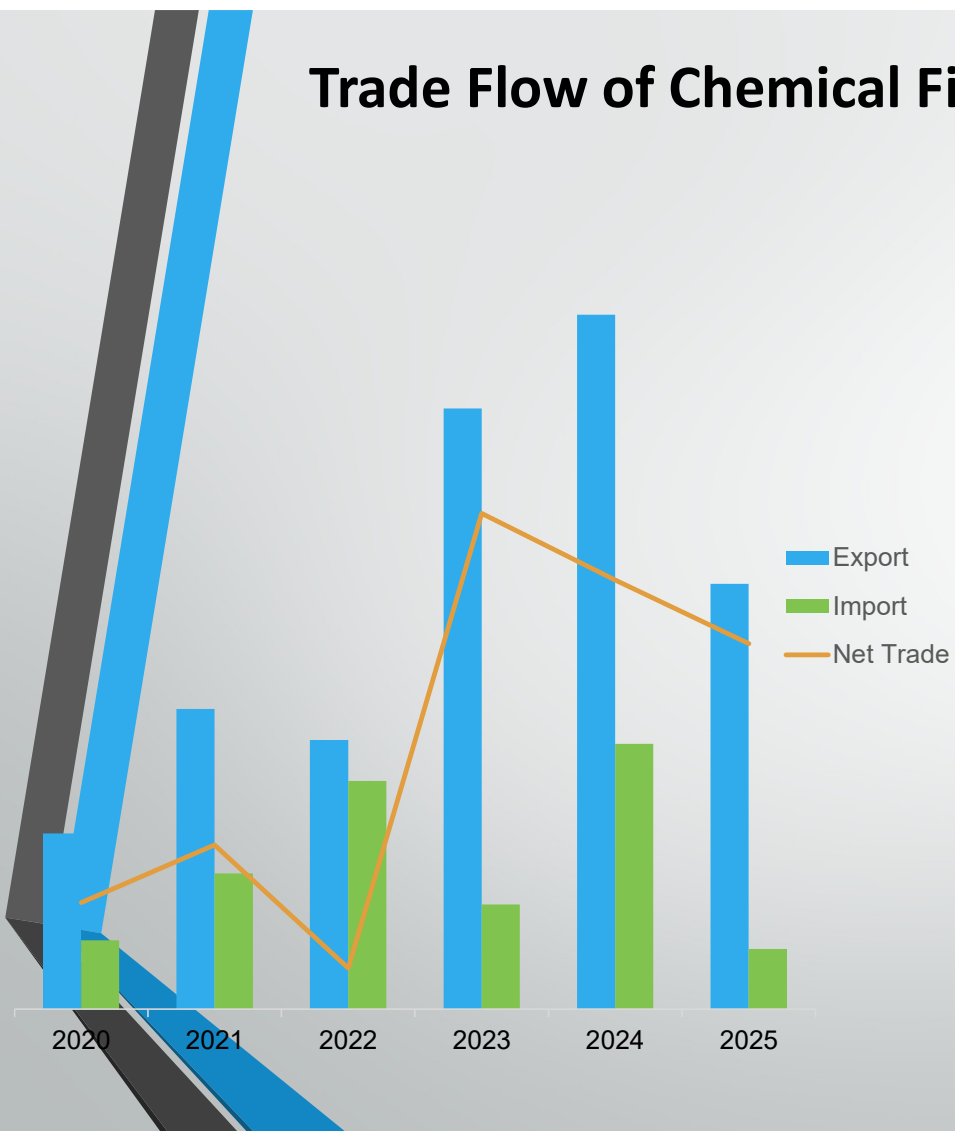


| MEG  |             | Export | Import | Net Trade |
|------|-------------|--------|--------|-----------|
| 2020 | USD Million | 102    | 30     | 72        |
| 2021 | USD Million | 135    | 122    | 3         |
| 2022 | USD Million | 104    | 128    | -24       |
| 2023 | USD Million | 120    | 80     | 40        |
| 2024 | USD Million | 157    | 63     | 94        |
| 2025 | USD Million | 161    | 67     | 94        |

Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)



## Trade Flow of Chemical Fiber Raw Material (2020 – 2025)



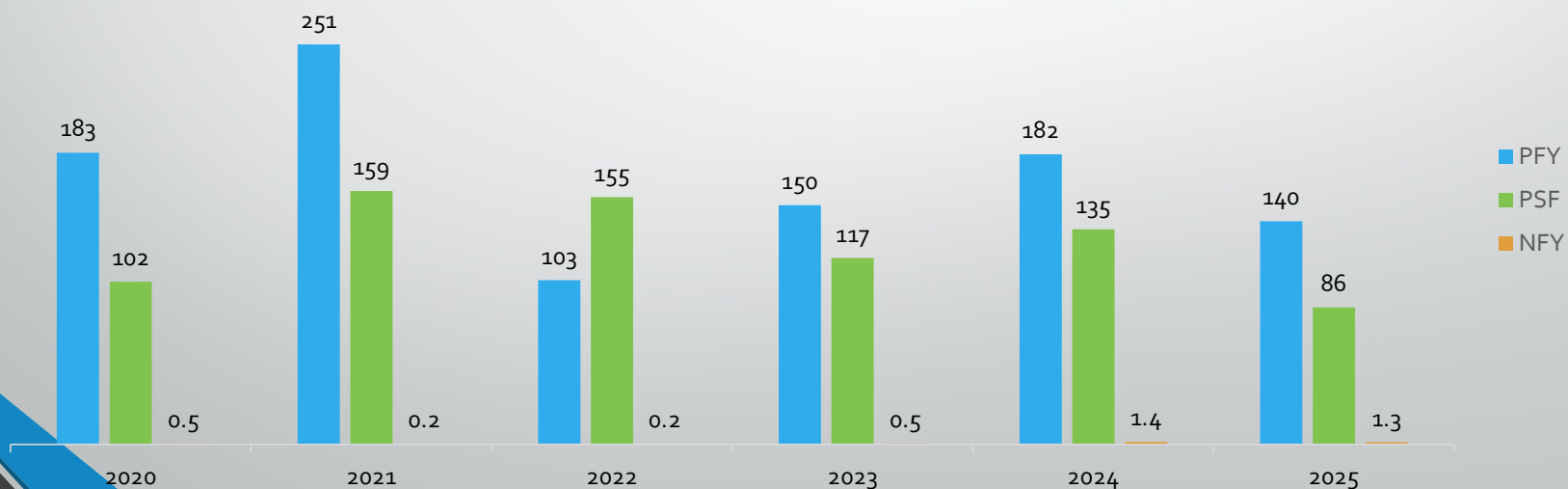
| PTA  |             | Export | Import | Net Trade |
|------|-------------|--------|--------|-----------|
| 2020 | USD Million | 49     | 19     | 30        |
| 2021 | USD Million | 81     | 37     | 44        |
| 2022 | USD Million | 69     | 58     | 11        |
| 2023 | USD Million | 148    | 26     | 122       |
| 2024 | USD Million | 177    | 68     | 109       |
| 2025 | USD Million | 118    | 17     | 101       |

Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)



## Export of Chemical Fiber by Categories (2020- 2025)

|       |             | 2020  | 2021  | 2022  | 2023  | 2024  | 2025 | CAGR (%) |
|-------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|----------|
| PFY   | USD Million | 183   | 251   | 103   | 150   | 182   | 140  | -5       |
| PSF   | USD Million | 102   | 159   | 155   | 117   | 135   | 86   | -3       |
| NFY   | USD Million | 0.5   | 0.2   | 0.2   | 0.5   | 1.4   | 1.3  | 21       |
| Total | USD Million | 285.5 | 410.2 | 258.2 | 267.5 | 318.4 | 227  | -4       |

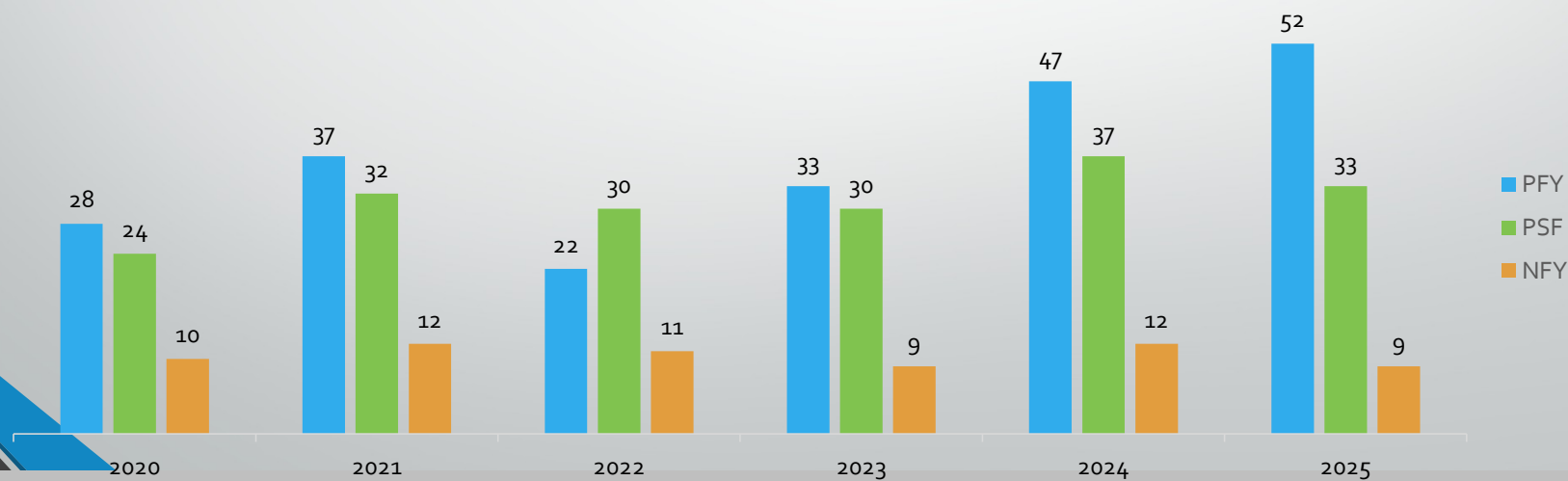


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## Import of Chemical Fiber by Categories (2020- 2025)

|       |             | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | CAGR (%) |
|-------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|----------|
| PFY   | USD Million | 28   | 37   | 22   | 33   | 47   | 52   | 13       |
| PSF   | USD Million | 24   | 32   | 30   | 30   | 37   | 33   | 6        |
| NFY   | USD Million | 10   | 12   | 11   | 9    | 12   | 9    | -2       |
| Total | USD Million | 62   | 81   | 63   | 72   | 96   | 94   | 8        |



Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)



# Total Export and Import of Chemical Fiber and Raw Materials 2020- 2025 (USD Million)



Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)



| Description  | 2024 ('000 Tons/Year) |            | 2025 ('000 Tons/Year) |            |
|--------------|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|
|              | Import                | Export     | Import                | Export     |
| PFY          | 28                    | 180        | 34                    | 120        |
| PSF          | 32                    | 129        | 30                    | 86         |
| NFY          | 1                     | 0.4        | 2                     | 1          |
| PTA          | 85                    | 220        | 24                    | 173        |
| MEG          | 49                    | 316        | 61                    | 327        |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>195</b>            | <b>845</b> | <b>151</b>            | <b>707</b> |

## Installed Capacity of Export and Import of Chemical Fiber and Raw Material 2024 & 2025





**THANK YOU  
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