Coronavirus Impact on Container Trade



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- Estimated worldwide container port throughput in the second quarter decreased by 8.2% year-on-year.
- This is a lower decline than previously envisaged and stands below the average fall in GDP across the advanced economies.
- The relationship between GDP and container trade activity has been on a diminishing and inconsistent trend in recent years
- Port activity in South Asia collapsed by over 24% between April and June and mirrored India's fall in GDP during this period.
- South Asia's crash in 2Q volume was the highest among all other regions.

Source: Container Forecaster, Quarter 3, September 2020, Drewry Maritime Research



Idle Ship Capacity - 2019 vs 2020





2019 2020



Idle Ship Capacity Share in Total Fleet (%) 2019 vs 2020





- Dwindled demand for transportation during the first eight months of 2020, pushed the ship idling activity.
- The share of idle capacity (w.r.t. the total ship capacity) remained above 4.5% till August, which is very unusual.
- The idling peaked in June when it almost touched the 10% mark in July 2020 and started declining as the governments started opening up of the economic activities in many parts of the world.



JNPT – Cancelled Ships in 2019 vs 2020





2019 2020



















- Declined in economic activity owing to the massive outbreak of the Coronavirus pandemic in major consumption centres like the US and Europe, compelled the carriers/alliances to suspend many services.
- In addition to service suspensions, many sailings were blanked during this period. As per the data available with Drewry, more than 75 sailings were missed during April and May on all major maritime routes.
- India being on the main Asia-Europe route, the impact was prominent. A total of 34 sailings were missed at JNPT during the second quarter of 2020.



Development of Freight Rates 40' on India's Major Export Route





- India (Nhava Sheva) to North China (Tianjin) 40ft Dry
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- Strict capacity management by the shipping lines resulted in soaring of the freight rates across all major trade routes.
- It is in sharp contrast to the trends observed in the 2008-09 financial crisis. Thanks to the disciplined alliance system and the presence of fewer shipping lines (compared to the 2008 scenario).
- Drewry's East-West Freight Rate Index reached \$2,775 in September 2020, highest since 2011.
- Rates for JNPT-New York (40 ft box) reached \$4,000, highest since 2015.



Indian Container Throughput Growth During Covid (April - August)







Source: Maritime Gateway

Container Terminals Ranking (FY 2019-2020)







High Throughput, High Growth Terminals **ACMTPL, BMCTPL, MICT**

Medium Throughput, High Growth Terminals AKPCT, DBGT, KICT, VCT

Low Throughput, High Growth Terminals **AECTPL**

Medium Throughput, Medium Growth Terminals

High Throughput, Low Growth Terminals AICTPL, AMCT, APMT, CITPL, JNPCT, APMT-P

Medium Throughput, Low Growth Terminals CCTL, ICTT, BKCT, NSICT, NSIGT

Low Throughput, Low Growth Terminals **HICT, KCT, TCT**

High	AECTPL	AKPCT, DBGT Kict, Vct	ACMTPL, BMCTPL, Mict
Medium		AHCT, AMCT, NCT	
Low	НІСТ КСТ, ТСТ	CCTL, ICTT BKCT, NSICT, NSIGT	AICTPL, AMCT, APMT, Citpl, JNPCT, APMT-P
	Low	Medium	High

Throughput

AMCT : NSIGT : ACMT : MICT : CIT : APMT-P : BMCT : JNPCT : AKP : DBGT : ICTT :	Jawaharlal Nehru Port Container Terminals Adani Kattupalli Port	
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DBGT : ICTT :	Dakshin Bharat Gateway Terminal	
ICTT :		
ALICT		
AHCT :	Adani Hazira Container Terminal	
BKCT :	Bharat Kolkata Container Terminal	
HICT :	Haldia International Container Terminal	
NCT :	Navayuga Container Terminal	
NSICT :	Nhava Sheva International Container Terminal	
VCT :	Visakha Container Terminal	
CCT :	Chennai Container Terminal	
KICT :	Kandla International Container Terminal	
TCT :	PSA SICAL Tuticorin Container Terminal	
AECT :	Adani Ennore Container Terminal	
KCT :	Kakinada Container Terminal	

	Throughput (TEUs)	Growth (Y-O-Y)(%)
High	>700,000	>12%
Moderate	700,000- 350,000	6%-12%
Low	<350,000	<6%

Top 10 Import Commodities





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Source: Maritime Gateway

Top 10 Export Commodities











Container Throughput Growth Forecast at Major Regions





Source: Container Forecaster, September 2020, Drewry Maritime Research



Quarterly Forecast of Container Throughput Growth in South Asia and World







Source: Container Forecaster, September 2020, Drewry Maritime Research



- Container port throughput confounded expectations in 2Q20 to register a far smaller decrease than envisaged.
- We expect the port handling at ports around the world to decline by 3.3% in 2020. With a low base, we expect the port throughput to grow by 6.6% in 2021.
- South Asia is likely to continue posting a negative return until the second quarter of 2021. We expect South Asia port throughput to decline by 10% in 2020. However, the recovery should start in 2021 with a growth rate of 8.1%.





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